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## Ruggiero Ricci Will Play In Civic Music Concert Tonight

### Program Features Varied Selections

Ruggiero Ricci, brilliant American violinist, accompanied by Carlo Bussotti at the piano, will play at Memorial Auditorium tonight.

His program will include selected compositions from the last four centuries, beginning with *La Folia* by Corelli, often called the father of modern violin playing. *La Folia* is a set of variations on an old Spanish theme. Other selections are *Sonata in A Major* by Beethoven; *Sonata in C Major* by Brahms; *Rhapsodie No. 1 in C Major* by Bartok; *Concerto in A Minor, Opus 82* by Glazunoff; and *Nel Car pia non mi sento* by Paganini.

Mr. Ricci, who has spent twenty-one years as a concert violinist, made his debut at Carnegie Hall as a child prodigy in 1929. He was born in San Francisco in 1920, the second of seven children in a musical family. He began music lessons from his father when he was five. Not long afterwards, he began lessons with the famous teacher, Louis Persinger, who became the greatest single influence in his life. He made his first public appearance in San Francisco playing a Mendelssohn concerto when he was eight.

At twelve Mr. Ricci toured Europe giving recitals in all the main cities on the continent. From 1934 until the outbreak of the world war, he played in several countries. He made his second European tour in 1938. During the war Ricci served with the Army Air Force. He returned to the New York concert stage in 1946 and was judged "as fine a violinist as there is today."

Ricci plans his tours in order to help him in his hobby, tracing little known or lost violin scores. Tours have carried him through this country, Europe, and Latin America in the past five years.

### Mr. Peery's Students Present Piano Program

Music students of Mr. Peery presented a group of piano selections in assembly February 21.

Barbara White played *Prelude in E Minor* by Mendelssohn. Next Nancy Jones played Hyden's *Sonata in E Minor*. Chopin's *Cradle Song* played by Elizabeth Love was the next selection. Jack Parker played *Romance in F Minor* by Rachmaninoff, followed by Barbara White, who played Gershwin's *I Got Plenty of Nothing*. Closing the program George Ragsdale played the spirited *Saber Dance*.

## Thespians Present Tarkington's Play

The Dramatic Club, under the direction of Miss Florence C. Davis, presented Booth Tarkington's *Seventeen*, a comedy interspersed with songs and dances, in the Saint Mary's Auditorium Tuesday evening, February 26. This production was enthusiastically received by the audience.

The cast was as follows: William Sylvanus Baxter, Mary Michal; Mr. Baxter, Emilie Adams; Joe Bullitt, Ann Robinson; Genesis, Betsy Webb; Johnnie Watson, Cecilia Albury; George Crooper, Helen Setzer; Mr. Parcher, Mary Ann Eaddy; Wallie Banks, Elizabeth Lynn; Jane Baxter, Peggy Smithdeal; Lola Pratt, Nancy Murray; May Parcher, Elizabeth Dent; Ethel Boke, Jerry Coslow; Mary Brooks, Claire Boone; Mrs. Baxter, Myra Thayer. Guests at the farewell party were Carolyn Duncan, Gene Overbeck, Betty Dry, Dottie Allen, Norvelle Plowden, Elizabeth Huffman.

The production staff was as follows: director, Miss Florence C. Davis; dance director, Miss Peggy Cameron; stage managers, Nancy Dawson, Mal Stewart; sound engineers, Carmen Gardiner, Margaret Mansfield-Jones; settings, Nancy Bowles, Linda Garriss, Peggy Costner; properties, Paula Smith, Ann Ayers, Virginia Perkins, Elizabeth Catlett, Mary Virginia Currin, Katherine Whitfield, Sally Patterson; costumes, Charlotte Cocks, Betty Martin, Margo Hester; lights, Murf Fuller, Genevieve James, Paula Smith; publicity, Mary Jo Paul, Elizabeth Lynn; make-up, drama students.

