

# The Belles

OF SAINT MARY'S

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## COMPROMISE!

Almost every day now the headlines of our newspapers tell of new strikes, or of impending ones. With steel workers, automobile workers, telephone workers and many others off the job, how are we ever going to accomplish the transformation to a peacetime basis of living? The many things which signify our American way of life, those same things that civilians have been rationed for four years, those things which have spelled HOME to so many men overseas, are not to be returned to us now. Not until labor and management—and the government—can come to some sort of compromise will we even begin to get back on a normal basis, the basis that our fighting men remember. When they return to find home in an idle and confused state, with workers bickering for higher and higher wages, we wonder what they think, they who have been risking their lives and who *couldn't* strike, not for higher wages, better living conditions, or anything else. We can't help but wonder if, in their minds, must not rise the question, "Was it worth it?"

## SHH-H!

A real essential of our life here at school is a period of comparative quiet on the halls. In order to study with any thoroughness, one needs a minimum of distraction and disturbances. This desirable quiet is noticeably absent at Saint Mary's.

One will protest that these disturbances are not intentional and that some relaxation is needed during the day. Yet one will agree that there is ample time, other than during those hours assigned for study, in which to relax without the constant anticipation of being called down. It is true that social activities play an important part in one's education, but the primary intent in

# « « « « BELLES » » » »

## PEGGY SWINDELL

Home—Washington, N. C.  
Age—18.  
Ambition—to decide which is her best foot so she can put it forward.  
Hair 'n' eyes—carrot 'n' brown.  
Pet hate—eager beavers.  
Spends spare time—washing sweaters.  
Is wild about—letters from San Diego.  
Hobby—collecting after-dinner coffee cups.  
Always seen—trying to catch up on lost time.  
Favorite expression—"That's completely abnormal."  
Favorite food—sardines.  
Always heard—"Has anyone seen my false tooth?"  
Favorite article of clothing—her daddy's bedroom slippers.  
Favorite perfume—Blue Grass.  
Favorite song—*You Belong to My Heart*.  
Odd likes—Vick's Vaporub.  
Pet passion—that unspeakable violin.  
Clubs, Offices, etc.—Honor Council, Sigma Lambda Literary Society, Doctors' Daughters, Dramatic Club, Y. W. C. A., Mu, Publications, *Handbook* Editor.  
Remarks: Peggy, the new *Handbook* editor, is a cute little red-head who is liked by everyone. Her many offices show how efficient and dependable she is. Now a junior, she shows promise of being an outstanding leader next year.

## SARAH MARTHA HINKLE

Home—Winston-Salem, N. C.  
Age—17.  
Ambition—to be a dancer.  
Hair 'n' eyes—beautiful.  
Pet hate—7:00 a.m. bell.  
Spends spare time—takin' dancing exercises.  
Is wild about—Bill.  
Hobby—dancing.  
Always seen—smiling.  
Favorite expression—"Oh Golly!"  
Always heard—period.

coming to Saint Mary's is to study.

Therefore it seems that any adult-minded girl would realize the value of preserving an atmosphere conducive to study for her own benefit. If she is not concerned with her own welfare in this matter, she should be thoughtful enough to realize that there are those who wish to study. Thoughtlessness is a very definite indication of a lack of maturity, and it is hoped that most of us at Saint Mary's have advanced beyond the stage where we consider only our own wants and desires.

It is little enough to ask that one be considerate when, in the long run, it is to her own advantage. With exams only three short weeks away, it might be of profit to us all to give this matter some thought and employment.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

DEAR EDITOR,

I would like to know if something could be done about Sunday night suppers here at school. Sundays are

Favorite articles of clothing—dance costumes.

Favorite perfume—Blue Grass.

Favorite food—desserts.

Favorite song—*I Wish*.

Odd likes—"Lumpy."

Clubs, Offices, etc.—Junior Class representative to the Honor Council, Orchesis, Dramatic Club, Mu, Woman's Auxiliary.

