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## Legislative Body Revised

The Legislative Body is the instrument through which student self-government is promoted at St. Mary's. It is composed of Student Government officers, faculty advisors, and class representatives who consider petitions and constitutional changes.

All students may not be aware of the tremendous changes the Legislative Body has made since last year. The Legislative Body of the past has consisted of one large body which met together and discussed all business together. It was brought out last year that at this type of meeting the body spent much time discussing various petitions before they could agree on any course of action. The Legislative Body felt that a lot of time was wasted by not having a clear picture of petitions before they met and by bringing up impossible petitions at the meeting. They discussed this problem at great length and finally decided on a tentative solution.

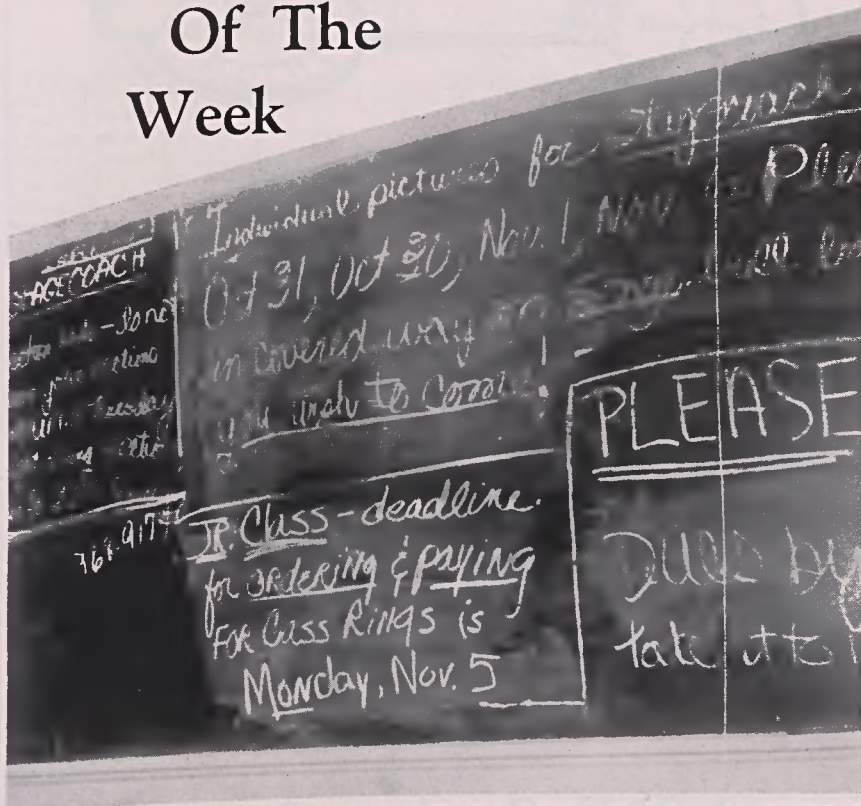
The Legislative Body, this year, has been broken up into three committees: the Constitution Committee, the Policy Committee, and the Petitions Committee. These committees meet separately to discuss the various problems which arise under their jurisdiction, and then the Legislative Body meets as a whole to discuss the findings of one of the committees.

The Constitution Committee, with Verna Gillam as chairman, is active in matters concerning any changes in the Constitution of the school. This committee consists of Haynes Walker, president of the Student Government; Ann Day, freshman representative; Susan Spauling, president of the sophomore class; and Eleanor Stowe, junior representative. The advisor of this committee is Miss Lineberry.

The Policy Committee acts on those petitions which do not pertain to social matters. Headed by Mary Stella Leak, this committee consists of Gee Canada, president of the senior class; Diane Gould, representative of the commercial class; Betty Herndon, junior class representative; and Mary Roper, chairman of the Handbook Committee. Miss Richardson advises this committee.

The petition Committee, headed by Harriet King, regulates all matters concerning social petitions, which are the primary business of the majority of the Legislative Body meetings. This committee is advised by Mr. Shellans and consists of Perry Grimes, sophomore representative; Ann Underwood, freshman president; Roses Watson, president of the junior class; Belle Williams, president of the day stu-

## St. Mary's News Of The Week



## Political Clubs Elect Officers

The St. Mary's Young Republicans Club met in the Hut on Tuesday, October 23, for a picnic to organize the club for this year. The following new officers were elected: Bert Bradshaw, president; Martha Wright, vice-president; and Liza Sory, secretary. The program for the year will be outlined at a meeting in the near future.

Speaking at the meeting were two representatives from the Young Republicans Club at State College. They spoke for closer union among the clubs of surrounding colleges and urged active participation in the club.

Miss Sara Esther Jones was unanimously elected the advisor for this year. She is taking the place of Miss Elizabeth Tucker, who has been the advisor for the club for several years. The new officers are as follows: Matilda Gholson, president; Anita Strickland, vice-president; Ann Farmer, secretary; and Barbara McKenzie, treasurer.

The Young Democrats Club will undertake projects during the year to aid the Democratic Party and to enable girls at St. Mary's to be better future members of the party. Following the business, a picnic supper was served to everyone. The chairman of Hall Council then takes the petition to Miss Richardson, and together they talk to Dr. Stone. If he approves the petition, he signs it. It then goes into effect two months later. This year is a trial year for the Legislative Body in its new form of organization. Used in the proper manner, the Legislative Body, is a fine way for the student body, rather than merely voicing its opinion, to petition for its rights of self-government; yet, last year there were only seven petitions the entire year. So far this year, there has been only one opinion in the school which has been more than voiced.

Once a petition reaches the Legislative Body, it must again be passed by a two-thirds majority.

## New Posture Queen Is Selected

On Tuesday the St. Mary's Letter Club named its new posture queen, Betty Gee Herdon, a junior from Henderson. Sponsored annually by the Letter Club, the posture contest is an attempt to promote better posture at St. Mary's by making students aware of good posture. Representatives from each hall are judged by the Letter Club.

Semifinalists in the posture contest were Barbara Gilbert, second runner-up and last year's posture queen, Nancy Baum, first runner-up; Kinsey Sabiston, Susan Carr, Anne Chamberlain, Ella Reese Mayer, Betty Pat Parsons, and Dianne Croonenburg.

Also recognized for their posture were Weldon Cabell, slump queen, and Marilyn Stadler, first runner-up for slump queen.

## Commercial Class Announces Officers

The Commercial class at St. Mary's has elected its officers for this year. Heading the class is Marsha Mustard, a Raleigh girl. Serving as vice-president is Florence Kendall, while the secretary is Terry Barnes and the treasurer is Joan Van Amun. The representative to the Honor Council is Marilyn Koonce and the representative to Legislative Body is Diane Gould.



## ALUMNAE MEET

On October 25, 1962, at 10:45 a. m., a meeting of the Alumnae Council was held in Faculty House Parlor. Mrs. T. C. Powell, Jr., President of the Alumnae Association, presided. At the meeting Gee Canada was elected Student Alumnae Representative by the sixteen members of the Council who were present. After the meeting the Council had lunch in the dining room. Miss Haynes Walker, President of Student Government; Miss Lib Rawlings, President of the Granddaughter's Club; and Miss Gee Canada were guests of the Council for lunch.

NEXT C C U N TOPIC WILL BE THE COMMON MARKET. MEETING TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED