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King Allan Bolter and Queen Connie Welch descend from the throne to lead the Grand March.

## Bradford Crittenden To Speak At Tenth Grade Commencement

Presenting the address to the graduating class at the commencement exercises at seven o'clock on June 11 in the stadium will be Mr. Bradford J. Crittenden, assistant district attorney. The invocation will be given by the Reverend Ermie C. Obien, pastor of the Phillipino Methodist Church.

## Enrollment Grows; 28 New Teachers To Join Faculty

Due to the increase in enrollment, 19 new teachers will be added to Edison's faculty and nine new teachers will take the place of those leaving and transferring, making a total of 28 new teachers next fall.

Those leaving Edison are Mr. Jack Gilkey, who will teach at Mountain View, Mr. William Scalapino at Taft Junior College and Mr. Franklin Youngborg at Modesto.

Transferring to Webster High are Mr. Dale Allen and Mr. Kenneth Crow. Mr. Jay Child goes to an elementary school, and Miss Verna Page will be leaving for Stockton College.

Miss Adele Hardebeck is to be married and live in the Bay area. Mrs. Orpha Fessler will join her husband in Japan.

This year there were 1650 students enrolled at Edison. Next year due to 500 new seventh and eighth grade students there will be 2150.

Because the condemned buildings of High School Annex will be torn down, Edison will receive the entire High School Annex student body. These students will be housed in temporary buildings in the parking lot.

The procession of graduates will be led by the class officers.

The music for the processional and recessional march, "Pomp and Circumstance," will be provided by the band under the direction of Mr. James Urbani.

Principal Carl Baker will make the presentation of the class and the diplomas will be awarded by Mrs. Henry M. Brandstad, a member of the Board of Education.

## Graduates Attend Luncheon Program

The Edison campus was the setting for a fashion parade on May 19, the annual graduates' Dress Up Day.

After the class picture was taken in the stadium, the graduates returned to the cafeteria for a luncheon and program.

Included in the program were two numbers by the Wizards, vocal solos by Shiriey Freeman and Truman McGill.

The Four Charmers, Florence Reed, Mildred Reed, sang "How-do you-do". Ronie Reed, Lonnie Reed, Spencer Reed and Ernest Reed sang "Hambones".

Bill Donahue read the class prophecy and Eddie Avila read the class will.

Following the program the class had a dance in the gym.

## Royal Pair Crowned at Coronation Ball; Last Dance of Year Honors Graduates

Attending the year's largest and most colorful event, the Coronation Ball, approximately 450 students, faculty members, and parents crowded into the gym on Friday night, May 5.

The climax of the evening was the crowning of Allan Bolter and Connie Welch as king and queen for the year 1954-55. The king and queen of last year, Freddie Almendarez and Joan Fontanilla, were honored as members of the court took their places near the throne. Phillip Bingham, master of ceremonies, then made the introductions.

Leading the grand march was the royal court. This court consisted of King Allan Bolter and Queen Connie Welch, Crown prince Jerry Fox, Crown princess Eva Reyes, Princesses Mary Hedrick, Maxine Duran, Phyllis Villamor, and Sharon Williams; Princes Bob Uyesugi, Eddie Torres, Frank Obien, and Bill Laughlin. Shirley Freeman was the crown bearer.

### LAST DANCE OF YEAR

Ending Edison's social season, tonight's dance in honor of the graduating class will feature Mel Serventi's orchestra.

Following the theme of the dance, Graduation, the decorations will include caricatures of many of Edison's most popular students.

## Outstanding Pupils Receive Awards

Awards were presented to students for outstanding achievements in activities and class work at an assembly in the Stadium, May 27.

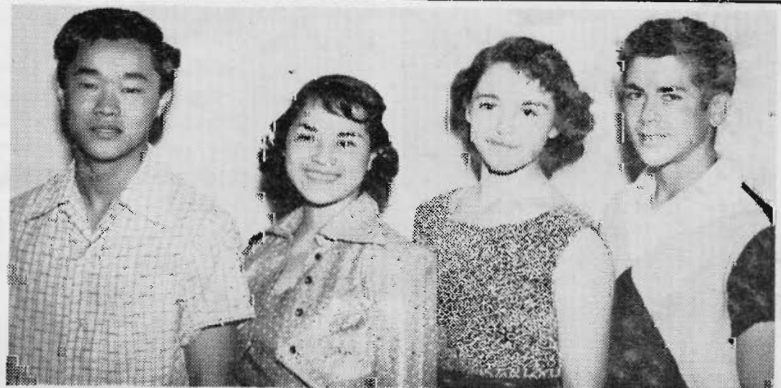
The athletic awards for football, basketball, track, and swimming were given by the four coaches.

