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WOULD YOU HINDER VICTORY?

Small sacrifices which we are asked to make on the home front may often seem annoying and unnecessary, but it is only through the complete co-operation of those at home that we can attain victories on the battlefield. Perhaps the chief violation of war-time requests at Saint Mary's is that of placing unnecessary long-distance telephone calls. The calls of servicemen and those concerning war-time business and production are most essential and keep the lines continually busy. Communication is necessary to war, and for this reason we must put aside our personal desires to make way for something more vital to the country as a whole.

Let's try to do our part to alleviate existing conditions by making calls that are absolutely necessary and by limiting these calls to three minutes. This is the least we can do.

LOOKS . . . AND INTELLIGENCE?

With examinations over and new work and study before us, we are prone to question and analyze a southern girl, a Saint Mary's student. We are reminded, irked by such descriptions as gentle, pretty, polite, but poor in mind and lax in intelligence, all of which are often accorded to us by geographic neighbors and cultural experts. Are we weak in our efforts, shallow in mind?

We are believed to be semi-intelligent; that is, we can read and write if the occasion calls for it, and we are very adept at muttering "pearl one, pearl two," and presto—baby blue socks. Do we so willingly accept our status? Do we wish to be molded into charming politeness without stiff gray matter and intelligence to back it up?

Saint Mary's is a school of tradition, but it is also a place of learn-

ing. Tradition and standard are beautiful foundations; we become integral and alert in our school's tradition. But we do not necessarily build upon it alone. We should work, train ourselves, and balance our environment with academic study. As women we expect our future husbands to have worked hard, to have rigidly prepared themselves in college for future life. We do not want to contribute only slight knowledge, prejudice, unintelligence, flower-like beauty and deep, throaty notes to future society.

We are sure of the value in education. We are endeavoring to find its value, and to incorporate such worth into our characters and lives.

BELLES

MICHELLE TELFAIR

Home—Scarsdale, N. Y.
 Age—18.
 Hair 'n' eyes—black 'n' blue.
 Ambition—happiness.
 Pet hate—cannot be mentioned here.
 Spends spare time—pursuing Morphews.
 Always heard—"I contend."
 Always seen—behind glasses.
 Hobby—"Consider them morbid."
 Favorite article of clothing—my birthday suit (gray flannel, of course).
 Favorite perfume—Carnation.
 Favorite food—Kickapoo joy juice and black-eyed peas.
 Favorite song—currently "Chloe."
 Is looking forward to—I wish I knew.
 Odd likes—Republicans and English 31.
 Worst fault—my critical nature.
 Is wild about—John.

Originality, intelligence, and charm might be considered the most outstanding among Michelle's delightful characteristics. One of those outstanding day students who has more than distinguished herself as president of the Sigma Lambda's, she has proved that one need not live at school in order to keep up with everything that happens on the campus. She is also a member of the Publications Staff. In addition to her high place among the "scholars" of her class, Michelle's attractiveness has classified her as a Senior that could never be overlooked.

HELENA GRAGARD WILLIAMS

Home—Raleigh, N. C.
 Age—20.
 Hair 'n' eyes—red 'n' blue.
 Ambition—to board at school.
 Pet hate—unfriendly people.
 Spends spare time—playing bridge.
 Always heard—"Ditto" (loud voice).
 Always seen—at school.
 Hobby—no hobby.
 Favorite article of clothing—my tan sweater.
 Favorite perfume—Indiscreet.
 Favorite food—steaks.
 Favorite song—"For Me and My Gal."
 Is looking forward to—summer.
 Odd likes—my mean dog!
 Worst fault—singing songs off tune.
 Is wild about—Air Corps.

Whether it's making friends or playing hockey, Helena goes about it with a spirit that makes everyone around appear rather dull. Another day student who's made the limelight during her stay at Saint Mary's, Helena has led the Mu's with enviable enthusiasm. Regardless of the difficulty of any situation,

she and her sense of humor and intelligence prove equal to almost any job she may undertake. In addition to being President of the Mu's, Helena is also a member of the Letter Club.

ALMA BRYCE YOUNG

Home—Dunn.
 Age—18.
 Hair 'n' eyes—? and hazel.
 Ambition—to make S. M. S. honor roll.
 Pet hate—people who're late.
 Spends spare time—giving sock directions.
 Always heard—laughing.
 Always seen—knitting 'n' talking.
 Hobby—collecting hair ribbons and earrings.
 Favorite article of clothing—Caroline's black dress.
 Favorite perfume—Mon Image.
 Favorite Food—rice and anything with chocolate.
 Favorite song—"Hark the Sound."
 Is looking forward to—weighing 110 again.
 Odd likes—arguing.
 Worst fault—rushing, Emily says.
 Is wild about—going to N. Y. this summer with E. I. M., and of course, Chapel Hill.

