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Sylvia Newson Wins As 'Posture Queen'

Betsy Carter, Catherine Thomas Take Second and Third Place

Sylvia Newson, a Sigma from Charlotte, copped top honors in the recent posture contest at SMS and was crowned *Posture Queen* in assembly April 29. Coming close behind Sylvia to win second place was Sigma Betsy Carter; and another Sigma, Catherine Thomas, placed third.

Graded individually on walking, walking upstairs, standing, and sitting, other entries in the contest were Sigmas Nancy Hannah and Jean Allan Price. Mu's were Betsy Evans, Mary Catherine English, Martha Upchurch, Martha McGuirk, and Barbara Parrish.

Sponsored by the Letter Club, of which Virginia Smith is president, the climactic crowning of the queen was preceded by a good posture campaign. Posters, an assembly program, and "I've been slumping" tags added to the effectiveness of the campaign.

Peggy Misenheimer was crowned *Miss Slump* since she wore a tag having the greatest number of additional checks for slumping.

Judges in the contest were Miss Elizabeth Bason, home economics instructor; Dick Dickey, State basketball player; and Ainslie Pryor, director of the Raleigh Little Theater.

After the posture campaign, Miss Martha Dabney Jones, dean of students, announces that "A decided improvement has been noticed. Let's keep it up!"

SMS Letter Club Presents Comic Skit Directed By Prof. E. Barbee

To introduce the posture campaign to the student body, Saint Mary's Letter Club, of which Virginia Smith is president, presented a comical posture skit Tuesday, April 27. Under direction of Sarah Barbee, the program was given in the auditorium during assembly period.

As the guest professor lecturer "Tut" Barbee, decked in a long robe, opened the program. While she was discoursing on posture, two lady gossips, Musette Brown and Gene Hines, clapped down the aisle and loudly discussed their friends' bad posture.

The woman in black, Jo Darden, came mourning down the aisle. Her husband had died of T.B. because he slumped. She wailed throughout the program—up and down the aisle and in the balcony.



Bob Spilman, a KA at State from Statesville, is the newly elected "Beau of the Belles." See why?

Edwards M. Gwathmey Will Speak at SMS For Finals, June 7

Dr. Edward M. Gwathmey, President of Converse College, Spartanburg, S. C., will deliver the commencement address at 10:30, June 7, in Saint Mary's auditorium.

Dr. Gwathmey has been president of Converse since 1933. Prior to that he was a member of the faculty of William and Mary and director of the Norfolk division of William and Mary. He is a graduate of the University of Richmond and received his Ph.D. at the University of Virginia and his LL.D. at the University of South Carolina.

He is married and has three children, two of whom are students at Converse.

Judges Choose Bob Spilman 'King' of SMS in Contest

Bob Brunson, Preston Andrews, Don Evans, Tom Gower Also Take Places of Honor

For a whole week seads of good-lookin' men have been literally hanging from the walls of Saint Mary's study hall. This group of luscious looking homo sapiens composed the gallery for the *Beau of the BELLES* contest.

At last! The judges have made their final decision and all eyes turn to that handsome "hunk o' man" who holds the key to the hearts of all Saint Mary's girls. He is none other than Bob Spilman of Statesville. This 22 year old Adonis goes to N. C. State where he is majoring in Kappa Alpha and minoring in textiles.

Bob also attended Augusta Military Academy and Davidson College.

Lelia DuPre Wins As New Secretary Of Hall Council

Lelia DuPre, Rome, Georgia, will succeed Sarah Barbee as secretary of the Hall Council next year. Chosen in run-off elections Monday and Tuesday, she defeated Phyllis Costner, Betsy Shepherd, Rosa Little, and Robbie Robertson.

During Lelia's first year at SMS she has received Hall Council training as a hall representative. Recently she was tapped by the Order of the Circle, Saint Mary's Honor society, and she has been an active member of the YWCA.

Last year at Rome High School Lelia was a member of the staff of her school paper, a member of the band, and was in the senior class play.

Circle Taps Five New Members Into Society

Drane, Brown, DuPre, Hamel, Moore Receive Highest Honor Given at Saint Mary's

The Circle, Saint Mary's honor society, tapped Frances Drane, Jeanne Brown, Lelia DuPre, Nancy Hamel, and Ann Moore in the third ceremony of the year Tuesday night, April 27.

To be chosen a member of the Circle is one of the highest honors that a Saint Mary's girl can receive. They are chosen from the sophomore, junior, senior and business classes on the basis of dependability, stability, driving force, school spirit, and individuality.

During the war he served in the Army Air Corps. Bob admits, without hesitation, that he prefers blondes to all other types of females. When sports are mentioned his heart turns to golf, and he's just a "hog about" clothes. Congratulations, you lucky individual. We all l-o-v-e you!

Bob Brunson of Wilson walked off with second place. He attended Wake Forest and the University of Pennsylvania. For some strange reason Bob is wild about Cuba. His gorgeous picture was entered by Nellie Truslow.

Preston Andrews, third place winner, also goes to N. C. State, where he is a PIKA. This goodlooking 22 year old is the brother of Blanche Andrews and hails from Charlotte.

Dan Evans, Betsy Evans' brother, copped fourth place. During the war this attractive 23 year old served in the Navy. He is taking a post graduate course at Carolina where he is a Kappa Alpha.

Cudly Tommy Gower, nephew of Jane, crawled away with fifth place. He is pushing 18 months, has a great wit about him, and thoroughly enjoys admiring his beauty in the mirror.

Judges for the contest were Jane Lassiter, editor of the *Twig* at Meredith; Johnnie Stevens, editor of the annual at Peace; and Mrs. Doris Neeley, Saint Mary's librarian.

Yowell Names Temporary Editors for Next Year

Betty Ann Yowell, editor of the *Belles*, has announced temporary editors for the paper next year. These editors, who were approved by C. A. P. Moore, faculty advisor, are serving in their new capacities the last three issues this year.

The newly chosen editors are Catherine Campbell, Assistant Editor; Lucille Best, News Editor; Alice Lide, Feature Editor; Barbara Wooten, Headline Editor; Connie Newton, Editorial Editor; and Barbara Miller, head copy-reader.

Letter Club Entertains With Picnic at "The Hut"

With hot dogs, marshmallows, and many good eats the Letter Club entertained at a picnic supper at the hut Tuesday, April 27.

New members of the Club who attended were Mary Blair Bowers, Ann Moore, Eleanor Hope Newell, Charlotte Wallin, Sylvia Newsom, Rose Potter, Sara Ann Proctor, Robbie Roberson and Dot Teague.