

UNDERGRADUATES

THE TERM "STUDENT BODY" is a phrase aptly coined. Just as the faculty might be likened to the heart of St. Francis College, and the Administration to the head, so the students embody the corporate entity of their school. But the student body is not a static physical thing. Its individual components are in a constant state of cyclical flux. The motion of the St. Francis cycle is initiated from within the student body as each young man progresses in knowledge and accreditation until such time as his annual cycle is complete and he too moves on to the next scholastic year. The undergraduate years are primarily a cycle of transformation. The ideal goal is the metamorphosis of the student, who enters St. Francis as an impressionable teenager and emerges after four years of Franciscan training as an educated young adult. It is to this end that all the endeavors of St. Francis College are pointed . . . the successful fulfillment of one cycle and the inception of the next. The discerning reader, in surveying the undergraduate section of the 1961 *Franciscan*, will note the concrete evidence of this cycle of transformation in the development of the St. Francis student from his Freshman to his Junior year. The accomplishments and the character of each class and the individuals who comprise it reveal themselves in an obvious pattern of intellectual growth and spiritual development. Each year builds upon the last while looking forward to the next. When each of the four years has been traversed and all its lessons learned, the undergraduate cycle culminates in the graduate, and looks to the future for the verification of the Franciscan ideal of education.





THE CYCLE OF THE SEASONS brings warm breezes to St. Francis College as these undergraduates gather on the benches of the Father Moran Court in the Spring of their academic cycle.