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Students Welcome Seven New Teachers

Seven new members have been named to the faculty of St. Mary's Junior College. The student body shows its appreciation of their services by offering its full cooperation during the '55-'56 session.

Mrs. Charles Barber and Mrs. Harry Blount have been selected as the Physical Education teachers for this year. Mrs. Barber of Chapel Hill was graduated from Greensboro College, Greensboro, and the University of North Carolina. She has previously taught in Wilmington and at Charlotte Junior High School in Charlotte. Mrs. Blount lives in Raleigh with her husband and two children. She received her degree at Woman's College, Greensboro, with a special certificate in dance.

In the infirmary we have Mrs. Nell Jewell of Raleigh. Mrs. Jewell has recently done private duty nursing and previous to that she held the position as Supervisor at Rex Hospital Emergency Room in Raleigh. She is a graduate of St. Luke's Hospital in Richmond, Virginia.

Mrs. Jacobus will be assisted in Biology by her laboratory assistant, Miss Huldah Ruth Turner of Raleigh. Miss Turner has been assigned the afternoon Biology Labs for this year.

Mrs. William C. Guess of Raleigh, who is already well-known on the St. Mary's campus, is taking the place of her husband, Mr. Guess, in teaching Sociology classes. St. Mary's is very happy to have Mrs. Guess as a member of her faculty.

In the Department of Music we have with us Mrs. Virginia Phelps Clancy who lives in Raleigh with her husband and five children. She is now Miss Cate's accompanist and previously accompanied the Grass Roots Opera Company in Raleigh. Beginning her musical career when five years old, Mrs. Clancy has had a very interesting life. She studied voice and piano at Oberlin Conservatory and later at Cleveland Institute of Music. Then she went to New York to study under Sidney Dietch, who also had Margaret Truman as a pupil. Next, she studied voice and piano at the famous Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York. Spending the summer at Chantangua, New York, Mrs. Clancy studied under Austin Conradi. She has recently taught music at Peace College, Raleigh.

Dr. L. E. Hinkle comes to St. Mary's from State College, where he was head of the Department of Languages until retirement; however, he still serves as lecturer of languages there. Dr. Hinkle studied at the University of Colorado where

St. Mary's Girls Salute Miss Edith A. Richardson

Miss Edith A. Richardson, St. Mary's new dean, has already become a familiar personality to the students.

Before accepting the position at St. Mary's, Miss Richardson was assistant dean at Lasell Junior College in Auburndale, Massachusetts. She has also served as director of the West Hill School and as principal of the Erskine School, both in Boston.

Miss Richardson's birth place is Carlisle, England, but her family later moved to Bermuda. She received her B.A. degree from Wellesley after attending Dana Hall in Massachusetts for preparatory

studies. Her graduate work was completed at Harvard University.

Besides fulfilling the duties required of her as dean, Miss Richardson will teach freshman English. This week she will be busy moving into her new suite, which includes an office-living room, a bedroom, and a bath combination and which previously was a part of the old study hall.

About being here, Miss Richardson says, "I hope all the new girls who have come to St. Mary's are as happy as I am to be here. I would like to say a special word of appreciation to the old girls for all their help and understanding."

Student Body Hears Address

The student body assembled in the chapel Wednesday, September 21, to hear an address by Dr. Richard G. Stone, president of St. Mary's.

Dr. Stone extended a cordial welcome to both new and old girls and the faculty.

In his talk, Dr. Stone gave the students advice on leading a successful life at St. Mary's. He mentioned four different types of girls that come here to share their educational activities. He spoke of the happy-go-lucky girls, the intellectual ones, the fault-finders, and the well-rounded girls. He stressed the importance of becoming well-rounded. Dr. Stone said that there were good qualities in the first three types of girls, but the well-rounded girl is the happiest and most successful in every phase of school life.

He received his A.B. degree in Comparative Literature. Then he studied languages and literature at Columbia University in New York, where he received his Master's degree. He became a Doctor of Languages after studying at the University of Dijon in France. Dr. Hinkle has studied and speaks fluently various ancient and modern languages. He is considered an authority on the Cherokee language.

Also, Dr. Hinkle is an author of many books including *The Origin, Nature, and Growth of Language*, and the text, *The German Language*. Many language journals have printed his articles. Dr. Hinkle has two Latin classes at St. Mary's.

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Dr. Stone Attends Hawaii Convention

Dr. Richard G. Stone represented the diocese of North Carolina as a deputy at the Episcopal General Convention which was held in Honolulu, Hawaii, September 4-15.

According to Dr. Stone, the highlight of the convention was his participation in a broadcast on Town Meeting of the Air. He was honored as being the only deputy at the convention to serve on the broadcast, which consisted of a panel of Dr. Stone and the Rev. James A. Pike, dean of the Cathedral of St. John Divine in New York City. The topic of their panel discussion was "How Real is Our Religious Revival." For about twenty minutes the two answered questions which the announcer asked them. Then they answered questions which came from the floor.

This was the only radio broadcast which featured the convention. It was broadcast over 300 stations across the nation by the American Broadcasting Company. Dr. Stone has received letters from all over the United States commenting on his participation on the panel.

The General Convention controls the constitution and canons of the Episcopal Church. Its main job is to establish the budget of the church for the next three years.

The convention meets every three years. In 1952 Dr. Stone attended the convention which was held in Boston. Because of this previous association with the Convention, Dr. Stone was picked as a member of the committee on the General Theological Seminary. This was indeed an honor as only about one-third of the delegates are appointed.

St. Mary's should be extremely proud of Dr. Stone for his honorable participation in this convention.

School Enrollment Largest In History

On September 19 the 1955-56 St. Mary's school session was officially opened. However, due to hurricane "Ione" the opening day schedule was repeated on Tuesday, and tests began Wednesday.

The enrollment of St. Mary's this year including boarders, day students, and commercial students totaled 312, as compared to the 307 of last year. The Junior class has the largest enrollment this year with 113 students; of these students 24 are old girls. The Freshman class is the smallest with 36 students. There were 43 Sophomores both this year and last year. There are 90 Seniors this year. Last year the Senior class was much smaller with only 61 students. This year there are 18 commercial students making no change in last year's number. There are 14 special students; last year there were 18.

Everyone is looking forward to a good year, and with 312 girls, both old and new, this school session could be our very best!

Traditional Old Girl-New Girl Reception Given; Dr. Stone, Faculty, and Staff Meet New Students

On Friday, September 23, at eight-thirty, the old girls gave the traditional formal reception for new girls. The old girls introduced their "little sisters" to Fairfax Crow, president of the Senior Class, Dr. and Mrs. Stone, Bishop and Mrs. Penick, Beth Kemper, president of the Student Government Association, Miss Edith Richardson, and Mr. and Mrs. Hughes, who made up the receiving line. Many other members of the Faculty were present to meet the new students.

The reception was held in the formal parlor. The marshals, Ruth Watkins, Mary Louise Bizzell,

Nancy Crow, Coles Cathcart, and Sumner Parham served ice cream and cakes in the informal parlors. Assisting them in serving were four students, Kathleen Hartsock, Ellen Johnson, Kathryn Webb, and Ann Dorris. Miss Bason was responsible for the floral arrangements in the parlors.

Musical entertainment was provided by Lemma Baucom, who played background music throughout the evening, and Ina Gee Ridley, who sang *September in the Rain*, *Carolina Moon*, *Birth of the Blues*, and, as an encore, *Sweetheart of Sigma Chi*.