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The BELLES wishes to join Saint Mary's faculty, staff, student body, and friends in expressing deepest sympathy to the family of the late Eliot Frost Stoughton.

"HE WHO WOULD VALIANT BE . . ."

Of all the comforts and consolations which our dear church offers us, not the least is this: that in time of bereavement, when our hearts grope and fumble for expression, she summons to our aid a host of brave and shining words. Warrior words, knightly words; they file before us in battle array and their strong music trumpets out a firm and quickened cadence for our march through life.

A stiller hush lay over the little chapel last Monday morning and the early morning chill seemed colder than usual until we arose and sang John Bunyan's great hymn. When its martial strains ended, our hearts were warmer and our pulses quickened: we had found the word for our friend Eliot Stoughton.

Valiant he was in health and sickness; valiant in the days of his strength and valiant 'gainst the final disaster. Valiant in his devotion to our school; valiant in his service. His was that militant courage which dares to champion beneficial change when tradition is stubbornly resistant. His was that valiant tenacity of purpose which presses onward to a worthy goal, brooking no impediments.

Rest in peace, valiant friend!

"Cowards die many times before their deaths;

The valiant never taste of death but once."

—RUSSELL BROUGHTON.

SPOTLIGHT

Attention, everybody! This issue's "Spotlight" turns on a gal the senior class is proud to claim! She's that very busy person who is the chairman of assembly programs and was recently chosen a member of the Circle. You know her by now, for she's Joan Hassler!

Those Imitations

This charming miss comes from Thomasville and hopes to enter Sweetbriar in the fall. She's a mighty versatile person! Just listen to her "parley-voo" with Mrs. Smith, or hear her imitations of famous people—especially Katharine Hepburn!

Her favorite color is green, and she "just loves pork chops!" You'll probably catch her humming "I'll Never Smile Again," which is not true for her, 'cause we've heard that there may be "frozen foods" in Joan's future.

"Tar Heel dead . . ."

" . . . Tar Heel born, Tar Heel bred; and when I die, I'm a Tar Heel dead"—so goes the well-known pep song of the University of North Carolina. The sturdy young Americans who attend Chapel Hill and lustily sing that song should be thankful, for many a Tar Heel born has not lived long enough to get to UNC, and many more are dying today simply because North Carolina hasn't enough doctors, hospitals, and funds to provide them.

To improve these conditions, the state is sponsoring a good health plan—the Medical Care Commission's Plan, which is not a form of socialized medicine. It is a policy by which the state and local governments, with federal assistance, provide funds to meet the needs of medical care and hospitalization for people in every section of the state. This plan is supported by the North Carolina Medical Association and many prominent citizens. True, it would take money from paychecks, a practice many persons dislike, but along with this saving would come better, healthier, more alert citizens who could enjoy life at its best.

Straighten Up!

With posters in every classroom and girls standing in the halls reminding you to "straighten up and fly right!" it wasn't hard to remember good posture then, but even though Posture Week is over, good habits newly acquired must remain!

Few girls realize that good posture is indeed one of a woman's most valuable assets. Without it she is far less attractive, even less healthy, than the girl who holds herself erect and looks alert.

Every student's dream was to be made Posture Queen—THAT girl with THE posture on Saint Mary's campus. Even though only one girl had that dream fulfilled, 207 chests must stay up and out, 207 pairs of toes must point straight ahead.

Campus Notes

Dr. George Farand Taylor of Converse College was the guest of the president during his stay here for Religious Emphasis Week. Instead of regular evensong Sunday, 23, Dr. Taylor made the second of five addresses to the school.

On March 9 Mr. Hughes will hold services at the Asheville School for Boys in Asheville, N. C.

Lenten denial offering will be sent to Wm. J. Gordon for special work in his field.

Johan Franco, whose composition was played in the concert given by William Masselos, was a visitor on the campus during the week. The Glee Club has performed several of his numbers in the past.

Martha Upchurch, Raleigh, will give a fifteen-minute broadcast March 1 over WRAL at 4 p. m.

A tea in honor of Miss Janice Fitzgerald was given at the Raleigh Woman's Club Feb. 15.

Anne Townsend attended the ordination of Jack Carter at Durham Feb. 16.

Annic Page Everett, Laurinburg, was the guest of Eleanor Hope Newell on the week-end of Feb. 15.

Miss Alice Bell, alumnae secretary, left Raleigh Feb. 20 to attend the conference of American Alumni Council District No. 3 at Roanoke, Va.

Miss Peggy Hopkins, former alumnae secretary of Saint Mary's, visited the campus the week-end of Feb. 15. She is now working at John Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore, Md.

Friendly Pianist Likes Eels, Oysters

His father was born in Greece, his mother was born in Holland, and he was born at Niagara Falls. He is William Masselos, the young concert pianist who, when approached for an interview after his recital to the Saint Mary's student body Feb. 20, confided, "I'm scared to death! You'll have to help me out."

White House Recital

Mr. Masselos was modest about his musical accomplishments, but after a little prodding, he admitted that he had been playing the piano since he was a child and has a White House recital to his credit. From 1930 until 1942 he attended the Juilliard School of Music and in 1939 made his debut at Town Hall.

Although he claims Colorado Springs as home, he has done a great deal of traveling, including two trips to Holland.

Raw Oysters—Aahh!

The mention of Holland brought up his favorite food, oysters and eels, which are a favorite in Holland.

Town Talk

Where O where is our advise Mr. Broughton? You day student sleuths better get to work and solve this case of our displaced person.

"Oh, when will SPRING HOLIDAYS get here?" That is the cry of all day students. There is something in Spring that makes the hearts flip over. But to close winter just right, the day students en masse are going to the State "Mid-Winter" this week-end. Nell Fulghum, Margaret Cooper, Betty Lou Byrd, Barbara Barnes, Lona Reames, and Adelaide Linehan—to name a few.

Betsy Tom Lawrence, Armeure, Katherine Blake, Mary Ragland, and Adelaide Linehan are sponsors for the Basketball Conference to be held at Duke next week-end.

Edith Winslow went to Chapel Hill and Duke last week-end and we hear she's heading for Charlotte this week! What's up?

Shirley Fox is already thinking of summer. She's going to New Jersey.

Julia Ann Perry is all excited—maybe she'll get to Pennsylvania to see "that man" next week-end.

If a New York talent scout should ever drop into the Day Student room, he'd think he had struck gold mine. For instance, did you see our actresses, Violet LaRue and Janie Nance in the school play *Little Women*?

Nell Fulghum and Barbara Perry have such a wonderful form—in basketball, I mean. Betsy Tom Lawrence, Julia Ann Perry, and Rose Ann Walters are budding pianists. Barbara Crawford is a whiz at trigonometry! Whew! Betty Pierson, Katherine Blake, and Margaret Cummings are accomplished linguists (French). And we even have a comedian too! Watch *Jeans West*.

We think you'll all agree that Day Students are some body!