

Szigeti to Perform in First Civic Concert

Szigeti One of Four Great Violinists; Fame Grown Steadily in this Country

Joseph Szigeti, the noted violinist, will perform next Friday in the first of a series of concerts sponsored by the Civic Music Association. The concert will be held in the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium.

For fifteen years Mr. Szigeti's fame as a violinist has been steadily increasing in this country. Most critics rank him as one of the four greatest violinists of the day.

He was born in Budapest on September 5, 1892. From childhood he showed talent. His father and his uncle taught him until he had outgrown their knowledge. Then he studied under Jenő Hubay, the great Hungarian violinist and teacher.

When he was thirteen he made his debut at the Royal Academy of Budapest, and thus started his career as a concert artist, for when he was fifteen he had already played in Berlin and Dresden. He spent six years in England giving concerts, sometimes appearing in joint recitals with Melba and sometimes with the composer Bosoni. From England he toured France and Germany. In 1917 Szigeti succeeded Henri Marteau as professor of violin virtuosity at the Geneva Conservatory. He stayed here until 1924. He became

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BARNES, LUCAS, SHERRILL, SUITER, SOAR WIN PREXY OFFICES



Front row: Elizabeth Barnes, Charlottesville, Va.; Betty Suiter, Weldon, N. C.; Laurie Lucas, Greensboro, N. C. Back row: Ruth Sherrill, Charlotte, N. C.; Sallie McKinley, Birmingham, Ala.; Marjorie Soar, Raleigh, N. C.

McKinley Elected President of Seniors last year; Three New Presidents Former Class Officers; Three Former Students

This week the three underclassmen classes elected as their presidents, Betty Barnes, Junior Class; Laurie Lucas, Sophomore Class; and Ruth Sherrill, Freshman Class. All three of the girls had been class officers before entering Saint Mary's. The Business Class elected Betty Suiter president, and the day students voted Marjorie Soar their leader. Sallie McKinley, Birmingham, Ala., president of the Senior Class, was elected last spring.

Last year Betty Barnes, of Charlottesville, Virginia, was a student at Saint Margaret's, Tappahannock, where she was president of the junior-senior class. When asked what she thought of Saint Mary's, she instantly replied, "I love it. I like the people, but I wish it were in Virginia."

Laurie Lucas, whose home is in Greensboro, was very active in student affairs at Saint Mary's last year. She is the former freshman class president, and was outstanding as a dance marshal, captain of the second basketball team, a Mu, and a member of the Glee Club. Before entering Saint Mary's, Laurie attended Greensboro Central High School, where she was president of the student body and also president of the Girl Reserves Interschool Council, a civic organization.

Ruth Sherrill, of Charlotte, is a former student of National Cathedral School, Washington, D. C., where she was vice-president of the sophomore class. She was also prominent as a cheerleader, a member of the choir, basketball team, hockey team, and tennis team. Architecture and laboratory technique interest Ruth most. Ruth was very hesitant in speaking of herself, but when asked how she liked Saint Mary's, with a definite air replied, "I'm crazy about it. I love it to death."

Betty Suiter, Weldon, N. C., was a student at Meredith, where she was treasurer of the Astro Literary Society and golf manager, before she entered Saint Mary's. Here she is a member of the Doctors' Daughters' Club, Altar Guild, and Political Science Club. Betty volunteered, "I'm wild about the business course I'm taking. I like it better than anything else I've ever studied."

Marjorie Soar, of Raleigh, N. C., entered Saint Mary's last year from Needham Broughton High School. In high school she was secretary of the senior class, president of the Girl Reserve, and a member of the honor council. At Saint Mary's she is a member of the E. A. P. Literary Society and the Dramatic Club.

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The Youngest Belle

The youngest girl at Saint Mary's is one of the most talented. She is serious, brown-haired Janet Rosser from Vass, N. C., who just turned fourteen October 3.

Janet comes from a music loving family; so it was quite natural that she should start taking music lessons at an early age. Her parents and all her older brothers played the violin, and when she was four Janet expressed a desire to follow the family tradition. Her father, hearing of a good violin teacher in near-by Southern Pines, promptly engaged him to teach his daughter. From that time on until Janet came to Saint Mary's this fall, F. H. Ponish, an Austrian by birth, has been her teacher. During these years Janet showed remarkable progress, making several amateur records and giving three recitals.

Last spring a friend, hearing that Rubinoff, the great violinist, was going to play in Raleigh on May 16, suggested that Janet come to hear him. When she arrived in Raleigh, she went straight to the Sir Walter Hotel where Rubinoff was staying. After waiting an hour, she was able to secure an interview. Rubinoff came down into the lobby and asked her about her studies, requesting that she play for him later on in the day. That afternoon after the concert, Janet went to his apartment and played a number of scales and Fritz Kreisler's "Schom Rosmarin." Rubinoff enthusiastically admitted that she "had talent and absolute pitch." He advised her to work very hard to develop her technique before she was fifteen if she wished to get anywhere in music.

Janet is studying freshman work in school and taking violin lessons

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PENDER LOOKS AT THE NEWS

Stalingrad Stands; Stalin Declares Second Front Obligations of Allies

Stalingrad still stands. As the siege passed its 46th day, the Russian Army *Red Star* came out with this cautious comment: "There is now a chance to hold and repulse the enemy." Perhaps the highest tribute given the Russians was the one paid by a German military spokesman who said, "Against Soviet soldiers there is no chance of weakening their moral resistance by bitter experiences. . . . The Russians are capable of both taking and giving it."

Joseph Stalin, in his only direct wartime utterance thus far to the foreign press, said Monday that a second front is the primary obligation of the Allies. "As compared with the aid the Soviet Union is giving to the Allies by drawing upon itself the main force of the Germans," he said, "the aid of the Allies to the Soviet Union has so far been little effective. Only one thing is required to make it more so: that the Allies fulfill their obligations fully and on time."

Australians advancing in the mountains of New Guinea continue

their drive without encountering Japanese opposition. Every activity has apparently ceased all along the Japanese supply trail to the coastal invasion base of Buna. Allied medium bombers were reported to have attacked an airdrome at Buna and other enemy island bases. For the first time in any land operations in the Pacific, the Allies possess air supremacy over the Japanese.

In the Aleutian Islands American Army forces have advanced 250 nautical miles nearer Japanese bases in the North Pacific. The advance—the first in this area since the Japanese occupied islands in the Western Aleutians in early June—will cut valuable hours of flying time off the round trip bombing expeditions at Kiska, and offers possible jumping-off points for an actual amphibious invasion of the Japanese-held Aleutians. The newly arrived American troops occupy positions in the Andveanof group, but the Navy did not identify them specifically.

President Roosevelt last week signed and wrote into law the anti-

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