

# The Belles

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The faculty and student body wish to extend their sympathy to Fannie Cooper on the death of her brother, Lt. Hill Cooper, who was killed in action in Tunisia in April; and to Jeanne Eagles on the death of her father, Mr. J. B. Eagles, last week.

## START NOW!

In less than two weeks exams will have begun. No matter how resolutely we turn from this terrible thought, we cannot escape; so why not try a new method and prepare ourselves beforehand? Without doubt the results will be more pleasant. During that last week commencement rehearsals, fittings, and packing preliminaries will leave little time for uninterrupted concentration.

If during this semester we have not learned as much as we should, these two weeks can be used for thorough reviews. Generally, facts one has crammed into his brain at two o'clock the night before the exam are unco-ordinated and slippery.

How many times have you heard an old timer sagely declare that "if you've studied during the year, you don't have to worry about examinations"? This is not altogether true. Even those who prepare their work conscientiously day by day could not walk into an exam without cracking a book; we all need to review and co-ordinate what we have learned.

And when exams do arrive, arrange to get the proper amount of sleep; eat sensibly; and take a little exercise each day. By following these simple hygienic rules you will emerge from exam week wanting to live rather than go to pieces like a worn-out rag.

## MAKE WAR WORK YOUR WORK

During this school year Saint Mary's girls have shown what they can do in war work of all kinds. They have given of their time, their work, and their money almost without stint. They have been earnest, conscientious workers and have accomplished much this year. But

school will soon be over. We are all talking about what a wonderful time we will have this summer—a summer free of lessons, classes, rules, bells, discipline, grades, and all the phases of school life which seem so disagreeable now that the end is in sight. "Rest and freedom!" is the cry on everyone's lips.

This is a plea. Relax on the school work, yes, but, and this is vitally necessary, but keep that war work going at full speed! Remember that these three months are no holiday on the battle fronts. Hitler and Hirohito are taking no vacation. Our fighting men are enjoying no rest; bandages are needed as much in July as in March. This is no time to lie on the beach or recline in the deck chair. We, as privileged civilians, should engage in war work, work for which we are best suited and which will be most needed by the Government.

Overcrowded hospitals and overworked staffs are in dire need of nurses' aides. Civilian defense centers are calling for girls to do clerical work. The Red Cross is begging for girls to roll bandages, knit sweaters, and perform other volunteer tasks. Soldiers and sailors are flocking to the community USO clubs. They would appreciate finding girls there to dance with and talk to.

So much to be done—so much we can do!

## BELLES

### ELIZABETH LANDON CHASE

Home—Raleigh.

Age—20.

Hair 'n' eyes—brown and blue.

Ambition—to get a B.S. from Carolina.

Pet hate—my little sister's collection of "junk."

Spends spare time—writing letters.

Always heard—"Wait a minute—"

Always seen—in the library.

Hobby—photography.

Favorite expression—"Goodness."

Favorite article of clothing—my red sweater.

Favorite food—potato salad with onions.

Favorite song—Army Air Corps Song.

Is looking forward to—vacation in Virginia.

Odd likes—chickens.

Worst fault—being slow.

Efficient in the classroom as well as on the athletic field, Betty is well known among the senior day students this year. In her singularly calm manner, she accomplishes an amazing amount of work, and no task seems too complicated for her to undertake.

### MARY BRIDGES CORNICK

Home—Raleigh.

Age—19.

Hair 'n' eyes—brown 'n' brown.

Ambition—to get out of Saint Mary's honorably.

Pet hate—"holier than thou" people.

Spends spare time—uptown.

Always heard—talking.

Always seen—in trouble.

Hobby—writing notes to Marjorie.

Favorite expression—"gruesome."

Favorite article of clothing—sloppy shoes.

Favorite perfume—Tweed.

Favorite food—just food.

Favorite song—"Wrong."

Is wild about—just wild (period).

