

James D. Beckwith Speaks At YWCA-Canterbury Club Picnic

The YWCA and the Canterbury Club sponsored a picnic on Sunday night, September 23, which brought to a close Orientation Week.

After a picnic supper of hamburgers, potato chips, sliced tomatoes, pickles, candy, and milk the Reverend James Beckwith spoke. The Reverend Mr. Beckwith is the rector of the newly organized Saint Michael's Episcopal Church in Raleigh. He is a native of North Carolina and has served as the rector of parishes in both North Carolina and Virginia. He attended Sewanee and Virginia Theological Seminary. He spoke on worship with particular emphasis on the worship services in the Saint Mary's Chapel. Mary Jo Paul introduced Mr. Beckwith.

After Mr. Beckwith's talk, the halls presented their original songs in a contest. Second Holt won first prize, and second East Wing, second Smedes, third Smedes east, and second West Rock received honorable mention. The words of the winning song are as follows:

*We're poor little girls without a song,
He, he, he.*

*We tried so long, but it came out
wrong,*

Ha, ha, ha.

*Saturday came and we went to the
game;*

*Saturday night second Holt had a
fight.*

*Miss Jones, have mercy on such as
we,*

Ho, ha, he.

The tune was *Whiffenpoof Song*.

The Reverend Mr. Hughes said the grace. The Reverend Mr. Beckwith, Dr. Browne, and Miss Lindsey judged the hall song contest.

Serving were Jean Patterson, Laura Deane Matheson, Catherine Morrison, YWCA officers; and Mary Jo Paul, Margo Hester, and Anne Stewart, Canterbury officers.

Dr. Stone Speaks In Chapel Service

Following an assembly in the study hall the student body marched, led by the marshals, into the chapel for the opening service at 11:40, September 20. The traditional opening hymn was sung. The Rev. Mr. Hughes read Morning Prayer. Dr. Stone officially welcomed the new students and greeted the old girls. He briefly reviewed the one hundred ten years of Saint Mary's history. He spoke of the beloved Saint Mary's tradition. According to Dr. Stone, the purpose of Saint Mary's is to give a sound academic education and a Christian background. He emphasized the advantages of a junior college over other educational systems—the incentive provided by more advanced students and the opportunities for leadership. In conclusion, he voiced his hopes for a most successful year for faculty, staff, and students. After singing the traditional closing hymn, the student body marched out.

Student Body Will Elect New Officers

Several student elections will be held in the near future. Most of the new officers will replace elected officers who failed to return to Saint Mary's this year.

The student body will elect a chairman of the Hall Council within the next three weeks. Sally Hackney, of Wilson, is acting as temporary chairman replacing Pat Tankard, of Washington, who did not return to Saint Mary's. The Senior class will elect another honor council member to replace Mary Gage Hammond, of Greenville, South Carolina. Lois Perry, of Windsor, is the other senior honor council member. One of the honor council members who represent the Senior class will serve as secretary of the Student Government Association.

Another marshal will be elected. Susan Shepherd, of Weldon, vacated that position. The editor of the *Student Handbook* will be elected within a few weeks. The student body selects the editor from nominations presented by the Publications Board and those from the floor. Alice Hicks, president of the Student Government Association, will announce these elections in assembly. Poll keepers will check off a girl's name as she votes. There will be preferential voting.

Several school organizations will hold elections too. The Canterbury Club, Episcopal student organization, will elect a new secretary. The previously elected secretary, Mary Gage Hammond, did not return this year. The staff of *The Bulletin*, literary magazine of the school, will select a new editor. Martha Hood, the elected editor, did not return. Marjorie Penton, associate editor, is acting editor until the election. The BELLES staff will select a new news editor to fill Virginia Turley's place. The news editor assigns, collects, and proofreads all news articles. *Sigma Pi Alpha*, honorary foreign language fraternity, will elect a vice-president, a social chairman, and a program chairman.

SMS Student Leaders Sponsor Treasure Hunt

Publications and Athletics gave an Orientation Week program Tuesday, September 18.

Piracy was the theme of the skit given by BELLES editor Mary Jo Paul; *Stagecoach* editor, Anna Redding; *Sigma* officers, Pat Boesser and Nell Eley; and *Mu* officers Sandy Donaldson and Deedee Davenport.

The audience participated in a scavenger hunt. Groups were divided alphabetically, and identical lists were given to each. The time limit was set at half an hour.

The winning group was C-E's. Second prize went to M-O's and third to Q-B's. Prizes were lollipops.

