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Student Government Leaders 1962-63



Mary Stella Leak

Three more Student Government officers of St. Mary's for 1962-63 have been elected by the student body. Verna Gillam, from Windsor, will be Vice-President of the Association. A former high school All-American basketball player, Verna has been active in the Letter Club and the Young Democrats Club at St. Mary's.

Mary Stella Leak, from Charlotte, has been elected Chairman of Hall Council for next year. Mary

Stella has worked this year for the Young Democrats, the BELLES and the STAGECOACH.

Cydne Wright, who hails from Greensboro, will carry the duties of Secretary of Student Government. An old girl, Cydne has served as freshman dance marshal and secretary of the Junior Class.

St. Mary's should have a very profitable year of student government under the leadership of these outstanding girls.



Cydne Wright and Verna Gillam

LENTEN WORSHIP

Students at St. Mary's are privileged in having a short twilight service every Tuesday at 6:45 during Lent. This service was instituted by our chaplain, Dr. Guerry, to take the place of a 5:15 preaching service. The twelve to fifteen minute service consists of organ meditation and brief prayer. Also, it is entirely voluntary on the student's part. The quietness of the

Chapel at this time gives one the opportunity to collect his thoughts and provides a worthwhile break in the drudgery of studying.

On every other night the candles are lit from 9:30 til 10:00 for those who wish to go to the Chapel. Also, every Sunday morning Holy Communion is celebrated at 6:45 and on Thursday mornings during Lent at 6:55.

DOES THE U. N. HELP OR HINDER?

Questions concerning the nation's sovereignty and its role in relation to the U. N. are becoming increasingly more frequent. Is U. S. foreign policy restricted too much because of her affiliation with the U. N.? Does the U. S. shirk her responsibilities in favor of U. N. programs? Does the U. S. actually have two Secretaries of State — the actual Secretary of State and the Ambassador to the U. N.?

President Kennedy has said frequently since his inauguration that the U. S. plans to rely more and more strongly on the U. N. in regard to America's foreign relations. However, lately members of Kennedy's liberal Democratic Party have begun to challenge this policy. Sen. J. William Fulbright chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, pointed out that the U. N. was formed upon the basic assumption that all the major powers desired peace. Action in Communist countries during recent years has proved this assumption to be false. Furthermore, Sen. Henry Jackson said in a recent speech that U. S. involvement with the U. N. often hinders the decisions which the U. S. makes. For example, because of U. N. involvement, the U. S. has been forced into unrealistic disarmament goals. Furthermore, the decision by the General Assembly to ban all testing of nuclear weapons has placed the U. S. in bad light for resuming nuclear tests.

Finally, some critics feel that Stevenson's role as Ambassador to the U. N. is becoming too powerful and that he should be replaced by Dean Rusk. They feel someone closer to the president should be made Ambassador to the U. N.

Mexican Tour Planned

Professor Jack L. Fitzgerald, instructor in Spanish at Wake Forest, will sponsor a trip to Mexico this summer for interested students. The purpose of the trip is to become directly acquainted with the people of Mexico and to study at the national university for the summer.

The trip will be open to any students who do not mind a challenge, according to Fitzgerald. The ability to speak Spanish is helpful for the visit to Mexico, but it is not essential.

... Fitzgerald has spent two years in Mexico, and he feels that one who is unfamiliar with the country will be at a great advantage to travel with a group. Money can be saved by traveling with a group, he stated, for the tendency is to spend much more than necessary when traveling alone.

The total cost of the trip will range from \$419 to \$539, depending on the choice of living accommodations and the number of field trips taken.

Broken down, the costs are as follows: registration, \$50; round trip bus fare from Winston-Salem to Mexico City, including insurance, \$130; tuition at the University of Mexico, \$100; room and board, \$100-\$200; books, \$10; and field trips \$49.

The amount of spending money required will be left up to the individual. "Mexico is a paradise for shopping," said Fitzgerald, "and those who cannot resist a bargain should be prepared."

The group will study at the University of Mexico, but there are no dormitories on the campus. All accommodations will be in private

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Seminar On Communism Being Conducted

To aid in their understanding of world problems, the students in Mrs. Stoops' high school American history class have been doing a weekly study of current happenings. Supplementing their studies have been taking current events tests issued by *Time* magazine.

Recently Carol Combs and Helyn Watson were awarded Certificates of Merit by *Time* for having the highest scores in the class on the *Time* Current Affairs Annual Test. Carol, whose score was the highest,

received a book, *THE COMING FURY* by Bruce Catton.

At the request of several students Mrs. Stoops and Mrs. Poole have begun conducting a Tuesday night seminar on the study of Communism. An attempt is made to learn more about the fundamental principles of Communism, in order that the relation between Russia and the United States might be better understood. At these seminars each student takes an active part in leading the discussion.