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Christmas

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SENIOR DANCE IS OVERWHELMING SUCCESS

Saturday night, December 11th, was the most enjoyable event in the school life of the girls who attended their one and only Senior dance. The chairmen of the various committees were Sallie London Fell, invitations; Nancy Taylor, orchestra; and Helen Noell, decorations. The gym was decorated in a Christmas design with a fireplace, Christmas tree, and stockings and white silhouettes of toys and children around the walls on brick crepe paper.

Mary Louise Riddick, president of the student body; Tudie Neff, president of the Senior class; Miss Caroline Harris and Mr. C. A. P. Moore, Senior class advisers; and Mrs. Ernest Cruikshank, Miss Davis, and Miss Sutton were in the receiving line. Freddy Johnson and his U. N. C. orchestra played the hit tunes of the season, and for the Senior no-break played a medley of "Night and Day," "Stardust," and "Once in a While."

At intermission the guests enjoyed Mrs. Marriott's excellent punch, however diluted it may have been by the confetti from the Christmas stockings. Add to the confetti in everyone's hair the serpentine around everyone's neck, and you have the aftermath of an hilarious intermission. Notwithstanding these difficulties, the dance progressed joyously until twelve o'clock, when the Seniors reluctantly bade their dates "good night," and straggled to Holt Hall to discuss their pleasant memories as they attempted to brush the confetti from their hair. Incidentally, this was the first time confetti has been used at a Saint Mary's dance, and, although the servants report unsuccessful results, everyone else enjoyed it "more than that."

Pages and hat-check girls for the dance were: Martha Ann Speight, Sally MacNider, Meredyth McIntyre, Dorothy Kerr, Toddy Boykin, Virginia Trotter, Margaret Taylor, Mariana Hancock, Virginia Allison, Sue Harwood, Hallie Townes, Mary Olsen, Annie Webb Cheshire, Betty Oates, Nancy McIver, and Carolyn Miller. Miss Weise, Grant Jones, and Anne Burnett acted as hostesses.

SIGMAS WIN SWIMMING MEET

The Sigmas defeated the Mus in the swimming meet Wednesday night with the final score of 149-132 points. Mallie White, Sigma, and Mary Gault, Mu, starring in both swimming and diving, made the highest individual scores of 41 and 36 points, respectively.

Miss Vincella, assistant director of the gym department, planned and directed the meet. Mr. Tucker filled his traditional position as announcer, although spectators and contestants alike missed his attractive white sports outfit of last year, and Miss Allan, Miss Spruill, and Miss Parker from the Y. W. C. A., judged.

The events and their winners were:

100-yard, free style—first heats—Mus: Gault, E. Tucker; Sigmas: White, Brent.

Side stroke for form—Kendrick, Sigma; E. Holmes, Mu; J. Miller, Sigma.

Back stroke for form—J. Miller and Kendrick, Sigmas, tie; Murchison, Sigma.

100-yard, free style—final heat—Gault, Mu; White and Brent, Sigmas.

Medley relay—Sigmas.

Australian Crawl, for form—White and Seidler, Sigmas, tie.

50-yard Back Crawl—Brent, Sigma; Gault and E. Tucker, Mus.

Novelty Relay—Sigmas.

Diving—White, Sigma, and Trotter, Mu, tied with 50 points each.

The most hilarious and exciting event of the meet was the Novelty Relay. In it, one member of each team raced to the end of the pool carrying a strong rope by which the rest of the team pulled her back to the starting point, where she gave the rope to the next swimmer. This continued until the whole team had participated and it provided excitement for the spectators and fun for the contestants.

Following the swimming meet, Miss Harvey, head of the physical education department, presented a water pageant, "The Three Little Frogs." Miss Harvey wrote the pageant herself, and her synopsis of it is as follows:

"The Three Little Frogs sing and dance with glee because they think that they are safe from 'The Big Bad Snake.' They build their houses of Lilies, Cat Tails, and Shells to protect themselves from the Snake. The Snake surprises them with a visit, destroying the houses made of Lilies and Cat Tails. The Three Frogs gather in the shell house and are safe because it is strong. The Snake, in an attempt to tear down the shell house, catches his tail in a shell and struggles to death, while the Three Frogs, Lilies, Cat Tails, and Shells celebrate his capture and death."

The characters in the pageant were:

The Snake.....Nancy Murchison
The Three Frogs,

Jean Miller, Carolyn Miller, Kay Castles

Shells,

Brent, White, Gault, Kendrick, E. Tucker, E. Holmes
Cat Tails.....MacNider, Midyette, Maupin

Lilies.....Trotter, Rumfeldt, Dawson, Seidler, Gant

The water pageant was a new idea for a Saint Mary's swimming meet. The characters were attractively costumed, the Snake and Frogs ridiculously funny, and the formations celebrating the escape of the frogs well executed.