

# The Belles

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## Variety of Books Added to Library

The library has several new books which are interesting and informative.

*The Circle of Faith* by Marcus Bach is a nonfiction book in which the author went on a trip to explore a variety of religious experiences. He interviews several well-known people, among which are Helen Keller, Pope Pius XII, and Albert Schweitzer. He was searching to find what people so different could have in common. The answer to this question is in the book which also contains the stories of each of these different personalities.

Another new and interesting book which the library has recently acquired is *My Family and Other Animals* by Gerald Durrell. This captivating volume is the author's account of five years spent with his family on the island of Corfu. The beautiful descriptions of the island, the tales of the exciting world of the creatures, and the story of the life led by the Durrells are combined to make an enchanting and hilarious book.

Conrad Richter's latest book *The Lady* is a novel set in New Mexico in the 1880's. Dona Ellen, the Lady, is a wealthy beauty who takes advantage of her power and draws all who know her, except Snell Beasley, into her web. Snell Beasley is a rich, forceful and ambitious man. The clash between the two characters leads to many terrible crises, and though all hope of happiness seems futile, a means of triumph is found.

The library has several books which are on the Best Seller List. There books are:

*By Lone Possessed*—Cozzens

*On the Beach*—Shute

*The Hidden Persuaders*—Packard

*The Day Christ Died*—Bishop

*Profiles in Courage*—Kennedy

*Bridge To the Sun*—Terasaki

Several other Best Sellers are on order.

## YDC Officers Elected Oct. 2

The Young Democratic Club held their first meeting on October 2, 1957 and elected Dana Borden as their Vice President and Martha Custis as Secretary and Treasurer. Kit Tiedeman presided as President.

The annual YDC picnic with N. C. College was planned on October 9, 1957. This long awaited event took place. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves very much.

## Jo Burgwyn Heads Orchesis For '57 - '58

Jo Burgwyn was elected president of the Orchesis club on September 9, by the old members of this organization. Jo is seventeen, in the sophomore class, and lives in Jackson, North Carolina. She has been taking a variation of ballet, toe, and modern dancing for about nine years. A few years ago she studied dancing at Interlocker, a national music camp in Michigan. She has also studied in Ohio and has helped the dancing teacher in Jackson.

Being president of Orchesis is not only an honor but an honor office requiring a great deal of responsibility with many diversified duties. Among these are being in charge of the tryouts for new members and handling any business that might arise. With the help of Mrs. Bailey, the advisor, Jo must also officiate over May Day, Christmas, and any other programs during the year.

Although Orchesis is primarily a modern dance group, it strives to bring other phases of dancing and talent to the St. Mary's campus. It also tries to develop the fine arts. Jo says that they hope to put on new concerts in the auditorium and to help Miss Stamey with the Dramatic Club.

Besides being president of Orchesis, Jo is active in many other organizations. These are the Young Democrats Club, the Young Women's Christian Association, the Dramatic Club, and is treasurer of the Canterbury Club. We must all agree that Jo Burgwyn is quite a remarkable girl.

## Mu's Elect New Cheerleaders

On Tuesday, October 8, and Wednesday, October 9, thirty-three *Mu* girls went out for cheerleaders. Tuesday night the girls were taught two yells, and on Wednesday night, seventeen girls were chosen to be in the final tryout. On Thursday night the new cheerleaders were chosen. They are as follows: Harris, Lunsford, Cobb, Hoyle, Rose, Mann, Whitehurst.

We congratulate these girls and hope this honor will make up for all those aches and pains, caused by doing the cheers and unaccustomed exercise.

We are all looking forward to the games between the *Mus* and *Sigmas*. The newly chosen cheerleaders are certainly to be congratulated.

## Classes Choose New Leaders

Class elections were held on October 15 and October 17 during the assembly periods. Each class went to a specified place on campus and elected the following officers for the year.

