

## Agatha Chipley Elected President of E.A.P.'s

Societies Ask Students to try For Membership

Agatha Chipley, of Raleigh, was recently elected president of the E. A. P. Literary Society for this year. Agatha served as a dance marshal, a member of the Legislative Body and the Granddaughters' Club, and as editor of the 1943-44 *Handbook* this year.

The new constitution for the E. A. P. and Sigma Lambda Societies was approved at a joint meeting last week. Attendance at the meetings this year will be voluntary, but each member is expected to take an active part in the programs. The societies have planned their year's schedule, which consists of book reviews, essays, poetry, debates, short stories, and outside speakers.

New members will be initiated into the societies on October 20. Any student is eligible for membership who submits a composition written especially for the societies. These compositions will be judged by a special committee composed of the two faculty advisers, Miss Duckett and Mr. Moore, and several old members. The candidates who submit the best compositions will be invited to become a member of either of the societies.

## BELLES' FIRST ISSUE SELLS \$88 IN WAR STAMPS

Friday night two weeks ago was eventful in that the first copies of *The Belles* were distributed, and along with them went many defense stamps. It was the first of a series of stamp sales initiated so that every girl could put at least 5% of her monthly allowance in stamps each time they are sold. On the whole there was splendid co-operation; 231 girls bought 351 stamps, totaling \$88.00. This is an average of about 35c per student. The record so far has been set by first floor Holt, and a very good record it is; for the 15 girls living there bought sixty-two 25c stamps, averaging over a dollar for each person.

The amount of sales on the other halls is as follows:

2nd East Rock	\$3.50
1st West Rock	5.25
2nd West Rock	6.00
1st East Wing	6.25
2nd East Wing	4.25
3rd East Wing	1.50
2nd Smedes	6.00
3rd Smedes	7.00
1st West Wing	5.75
2nd West Wing	7.75
3rd West Wing	4.25
2nd Holt	8.25
3rd Holt	5.25

## Many S.M. Girls Worked During Vacation

Most Students Held Secretarial Positions

Returning Saint Mary's girls have wondrous tales to tell about their summer vacations. Most of them drifted in blissful idleness. Others, not having got their fill of academic studies, spent part of the summer at school. The rest ventured out into the business world. The summer jobs were in various fields.

The majority tended toward secretarial occupations. Fanny Lee Brooke says filing is "interesting—you get paid." Sally Ramsey thinks operating a telephone is a "nice job if you like sitting down all day." Frenchie McCann secretaried to a lawyer, Mary Virginia Freeman worked for her father, and Polly Blanton typed and filed at Cherry Point, Marine Air Base; her comment: "I love it"—the work, naturally. Jeannette Parker worked for an insurance company, Clara Leigh Kemper was a typist at a textile mill, and says it was a wonderful life while it lasted. Vidette Bass worked in an office in Wilmington, Helen Batchelor helped keep the county tax books in order, "Pinky" Butler was handy girl around her cousin's office for a couple of weeks, Liz Petesch typed and filed, Barbara Ray was secretary to her father, and Amy Warner was secretary to a lawyer who was "rather young and rather cute."

More individual was Margaret Winslow as X-ray technician at a hospital just for the experience, Sister Smith worked in a hospital laboratory "doing blood tests and things," Mary Louise Martin was supervisor of a playground for little children, Foxie Clarke was lifeguard and "ran the swimming pool too," and Gladys Cherry substituted for a first grade teacher. Christine Krusen worked in the post office for a week till she "got fired," Charlotte Crawford worked in a French bakery and tea room where she "did all sorts of things and had a wonderful time," Peggy Cates was secretary and councillor at a camp, and Frankie Shamburger taught archery to the "little kids" and says "it was quite exciting."

## NEW SENIOR OFFICERS

Chinkie Martin was elected secretary-treasurer of the senior class at the first meeting of the year last week. Bettie Gaither was elected senior representative on the Honor Council; and Carol Talbot a senior dance marshal. Several days later Mr. Hughes appointed the officers of the Altar Guild. Alma Young is president, Charlotte Crawford is vice-president, and Amy Warner is secretary. The chairmen of the Altar Guild Committees are Alice Craig, books; Clara Leigh Kemper, brass; Betty Winslow, linen; and Lib Shaw, silver.

