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Prevent Epidemic

The influenza vaccine is now available here at Saint Mary's. It is new and very few students have taken it. In order to prevent a "flu" epidemic similar to the one here last December, everyone should take it. There is very little reaction to the vaccine; hence it will cause few absences. It also will help keep the number of colds down. If the student body will cooperate and take the vaccine as soon as possible, then a disastrous epidemic of influenza may be prevented.

Repeat Performance?

Amid the turmoil after Nov. 11, 1918, one thing was apparent: the American people were not going to permit another war. They declared with all vehemence, "No more wars; we've won the 'war to end war!'"

The fervor of 1918 enthusiasm died down, and the American people settled into a comfortable, complacent peace. Pitched head-long into struggle again in December, 1941, they did what they had done before—turned all resources toward the winning of the war.

Monday was Armistice Day, Nov. 11, 1946. There has been another armistice since 1918, V-J day. Two armistices—and still no peace!

The United Nations Conference is meeting to decide the future for the world; at the same time, the voters have been deciding the future for the country. The gain of the Republican party was not unexpected, but the fact that the Republicans now have a majority in Senate and House presents a problem, that of conflict and compromise between the executive and legislative branches of the government.

Did Armistice Day 1946 mean anything to the American people? Was it just another holiday? Or was it possibly a reminder that party selfishness and stubbornness are sure ways to a repetition of 1914 and 1941?

SPOTLIGHT

Friendly manner, . . . good-looking clothes, . . . a long list of achievements at Saint Mary's, . . . and a firm dislike for people who forget photographic appointments—Gene Rose, popular editor of the 1947 STAGE COACH, is one of this year's prominent seniors.

Gene started her Saint Mary's career in 1945 by serving on the annual and BULLETIN staffs and by becoming a member of the *Sigma Lambda* literary society, the French club, and the Woman's Auxiliary.

This year she is secretary-treasurer of the French club, a hall president, and program chairman for the *Sigma Lambda*'s.

Claiming a love for onion sandwiches and mayonnaise, Gene says she likes "almost any kind of food." Week-ends constitute her favorite pastime and she has a passion for W. and L.!

Gene's one ambition is to find someone who will donate five thousand dollars to the annual. After that, she will "settle for a husband and a home!"

Witches, Ghosts Invade School For Annual Halloween Party

Witches 'n' goblins 'n' black cats galore
Ole Halloween did have in store.
We saw it go with many a tear,
But we'll make pie-beds again next year.

Even the blackest, meanest witch had to break down and have a rip-roaring good time in the gym Friday night, Nov. 1, at the Halloween party given by the Junior class. Promptly at 8:00 Saint Mary's, outlandishly, beautifully, or laugh-provokingly costumed, tripped gaily down to the "Witches' Den," decorated in real Halloween style with orange paper, cornstalks, and sheets donated by loyal goblins.

Besides true Halloween food, kindly supplied by Mrs. Nannie H. Marriott, there were numerous booths—"Take a trip around the world," "See the hares," "See the lady who walks on nails," "The hula dancers," "Have yo' pitcher took," and the grisly Horror House. If one wanted to know the Past, Present, and Future, and "am I going to get any mail tomorrow?" she visited the fortune-teller, Miss Sally Digges; if one wanted to try for a prize and also find out if she should diet, she visited Miss Martha Allen Wilkinson and her tell-tale scale.

After girls waded through leaves, were petrified by numerous ghosts

and pirates, and tried to decide who the "cigarettes and petition" were, the parade before the judges began. The Grand Prize was awarded to a fat little sultan, Priscilla Ford, and his glamorous harem, Virginia Smith, Molly Williams, Lenoir Williams, and Logan Vaught. Second prize went to the hair-raising "Lena the Hyena," Frances Wood; third prize went to the jolly buxom wash-woman, Luck Flanders, and her clothesline, Caroline Camp and Nancy Holland; and fourth prize went to the enchanting Bowery Gal, Katherine Mosely.

