

Russian Ballet Makes Hit With S. M. S. Girls

"Helen of Troy" Enjoyed Most by Students

Raleigh's Civic Music Association presented its last entertainment of the year at the City Auditorium on Friday, March 31. This was Russian Ballet by the Ballet Theater which presented three ballets, plus an extra duo ballet by two of its most famous dancers.

The first presentation was "Swan Lake" which is an adaptation of the story of Siegfried set to the music of Tchaikowsky. It was the story of a hunting prince, his love for the Queen of the swans, and their fate at the hands of a sorcerer. The role of the prince was taken by Paul Petroff while the ballerina who took the part of the queen was Rosella Hightower. Miss Hightower's execution was fine in this, and the swan chorus did remarkably good group dancing.

"LILAC GARDEN"

The second ballet was "Lilac Garden," the confused story of a bride-to-be, her lover, her fiance, and her fiance's mistress. Nora Kaye, Hugh Laing, Anthony Tudor and Maria Karnilova danced these respective roles.

The third performance was a duo ballet by Anton Dolin and Rosella Hightower. This was a ballet without any real story, but it was an excellent exhibition of perfect precision ballet dancing. Both dancers were dressed in pink and white satin costumes that were very effective against a plain background.

"HELEN OF TROY"

The final presentation was certainly the most enjoyable. This was "Helen of Troy," the story of Paris' elopement with Helen according to the Greek myth. This ballet was given in several scenes in which the scenery was most fascinating and familiar since it was painted by Vertes, who does so many perfume advertisements. The striking costumes were also designed by Vertes. Nana Gollner gave a lovely version of the role of Helen. She is one of the outstanding ballet artists of the United States, along with Alicia Markova, Anton Dolin and Andre Eglevsky. Eglevsky took the part of the Trojan prince, Paris, while Simon Semenovoff danced the clownish role of Menelaus, Helen's husband. Patricia Barker was adorable in the part of one of Paris' lambs who trailed him to Sparta. But the entire show was stolen by Jerome Robbins in the role of Hermes. His dancing was good and his comic acting was superb. To begin with, Hermes ate one of the golden apples throughout the entire first scene, when he wasn't flirting with Venus. Later on he amused the audience by knitting on a red scarf, playing with a yo-yo,

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Alumnae Association Council Meets

Mrs. Eleanor McAdoo Guest of Honor At Tea Afterwards

Saint Mary's Alumnae Association Council met in the school parlor last Wednesday afternoon, April 5. The meeting, presided over by Mrs. Joseph B. Cheshire, preceded a tea given by Mrs. Ernest Cruikshank honoring an alumna of the class of 1908, Mrs. Eleanor Wilson McAdoo. Attending Council members were Mesdames W. A. Withers of Raleigh, T. W. M. Long of Roanoke Rapids, A. W. Tucker of Raleigh, William B. Harrison of Rocky Mount, Emmett Gribbin of Chapel Hill, Ernest Cruikshank of Raleigh, and Misses Mary Richardson and Peggy Hopkins of Raleigh.

After the meeting Mrs. Cruikshank received informally in the parlor for Mrs. McAdoo, regional adviser on Women's Activities of the War Finance Committee for the West. Besides Mrs. Cruikshank, the receiving line was composed of the Right Rev. Edwin A. Penick and Mrs. Penick.

Tea, sandwiches, and wafers were served to the 30 guests who were members of the faculty, alumnae, and several classmates of Mrs. McAdoo.

Frenchie McCann, Betsy Blount and Mary West Paul were initiated into the Circle last Wednesday night.

Mary Tom Gilman Is New Chief Marshal

Sally Robertson Is Next Senior Class President

Ditty Robinson and Betsy Durham Are Elected Honor Council Representatives

Sally Robertson was elected to lead the senior class of next year at a meeting on April 11. Ditty Robinson and Betsy Durham were chosen representatives to the honor council.

Sally Robertson is from Washington and has taken an active part in school life. She is a member of the hall council, French Club, and the publications staff. When questioned about her election, Sally answered, "I'm happy but very surprised."

Ditty Robinson graduated from Western High School in Washington, D. C., last year. She vows that in the past she has just been one of the masses but is planning to do great things in the future.

Betsy Durham's home town is Birmingham High School. This year Betsy is treasurer of the junior class, a member of the choir and publications staff.

Caroline Long, Frances Avera, Helen Davis, and Bernie White Are New Marshals

Marshals were elected yesterday by the student body. Mary Tom Gilman is chief marshal next year, assisted by Caroline Long, Frances Avera, Helen Davis and Bernie White. The new marshals will take up their duties early in May.

Mary Tom Gilman came to Saint Mary's two years ago from the Churchland High School in Portsmouth, Virginia, where she served on the student council and was secretary of the senior class. This year Tom belongs to the Political Science Club and the Granddaughters' Club. Concerning her election Tom says, "I'm out of this world."

Caroline Long is from Garysburg. In her three years here she has served on the hall council, legislative body, Canterbury Club Council, and is a member of the Letter Club, Glee Club, choir, and Altar Guild. Yesterday Caroline said, "I'm speechless."

Frances Avera's home town is Rocky Mount. In high school she was president of her sorority, cheerleader, and student body representative. At Saint Mary's Frances has been a Sigma cheer-leader, vice-president of the junior class, a member of the French Club and the choir. About being a marshal she says, "... excited," and couldn't say any more.

Bernie White finished high school in Greenville, North Carolina, last year where she was marshal, cheerleader, and drum major. This year Bernie's a junior dance marshal and a Sigma cheer-leader. Bernie beamed, "I don't know what to say. It's wonderful!"

Helen Davis came to Saint Mary's this fall from Wilson. Teence was a marshal in high school; so she is well prepared for her job. When asked how she felt about the elections she answered, "I'm real [sic] surprised—about me, of course."

Jane Clark Cheshire Gives Certificate Recital

Organ Pupil of Russell Broughton

Jane Clark Cheshire, certificate pupil of Russell Broughton, presented an organ recital in the Saint Mary's Chapel on Tuesday, April 11, at 8:00 o'clock. The entire program was rendered with effectiveness and grace.

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NEW STUDENT LEADERS at Saint Mary's School elected by the student body for 1944-45, will be: top row, left to right, Misses Kate Broadfoot of Fayetteville, president of the student body; Sue Moore of Winston-Salem, editor of the Stagecoach, school annual; Margaret Rodwell of Warrenton, editor of the Bulletin, school magazine; bottom row, left to right, Mary Arden Tucker of Warrenton, zine; chairman of the Hall Council; Maria Gregory of Richmond, Va., and Sara Cox of Oxford, editor of the Belles of St. Mary's, school paper; and Sara Cox Hunsucker of High Point, vice-president of the student body.