CAMPUS NOTES

Cynthia Davis, '50, visited here September 25. Betty Cheek, '51, visited on the campus September 22. Louise Milliken, Nancy Woodruff, Evelyn Oettinger, Eunice Saunders, Mary Tom Battle, Virginia Gilliam, Martha McGuirk, all of the class of 1951, visited Saint Mary's during Orientation Week. Mary Gage Hammond, ex. '52, visited here September 22 and 23.

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The physical education department has a new instructor this year.

Miss Peggy Cameron, of Southern Pines, will be in charge of Orchesis and will teach dance and physical education at Saint Mary's. She is a graduate of Woman's College in Greensboro and studied dance at the Charles Weidman studio in New York City.

Miss Cameron spends her summers at Camp Birdwood in Brandon, Vermont, where she teaches swimming and boating.

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All students have been taking the Iowa comprehensive tests. These tests were taken in the gymnasium every morning from Tuesday, September 18 to Friday, September 21. The purpose of these tests is to show the teachers and administration what the individual student and the students as a group need to learn. The tests also indicate how the students at Saint Mary's compare with those in other schools and colleges in scholastic achievement.

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Saint Mary's Every Member Canvass will be held Sunday afternoon, September 30. Mr. Guess is directing the canvass. Jean Patterson, Mary Jo Paul, and members of the YWCA and the Canterbury Club will assist him. Students who desire may pledge a certain amount each Sunday for the support of the Saint Mary's Chapel and the national Church.

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Alice Hicks, president of the Student Government Association, appointed advisers for all the classes except the senior class. These advisers will serve until the class presidents are elected. The adviser for the junior class is Lois Perry; for the freshman class, Sandy Donaldson; for the Sophomores, Gillie Martin; for the business class, Pat Boesser.

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The Canterbury Club will meet in the hut Sunday night for a wiener roast with the Canterbury Club from North Carolina State College. Brad Morton, president of the State College group, and Mary Jo Paul, president of the Saint Mary's club, will speak on the meaning and purposes of the Canterbury Club. Mr. John Carter, lay assistant at the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd here in Raleigh and adviser to the State club; the Reverend Mr. Hughes, Saint Mary's chaplain; Miss Peggy Cameron, new adviser of the Saint Mary's club, will also attend. All new and old Canterbury Club members are invited. The meeting will begin at 6 o'clock.

Auditorium Is Site Of Senior Circus

The Senior class sponsored a quiz program in the auditorium Thursday, September 20. The program was in the form of a circus, with Buney Robinson directing.

The cast of the circus was as follows: Buney Robinson as ring master, Nancy Dawson and Emilie Adams as clowns, Pat Boesser as ape tamer, Ann Patterson as the ape, Helen Setzer and Carmen Gardiner as Indian dancers, Deedee Davenport as the Indian drummer, Sandy Donaldson and Ann Harless as barkers, and Lois Perry, Margaret Cheatham, and Nell Eley as Negro singers.

Candy apples were given to the new girls before the circus. After the circus, balloons fell from the balcony. Girls catching balloons with numbers on them participated in the quiz program which was in the form of charades. If the audience was unable to guess the particular charade, the girl took the consequences. The contestants were Nancy Boston, Betty Dry, Eve Hargrave, Ann Scott Anderson, Betsy Webb, and Dewey Owens.

Back stage committees were: Helen Setzer and Emilie Adams on make-up; Becky Hurt on costumes; Lane Buchly, Margaret Cheatham, and Ann Patterson on decoration; Lane Buchly on advertisement, and Becky Hurt and Ann Patterson on music.

Mr. Broughton held choir try-outs and Miss Cate held Glee Club try-outs in their respective studios at 6:30 September 25. They will announce the new choir and Glee Club members in the near future.

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The Canterbury Club is now selling Saint Mary's blazers. The price of these blazers is \$21.95. To order a blazer, students should see their hall sales girl, Beverly Rutter, Margo Hester, or Mary Jo Paul.

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At the first BELLES meeting, September 24, interested new girls signed up for news, feature, typing, headline, or circulation staffs. These applicants are required to write a short theme stating why they want to work on the BELLES. They also must pass a test on the rules in the BELLES style book.

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Alice Hicks, president of the Student Government Association, and Sally Hackney, temporary chairman of the Hall Council, attended a dating clinic at State College September 24. The clinic was sponsored by the Young Men's Christian Association on the State campus. The students were interested in knowing the rules concerning dating at Saint Mary's. Representatives also attended from Peace and Meredith.

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Sigma Pi Alpha, honorary foreign language fraternity here at Saint Mary's, plans to hold a meeting in the near future, according to Marion Faison, president. At this meeting the club will elect a vice-president, a program chairman, and a social chairman. The club plans to have regular program meetings once a month. Madame Smith is the adviser of the *Sigma Pi Alpha*.