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Shown in a scene from the Dramatic Club's presentation of *The Skin of Our Teeth* are Becky Petrea and Frankie Davis. (See story on page 4.)

Glee Club Prepares For Annual Concert

The St. Mary's Glee Club is preparing for their annual Christmas concert. This concert has always been a highlight of the school year and promises to be again this year. This performance will be held at 8:30 P.M. on December 17, in the school auditorium.

Under the direction of Miss Geraldine Cate, the Glee Club will sing the following as a few of its selections: "As Dew in Aprille," anonymous, and "This Little Book," from the book, *A Ceremony of Carols*, which contains Anglo-Saxon songs. Also on the program will be "A Carol," by Jacobsea, "As It Fell Upon A Night," an English carol, and "Jingle Bells," by Pierpont.

This year the Glee Club has a membership of forty-five, a few students of whom have formed an Ensemble and will sing several numbers during the concert.

Also planned for the Club's Christmas agenda is a trip to State College on December 7 to sing for the State Glee Club. Afterwards the two groups will go caroling together.

Seniors to Have Banquet

The senior class will break a precedent of a few years and present a banquet for the enjoyment of the class of '60. This gala affair, with a festive Christmas theme, will be held on December 9th at the Reinlyn House. The entertainment, which will be kept a secret until the banquet, promises to be unique and original.

Local Democrats Speak to Y.D.C.

The Young Democrats Club met on November 19 in the Little Parlor to get some ideas for programs for this year. George C. Mitchell and Allen Addams, president and secretary of the Young Democrats Club of Wake County, and Jim Hunt were present to speak to the club about organization and ways to promote interest.

Mr. Hunt spoke on the purposes of the Young Democrats Club which he gave to be political education and practical experience in politics. He also extended an invitation to members of the club to attend a meeting of the N. C. State College Young Democrats Club.

Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Adams, and Mr. Hunt were all very interested in the Y. D. C. at St. Mary's and offered a number of good suggestions. The club plans to take advantage of their advice and hopes to have a very active membership this year.

Y.R.C. Elects Hayes To Presidency

The Young Republicans Club has had one meeting and has elected Ginger Hayes as President. Ginger, a day student, has been at St. Mary's for two years and is a sophomore. Other than being a Young Republican, she is also in the choir, Glee Club, and is on the *Muse* staff.

The club has planned to meet again soon to elect the remaining officers.

The club has not yet planned any activities, other than a picnic after Thanksgiving.

All interested persons are invited to come to meetings and to help make the YRC a success.

Orchesis Members Will Present Christmas Program

On Tuesday, December 15, the Orchesis will present a Christmas program based on a city street on Christmas Eve. The program concerns the conflict between believers and non-believers of Christmas.

After an unsuccessful attempt in selling flowers to the crowds on Christmas Eve, the flower girl gives her flowers to Santa Claus and the policeman. A hobo then walks on the street and bows to a beautiful doll in a decorated store window. Seeing the doll a child removes it from the window and asks Santa Claus to bring it to her for Christmas. After asking Santa for the doll, the weary child falls asleep on the street.

Suddenly gangsters appear who are non-believers of Christmas. Then the crowd is persuaded not to believe in Christmas by the gangsters. Soon the flappers and the people of high society, who believed in Christmas, change their minds and become non-believers.

The policeman, disturbed by the crowd, tries to break it up. But he sees the All-American Girl and decides that she needs his protection.

Assembly Programs

- December 8 Tentatively, a singer
- December 10 Posture Week Contest
- December 15 Mr. Shellans
- December 17 Orchesis Christmas Program

Miss Bason Chosen As Freshman Sponsor

At their last meeting, the freshman class elected Miss Elizabeth Lampkin Bason to be their advisor. Miss Bason, who has never been advisor to a freshman class at St. Mary's, has had previous experience as advisor to other classes.

As advisor, Miss Bason plans to attend all meetings of the freshman class and must approve all class projects. She says that she will make the class's interests her interests. When questioned about the freshman class, she replied, "I think you're a good class. You have capabilities."

Already Miss Bason has given many suggestions which will greatly improve the efficiency of the freshman class project, the sale of hot dogs every Tuesday and Thursday night. She is also interested in the project of dressing Christmas dolls for the Salvation Army.

Miss Bason is from Burlington. At St. Mary's she is assistant dean also and home economics teacher.

Seeing all the non-believers, the hobo freezes the crowd and walks over to the only believer, the little child who had been asleep during all this action. He tells the child that she is only dreaming about the crowd and that she must continue to believe in Christmas. Hearing the explanation given by the Hobo to the child, the crowd is suddenly broken from its spell of disbelief and again believes in Christmas.

The music for the play is from *Slaughter on Tenth Avenue* and *American in Paris*. Girls participating are Edith Alson, the doll in the window; Pat Armstrong and Carol Tadlock, men gangsters; Carlton Savage, girl gangster; Frankie Davis, the Hobo; Madge Gregory, the policeman; Hadley Morgan, Santa Claus; Ann Osterman, the All-American girl; Pat Exum and Dede Keyes, flappers; Betsy Nichols, Erwin Parrot, and Jean Flanagan, the crowd; Celeste Barnette and Ginger Lang, people of high society; and Alice Wilson, as the child.

Leg. Body Sets Plans For Year

In the meeting of the Legislative Body on November 16, the body decided to vote on the time that each individual petition would go into effect. Later Dr. Stone ruled that all petitions involving constitutional changes must be referred to the Constitution Committee, which has in the past met in the spring after the election of the president and vice president of Student Government for the following year.

The Petitions Committee, headed by Suzanne Bowles, plays an important part in the workings of the Legislative Body. The Committee meets prior to the regular Legislative Body meeting and discusses the wording of the proposed petitions and their relationship to the established rules of the school. They are then submitted to the Legislative Body in finished form to be voted on.

Students should turn their petitions over to their representative by December 7. After petitions have been discussed in the Petitions Committee meeting they will be posted on the Student Government bulletin board in the East Rock covered way. Each student should read the petitions on this board and express her opinion to her representative.

The next meeting of the Legislative Body is December 14.