Miss Anderson presented felt letters and pins for the Spanish awards. The tens who received pins were Johnnie Morales and Robert Lerma.

Cub, journeymen and star pins were given to seven members of the Hi-Lite staff by Mrs. Hofmeister. She also gave certificates and pins to outstanding Latin students. Frances Nakano and Nobuko Tanaka won the scholarship keys.

Mr. Davey was in charge of the typing presentations, while Mr. Lohead gave Ray Mell and Betty Lou McCann awards for drama.

Mrs. Doan presented certificates for public speaking.



Class officers—Bob Uyesugi, president; Eva Reyes, vice president; Elsie Rateile, secretary; Alfred Del Prato, treasurer, plan class activities.



## Thanks For Your Help

As the school year comes to a close the Hi-Lite staff completes another year of successful publication including this thirty-six page graduation issue.

Behind the scenes are people who receive very little recognition for their work on your school paper.

We wish to thank Miss Frances Carter, who gave up much of her free time to type copy, Mrs. Hofmeister, who works continually to make the Hi-Lite a better publication, and the Stockton College print shop staff for their patience in printing the last issue.

The staff would also like to say thank you to Benny Woo, who designed the cover; Mr. Crow and the print shop boys, who silk screened it; Miss Campbell, who designed the outstanding graduate page, and Mr. Peckham, the photographer.

We hope you have enjoyed this year's Hi-Lites as much as we have enjoyed presenting them to you.

## Faculty, Clubs Enjoy Annual Picnics

by James Shelton

Climb aboard, kids. We're off! Off to see the various club parties and picnics. First, I'll set the time machine dial back to May 27 because that's when the faculty had their picnic at Micke's Grove.

Hey look! There's a softball game going on. And looks who's up to bat, Mad Man Riley. Hooray he got a hit! M-m-m look at that food, steak and all the trimmings.

Back into the time machine. Next we'll go to the Latin Club picnic and swim on June 2 at Oak Park. Well, here we are. There's Mrs. Hofmeister by the wading pool roasting hot dogs. There are some

girls from the Latin Club about to dive into the pool. Boy, that water looks refreshing.

Look at the time. We have to go to Mr. Robert Gray's house for a Sigma Pi chicken dinner. Let's listen to Bill Donahue read his short story to entertain them.

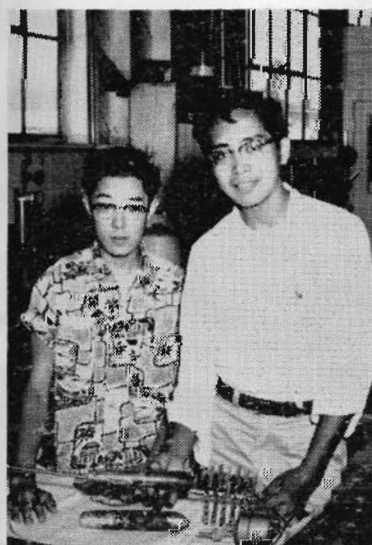
Next we'll go to the school farm for the music department picnic. I'll set the dial for June 5. Here we are! Man, those hot dogs look good. Let's see if we can get one and a coke too. We would go hiking except that we have to get back to Edison for the Honor E privilege day June 9.

## Boys Experiment With Jet Engine

With the age of jet propulsion and atomic energy starting them in the face, two Edison students, Henry Shishido and Frank Campo, have decided to catch up with the times.

Utilizing the school's power shop they are assembling a unique model of a jet engine. The boys drew the plans with the help of Mr. Barry Beach, life science instructor, and with information obtained from two Generals, General Electric and General Motors.

Working in their spare time after school, the boys have made a compressor which forces air into two tubes, the combustion chambers. They still need to construct a turbine to keep the compressor turning.



Henry Shishido and Frank Campo display their jet engine.



Nancy Nakata, Lynn Matteson and Sally May admire their prizes received for winning the short story contest sponsored by Sigma Pi.

## Matteson, Nakata, May Win Prizes In Sigma Pi Short Story Contest

Lynn Matteson received a Parker pen as first prize for his short story, titled, "Paradise Unknown", from the Sratcky Pen Club.

