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SCHOOL MOURNS LOSS OF MRS. SIMPSON

Seniors Choose Class Officers

Members of the senior class met in the study hall on Wednesday, September 28, at 1:45 to elect officers. The seniors elected the following leaders: Beth Harriss, vice-president; Anna Frank Strosnider, secretary; Eunice Bizzell, treasurer; and Al Wilson, Legislative Body representative. Rosalie Huske, the president of the class, was elected last spring. She is a member of the Canterbury Club, secretary of the Circle, a hall counselor, a Legislative Body representative, and she is on the staff of the *Stage Coach*. Rosalie is a Sigma.

Beth Harriss, the vice-president, is a member of the Canterbury Club, the Granddaughters Club, and she is a Mu. She is a dance marshal and an acolyte.

Anna Frank Strosnider, secretary, is secretary of the Y.W.C.A., secretary of the Doctors' Daughters Club, a member of the Altar Guild, the Granddaughters Club, and she is a Mu. Frankie is a hall counselor and a member of the *Stage Coach* staff. Eunice Bizzell, who was elected treasurer, is president of the Doctors' Daughters Club and a hall counselor. She is a member of the Altar Guild, *Stage Coach* staff, Y.W.C.A., Orchesis, and she is a Mu.

Alice Wilson was elected senior class representative to the Legislative Body. She is swimming assistant this year and a member of the *BELLES* staff, *Bulletin* staff, Y.W.C.A., and she is a Mu.

Day Students Select Hall Representatives

Lillian Hill and Shirley Fox will serve as hall counselors for the day students this year. "Luke" and Shirley, both newly appointed representatives, are seniors.

Luke, a second year girl, is a member of the Glee Club, the business staff of the *Stage Coach*, and the Doctor's Daughters Club. Last year she joined the Dramatic Club and participated in both of its productions. Luke had the starring role of the playwright in "Church Street," which won a blue ribbon at the Carolina Dramatic Festival in Chapel Hill. Luke portrayed the role of Le Beau in the Commencement play *As You Like It*. She is a Mu.

In her four years at Saint Mary's, Shirley has served on publication staffs and has been a member of the Doctor's Daughters Club. This year she is the Secretary-Treasurer of the Doctor's Daughters. Last year Shirley was a day student dance marshal. She is a Sigma.

First Dance Takes Place October 8

Eagerly Awaited Girl-Break Will Be Held In Gymnasium

The first dance of the Saint Mary's school year will take place on Saturday, October 8, from 8:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. in the school gymnasium. The dance is a girl break, with an admission fee of 25c charged for couples as well as stags.

The dance will be informal and music will be recorded. If the class dance marshals have not been elected by October 8, all present senior dance marshals and any other ex-marshals will be on duty to see that everything is in order. Girls will be appointed to serve during the dance.

The Chief Dance Marshal for this year is Virginia Ann Landis and the senior dance marshals are Binny Chew, Sylvia Newson, Beth Harriss, and Anne Cahoon. Eleven more marshals will be added to this group, in the following way: five from the junior class, four from the freshman and sophomore classes combined, two from the business class, and one from the day students.

Hicks, Dorris, Watkins Lead Honor Society

Members of the Beacon, honorary society of the high school department of Saint Mary's held their first meeting of the 1949-50 session on September 20. Alice Hicks, elected president at the close of last year, presided as new officers were selected. Those chosen were Libba Dorris, secretary, and Lou Ann Watkins, treasurer.

Alice Hicks, a sophomore, is from Faison. She is a member of the Letter Club, the Glee Club, the Dramatic Club, the Y. W. C. A., the Granddaughters Club, and she is a Sigma.

Libba Dorris, from Raleigh, is also a sophomore. She is a member of the Dramatic Club, the Granddaughters Club, the Canterbury Club, and she is a Mu.

Lou Ann Watkins is a sophomore from Henderson. She is a Mu, and last year was the volleyball team manager. She served on the Legislative Body, and is a member of the Canterbury Club.

Dr. Stone has announced the improvement of Mrs. Grove, Mrs. Stone's mother, who has been ill for the past two weeks. The faculty and students of Saint Mary's wish her a quick recovery.

