

## Saint Sallies

"Now Dasher, now Dancer, and Prancer and Vixen. Dawn is drawing nigh, and I yet have many houses to visit. So southward ho, reindeer! Ah! What is that group of red brick buildings I see in yon distance? Oh, ho! ho! ho! it's none other than Saint Mary's the pre-tight school where the Christmas angels earn their wings. Hmm, I wonder if all the SM angels are deserving. I guess I should check over my list and see how these girls have been behaving these past few weeks."

First on my list is an old-timer, Shep Rustin. This year makes her fourth at SM, and she still hasn't received her wings. But wait, one of my helpers just informed me that she would receive them in the Christmas pageant. She certainly deserves an extra special present; so, I'll drop her sailor boy down the chimney for a week's visit. Mal Stewart's diligence—she's taking six courses—merits a special present too: a new home in Puerto Rico, no less. Bless my little red nose; here is one pre-flight, Shirley Epting, who will already be in heaven this Christmas with her KA lad. Ann McCulloch is still shoveling snow. Libby Cullen went all the way to Durham to visit Ann Nichols this past week end. Now put on your sun glasses, for here comes Mary Ann Eaddy with her diamond. Wonder when we will be hearing wedding bells? Ann Miller is still sighing over her date with the Staunton Military Academy lad. Betty Gary hopes her KA will brighten up the holidays with a nice long visit. Yes, Christmas brings bills, but very, very special "Bills" to some, namely "Kitten" Melcher and Leo McCormick.

From a quick glance at the contents of my bag, I see many, many good times for the "prospective angels," but, especially, are there the girls whom, because they have been so good and have studied so hard, I am going to reward with nice trips. Anne Bransford will journey down Puerto Rico way. Anna Redding

will make a repeat reappearance in Hertford. Peggy Lou Johnston, Carmen Gardiner, and Sue Ann Saddler will all flock to Wilmington. Ann Nelson will have a double treat: visiting her "one and only" and being in Susan Shepherd's wedding. Have fun, gals . . .

Ah, ha! In my bag I also have many beautiful dresses for the SM debutantes. Sue Trant, Lucile Overton, and Jess Gant are making their debuts.

My, how my belly shakes like a bowl full of jelly whenever I read all these invitations to various dances. Among the lucky recipients are Paula Whitaker, Iris Thomas, Frances Perry, Della Edwards, Alice Hicks, Virginia Perkins, Becky Hurt, Laura Hays, Ann and "Bootie" Penton, and Sydna Rustin.

Although the holidays will be gay for most, some girls will most likely have a "Blue Christmas." Sally Hope will be mighty lonely without her lad who is overseas. Della Edwards and Bet Allen too will be lonesome, thanks to Uncle Sam. If ole' Santa could, he surely would drop these three lads down the lonely lassies' chimneys.

As usual, the "belles" have been in a gay social whirl these past few weeks. Sally Hackney, Betty Gary, Alice Hicks, and Jane Blythe attended the dances at Davidson while Ann Fitzgerald, Kit Cook, and Libby Huffman had a *très gai* time at the Wake Forest dance. Among the "stay-at-homes" who danced with the State boys at the pledge dance were Ann Penton, Jan Winders, Syb Hamer, Ruth Hines, Sara Fair, Becky Gordon, "Cookie" Tucker, Sandy Donaldson, Leo McCormick, May Holton, Laura Hays, and Ann Nelson.

Well, pinch my cheeks and call me rosy, here comes dawn. I must be on my merry way to the North Pole so that Mrs. Santa Claus and I can start on our presents for next year. A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL, MY "ANGELS"!

## Here's A Plea From A Clerk Who May Soon Be Out Of Work

This is a sad story  
Of a young girl clerk  
Who got a job doing  
Christmas work.

The store was lovely;  
The pay was fine;  
They put her to selling  
A greeting card line.

Oh, the work was fun;  
The day went fast;  
She might have expected  
Trouble at last.

A tall skinny lady  
Who looked deranged  
Cried with indignation,  
"I've been short changed!"

Oh, our clerk turned pale;  
Our clerk turned pink;  
By the cash register  
She could not think.

In a rush and a flutter  
She shelled out the jack,  
And the angry lady  
She never came back.

Poor little store clerk;  
Her cash came out short.  
And now just at Christmas  
She may end at court.

Oh, Ivey-Taylor;  
Oh, Hudson-Belk;  
Remember Kris Kringle  
And all of his elk.

Oh, Santa Claus;  
Oh, Governor Scott;  
I swear I'm not guilty,  
Oh guilty I'm not.

