



The

# BELLES

## OF SAINT MARY'S



VOL. I, No. 1

RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

SEPTEMBER 30, 1937

### BISHOP PENICK SPEAKS AT OPENING CHAPEL SERVICE

Bishop Penick's welcome to the faculty and students Thursday morning was an inspiration to us all. Through an analogy taken from the story of Gideon and the Mideonites, in which he compared Saint Mary's students with Gideon's selected band, he discussed the students possibilities both educational and spiritual, and showed how character building was a process of day to day living.

### DEPARTMENT OF FINE ARTS

For several years Mrs. Cruikshank has been working on a plan to give all Saint Mary's girls, whether talented or not, an opportunity to take one or more of the fine arts. This year every girl has this opportunity for instruction without extra charge.

In music our instructors are: Mr. Jones, Miss Stewart, Miss Haig, and Miss Scott. A new building has been erected. In every way it looks as though the music lovers are going to get the best training possible, and by the increased enrollment in this course it is quite evident that many are interested.

Art is still handled ably and well by Miss Harris although her classes are nearly tripled in size.

This year, Miss Brooke Allen is assisting Miss Davis in expression. With Miss Allen's help and the added talent the new plan affords, we are confident Miss Davis will produce more notable plays than ever before.

We are very appreciative of these opportunities that Saint Mary's is offering us, for we shall derive both benefit and pleasure from taking advantage of them.

### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE "BELLES"

The staff of the "Belles" is going to do its best this year to cover all news that will interest you, but there will be many opportunities for free lance contributions. Some of you have a gift for discovering news before anyone else. Some of you are talented writers and poets. Some of you know a good joke.

A box marked "Contributions for the 'Belles'" will be placed on the bottom floor of Smedes near the Little Store. Show your interest in school activities by dropping into that box: Campus tidbits like the funny remark in gym yesterday, a sketch of your roommate, your opinion of organizations and activities, or a review of the outstanding work done in Music, English or any other department of the school; your particular literary efforts such as a poem on the moon last night; a write-up of the talk you had with an old Saint Mary's girl; or that joke that applies so well to your next door neighbor.

Mary Jane Yeatman, editor of the STAGE COACH has called a meeting of all new girls interested in becoming members of this staff. The present staff is composed of ten old girls who are permanent members only

as long as they continue to do the work assigned to them to the best of their ability. There are three publications, the STAGE COACH, the *Bulletin*, and the *Belles*, to be edited by one staff, and there is too much work to be done to allow a slacker to hold a place that could be filled by a capable and industrious worker.

If you are really interested in becoming a staff member, show us your talent by contributing to the *Belles*, and by writing a good paper for Mary Jane. Be sure to sign your name to your contributions.

### OLD GIRL-NEW GIRL PARTY

When Tудie Neff announced in assembly the other morning that the Old Girl-New Girl Party was to be on Saturday night, all the new girls started whispering: "What is it like? Do you have fun? What kind of a party is it?"

When Saturday night rolled around, all the new girls were in a dither trying to find out what old girls were going to take them, and what their names were. The old girls in turn were hoping that their dates would be "cute," and were wandering around trying to find the girl whom they were supposed to escort.

Finally at eight o'clock all the girls, both old and new, trooped into Smedes Hall, and waited their turn to go down the receiving line. The old girls were apprehensive about remembering the names of the new faculty members, but everyone was correctly introduced. After the girls had gone through the line, everyone began to dance, and almost everyone did the "Big Apple."

While ice cream was being served, Ann Shook recited. After that Betty Cleavenger sang and several of the better dance couples performed.

General dancing was soon resumed, and after a good time it was with great regret that the last couple left the parlor. The acquaintance party was a success!

### NEW FACULTY MEMBERS

This year the faculty of Saint Mary's has been considerably expanded. Miss Rebecca Harvey (Sargeant School, Boston) replaces Miss Tash as head of the physical education department. Miss Ruth Scott (Syracuse U. and Eastman's School of Music), Miss Mary R. Haig (DePauw University, Juilliard School of Music), and Miss Katherine Stuart (Smith College, Juilliard School of Music) are new members of the music department. Miss Martha Dabney Jones (Sweetbriar and U. N. C.) is taking over Mr. Macleod's work. Miss Kate Spruill (Hollins) succeeds Miss Alice Alexander as Alumnae secretary. Miss Brooke Allen (Randolph Macon) is assisting Miss Davis in expression. The students and faculty extend their warmest welcome to these new faculty members.

Saint Mary's School Library