

The editor wishes to extend her sincere appreciation to the editors and their staffs and to the typists for their work on the BELLES this year. They have co-operated with her to bring out an issue every two weeks. Realizing the time and effort each member of the staff has spent on each assignment she wishes she could recognize each one individually. But since space is limited in this column, she must remain content with a general thank you to them all.

The next issue belongs to Martha Good and her new editors, who bring with them new ideas and perhaps an entirely different BELLES. To them the editor extends her best wishes for the coming year.

### TO RETURNING STUDENTS

We, the BELLES' editors, have endeavored throughout the year to bring to the attention of the student body those aspects of student life at St. Mary's which we believe worthy of praise or criticism. Perhaps we have leaned too much toward criticism for some readers' taste, but we did so only in a constructive manner. It is our sincere hope that some of this criticism was appreciated and seriously considered. How well we succeeded only the readers know. If some of them benefited by our ideas, then our efforts were worthwhile.

For the returning students, we would like to recall a few of our ideas in hopes that they may benefit students in their duties and activities next year.

To the incoming vice-president of student government, we would like to recall our suggestion at the beginning of the year that a less formal gathering might replace the outmoded Old-Girl-New-Girl Party. This suggestion might be of help to her in her plans for next year's Orientation Week.

We hope all incoming student government officers will remember and consider seriously our admonitions concerning the responsibility of student leadership. We have pointed out many times that student government offices are duties rather than privileges. We have also stressed the importance of the students' supporting their leaders in order to make student government at St. Mary's effective.

Time and time again we have asked students to express themselves through petitions, voting, and BELLES' "Letters to the Editor." Student Government Association was formed for the benefit of the students themselves. Such a system cannot be maintained unless they voice their opinions on matters concerning their own government.

Always the matter of arranging time has proved a serious problem at St. Mary's. We have tried throughout the year to study this problem rationally and constructively. We hope that our readers will remember our advice on individual budgeting of time and our advocacy of class cuts and decrease in compulsory activities. These things, we believe, will bring to the students that responsibility so very necessary to the development of mature women and responsible citizens.

To all returning students we would like to extend our best wishes for a happy, successful year in 1954-'55. We are relying on them to carry out some of the ideas which we have tried to impress upon the student body this year.

### CHRIST IS ALIVE!

As Good Friday symbolizes Christ's crucifixion and the salvation of man, so does Easter symbolize that Christ is alive. How alive is He among St. Mary's girls on Easter Day? How vivid is His presence to them? A possible answer to these unanswerable questions perhaps lies in the belief that Christ lives in the lives of those who seek Him.

This week, Holy Week was observed at St. Mary's by additional, voluntary services in the Chapel. Holy Communion was offered at 6:50 a.m. Monday through Wednesday, with twilight prayer services interspersed. Judging from the attendance at these services, St. Mary's girls do seek Christ. Their devotional activities during Lent have indicated a definite awareness of His presence. Self-denial boxes have been in constant use. Several halls designated nights during the week for group prayer and thought. Thus the opinion arises that Christ's presence is *everywhere* at St. Mary's.

For those who have earnestly participated in Lenten observances, Easter Day will hold new and thrilling experiences. Christ's physical body was stilled, but His spiritual self was too powerful to be conquered by death. Satisfaction is unlimited for all who make Him an even greater power today by opening their hearts and bidding Him enter this Easter Day.

Easter Day and Christ is alive.

He is risen!

### AT THE THEATERS

(April 15-30)

#### AMBASSADOR

16-17 *Jivaro*. Fernando Lamas, Rhonda Fleming.  
18-24 *Lucky Mc*. Doris Day.  
25-30 *Hell and High Water*. Richard Widmark.

#### STATE

15-17 *Riders to the Stars*. Richard Carlson.  
18-24 *The Best Years of Our Lives*. Fredric March, Dana Andrews, Virginia Mayo.

#### COLONY

18-30 *Rhapsody*. Elizabeth Taylor.

