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#### Circle Braves Snow To Tap New Members

On March 5, 1962 just like the Pony Express — through rain, hail, sleet, and snow — the Circle walked and tapped three new members. The new Circle members are Mary Larsen and Nanne Chalgren, seniors, and Elsie Otto, a Commercial student.

Elsie, a Sigma, is from Savannah, Georgia. She is the representative from the Commercial Class to Honor Council and to the Legislative Body. Elsie is also an acolyte, a member of the choir, the *Belles* staff, and the Dramatics Club.

Nanne is from Fort Levenworth, Kansas, and is a Sigma. This year she has done an outstanding job as chairman of assembly programs. Nanne is also president of the Glee Club, president of the Dramatics Club, and a hall counselor. She participates in the Young Republican's Club, the Glee Club Ensemble, the choir, and the "Cold Cuts." She had a leading role in "Amahl and the Night Visitors" and narrated the water ballet.

Mary Larsen is a Mu from Leesburg, Florida. She is Fire Captain, a hall counselor in West Rock, a erucifer, president of the Young Republicans Club, and chairman of the Dining Room Committee. Mary is also a member of the Glee Club, the Ensemble, the "Cold Cuts," and the Belles staff.

Congratulations to Elsie, Nanne, and "Larsen".

# Wellesley Scholar

Martha Martin, a 1959 graduate of St. Mary's high school department, has been selected a Junior Durant Scholar at Wellesley College. Martha was mentioned as of Honors standing this month at the Wellesley College Honors Day Convocation.

The students known as Durant Scholars are those with the highest rank — an average of B<sup>+</sup> or better on a normal program.

#### **REMEMBER!**

#### BREAKFAST BEGINS AT 7:30

#### Changes Made In St. Mary's Constitution

On Monday, March 5, the Legislative Body held its monthly meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and vote on changes in the Constitution as suggested by the Constitution Committee. Betsy Nichols explained the revisions made in the election system and in the legislative body.

The major change in the elections system is that the Secretary of the Student Government Association will be elected by the entire student body. Previously, the Honor Council has selected one of the two senior Honor Council members for the next year as secretary of the Honor Council and the Association. The period of elections has been shortened from five weeks to four weeks.

The Constitution Committee, in order to strengthen the Legislative Body, has revised the organization of this body. There will be three functioning branches under the body: the Constitution Committee, the Policy Committee, and the Petitions Committee. The Policy Committee will handle any matter which concerns the Legislative Body, but which is not specifically designated as a matter for one of the other two committees. The Vice-President of the Association will serve as Chairman of the Legislative Body and the Constitution Committee. The Chairman of Hall Council will serve as Chairman of the Policy Committee, and the Secretary of the Legislative Body, which will be elected from the rising senior class in the spring before the year in which she is to serve, will act as Chairman of the Petitions Committee.

The Legislative Body voted on and passed these recommendations from the Constitution Committee, and Dr. Stone has approved them.

The next meeting of the Leg. Body will be on Monday, April 2.

# ST. MARY'S PLAY MEREDITH

The St. Mary's Sigma-Mu's combatted the Meredith College Basketball team on Wednesday, March 7. Outstanding skill and sportsmanship was displayed by the girls on both teams. St. Mary's came out the victor by a score of 62 points to Meredith's 56 points.

Verna Gillam, our All-American forward, was again high scorer by making 32 of St. Mary's total 62 points.

## Haynes Walker New Student Government President

The newly elected Student Government President for the year 1962-1963 is Haynes Walker. The voting took place on March 14, and the results were announced at dinner on that same day. The other nominee was Verna

Gillam. There were no nominations from the floor.

Haynes hails from Albemarle. She entered St. Mary's as a freshman and during her freshman and sophomore years she participated in various activities. Haynes was president of the Beacon, vice-president of her freshman class and in the May Court for two years. She is a Mu. This year she is treasurer of the Junior Class and once again in the May Court. Haynes has also been a member of the Y.D.C. for two years.

### Assembly Programs Continue To Be Interesting

On Tuesday, March 13, Mr. Robert Connelly, a member of the faculty at St. Mary''s, spoke to the students in assembly on the important uses of foreign languages in our everyday lives. Following his speech some members of his French class presented a play in French called "Murder in the Beauty Shop." Appearing in the production were Jess McFarland, Darnel Knight, Anita Strickland, Karen Von Lehm, Mary Henry, Lea Lea Hall, and Susan Ballenger.

On Thursday, March 15, Mr. Jim Reid, one of Raleigh's city councilmen, spoke to the students and faculty on the importance of a city government. Mr. Reid emphasized the close relationship which the people maintain with the city government. Mr. Reid explained how the city government in Raleigh operates. All the powers of the city government come from the state through the eity charter issued in 1947. Raleigh's city council consists of seven members elected at large. The meetings of the council are open to the public. The public may speak up and give their opinions on issues discussed by the council.

The Raleigh city government will become more important in the next twenty years with an expected population increase to 200,000. New streets and new schools will have to be built. The citizens of Raleigh will be directly concerned with such issues as these.