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MAY DAY IN THE MAKING. Pictured above from left to right are the directors of May Day, the May Queen, and the members of the May Court.

With only a short time left before the program will be presented, they are all practicing in order to have everything ready.

Orchesis Presents May Day "Through The Years" Theme

St. Mary's is presenting her annual May Day pageant on Saturday, May 7. The theme "Through the Years" will be carried out in nine vivid dances depicting the memories and dreams of an old couple.

The ushers, Bobbie and Libby Love, open the Album of Dreams with a spritely dance choreographed by Shelley Smith. They are followed by a delightfully young "old couple," Jenny Davis and Martha Williford.

After the entrance and traditional May Pole dance of the May Court, consisting of Queen Kitty Campen and Kathy Whitfield, Penn Anthony, Ann Marie Miller, Aubrey Campbell, Marie Tyler, Elizabeth Thompson, Flora McIver, Mickey Crumpler, Lenore Smith, Mary Louise Bizzell, Kathleen Hartsock, Coleman Jenkins, and Coles Cathcart, the memories of the old couple begin in earnest. "Carrousel," reminiscent of a young courtship, is danced by Kathryn Webb, Helen Mason, Suzanne Towe, Catherine Brown, Fairfax Crow, Nancy Crow, Ann Bynum, Susan Patman, Jane Wrike, and Lemma Bancroft. Kathryn Webb and Kathleen Hartsock are the choreographers. Their young married life in a pleasant community is recalled by "Wonderful Town," danced by choreographers Sylvia Crumpler and Helen Corbett as well as Gail Edwards, Barry Bowen, Barbara Spangler, Catherine Copp, Dottie Peirson, Lillian Whitner, Margot Hammond, Lee Kohlsaas, Ruth Watkins, Margaret Burnside, Mary Elise Bridger, Miriam Elks, "Sissy" Dawson and "Toni" Briggs.

The sad yet colorful war years are remembered as Georgia Atkins, Ann Fullton, Mary Love Elliott, Dottie Foster, Barbara Buening, Betsy Wright, Betty Martin, Libby Reese, Margery Lindeman, Betty Ivey, Sherry Lackey, Nancy Settle, Ellen Clarkson, and Jerry Dixon and choreographers Betty Dent and Pat McQueen dance in "Hometown,

U.S.A." The prosperous period following the war gave many people, including our old couple, a chance to visit New York and see plays or ballets such as "Swan Lake," which is danced by choreographers Frances Setze and Mary Burgwyn as well as Mary Lee Breece, Mena Way Marsh, Pat Coulter, and Alice Clarke. A rosy "Future" is foretold by Patsy Beams, Carol McWhirter, Sarah Mercer, Sue Stone, Shelley Smith, Jessie Allen, Sylvia Turner, Sugar Dudley, Mary Proctor, Carole Sullivan, Dorothy J. Smith, and Nancy Mallon. Patsy Beams is choreographer for this group.

The Finale by the whole cast precedes the exit of the May Court and the end of another St. Mary's May Day.

Juniors Present Dance For Seniors

Juniors and Seniors are anxiously anticipating a week-end of May Day festivities, especially the star sprinkled dance following the May Day party. Guided by Beth Kemper, juniors have been working hard to prepare for the annual treat.

Smiley Hubard, chairman of the decorations committee, has done a particularly fine job in carrying out the theme of "Star Dust." Smiley, an advocate of abstract design, has contributed a great many ideas toward making the dance a success. With the progressive ideas of Smiley and her committee, upperclassmen are in store for something new and exciting in dance decoration.

Mott Butler has served as chairman of the bids committee. Mott and her group have done a splendid job of selling approximately one hundred and twenty bids. That is a very good representation from the two classes.

Peggy Smithdeal is heading the refreshment committee and Ruth Watkins is in charge of the figure.

All committees and girls are to be commended for the fine job they have done. The dance should prove a big success.

SMC Circle Taps Seyffert, Briggs, Reece, Welsh, Butler, Miller, Bowen

On Monday night, April 25, the Circle in its last tapping exercises for the year received four seniors, two juniors, and one sophomore into membership. The new members are Toni Briggs, Libby Reese, Carolyn Seyffert, Lane Welsh, Mott Butler, Marianna Miller, and Barry Bowen.

Toni, who is a Raleigh girl, is a Senior representative on the Honor Council, a Hall Counselor, and a member of the YDC, *Sigma Pi Alpha*, Orchesis, and the Granddaughters' Club. This year she has also been a Server for Communion services.

Libby, a senior from High Point, has been active in many phases of campus life during her two years at St. Mary's. This year she is a Hall Counselor, the Assistant Secretary of Hall Council, a Dance Marshal, Secretary of the Senior Class, and a member of Orchesis and the YWCA.

Carolyn, who is well-known as a versatile Belle, hails from Newcastle, Pennsylvania. She is a member of the Altar Guild, *Sigma Pi Alpha*, and YWCA, and is president of the YRC, an Acolyte, a *Mu* cheerleader, and an all-star hockey player. Besides working on both the BELLES and *Bulletin* this year, she served on the Nominating Committee and also received her Senior Lifesaving Badge.

William Masselos Presents 8th Annual Piano Concert

William Masselos presented his eighth annual piano concert in St. Mary's auditorium on April 27.

The numbers on the program included Shubert's *Sonata in A major*, Chopin's *Sonata in B flat minor*, *Espana* by Albeniz, three Spanish songs and dances by Surineach, and the familiar *Variations on a Theme* by Paganini.

The audience, composed of St. Mary's girls and town music enthusiasts, was impressed by the musical and technical control expressed in Masselos' performance.

Lane, another senior, is from Monroe. She has been most interested in publications, serving on the BELLES staff and as Editor of the *Bulletin*. She is a Hall Counselor, and a member of the Altar Guild, the YWCA, and YRC. She is also vice-president of the *Sigma Pi Alpha*.

Mott, a popular junior from Dunn, is an active participant in athletics. She has been an all-star player on the *Mu* basketball and volleyball teams, and is an outstanding softball player. She is a member of the YWCA, YRC, and Letter Club, and is a Crucifer for next year. Recently, Mott was elected Secretary of the Hall Council for 1955-'56.

Marianna, who is a native of Pineville, is the new Chairman of the Hall Council. She has been a valuable member of the *Sigma* hockey, volleyball, and basketball teams. Besides having worked on the BELLES and *Stagecoach* staffs, she is a member of the YWCA and the YDC.

Barry, the only Sophomore member of the Circle, has been outstanding in many activities at St. Mary's. She is Secretary-Treasurer of the YWCA, President of the Beacon, and President of the Sophomore Class. Besides being recently elected captain of the *Sigma* softball team, Barry is also a member of the Glee Club and of Orchesis.

Students Elect Foy Assembly Chairman

Carolyn Foy was recently elected by the Student Body to be Assembly Chairman for the '55-'56 school session. Carolyn, a rising senior from High Point, N. C., has been very active in school activities the three years that she has been at St. Mary's. She is a member of the Altar Guild, YWCA, Choir, and Granddaughters' Club. She is a *Sigma* cheerleader and is one of the Junior class' representatives to the Legislative Body. This year she served as chairman of the Petitioning Committee.