#### VILLAGE

16-21 *Tennessee Champ*. Shelley Winters.  
22-30 *It Should Happen to You*. Judy Holiday, Peter Lawford.

#### VARSITY

16 *Stars in My Crown*. Joel McCrea.  
17 *Off Limits*. Bob Hope.  
18-19 *Eddie Cantor Story*. Keith Branselle.  
20-21 *Lure of the Sila*.  
22-24 *Long Long Trailer*. Lucile Ball, Desi Arnez.  
25-26 *Salome*. Rita Hayworth.  
27-28 *Passionate Sentry*.  
29-30 *Loop Hole*. Barry Sullivan.

## Library Displays Interesting Books

Planning a trip to the moon? If so, you are probably a little curious about this celestial body. In the popular book by Patrick Moore, *A Guide to the Moon*, you can find the essential facts about the earth's satellite in a clear and accurate presentation. This book may be found in the biology display in the reading room. Another popular book in the science field is *Half Mile Down*, by William Beebe, presenting interesting accounts of descents into the ocean. Also by William Beebe, in another phase of science, is *Unseen Life of New York*. In this book, the author discovers a hidden world among the familiar sights of the metropolis. Also included in the biology display is John Storer's, *The Web of Life*, written about nature as Rachel Carson wrote *The Sea Around Us*, also in the library. This book shows how the natural world operates, how you, as a human being, are interrelated with all living things, how you fit into a pattern, and how each form of life depends upon another for existence.

Exquisite reproductions of mosaic art are contained in the new book, *Byzantine Painting*, published by Skira. Students besides those studying art will find this book enchanting.

An understanding account of the most tragic outcome of World War II is Kathryn Hulme's *The Wild Place*. In a camp for the homeless Germany, Miss Hulme finds tragedy, humor, and excitement, which she relates powerfully in this Atlantic Prize book.

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## Saint Sallies

You mellow ronnies with the bee-bop must not be holding too much "geetus" because your ever-snooping friend Better Bopper has had difficulty in scrounging up news this week. Either my "nose for news" is stopped up with hay fever, or you cats are really slipping. But here comes the news from the fortunate few.

Frances Perry, Laura Ann Travis, and Mary Rhea Spivey had a wonderful time at DKE Pledge Week-end in Chapel Hill.

The weekend of April 10 found Kathy Whitfield and Helen Isackson over at Chapel Hill living it up at Hogan's Lake on a mammoth picnic. That same weekend Sugar Dudley enjoyed the Junior-Senior Dance at Needham Broughton High School.

The annual KA Old South Ball was as usual a tremendous and stupendous affair. The weekend consisted of a dance to combo music Friday night; a luncheon at the Country Club, a parade through town Saturday afternoon, and the big ball Saturday night.

Among the St. Mary's girls riding in the parade were Pat Adams (who,

incidentally, is the KA Rose), Mary Jordan, Mary Windley Dunn, Lane Welsh, and Bobbie Love. Besides these girls, Pat McQueen, Virginia Lilly, Jeanne Ogburn, Sumner Parham, Connie Shaner, Margot Hammond, Grace Boney, Carolyn Nelson, Sara Cobb, Gail Edwards, Anne Barber, Margaret Rose, and Libby Love attended the ball Saturday night.

The weekend of April 3 was Phi Gam Pledge Weekend at Chapel Hill. Those present were Mott Butler, Ginny Lou Garrou, Martha Hoyt, Athey MacKenzie, Kitty Campen, Ann Gregory, Peggy Flythe, and Sally Strickler.

The weekend of April 10, Earl Johnson entertained at a lovely dinner party at his home. The guests, as well as the chefs, were Harriet Conger, Mary Lee LaFar, Blanche Robertson, Penn Anthony, and Janie Yarborough.

Incidentally, Pat Adams, Sumner Parham, and Martha Hoyt recently got pinned, and Erin Dowling got married.

Now that I look over it all, you babes don't seem to be doing so badly for yourselves after all.