Mrs. Ellis Hauser Joins Library Staff

New Assistant Librarian Was Graduated From Berea College

Mrs. Ellis Hauser of Concord newest member of the Saint Mary's staff, will serve this year as assistant librarian. Mrs. Hauser graduated from Berea College in Kentucky with a major in Home Economics. After receiving her diploma, she returned to Berea, where she first held the position of secretary to the Director of Veteran's Service, and later was secretary to the Berea Bank and Trust.

Mrs. Hauser was married two years ago. Her husband is a graduate student studying agriculture at State College; he is also teaching a lab course this year, and he expects to either continue teaching or devote his time to research.

The Hausers have an apartment in Raleigh and are looking forward to making Raleigh their home for awhile. The *BELLES* would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mrs. Hauser to Saint Mary's.

Orchesis Picks Scott, Williamson As Leaders

Orchesis, creative dance group, has elected Vivian Scott president, and Betty Ann Williamson secretary-treasurer for the year 1949-50.

Vivian is a senior, and in her four years at Saint Mary's, she has been in the Dramatic Club and the Canterbury Club. This year she is a hall counselor and a crucifer in the chapel. Vivian is a Sigma, and she is from Farmville.

Betty Ann, in her third and junior year at Saint Mary's, is from Cerro Gordo, S. C. She is a member of the Dramatic Club, as well as the choir and Glee Club. She is the vice-president of the Y. W. C. A. this year, and she is a Sigma.

Sigma's, Mu's Initiate New Girls Into Groups

The Sigma and Mu athletic associations welcomed their new members Friday night, September 23. The presidents, Sara Anne Proctor of the Mu's and Pepper Neal of the Sigma's, headed two processions which they led from room to room gathering girls which were to be invited to join the respective associations. When the line was completed, Sara Anne led the new Mu's to the auditorium, and Pepper led the new Sigma's to the gym in which locations old members awaited the new, and welcomed them with songs and cheers.

Beloved Pupil, Staff Member, Teacher, Dies in Rex Hospital

Mrs. Martha Roberts Simpson, long associated with Saint Mary's, died suddenly Monday night in Rex Hospital after a brief illness.

Mrs. Simpson, who was born in New Bern on April 15, 1882, first came to Saint Mary's as a member of the junior class during the 1901-02 term; as an associate, or special, student, she graduated with an English certificate in 1903. Miss Ebie, as she has been known to the students, returned to the school in 1913 as a member of the music faculty, in which capacity she remained until June of 1921. In addition to her duties of teaching piano and theory, Mrs. Simpson served as organist for chapel services.

After leaving Saint Mary's Mrs. Simpson joined the music faculty of the Patterson School in Lenoir; later she taught music at Edwards Military Institute in Salemburg.

Mrs. Simpson was married in 1924 in the Saint Mary's chapel to Walter Simpson. Their early married life was spent in Roanoke Rapids, after which they returned to live in Raleigh. The Simpsons had one son, John Alexander Simpson who is now a resident of Raleigh.

In 1940, Mrs. Simpson returned to Saint Mary's as a member of the staff and served as assistant housekeeper. In recent years she held the position of switchboard operator.

Mrs. Simpson is survived by her son, a granddaughter, and three sisters: Mrs. Emma R. King, Mrs. Ivy R. Weaver, and Mrs. K. Wayland Yates, all of Raleigh. Funeral services were held in the chapel Wednesday afternoon.

Surely no finer tribute can be paid to such a person as Miss Ebie than that which appeared in the 1903 *Muse* under her senior picture: "One whom even critics do not criticize."

Church Organizations Sponsor Picnic Event

The Canterbury Club and the YWCA of Saint Mary's sponsored a picnic for the entire student body Sunday night, September 18, in the gymnasium.

The guest speaker for the event was the Rev. Mr. Ray Holder of Christ Church, Raleigh. Mr. Holder spoke on "The Tradition of Saint Mary's," emphasizing the respect paid to all Saint Mary's girls and their places in the world after college.

After the talk by Mr. Holder, the individual halls presented original songs in competition for prizes. First West Rock won first place. Second place went to second floor East Wing.