Remarks: "Marty" is an attractive brunette who dances like a dream and is always in the midst of everything that happens on first floor West Wing. She is a junior and takes an active part in all class activities.

## LUCK FLANDERS

Home—Swainsboro, Georgia.

Age—nearly 16.

Ambition—to do well on exams.

Hair 'n' eyes—brown 'n' brown.

Pet hate—empty cupboard on Sunday night.

Spends spare time—what spare time?

Is wild about—Florida.

Hobby—bridge.

Always seen—around.

Favorite expression—"You've just never been to Georgia."

Favorite article of clothing—hats.

Worst fault—turning out the lights.

Favorite food—broiled steak.

Favorite song—*My Heart Stood Still*.

Odd likes—feathers.

Pet passion—sleeping on Saturday.

Favorite perfume—can't decide.

Clubs, Offices, etc.—Honor Council, Sigma, Dramatic Club, *Belles* Staff.

Remarks: All her friends say they love Luck for her personality and sweetness. Her sincere friendliness and her eagerness to be helpful have helped her carve a niche of her own. She is a good example of that famous characteristic many want but few possess, charm.

P.S.: Luck is no nickname—we hear it had quite a unique origin!

usually a lonesome time for most of us and I think it would help if there were some place we could all sit around and talk or sing while we ate our supper. I also think it would foster more school spirit if we all got together more to sing the school songs and enjoy ourselves.

Sincerely,

AMIE WATKINS

DEAR EDITOR,

I wish that something could be done about the noise in the halls, especially now that exams are coming on. Most people seem to forget that after their classes are over there are still some people who want to study. Even after 4:00 there are still some who have work to do and though no one expects perfect silence, running on the halls and screaming isn't necessary.

Hopefully,

MARY GLEN SLATER

# Saints' Sallies

The New Year was ushered with many good times had by Saint Mary's belles. Most were here the second and anxious to make better than '45. The holidays have come and gone, and still the spirit seems to linger. Guess it must 'cause so many gals came back love.

Martha Dean simply floated back. It seems that her "dream man" arrived in Houston a few days after she did.

All the girls have great tales to tell, but none can quite top "Shelley" Blanton's. She went home to West Point.

Ruby Leigh has a great big, beautiful, new picture. . . . Don't miss seeing it, girls. An' no doubt you heard . . . Martha Brickhouse did right for herself in Virginia.

Virginia Cullen's brother called Sunday. He surprised her . . . Frances too.

Have you seen that new ring Ruby Clark is sporting these days? It's a Christmas present from that boy at home.

Caroline Camp is getting all excited about going to the mid-winter at Carolina. After seeing the lucky boy, we can easily see why she's excited. . . .

J. Murray and B. Anderson had plenty of company this week.

Some drastic changes took place over Christmas vacation concerning Susan Taylor. Instead of her head belonging to V.E.S., it now belongs to Woodbury Forest.

Mary Leah is proudly sporting K.A. pin as of last week. . . .

Marty Hinkle has discovered someone now at State. . . .

Betty Lou Roland is all in favor of the Citadel. Just ask her and for yourself. . . .

"Beon" had some trouble with his Christmas tree lights we hear. . . .

"Demp's" date must have been exciting. She's got two burned fingers now. . . .

Gene Rose hasn't stopped talking about Concord and Statesville yet. . . .

Choosing between mid-winters at a week-end at home is rather boring eh Burney? . . .

"Coop's" man couldn't seem to leave her. He was up all week-end. . . .

Margaret Lee's vacation was perfect (according to her), with V.M. home too. . . .

Ask Martha Best why she's going to Charlotte after exams. . . .

Too bad California is so far away from Peggy Swindell, but maybe he'll be home next Christmas. . . .

Ask Sylvia and Mar'et anything about the Williamston-Washington highway you want. They seem to have used it enough Christmas.

Norfleet and Conger were out with two boys from Edenton. . . . One of the boys is headed for China and the other for Chapel Hill.

The week-end after New Year's

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