Save a poor store clerk  
From holiday blight  
Who was dreaming of Christmas  
And one that was white.

—ADELAIDE DANIELS.

## Romance Plays Havoc This Holiday; May We All Find Love This Happy Day

'Twas the night before Christmas,  
and all through town,  
The boys were marching; they were  
Saint Mary's bound.

The girls were all placed in the  
parlor with care.

In hopes that the boys soon would  
be there.

Jack Rock was nestled all snug in  
his car

While visions of Peggy Costner  
danced from afar.

Howard in sport coat, and Anna in  
hat,

Had just settled down for a long  
winter's chat.

When out on the campus there arose  
such a clatter,

Mrs. Hornback leaped to examine  
the matter.

Away to the window she flew like  
a flash

Broke open the window with a bang  
and a crash.

The moon on the crest of the new  
fallen snow

Gave a mob-like appearance to the  
boys below.

When what to her incredulous eyes  
should appear

But a miniature car with Chazz at  
the gear.

With little Lois Perry so lively and  
quick,

He knew in a moment he had made  
a good pick.

More rapid than birds Martha's  
courtiers they came,

As she whistled and shouted and  
called them by name.

Now Joe Costin, now Ken Hazelton,  
Now Carl Sewell and Bobby Tatem,

On Rufus Marks, on Lou Bivona,  
and all with such brawn!

To the top of the stairs, to the end  
of the hall,

Now dash away, dash away, dash  
away all.

So up to the doorstep Henny Penny  
he flew

With a present for Dawson—and  
some mistletoe too!

And then Mrs. Hornback heard on  
the walk

The chatter and nonsense of each  
little talk.

As she drew in her head and was  
turning around,

Through the door Earl Kelley came  
with a bound.

He was dressed in his best from his  
head to his foot;

And we learned that it was Buncy  
to the dance he took.

A corsage of flowers she had on her  
dress,

And he looked like a lover forgetting  
the rest.

His eyes how they twinkled, those  
of Rodge Harris;

For him Ann Stewart must be the  
fairest.

John Horton's mouth was drawn up  
like a bow,

And the light in his eyes glistened  
as snow.

The peach of a girl he held tight in  
his arms,

Was Helen Setzer, with all her  
sweet charms.

Al Travis had a broad face and a  
manly physique

That made Ann Penton think, "My,  
he's all reet!"

Sue Ann Saddler was plump, a  
right jolly young elf,

And I thought she was pretty in  
spite of myself.

A wink of Billy's eye and a twist of  
his head

Soon gave her to know she had  
nothing to dread.

Jeanie did but one thing, went  
straight to Bill Stew-art

And said to him softly, "Will you  
be my true-heart?"

The window came shut, they took  
off to town,

But be on your guard 'cause they'll  
be round;

Telling to all and to all in sight,  
"Happy Christmas to all, and to all  
a good night!"

## Students Plan For Exciting Vacation

December 19 will begin the long awaited Christmas holidays. The day students began thinking of ways to make this an extra special Christmas months ago, and now their plans are almost a reality. Many students will celebrate the Christmas season in Raleigh while others will journey to various parts of the state and nation. Peggy Mitchner and Barbara Brown are planning to spend several days in New Bern visiting Aggie Barden, and they are looking forward to the time of their lives. Boots Hampton is going to be in Kinston for the Cotillion Club's dance, December 28, visiting her roommate of last year, Molly Quinn. Dot Powell is going to be in Charlotte for Christmas and in Winston-Salem for New Year's. Dot certainly expects a gay holiday excursion.

Florida and Baltimore will be the destination of Hazel Herring and Mary Ann Eaddy, respectively. Hazel and her family are spending their holidays in sunny Florida. Mary Ann will spend Christmas with her fiancé in Baltimore.

There are many day students who will spend a quiet Christmas at home. Ann Bynum, Betsy Williams, and Mishe Edgerton declare that they don't want to miss any of the excitement that is to be found in Raleigh during the holidays.

## Happy Birthday

Anne Peoples.....	December 14
Anne Bransford.....	December 14
Emilie Adams.....	December 17
Dottie Allen.....	December 18
Iris Thomas.....	December 18
Ann Patterson.....	December 19
Louise Brand.....	December 21
Ann Scott Anderson.....	December 21
Jo Claire Edwards.....	December 23
Shirley Epting.....	December 24
Ann Penton.....	December 26
Berkeley Bierer.....	December 27
Laura Hays.....	December 27
Betsy Williams.....	December 27
Lorrie Clark.....	December 28
Emily Patton.....	December 28
Ann Bailey.....	January 2
Flicka Keane.....	January 2