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Graduation Exercises Begin Sunday

Graduates Present Class Day Programs

The Senior Class of Saint Mary's School will hold its annual class day exercises on June 4, at four o'clock in the auditorium. The exercises will open with the welcome by Ruth Sikes, president of the Senior Class. After the class prayer and the singing of "Hail, Saint Mary's" by the Student Body, the class history will be read by Elizabeth Guion and Mary McNaughton. The class gift will be presented by Ruth Sikes, after which the class prophecy will be read by Nelle Clark and Phyllis Costner. Patricia Ambrose will read the class poem, and Barbara Miller and Ann Moore will read the last will and testament of the class. Marguerite Burton will present the senior superlatives, and Frances Drane will inaugurate the President of the Student Body for next year. After the presentation of the publication awards by C. A. P. Moore and the dedication of the *Stage Coach* by Peggy Williams, the Senior Class will sing the Alma Mater, and The Reverend I. Harding Hughes will pronounce the Benediction.

SOPHOMORE CLASS DAY

The sophomore class of Saint Mary's has concluded plans for its annual class day exercises to be held tomorrow morning at 11:00 a. m. in the school auditorium. The program will open with the class greeting by Cynthia Perkins, sophomore class president. Following the greeting Tonia Rowe will read the class prayer after which the class will sing the Alma Mater. Betty Ann Williamson will then call the roll and Cynthia Perkins will make the presentation of the gift. The class poem will be read by Martha Woolery, and Carol Mahon and Pat Cohoon will read the class history. The sophomore prophecy will be read by Charlotte Wallin and Pat George, and the Last Will and Testament by Alice Lide and Lyn Jennings. Sophomore superlatives announced by Susanna Dell will be followed by the announcement of scholastic awards by Dr. Richard G. Stone. The class will then sing the class song, and the program will be concluded with the benediction by the Rev. I. Harding Hughes.

For its traditional gift to the school, the class will leave equipment for the athletic department. The committee in charge of securing these gifts was Evelyn Oettinger, Pat George, Mary Alice Williamson, and Mary Frances Allen. The girls who will decorate the auditorium are Ruth Maultsby, Ann Nicoll, Betty Cheek, and Mary Ruth Ruble.



The Honorable John J. Parker

Judge Parker of the U. S. Circuit Court will speak at graduation exercises on Monday.



The Rt. Rev. M. George Henry

Bishop of the Diocese of Western North Carolina, will deliver the Baccalaureate Sermon.

The Rt. Rev. George Henry Will Speak

Saint Mary's will hold its one hundred and seventh commencement exercises this week-end with the graduation of junior college and high school students.

Formal graduation exercises will begin on Sunday, June 5, with the celebration of Holy Communion in the chapel at eight o'clock. At eleven o'clock the service of morning prayer will be read by the Rev. Mr. Hughes, and the Rt. Rev. M. George Henry, Bishop of the Diocese of Western North Carolina will preach the Baccalaureate Sermon.

Russell Broughton will give an organ recital at the five o'clock evensong service after which an alumnae memorial service will be held. The alumnae to be mentioned are Mrs. Albert W. Latta (nee Helen Lyell Smedes), Alice Mutter Hall, Mrs. Edward Burleson (nee Adele Steiner), Mrs. Major M. Morrison (nee Helen Gaither), and Mrs. Odell Hudnell (nee Mary Lee Daughtridg). Following the chapel service, the traditional step-singing will be held on the steps of Smedes Hall. At this time the various classes will sing to each other, and the senior class will sing to the entire school.

At 10:30 Monday morning, graduating exercises will be continued in the auditorium with the Honorable John J. Parker, Judge, U. S. Circuit Court, as the speaker. Dr. Stone will then present diplomas to the sophomores. Following this, the senior class will proceed to the chapel where the presentation of diplomas will be made by the Rt. Rev. Edwin A. Penick, Bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina. The entire school will then form a semi-circle in front of Smedes Hall where the chief marshal, Suzanne Dawson, will drop the traditional handkerchief marking the end of the school year.

Art Department Will Show Year's Projects

The annual art exhibition is being held again this year, and the studio will be open to visitors during Commencement.

The display exhibits studio work as well as outside assignments done by the forty-one students. The projects consists of problems pertaining to the numerous elements and principles of design in various media. One section of the exhibition is devoted to designs shown in the auditorium earlier in the year. These designs reveal different interpretations of one subject.

Sigma's Win Athletic Plaque At Banquet Of Gods And Warriors

The Sigma's of Saint Mary's won the annual athletic plaque which was presented to Pepper Neal, newly elected president of the Sigma's, at the Banquet of the Gods and Warriors on Thursday night, May 26, in the school dining room.

The banquet was occasioned by the Great Olympic Games, and held on lofty Mount Olympus during the reign of Jupiter and Juno in the tenth century B.C. Pindar Bowles, the poet, opened the program with a greeting, after which the Titans (the Letter Club) sang their battle song. Toasts were then given to Jupiter Stone by Menelaus Moore, Loud War Crier, Juno Guess by Wide Ruling Agamenanon Drane, Diana Graham by Hercules Stewart, and Bacchus Hughes by Goodly Aeneas Brown. Poseidon Shepard, Shaker of the Earth, announced that Sara Ann Proctor had been elected to lead the Mu's next year, and Atalanta Jordan announced that Ann Shuford had been elected vice-president. Then, Aeneas Teague, Instigate of Battle, bestowed her worthy office of president on Pepper Neal, and Golden Winged Iris Roberson bestowed the honor of the vice-presidency on Evelyn Oettinger.

Victors in the Olympic games were announced by Diana Graham. Victors are Aurelia Fulton, basketball; Ann Shuford, softball and volleyball; Charlotte Wallin, swimming; and tennis, Sara Ann Proctor. Other victors, announced by June Guess, are Pepper Neal, (See Page 5, Col. 1)

Alumnae Will Hold Luncheon, Meeting

The Saint Mary's Alumnae Association will hold its annual meeting on June 4 at 12 p. m. This will be followed by a luncheon in the dining room.

The president of the association, Mrs. R. G. S. Davis of Henderson, will preside at the meeting, which will include the installation of the new president, Mrs. H. C. Bourne, of Tarboro. Miss Dora Winters, alumnae secretary, will read the annual report. The chapter with the highest yearly membership attendance will have its name engraved on the membership cup.

The Raleigh chapter, assisted by members of the Granddaughters' Club, will honor the alumnae and the senior class. Bishop Edwin A. Penick will say grace. The senior class will be officially welcomed at this time as alumnae by the president of the association. Ruth Sykes, senior class president, will make the response.

The featured speaker will be Dr. Isabella Hester Perry (class of '11). Dr. Perry, formerly of Henderson, is the executive secretary of the Subcommittee of Oncology of the National Council of Research in Washington, D. C.

The classes of '29, '39, '44 and '48 have planned reunions.