After the judges had made these momentous decisions, everyone gathered to watch a floor show. Joan Hassler, the "Master of Ceremonies," called upon her trusty goblins and black cats to produce Sally Ann Borthwick, who sang two solos, and Elizabeth "Liddybet" Myatt and Jean Strickland, who did their famed "Midnight and Eclipse" act. Also featured in the floor show was a jitterbug contest, won by Joanne Howell and Gene Hines.

Finally the witching hour came; screams from the Horror House died away, the last bit of popcorn was crunched down, and the gay witches took down their sheets and paper, hopped on their brooms, and flew away to hibernate till next year.

School Physician Recommends Vaccination For All Students

To the Editor of Saint Mary's BELLES:

An epidemic of influenza is predicted for 1946-1947. A new vaccine against influenza has been perfected. In a large group who were vaccinated, only about 1 per cent acquired the disease in a modified form. Of the unvaccinated, about 10 per cent acquired the disease and had the usual complications of pneumonia, etc.

The vaccination consists of one dose of vaccine given hypodermically. The protection acquired from the vaccine will last over a period of several months.

The cost is small, only about sixty cents per dose.

The State Board of Health advises this form of protection. It is being used by student and other groups all over the United States. We endorse this procedure.

The Infirmary is prepared to give this vaccine to those who wish to take it.

The general experience in large groups has been that it is safe, effective, and causes little or no discomfort.

Hubert B. Haywood, M.D.,
School Physician.

Saints' Sallies

REMEMBERING . . . Room with no smoke in them . . . the snow . . . breaking that DO NOT DISTURB . . . steaks at Mr. Peck . . . assembly without announcements . . . "Teeny" Royall's vote . . . "Something Sentimental" . . . counting the days 'til Christmas . . . "Spot's" drawings . . . good looking Jane Lee Parker . . . Dentyne gum . . . Conger worrying about her Sigma Nu . . . "Bea" "Strook," and "Demp" rooming together . . . "Burney's" dancing . . . coming back on Thanksgiving Day . . . our first Sunday night supper at Saint Mary's.

COLORS OF THE WEEK—

Blue with loneliness . . . Nel Truslow ("I Love Maryland")
Green with envy . . . the girls who spent Saturday night at school
West Point grey . . . Martha Best and Sybbe. Navy blue and gold . . . "Chubby" and Fripp. Tickled pink . . . Gene Rose (money for the annual). Black and blue . . . Will Marjorie's eye!

NOTICING . . . "The Outlaw" (how do you spell a long whistle) . . . Jean Gatlin watching the mailbox . . . Mary Leah without her . . . "Buddie" Pierce's letters delivered by special messenger from Chapel Hill . . . Margaret Lee's dress (blind, that is) . . . Ida's evening dress . . . names in the cement the walk . . . the dickey's girls . . . first Holt wear . . . Betty Ann date for the dance—oh, you Zeta . . . Harriott Barnwell's phone call . . . seniors depressed with so much work . . . Charlotte Buchanan's call from South Carolina . . . "Bea" Welsh's "take-me-to-Ft.-Bragg" . . . Martha Brickhouse's interest in Wake Forest . . . Ann McCallum millionaire . . . the words used in the typing room!

WHAT IF . . . ?

"Liddy Bet" couldn't laugh . . . Page couldn't call Hampton Sydney . . . Jane Lowe didn't want to go home . . . Betty Adkerson were the . . . Nancy Riddleburger were the . . . funny . . . Joan Hassler lost her . . . Daisy were from Raleigh . . . instead of Wilson . . . Edith were a senior . . . Jean Roberts talked the time . . . "Cindy" lost Judy . . . the seniors didn't graduate . . . the end of the month came without tests!

What shall we do about those two Raleigh boys who want to advertise in the STAGE COACH by putting in their pictures and phone numbers?

What Duke man has such a claim on Caroline Camp's interest that she took a precious Saturday night to go to the Duke-Georgia Tech game?

First West Wing girls heard glowing accounts from "Beau" Welsh and Peggy Swindell of week-ends spent with "Them"!

We thought there was a limit to steps for the dance, but apparently Pat Ambrose and "Bones" Jones didn't!

Margaret Norfleet need never worry about making conversation.
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