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## St. Mary's Adds Ten to its Faculty and Staff

We taste new foods experimentally: they are strange, alien, a little scary. Warily we venture a nibble and discover that though they may not be our favorite favorites, each concoction adds a distinct dimension to the realm of food. New teachers are like new foods: we approach on tiptoes to people who in time will be lovingly, Familiar Faces.

The new head of the foreign language department is Mrs. Joelle Gatling, a Paris-born Franco-American, who has experienced several linguistic enterprises. Although she attended a French lycée, she received her college degrees at Bryn Mawr and Middlebury Colleges. Mrs. Gatling was a translator for Universal Film Company on location in Cannes. She was a researcher at the French Embassy in New York. She has also taught at East Carolina and Meredith. She was attracted to St. Mary's because of its Episcopal foundation and enjoys other aspects too, particularly the intimacy and warmth. Mrs. Gatling only regrets that she has not come into more contact with high school students. Although her family is her foremost hobby, she loves teaching and feels it involves more human communication than interpreting.

Mr. Stanley Serxner, who teaches Spanish, has lived in Mexico, Guatemala, and on an Israeli kibbutz while working in a grapefruit orchard. Receiving his education at Columbia and the University of Florida, he has taught at Shaw University. He is now working towards his doctorate in old Spanish literature at Chapel Hill. The Maryland Foreign Paper Money Club, an international organization in which Mr. Serxner is an active member, is "what keeps me off the streets!" He is editor of its quarterly magazine, the "Currency Collectors." Mr. Serxner notes that "St. Mary's seems to have a personal touch that is lacking in quite a few places."

"I don't mind the all-girl environment, but my wife does," announced the new chemistry teacher, Mr. Jamie King, who now considers Raleigh home. His formal education at Cornell and Harvard was interrupted by the Korean War in which he served.

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Miss Tucker acquaints Miss Horne with her new duties

## Miss Tucker Leaves St. Mary's Miss Horne Assumes Her Duties

Institutions exist within institutions. It will be hard for the students and the faculty to say goodbye to a person who has given so much of herself to and has become such a vital part of the administration of St. Mary's. Indeed, the retirement of Miss Elizabeth Tucker as registrar of St. Mary's will mean the end of an era. She will be greatly missed.

Miss Tucker came to St. Mary's in 1932 as the secretary to Mrs. Ernest Cruikshank, the school's first president. Miss Tucker had worked with Mrs. Cruikshank when Mrs. Cruikshank was president of the Columbia Institute in Columbia, Tennessee. When it closed, Miss Tucker and Mrs. Cruikshank came to St. Mary's. Miss Tucker later became the registrar. Miss Tucker now plans to move to her home town—Hert-

ford, North Carolina—where she will live with her mother. We wish Miss Tucker Godspeed.

Our new registrar, Miss Alice Anne Horne, is a native of Tabor City, North Carolina. She did her undergraduate work at East Carolina University and her graduate work at North Carolina State University at Raleigh. Miss Horne has taught in Raleigh for five years—at W. G. Enloe High School and at Dorothea Dix Hospital. Miss Horne was anxious to go into college work and is quite impressed with the program at St. Mary's.

Change is a way of life. So while we bid Miss Tucker a fond and nostalgic farewell, we welcome Miss Horne and look forward to our association with her with a great deal of anticipation.

## Presidential Nominating Committee Meets

Sunday afternoon, September 15th, the members of the committee for the selection of a new president for St. Mary's met in the school library. Dr. George L. Penick, Department of Pathology at the U. N. C. School of Medicine, served as convener of the committee. Other members include Mr. W. W. Dukes, Jr. of Orangeburg, S. C.; Dr. Rollie Tillman, U. N. C. School of Business Administration; Mrs. Mark Lindsay of Hamlet, president of the Alumnae Association; Mrs. Seavy Highsmith of Fayetteville; and Dr. Mable M. Morrison, faculty member and head of the St. Mary's History Department. The student members include: Mary Morrison Pennington, president of the Student Government Association; Pridie Clark, vice-president; and Sealy Cross, president of the Senior Class.

The meeting was open to the public and members of the St. Mary's faculty and student body were encouraged to attend. Many faculty members were present, but disappointment was expressed because only one student not directly connected with the committee attended. The meeting was called in order to obtain suggestions about the type of person who might be desired to succeed Dr. Stone. Dr. Penick considered ideas which the faculty and students offered and also answered many questions.

At the present the committee is assembling a list of persons who might be desired to fill the office. The ideal age of the candidate is between thirty-five and fifty years. A competent spouse is desired who will actively participate in campus life and represent St. Mary's. Since an able ad-

## Seniors Elect Officers for '68 - '69

On September 26, the first elections were held for officers of the senior class. There were so many candidates that there had to be a run-off election on September 27. The seniors voted for vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and dance marshal.

Beth McLean was elected vice-president of her class. She is from Bennettsville, South Carolina. Last year at St. Mary's, she was a member of the Dramatics Club, and was on the Stagecoach staff. This year she is a member of these and also a counselor on 2nd Holt.

Julie Badger was elected as secretary of the senior class. She lives in Raleigh. Both this year and last year she has been a member of the Granddaughters' Club and the Glee Club. She is head cheerleader for the Mus. She is also on the Belles staff as well as the Stagecoach business staff.

Suzy Rapp was elected as the treasurer. She is from Charlotte. This year she is on the Belles news staff, and she is also a counselor on 2nd Penick.

Farley Wallace was chosen to be the dance marshal. She is from Shelby. This year she is both vice-president of Cruikshank and a counselor on 2nd Cruikshank.



New Senior Class officers are Suzy Rapp, Farley Wallace, and Beth McLean (not pictured).

ministrator with a sound educational background is essential, a terminal Ph.D. in the classics or history and both business and educational experience are desired. Women are being considered for the office, and religious affiliation is of secondary importance. But a strong moral character must be present in the candidate.

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