"All Star Martin" written by Nancy Nakata was given second place and a Parker pencil was awarded her. A book of short stories was received by Sally May for her story, "Car-Repossessed".

Lynn's story revolved around a plot in which an atomic bomb explosion left two brothers, who were

hermits, alive and alone in the Everglades.

"All Star Martin" was a story about a ball player who broke his arm and could never pitch in the big leagues again.

"Car-Repossessed" is an involved plot. By mistake the hero steals his boss's wife's car. He loses his job and the car, which his girl friend bought. In the end the boss's wife gets the car, the boss gets the money and the hero gets the girl.

## President Uyesugi Bids EHS Farewell

It is not easy to write a farewell message for it reminds me of all of the happy days I have spent at Edison. I wish it were not time to leave. It has been four years of school work made enjoyable by responsibilities and good times.

As your Student Body President, I have learned many problems that are facing our teachers and principal and how they in turn affect us. It takes the cooperation of students and teachers to solve them.

The Student Council worked hard this year to improve our school. I wish to thank our faculty and the administrators for their advice and help in carrying out our ideas. I would especially like to thank our sponsor, Miss Campbell, for her time and effort.

With so many new students coming to Edison next year, the newly elected Student Body Officers will need your complete cooperation. My best wishes to them and to you for a happy year.

Bob Uyesugi

## Campus Inquirer

by Phillip Bingham

Since this is the final edition of the 1953-54 Edison Hi-Lite, the Campus Inquirer has focused this questions on the graduates, "What will you miss most when you leave Edison?"

Richard Tait will miss Miss Carter's long geometry homework assignments.

After a few minutes of thought Dorthea Dacean replies, "I am going to miss standing at my student control post and telling the students to slow down."

"Mr. Minahen and his speeches", commented Setsuko Abe.

Robert Izquierdo will pine for all the pretty girls at Edison.

"Miss Trachiotis", sighed Darryl Wong.

Bob Uyesugi said, "I'll miss working with my Student Council."

"I'm going to miss that new girls' gym that is in the process of being built," replied Katherine Iwamoto.

"That good food that they serve in the cafeteria," stated John Kawada.

Joan Itaya is going to miss all the wonderful teachers at Edison.

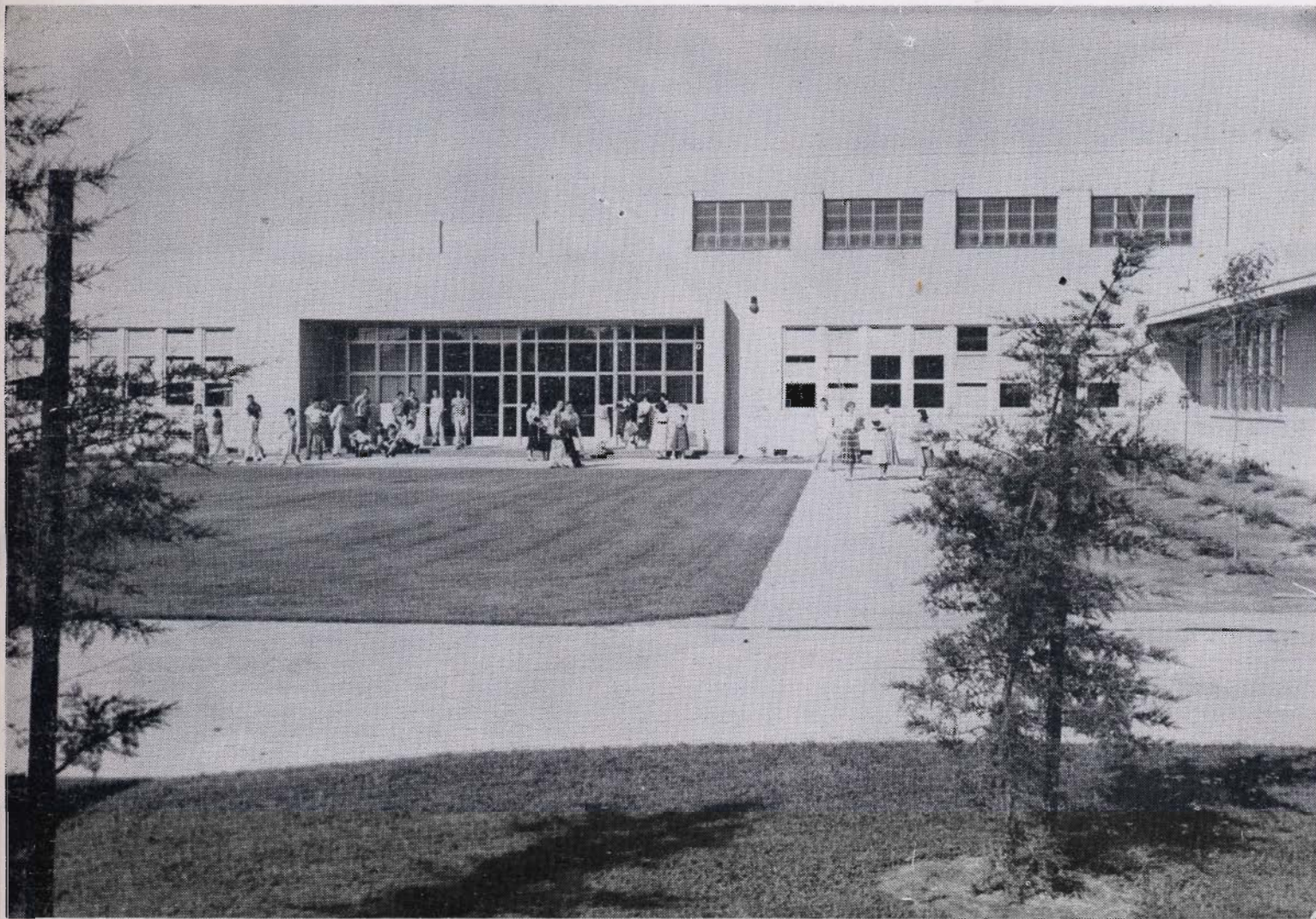
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Bernice Campbell, Mr. William McBride, Mr. Oliver Clark, Miss Marjorie Larsen, Mr. August Day, Mr. James Urbani, Miss Virginia Howe. Fourth row—Mr. Charles Stenson, Mr. Harry Peckham, Mr. Barry Beach, Mr. Jason Anderson, Mr. Larry Minahen, Mr. Arthur Lochhead.



