

HELLO!

# The Belles

OF SAINT MARY'S

RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

IT WON'T  
BE LONG NOW!

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## WELCOME TO SAINT MARY'S

### Meet The Officers

These Are the Girls You Will See First

On September 17 when you drive up the circle to Saint Mary's all loaded down with suitcases and tennis racquets and stuffed animals, those big white columns may seem to be closing in on you, but before you know it Kathryn Fulton, president of the student body, will come flying down the steps to meet you, all smiles as usual. Kat always has the word for everyone, and you'll know her by her short blond hair, friendliness, and that "June Allison" look. Not far behind her will be Susan Ashburn, vice-president of the student body, who'll make you feel at home in no time. Susan, with a few freckles to go with that almost red hair, will hand you over to one of the other seniors who will show you to your room. After that you'll fly from one to another; there'll be registering in the office after centuries of waiting in the Library and grinning a little shyly at the others waiting there. The shyness won't last long, though. There's nothing like beginning together to make you feel close to each other.

Poncie Dawson will take you in the office. Poncie, chairman of the Hall Council, is a tiny blond who will make you feel at ease and is ready to help you in any way she can. Then there'll be refreshments down in the Hut, and Mary Pinckney, editor of the *Bulletin*, Sally Ann Elliott, editor of the *Belles*, and Jane Campbell, editor of the *Stage Coach*, will be there to show you around. Each of these girls will be anxious to welcome you. Your big sister, if she is not there (See Page 2, Col. 1)



1945-46 STUDENT BODY OFFICERS. Poncie Dawson of Gastonia, N. C., Chairman of the Hall Council; Kathryn Fulton of Roanoke, Va., President of the Student Body; and Susan Ashburn of Virginia Beach, Va., Vice-President of the Student Body, leave Smedes after Church Sunday.

### Hints Or Musts

1. Don't forget an evening dress for the Old Girl-New Girl party on the first Saturday night after you arrive.
2. Be sure to bring chambrays and other summer clothes for the first hot weeks of school—you'll need them.
3. A sewing kit is a must for rips and snags.
4. Coathangers; you might stick in a few.
5. Beanies are grand for shopping, weekdays.
6. A clothes rack is nice to bring along, but if you can't find one, just bring a length of clothes line.
7. Pictures, curtains, rugs, bureau scarves, and bedspreads make your room cozier.
8. Bring your own lamps too, if you want to be sure you have the kind you like.
9. Bring a light suitcase, for "Saturday nights" or Thanksgiving.
10. Don't forget shoe bags. You can't do without them.
11. Ditto clothes brushes.
12. Come to school prepared not to depend on your roommate's supplies.

### Welcome From Poncie, Kathryn and Susan

Officers Explain Hall System on Student Government

To all the incoming students of Saint Mary's we extend a hearty welcome. We are looking forward with great anticipation to meeting you new girls and helping you find your places in school life at Saint Mary's. Soon your "newness" will leave you and you will become part of our school—one of us. If in any way we can be of help to you, in finding your way around the campus or answering any questions you may ask, don't hesitate to call on us. We, the old girls, will be there, ready to help you at any time.

During the first weeks of school you will be taught the rules of the school in Student Handbook classes instructed by a student. In these classes you will not only learn the rules but also understand why these rules are necessary. It is for your benefit that rules are made. It is up to you to live up to them.

You will be introduced to our Student Government Association. This organization cannot function unless it has the able support of each and every girl. By learning the rules in your Handbook and by living up to Student Government regulations, you can make life easier and more enjoyable for yourselves and your associates.

At Saint Mary's next year Student Government is taking a step forward, a step that involves the co-operation of every girl in school. There is always one group, one class who will not wait for some one else to move ahead, but who takes the responsibility themselves. Next year's seniors have proven to be such a group.

This year and every year before, it has been customary at Saint Mary's to elect on each hall two students to act as hall president and vice-president. This plan has become unsatisfactory; the students who were elected at the beginning of their first year at Saint Mary's were as unfamiliar with the rules and the life of the school as the girls whom they were appointed to lead.

A plan has been worked out, such as is in use in many schools, of putting two seniors on each hall

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### WHEN YOU ARRIVE AT SAINT MARY'S

Arrive at Saint Mary's with a self-addressed envelope, stamped, with a sheet of stationery inside. This is in case your parents don't bring you to school. You can find a pen soon after you arrive, so as to tell your parents that you are on the doorstep and have arrived and are happy, or whatever you are.

If you arrive by train, look out for Mr. William C. Guess, or some other faculty member who will see after your baggage and see that you are put into a taxi that will carry

you to school. If you arrive by bus, look for some faculty member who will see that you get a taxi to school. Wear your Saint Mary's identification badge so that faculty members can identify you and more quickly make arrangements to get you to the school. Your trunk tickets should be turned over to faculty members to look after.

Please remember that the first day of school is at best a scrambling of new students, and old ones who are trying their best to make things pleasant for you. They are at the

school for the one purpose of seeing that you are taken care of, register when you should, and generally find your place as to rooms, old girl advisers, and where you can find your first easiest comforts.

Another word of caution. When you arrive in Raleigh, the temperature probably will be high. For your own comfort, arrange to arrive dressed in cooler things. Those first two days will be stingers for heat, probably. After the first day, you'll be amazed to find how easily everything comes to you.