Vice President of the Senior class is Emeline Elmore. Sis Young is Secretary and Anne Morris is Treasurer. The Legislative Body member is Kit Tiedeman and the Dance Marshals are Joan Barber, Doris Price, and Polly Starbuck. Ann Rountree, president; Ann Shepherd and Shirley Smith Honor Council members were elected last year.

Jeannette Cross is President of the Junior Class. Vice President is Julia Oliver, Bev DeBose, Secretary, and Rhett Weston, Treasurer. Molly Ellison and Sally Blackmon are Honor Council members; Legislative Body member is Dana Borden.

President of the Sophomore class is Bonny Stone. Vice President of the class is Muffy Walke; Secretary, Carroll Ehringhaus; Treasurer, Carol Spaulding. Katsy Webb is the Honor Council member and Betty Latta is the member of the Legislative Body. Jo Burgwyn and Gretchen March are Dance Marshals.

Martha Martin is President of the Freshmen class, Julia Ann Hunt is Vice President, Cornelia Mayer is secretary, and Caroline Findley is Treasurer.

Congratulations to everyone!

## Sigma-Mu Soccer Season Begins

*Sigma Mu* sports time is here again and this year soccer will be the first of the competition sports.

The teams led by captains Octavia Phillips and Lucy Milward, were chosen Thursday, October 10th. Those girls on the *Sigma* team are Margaret Crowson, Honey Vann, Sybil Mathis, Susan Dodd, Nancy Sjostrom, Sally Royle, Verney Vines, Katherine McLeod, Lou Ann Hobbs, Rhett Weston, Betsy Lipford, Kit Tiedeman, Mary Jane Pemberton, Martha Custis, Dot Overbeck, Judy Scott, and Octavia Phillips. The members of the *Mu* team are Lucy Milward, Mary Hannah Finch, Priscilla Brown, Betty Wright, Georgia Cobb, Dana Borden, Margaret McKee, Dot Ricks, Ann Stinnett, Becky Walters, Caroline Hamilton, Dottie Yeamans, Rosemary Rubinson, Elise Brice, and Jenny Whitehurst.

Those girls will need all the support they can get. The games are playing on Monday and Thursday afternoons at 3:45 p.m. The cheer-

## Orchesis Taps Twenty Girls

Shouts of joy were heard from the halls after study hall on Tuesday evening when 20 new girls were tapped into Orchesis. The next day "the chosen ones" proudly displayed their little pins of a dancing girl on their sweaters. The new members are as follows: Winnie Lightfoot, Frankie Wands, Nancy Coston, Eleanor Bulluck, Memrie Mosier, Catherine Potter, Harriet McDaniel, Mary Dale, Virginia Allen, Hadley Morgan, Edith Alston, Judy Scott, Catherine Rakestraw, Dottie Yeamans, Bibi Walker, Dorothy Overbeck, Jane Brady, Cinda Henderson, Carleton Savage, and Dot Ricks.

Orchesis is for the girls interested in modern dance; they have classes in choreography, dance techniques, and dance history. Throughout the entire school the club makes different presentations for our enjoyment, such as the Christmas Assembly Program and the May Day pageant, which we all look forward to. Orchesis also helps with all the dramatic productions when ever needed. Jo Burgwyn, president of the club, states that this year they hope to give a concert and present to the students of St. Mary's all phases of the dance.

## Hopkins, Starbuck

## Represent SMJC

On Monday evening October the seventh, Nancy Page Hopkins and Polly Starbuck represented St. Mary's at a meeting held at the Student Union of N. C. State College followed by a coffee hour. Representative from Meredith, Peace, Rex Hospital, the Y.M.C.A., State Hospital and State College were also present.

The main purpose of this meeting was to better acquaint the members of the surrounding schools with the coming events which will take place at State College during the coming year. The activities planned are the Friday Night Platter Parties, a Masquerade, informal dances, movies, speakers, and a variety of musical entertainments. Not only will these programs unite students of different schools and provide an opportunity to meet people but they also furnish unusual educational advantages which one cannot afford to overlook.

leaders are there to lead the cheers, and to make everything complete, the *Beacon* sells candy and drinks!