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Sports Move Outdoors

Activities in the physical education department have increased as spring approaches and permits more outside sports.

Volleyball claims a large number of interested students. The first game in the Sigma-Mu tournament was played recently, with the following new Mu players taking part: Betsy Ross, Sally Poin-dexter, Carole Stephenson, Barbara Bonner, Gwen Brannon and Ellen Scurry.

Lee Hopkins, president of the Letter Club, has announced the coming swimming meet in which Sigma's and Mu's will compete in various races.

Tennis is being taught now and the more eager players have begun to use the courts. Other students also find the weather agreeable for horseback riding. Several old girls are still taking bowling lessons.

The beginning May Day classes have interested the majority of students. Classes are getting underway in practices and choreography.

Beacon Walks

On February 20th, the Beacon, the high school honor society, walked, tapping three sophomores into the group. Joining Mary Lindsey Smith, Mary Stuart Dent, Gretchen Bullard, Perry Grimes, Winborne Shaffer, Susan Spaulding, and Dianne Ricks are Mary Ravenel, a new girl from Winesboro, S. C. and a member of the Sea Saints; Missy Wilson from Darlington, S. C., a member of the BELLES staff; and Ann Richert, a day student and Sophomore Class Dance Marshal.

Throughout the year the Beacon sells St. Mary's decals and post-cards and at Christmas time co-hosts the Circle-Beacon Christmas Party.

Students Win Honors

Four St. Mary's girls have recently won honors. Susan Cook, a junior from Clinton, N. C., is the new "Miss Virginia Lumber of 1963." She received her title at the fifth annual convention of the Lumber Manufacturers Association of Virginia held at the Hotel John Marshall in Richmond early in February.

At twelve midnight on February 23, Susan Spaulding of Chase City, Va., was crowned Queen of the Woodberry Hop. Susan received a bouquet of flowers and her picture will appear in the Woodberry annual. Here at St. Mary's she is president of the Sophomore Class, a member of the Legislative Body, the Beacon, and a Crucifer.

The new Dream Girl of Theta Chi fraternity of State College is Gillie Leggett, a senior from Elizabeth City. As Dream Girl Gillie will represent the fraternity for the next year. Her court includes three other St. Mary's girls, Genie Middleton, Loretta Lloyd, and Ann Johnson. Last Saturday Gillie competed with Dream Girls from other schools at the regional meeting of Theta Chi held at East Carolina. At this conference she was elected Regional Theta Chi Dream Girl on the basis of personal appearance, charm and intelligence. Gillie is the proud owner of a beautiful gold trophy, a lasting reminder of her coming year as Dream Girl of Theta Chi.

Earlier this year, Shirley Truitt was honored by being elected KA Rose at the N. C. State College for 1963. Shirley, a senior, and member of the Glee Club and Ensemble, is pinned to KA Bruce Church.

TEACHERS HEAD

N. Y. Trip Planned by Tate

At two-thirty Wednesday, April 10, approximately twenty-seven St. Mary's students will leave for a week's trip to New York City. Accompanying the girls and serving as chaperones will be Mr. John Tate, Jr., head of the English department, his wife, and two daughters. Although the trip is approved by Dr. Stone, it is not sponsored by the school.

Traveling on a chartered bus, the group should arrive in New York late Wednesday night and will leave at 7:30 a.m. the following Wednesday, April 17, for the return trip to St. Mary's. While in New York they will stay at the Taft Hotel at 7th and 50th Street. The transportation and accommodations will cost approximately \$62. Altogether the trip will cost about \$140 or more, depending on how much is spent on shows and food.

Tickets for plays and musical comedies have already been ordered in an attempt to secure the best possible seats. Mr. Tate is making the arrangements and placing orders for the tickets. The members of the group have been meeting and will continue to meet in order to plan their six-day stay in the city. Students will be able to plan their own program while in the city. Some of the plays that the girls plan to see are as follows: **Never Too Late, The Milk-train Doesn't Stop Here Any More, Tchín Tchín, Mary, Mary Who's Afraid of Virginia Wolf, Strange Interlude, Hot Spot and Mr. President.** Included in the plans of many are visits to the New York City Ballet, various art museums, "China Town", Greenwich Village, Radio City Music Hall, and many other points of interest. Eating at famous restaurants, attending Easter services and shopping will also take part of the group's time.

Alumnae Achive Dean's List

McNair Currie and Laurinda King, St. Mary's graduates, are among 43 seniors, juniors, and sophomores at Sweet Briar College who are on the Dean's List for the second semester this year. They were named by Dean Mary J. Pearl, with approval of the faculty, for outstanding ability, dependability and achievement in the work of the previous semester.

At the University of South Carolina, Holly Lumpkin and Courtenay McDowell are on both the Dean's List and Honor Roll for their work during first semester. Both are members of Delta Delta Delta sorority.

STUDENT TOURS

Mrs. Nicholson Directs European Tour

A grand student tour of Europe will be directed by Mrs. Nicholson this summer. Mrs. Nicholson is working with the Circle Tours of Raleigh and will be the tour director and chaperone. She has been on tours of the European countries twice and around the world once, and she feels that all students should try to go if possible.

The tour will depart from New York on June 5 on the fabulous ocean liner, **Queen Elizabeth.** There will be a group of about twenty-five boys and girls from St. Mary's. Duke, Wake Forest, Davidson, and other surrounding colleges. The group will arrive in London on June 10, where an experienced professional European Courier will join them and travel with them through the remaining fourteen countries.

The tour will include the Scandinavian countries and Greece, which is most unusual. Germany, Austria, Italy, France, and Scotland will also be visited by the tourists. Also included in the cost will be tickets to a play at the Palladium in London, an opening opera at the Baths of Caracalla in Rome, and a Fashion Show and the Folies Bergère in Paris. Travelling through Europe will be done on boats, trains, airplanes, and buses. Three meals a day will be provided in almost all the countries as well as hotel accommodations.

Mrs. Nicholson feels that students should not wait until they are out of college to tour Europe. She believes that by touring Europe while still in college, students will gain a basic knowledge of foreign countries on which their education can be built.

Anyone interested in visiting fifteen European countries for seventy days at a very reasonable price should contact Mrs. Nicholson immediately.



ALUMNI COUNCIL . . .

The Alumnae Council of St. Mary's met on March 6 to make plans for the May 4 Alumnae Day. The speaker at the luncheon on that day will be Sam Ragan, executive editor of "The News and Observer."

Raleigh women who attended were Mrs. T. C. Powell, Jr., president of the Alumnae Association; Mrs. John C. Smith, and Mrs. R. S. Winston.