# GRADUATES OF '54



Top Row—Norma Aamoth, Setsuko Abe, Antonia Acosta, Lillie Adkins, Irene Auguilar, Jessie Auguilar, David Aguirre, Cynthia Ah Tye, Tom Allen, Valoria Allston, Lillian Alsop, Ray Alvarado.

Bottom Row—Francis Amador, Roy Anderson, Maxine Angelo, Gloria Aranjuez, Marcelina Aring, Martin Atilano, Eddie Avila, Lilly Avila, Tony Avila, Betty Ayson, Alfred Baguio, Mary Baldo.



Top Row—Rosalie Banda, Stella Batres, Peggy Beckes, Juanita Bell, Wenona Beltran, Roger Benedito, Kenneth Berger, Don Biancalana, Phillip Bingham, Essie Mae Bogan, Allen Bolter, Jimmy Borges. Middle Row—Carolyn Breakfield, Myrtle Bridges, Harold Brooks, Miriam Brudernick, Micheal Burrow, Maxine

Cabebe, Leonard Cabeliza, Elena Caceres, Charles Calvert, George Camara, Tommy Campbell, Ivory Cannon. Bottom Row—Rosalinda Cano, Pat Carido, Tony Castello, Humberto Cenicerros, Frances Chacon, Barbara Chan, Florence Chan, Wing Chan, Bill Chin, Sun Chin, Warren Chin, Gene Clark.



Top Row—Ranson Clark, Raymond Claveron, Robert Clackler, Charles Clements, Richard Cole, Frank Campo, Docia Cox, Ray Cox, Jim Craggs, Katie Crowe, Kenneth Cudal, Dorothea Daclan. Bottom Row—Genevieve Dario, Laurine Dal Porto, Alice Daniels,

Bill Davidson, Eddie Davidson, Richard Deal, Larry Deaton, Phyllis De Ganna, Eliza Delgado, Sam Delgado, Aldo Dell'Oso, Alfred Del Prato.



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Bottom Row—Alfred Erion, Lucy Escotto, Valeria Espinoza, Dan

Esquerra, Caroline Estrada, Joe Estrada, Kathy Ferguson, Donaciano Fernandez, Faye Fierro, Eugene Fleming, Carmen E. Flores, Carmen Flores.