### Boesser Will Attend Wilmington Festival

Pat Boesser, of Winston-Salem, will represent Saint Mary's in the annual Azalea Festival in Wilmington. Representatives from ten North Carolina schools will compose the Queen's Court.

Special events will consist of a dance, visits to Wilmington's famous azalea gardens, public appearances, the parade, and the Coronation Ball.

The name of the queen, a Hollywood star, has not yet been disclosed. Miss Lu Long Ogburn, Miss North Carolina and Queen of the Carolina Press, will be the queen's maid of honor.

Pat is May Queen and chief dance marshal. She is president of the *Sigma's* and a member of the Choir, Circle, Letter Club, and Hall Council.

## Saint Mary's Student Body Elects Nell Eley President

### Eley Will Succeed Hicks As SGA Head

Saint Mary's student body elected Nell Eley president of the Student Government Association for 1952-53 session. As a result of the election held Wednesday, February 27, Nell, of Ahsokie, will succeed Alice Hicks, Susie Nicoll, of Charlotte, was the other nominee.

Nell has been at Saint Mary's for three years. She is now president of the junior class, headline editor of *BELLES*, vice-president of *Sigma's*, and a member of Legislative Body, Circle, *Sigma Pi Alpha*, and YWCA.



SMS Sweetheart

### Tommy Ogburn Wins Sweetheart Finals

Saint Mary's girls chose their sweetheart, Tommy Ogburn, of Garner, February 15. For the four nights preceding, the eliminations were held with each hall entering pictures.

Tommy, a *SPE* at Wake Forest, was entered by Timmie Timmons. Runners-up were Elton Clark, entered by Suzanne Harris; Buddy Ives, entered by Jane Blythe; and George Murphy, entered by Leon Gold. The contest netted \$77 for the freshmen and sophomores.

### Hull Will Present Film On Wild Life

Tyler Hull, American outdoor cameraman, will present his film, "Realm of the Wild," in Saint Mary's auditorium March 3 at 8:30 p.m. C. A. P. Moore, chairman of the school's entertainment committee, secured Mr. Hull for the engagement.

The film, which took two years to make, portrays an American wild game hunt. The first part of the film shows fishing in the Northwest, forest fires on the Pacific Coast, and big and small game in the Far West. The second part, entitled "The World Under Water," shows marine growth, plants, and fish in remarkable close-up scenes. Mr. Hull has received many honors in photography. Among these are National Headliners Award, membership in the Royal Photographic Society of Great Britain, and honorary life membership in the Japan Photographic Society. He is motion picture consultant to the U. S. Department of Defense.

### Evening In Paris Is Theme Of Dance

Freshman-sophomore dance highlighted the week end of February 23. The gym was decorated for an *Evening in Paris*.

The walls and ceiling were covered with blue crepe paper. The faculty and visitors watched the dance from the side walk cafe, decorated in red and white. A skyline of Paris was silhouetted on one side of the gym. On the other side posters of buildings in France hung from the crepe paper. The Duke Cavaliers furnished the music.

Leon Gold, president of the sophomore class, led the figure at intermission. Other girls in the figure were Catherine Morrison, president of the Beacon, Ann Robinson, president of the freshman class, Laura Erwin, vice-president of the sophomore class, Sally Hodges, vice-president of the freshman class, Jean Groves, secretary of the sophomore class, Timmie Timmons, treasurer of the sophomore class, and Betsy Webb, treasurer of the freshman class.

Mary Michal was presented as Honor Council member for the underclassmen. Glenn Lightsey, a sophomore, and Betty Dry, a freshman, legislative body members, Kay Baker and Mary Lee LaFar, dance marshals for the sophomore class, and Eve Hargrave, for the freshman class, also appeared in the figure.

Glenn Lightsey was chairman of the decoration committee; Laura Erwin and Sally Hodges, chairmen of refreshment committee; Norvelle Plowden, of the figure committee, Timmie Timmons and Betsy Webb, of the bid committee.