## ACCORDING TO M. C. . . .

For the fifth time in less than two years **President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill** met last week to discuss the pros and cons of Allied strategy and success. Their first meeting made history in August, 1941, when they met off the Atlantic coast and brought forth the Atlantic Charter, a resume of the United Nations' peace aims. Then in December of the same year Churchill arrived in Washington to make plans with Roosevelt, emphasizing the defeat, first of Germany, second of Japan. At their third conference the executives worked out secret details of the North African invasion, and Washington was again their meeting place. In the first month of this year, Roosevelt made his sensational trip to Casablanca, where he conferred not only with Churchill but also other Allied leaders on plans for all-out war with an eye toward the enemy's "unconditional surrender." On May 11 the American capital again welcomed the redoubtable English Prime Minister while the terrific battle in Tunisia drew to a swift and victorious close. The purpose of this last visit was given by Churchill in a broadcast two days after his arrival. He said, "It is not good only having one march ahead laid out. March after march must be planned as far as the human eye can see. Design and forethought must be our guides and heralds."

The tiny island of Attu in the north Pacific Aleutian chain just 172 miles west of Kiska, a strong Japanese outpost, was the scene last week of important fighting. Not since the New Guinea campaign ended in January have American and Japanese forces engaged in a major conflict. Now they are battling over an island apparently insignificant, but in reality it is a strategic point for both Japan and the United States. If enemy troops retain Attu, which they captured last June along with the now fortified Kis-

Is looking forward to—summer.

Odd likes—being called "Corny."

Worst fault—my temper.

Mary's many and varied undertakings, which include instructing a group in lifesaving, are evidence of her innumerable capabilities. The delightful personality and individualism of this attractive day student are partially revealed in her many activities in different phases of school life.

## Faculty Members Finish Work For Red Cross

All year long a group of approximately twelve faculty members has met each Wednesday night in the Home Economics classroom to sew for the Red Cross. Sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary, the work started at the beginning of World War II. Then the articles were sent to Great Britain, but now they are sent to the national headquarters in New York City and distributed from there. Some are shipped to foreign

ka, they will be in a key position to attack continental Alaska. However, in American hands Attu would be a valuable base from which air attacks could be directed against the northernmost Japanese naval outpost in the Kurile Island group.

With the African springboard cleared, the day for an Allied invasion of the European fortress draws near. Increased Russian action in the East and the relentless bombing of German and Italian cities and production centers are effective blows in the Allied grand strategy. Possibilities of a southern or western attack loomed large; wherever the blow falls, it will be heavy. Allied leaders speak with more confidence now that their Tunisian troops have done a hard job well. But they are wise and experienced enough to realize that their biggest task lies ahead, and that it will take time to make realities out of possibilities.

Adverse criticism of the recent U. S.-British conference in Bermuda on the international refugee problem may prove to be unwarranted. Although the results of the conference have not yet been made public, an announcement of its accomplishments is forthcoming.

Controversy over the lately released Russian propaganda movie **Mission to Moscow**, is widespread, although the film has not yet appeared all over the nation. Some critics condemn the picture as a distorted presentation of U. S.-Soviet relations, and claim that it is harmful to these relations. In a letter to the New York Times, one critic termed the movie "anti-British, anti-Congress, anti-democratic and anti-truth." However, favorable criticism and praise came from Communists, some of whom consider **Mission to Moscow** excellent propaganda and even patriotic.

countries, some to refugee colonies, and some are used to replenish our domestic supply.

This year the faculty group has turned out dozens of babies' garments such as dresses, slips, wraps, and bibs, children's and men's pajamas, doctors' operating gowns, hospital slippers, women's slips and wool skirts, and knitted sweaters and helmets.

Faculty members who contributed their time more or less regularly throughout the year under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Bason are: Mesdames Ernest Cruikshank, Nanette Marriott, Lola B. Naylor, Hugh McLeod, Harding Hughes, Perkins, and the Misses Bessie Brown, Margaret Bailey, Geraldine Cate, Martha Dabney Jones, Rachel Johnson, Mabel Morrison, Elizabeth Tucker, and Frances Vann.

## MARGARET WINSLOW

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of which are the Granddaughters' Club, the Glee Club, the Choir, French Club, and the E. A. P. Literary Society.