Top Row—Isabella Flores, Johnny Flores, Jerry Fox, Rita Franco, Jessie Frazier, Shirley Freeman, Richard Gann, Carmen Garcia, Rosalie Garcia, Joyce Gardner, Adeline Gascon, Joyce Gehman,  
Middle Row—Angie Gemigniani, Bill Gentry, Mack George, Carmen Geralaga, Geraldine Gibbs, Henry Go, Edith Gong, David

Gonzales, Don John Gonzales, Mary Gonzales, Ronnie Gonzales, Charles Goodwin. Bottom Row—Marlene Gorley, William Graham, Bill Green, Winifred Greer, Rosie Gregorius, Rosella Gremillion, Tony Guebara, Frank Guidi, Beatrice Guillen, Arthur Gums, Joe Gunther, Annie Gutierrez.

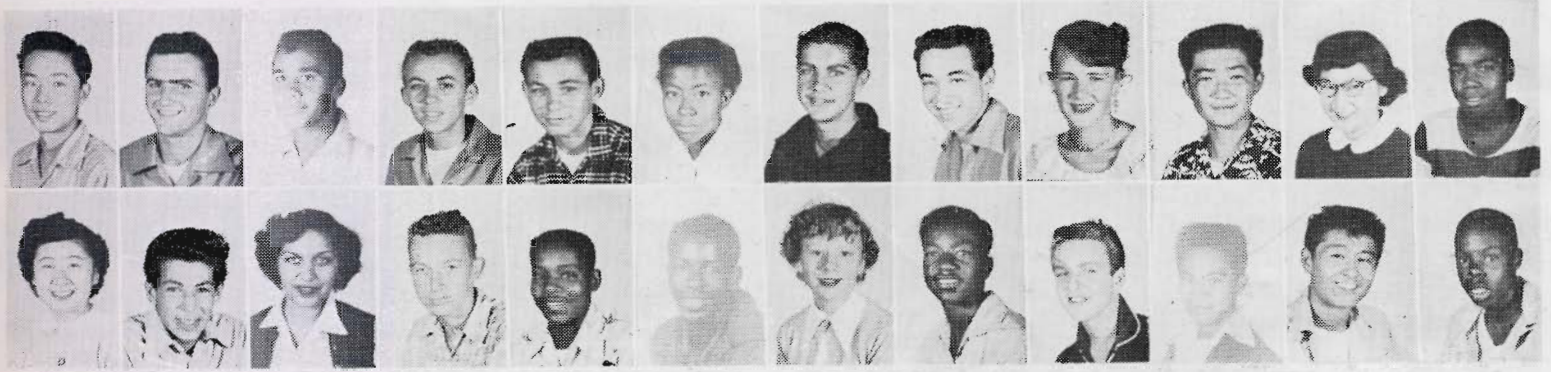


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Herrera, Dan Higashi, Arlene Higday, Edwin Hill, Mary Louise Hill, Audrie Hing, Mike Hirata, Shirley Hirschhorn, Clayton Hoffman, Helen Holloway, Gene Holman.



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Top Row—Bevin Hong, Roger Hopkins, Joe Howard, Larry Howell, Virgil Howell, Lillie Humphrey, John Hunt, Carlos Inguillo, Anita Irey, Gary Ishimaru, Joan Itaya, Ernest Ivy.  
Bottom row—Katherine Iwamoto, Robert Izquierdo, Gloria Jar-

amillo, Dan Jenkins, Gerald Johnson, Wilson Johnson, Denise Jones, James Jones, Jim Jordan, Cyril Juanitas, John Kawada, Hugh Kelley.



Top row—Lewis Koe, Ronald Kuehl, Arlene Lagrimas, Ernest Lagrimas, Ray Lahaie, Shirley Lahaie, Lorina A. Larimore, Jeffrey Lau, Bill Laughlin, Rosie Lawson, Calvin Lee, Odessa Lee.  
Middle row—Sharon Lee, Ray Leitner, Henry Lew, Johnny Lew, Richard Logemann, Betty Lopez, Catherine Lopez, Dolores

Lopez, Ralph Lopez, Robert B. Lopez, Jerome Lorenze, Prudencio Lorenze. Bottom row—Eva Louie, Nancy Louie, Robert Lucas, Sharon Ludlow, Betty McAuliffe, Truman McGill, Shirley Anne McLain, Bob McSkimming, Daisy Maistas, Jean Mah, Mildred Mahan, Ray Mahnke.