## Servant Shortage at S.M.S.; Students Volunteer to Help

### Mrs. Rembert's First Invasion of Europe

Mrs. Augusta Rembert, the new art teacher at Saint Mary's, has taken a trip to Europe as all good art teachers should. This trip she took with three friends, none of whom could speak French and all of whom were "perfectly ignorant and very young." They had what Mrs. Rembert called a "rather *Our Hearts Were Young and Gay* time." Their experiences, she said, were "awfully dumb—but, you see—we were dumb!"

Mrs. Rembert and her party, after landing in Holland, went to The Hague and to Amsterdam, where they saw Rembrandt's "The Night Watch." Mrs. Rembert called this huge picture *the* painting in Europe. From Holland the friends went to Brussels, where the three were so eager to take the inexpensive third class coach rather than the second class recommended by the porter, that they failed to realize this third class coach gave them a day's journey rather than a few hour's ride. Consequently they arrived in Paris, alone and lost, at one o'clock in the morning. Only by chance did they find a hotel.

### STUDIES AT LOUVRE

As the purpose of her trip was to study oil painting under the renowned artist, Andree L'Hote, Mrs. Rembert enrolled in L'Hote's class only to find that her teacher could not speak English! Most of her studying Mrs. Rembert did in the Louvre.

After six weeks in Paris, Mrs. Rembert and her three friends rented a Ford and took a month's trip through southern France. Traveling, Mrs. Rembert said, "off the track of the beaten tourist!" They went anywhere they pleased, "for some obscure reason or for no reason at all" The south of France, Mrs. Rembert decided, was as different from the north of France as our south is from our north. Life there was carefree, very delightful, and entirely different from anything she had ever seen. People were friendly; nowhere but in southern France, she thought, would one find a duke who would personally show strangers through his fairy-tale-like, medieval castle. Often one could ride for four or five hours before coming to a town. The most striking thing Mrs. Rembert found about these remote little towns was the monument to their native soldiers, killed in the first World War. It seemed to Mrs. Rembert as though there were more dead than living in such places. The

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### Eight Students Aid in Library; Gym Next in Line for Work

One of the recent war crises to pinch Saint Mary's is the present servant shortage. Mrs. Cruikshank recently suggested that girls volunteer to work in the library, the gymnasium, and anywhere else they might be needed. Not only are servants hard to get, but those available are usually inexperienced and often only temporary; this fact puts a heavier burden upon the reliable, good servants who have been here for many years. As a result of Mrs. Cruikshank's plea, twenty-one girls volunteered to help in keeping Saint Mary's clean and orderly. Eight were allotted to the library to dust books and keep the tables and chairs in order. Because the situation was not so severe in other places, the other girls have not yet been called into service, but their names will be kept on record. It is hoped that any others who would like to will list their names with Mrs. Cruikshank so she can call on them when they are needed. Of course, girls thus helping will be offered pay for their services.

Never before in the history of Saint Mary's has a situation arisen when the girls were called on to do volunteer work. The fine response to the request shows the patriotic spirit of the girls.

Many schools and colleges have suffered much more drastically than Saint Mary's from the servant shortage, but a survey of the situation shows that Saint Mary's girls are equal to any occasion. Innumerable ones have said they would wait on tables, clean rooms, or do whatever else might be necessary to keep Saint Mary's going.

Regardless of their background, Saint Mary's girls seem determined to fill in and complete any work the servant shortage would leave undone.

## Sigma's, Mu's Cavort, Burlesque Faculty

Colorful figures in blue and white and in red and white flitted about the dim campus last Saturday night as though things really were afoot! Excited whispers of "Sigma's and Mu's—what's the last line of that song . . ." broke the darkness as the girls gathered in their respective places to march into the gym.

Sigma's entered the gym first marching in single file as they sang "Sigma's Will Shine Tonight." When the Sigma's settled down, the Mu's marched in chanting "Sigma's, the Mu Team Is After You Today."

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