Alma has proved in the last two years that her carefree nature and wonderful disposition are just what Saint Mary's needs to build up morale. Mixing pleasure with work, she has been an excellent example as president of the Altar Guild, one of the most important jobs that any Senior holds. In spite of her all-time job, Alma manages to spare enough time to keep up with her studies and take part in the activities of the Political Science Club and Publications Staff.

SAINT'S SALLIES

Those long dreaded exams are over. Thank goodness! Most of us left for week ends after our last exam.

Fannie, Cornelia Knott, Betsy Long, Jean Sullivan, Peggy Moran, Louise Gower, Pauline, and Whit went to Chapel Hill. Foxie went home with Maria Legg. Emily Williamson went to see Betty Edwards. Martha Parker went to Sue Moore's. Shack had quite a Saint Mary's gathering in Martinsville. Sallie Robertson went to Washington—to see Dave, of course. Several girls visited their roommates. Pinkie went to Margaret's. Carol went to Hertford with Betty. Frances Avera went to Sara Coe's. Frenchie enjoyed a big week end in "little" Washington with Betsy—So big, in fact, that she spent the next two days in the infirmary. Frances Marks got a most important phone call from Chicago while home. Sandy went to New York. Those who stayed here took in the girl-break and caught up on some much needed sleep.

Last weekend, too, was a busy one. Dardie and Margaret deRosset went to Wake Forest; Betty Nutt, Nancy Carter, Betsy A. Thompson, Teence, and Spot to Woodbury; Betty Clark and Foxie on a rare houseparty; Canterbury Club council to Greensboro. Maria Legg, Sally Ramsey and "that Goode child" to Chapel Hill and numerous ones to their homes. Betty Lou Hood was maid-of-honor at her sister's wedding. The Freshman-Sophomore was from all reports a great success.

New Books

HERE IS YOUR WAR by Ernie Pyle. America's favorite war correspondent tells the story of how the American boys from the towns, cities, and farms live from day to day in the greatest experience of their lives, first contact with battle.

THE NAVY AT WAR by Hanson Baldwin. More than 100 paintings by five great American artists who were sent with the fleet to the corners of the world to paint the Navy in action.

THE FOUR HUNDRED MILLION by Mary A. Nourse is the book you've been waiting for on China. Powerful, spirited, and vividly created, it is the first competent history of China written exclusively for the layman.

HISTORY AND SCIENCE

AMERICAN HEROES AND HERO WORSHIP by Gerald W. Johnson. Jefferson, T. R. Roosevelt, Wilson, Hamilton—great men surely, but not for the reasons you think. Gerald Johnson gives you the facts you do not know about these and other famous Americans, describes the strange and ironic workings of American history in a book you will read with profit and delight.

CITIZEN TOM PAINE by Howard Fast. "Where freedom was not, there was his home." How Tom Paine fought for freedom in America with his *Common Sense*, how he fought for freedom in France, and how he returned to America, forgotten and poor, to find the country which he had given his strength for free and triumphant.

LIFE ON OTHER WORLDS by H. Spencer Jones is the latest book on astrology. Since research has revealed millions of new stellar systems, it is questionable whether or not the earth is the only life-producing planet. A fairly complete answer to this age-old question is presented by Dr. Jones who states his conclusions with authority.

NEW NOVELS

THE GLORIOUS ADVENTURES OF TYL ULINSPIEGEL by Charles de Coster is a new and vigorous translation of the witty but dramatic story of a great farce, originally written in the 14th century. You will laugh at the lusty humor, marvel at the mystery and intrigue, yet thrill to its underlying truth, the vital epic story of freedom.

BIRDS OF PASSAGE by Ivan Heilbut is the vital story of a German refugee family seeking escape from the Nazi storm. Intimate and detailed descriptions of violence are flavored with accounts that are involuntarily humorous. This book, although fiction, tells an underlying truth.

PARIS UNDERGROUND by Etta Shilier is one of the new and exciting true accounts of war in France. Organization of underground movements in Paris and brutal records of Gestapo violence are vigorously described by a person who saw the truth as it happened.

INDIGO by Christine Weston. Struggles in the friendship of three families—English, French, and Hindu—and how the struggles of the three families were the struggles of India. The novel opens in the 1890's and ends in a powerful climax with the beginnings of the struggles for Indian independence.