Top row—Sadao Manabe, Charles Marchall, Pat Mason, Jeanette Mateer, Bernice Matsunaga, Chester Matsunaga, Sally May, Janice Mayer, Iwane Mayfield, Raymond Mell, Dolores Mello, Louie Mello. Bottom row—John Mendoza, Donna Mendenhall,

Rachel Mendoza, Dolores Mitchell, Douglas Mitchell, George Miyai, Celia Montez, Shirley May Moore, Johnnie Morales, Paul Morales, Harry Moreno, John Moreno.



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Okubo, Ray Olivas, Cutie Bell Oliver, Rochelle Onweiler, Ramona Padilla, Ray Padilla, Arthur Patrick, Luis Perez, Louis Perez, Janice Pederson, Iris Peterson, Faynell Phillips.



Top row—Nan Phipps, Nona Phipps, Refugio Piceno, Finus Pilgrim, Shirley Poor, Lester Price, Shirley Price, Dorothy Quintana, Velia Ramirez, Elsie Ratelle, Lawrence Ready, Leon Ready. Middle row—Florence Reed, Mildred Reed, George Renteria, riscilla Revillar, Eva Reyes, Phyllis Riberal, Jessie Robles,

Gilbert Rodriguez, Ernestine Rueda, Robert Rugnao, Charlene Ruiz, Jerry Rusher. Bottom row—Ruth Saiz, Rudy Salgado, Mildred Sanchez, Linda Santillano, Frank Saragoza, Conrad Schaffer, Beverly Schumock, Dorothy Scott, Rosemary Scott, Gloria Sepulveda, James Shelton, Chiyo Shingu.



Top row—Henry Shishido, Edward Simmons, Tawana Stringer, Wanita Singh, Ronald Singson, Adele Sinogui, Helen Solis, Donald Souza, Mary St. Clair, Marie Stevens, Tony Tacla, Shirley Tadloc. Bottom row—Andrea Tagupa, Richard Tait, Nobuko

Tanaka, Robert Tanaka, Glenn Tankersley, Dorothy Thomas, Lindley Thomas, Betty Tomingo, Margarite Tomlinson, Verna Tomlinson, Eddie Torres, Virginia Tow.

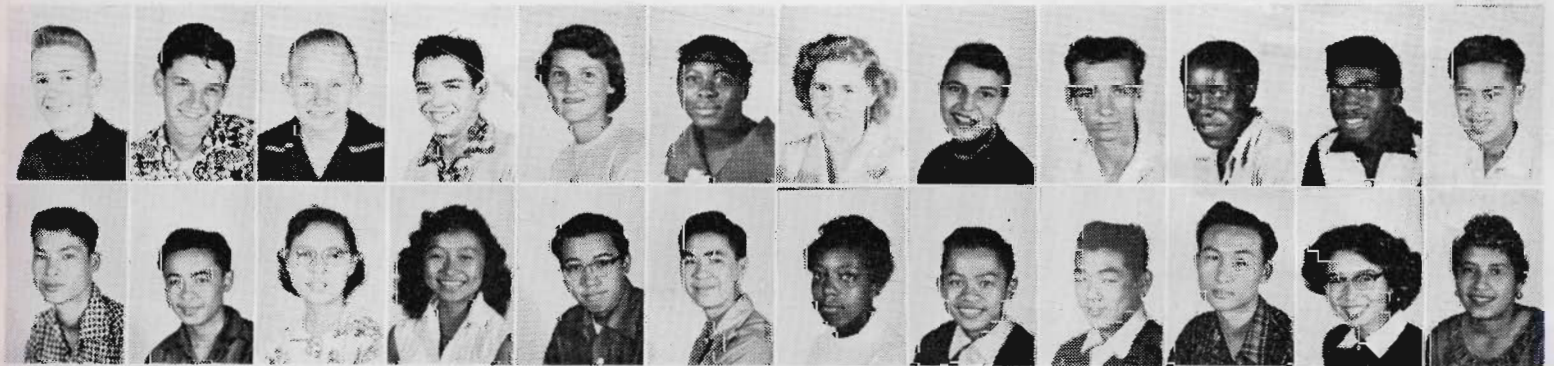


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Ronald Vollmer, Laverne Vierra, Lorena Waller, Keith Walters, Theresa Washington, Walter Washington, Mitchiko Watanabe, Connie Welch, Doug Welliver, Leroy Wells.



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Wong, Dorothy Fue Wong, Magnolia Wong, Ronald Wong, Ying Wong, Essie Wright, Albert Yadao, Shoji Yamamoto, Bob Yip, Janice Yoneshige, Marcella Zuletta.

## ABSENTEE LIST

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