

# The Belles

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## BEACON WALKS

The Beacon, the honorary society for Freshmen and Sophomores, walked on Wednesday night, October 12. The principle purposes of the Beacon are to promote high ideals, school spirit, co-operation, and participation in extracurricular activities among the high school students at St. Mary's.

The new members that were inducted on Wednesday night are Sandra Beck, Laura Robinson, and Jane Williams.

Sandra Jean Beck is from Thomasville, North Carolina. Sandi was Secretary of the freshman class last year and participated in May Day.

Laura Lee Boswell Robinson comes from Vero Beach, Florida. Laura is in the Dramatics Club, and she participated in the play "Twelfth Night" last spring. Laura also took part in May Day last year.

Mary Jane Williams from Warrenton, North Carolina is a member of Orchesis. She is also in the Glee Club and the church choir. Jane was in May Court last year and this year she is the Dance Marshal for the Sophomore Class.

The old members of the Beacon are Margaret Stevens, President, who is from Shiloh, North Carolina; Lucile Best McKee, from Raleigh; and Kinsey Sabiston from Carthage.

## SPOON RIVER PRESENTED

The *Spoon River* anthology written by Edgar Lee Masters is a book of poetry presenting the epitaphs on the tombstones of the people buried in the Spoon River graveyard. Each epitaph reveals a personal trait of the character hidden from the world. A glimpse of some of the experiences of the people of Spoon River, of their lives, and of their personalities is gained from these epitaphs.

The *Spoon River* anthology was produced as a play in assembly on Thursday, October 29. This play was done entirely by the students under the direction of Carol Case Erskine, who is working to obtain her certificate in Drama. The students worked on this production for two hours a day for about four weeks.

Members of the cast included: Ellen Jones as Margaret Fuller Slack; Davis Fuller, a Broughton High senior, as Cassius Hueffer and Barney Hainesfeather; Andy Wood, a student at State College, as Knowlt Hoheimer and Lucius Atherton; Barbara Thornhill as Lydia Puckett; and Trip Plymale, a Broughton High senior, as Fiddler Jones and Eugene Carmen. Other members of the cast were Jean Muchmore as Roscoe Purkapile and "Indignation" Jones; Rosalind Bowers as Mrs. Purkapile; Lyndy Stenson as Hannah Armstrong; Suzanne Deas as Faith Matheeny; Jody Burton as Mabel Osborne; Linda Stott as Lucinda Matlock; and Carol Case Erskine as Anne

## SENIORS SELECT OFFICERS



Left to right: Terry Barnes, Audrey Wall, Chris Collester, Dixie Thomas, and Susan Jester.

On October 20 the Senior Class elected the following class officers: Vice-president, Chris Collester; secretary, Susan Jester; Treasurer, Terry Barnes; and dance marshal, Audrey Wall. Dixie Thomas, who was elected last spring, is serving as president of the Senior Class.

As president Dixie presides over class meetings and is in charge of all class activities. Last year Dixie was treasurer of the Junior Class. This year she is a member of the legislative body and of the Hall Council. She is also the Alumnae Representative and a Sigma cheerleader. As vice-president Chris Collester works very closely with the president helping her with many of the class projects and functions. Chris is a counselor on second Penick, a member of Cold Cuts, and a member of the *Belles* staff.

Susan Jester's main duty as class secretary is to write all invitations to senior class functions. Susan is also responsible for making out the page list for the coming week every Sunday night and for helping the other officers with class projects. Her school activities this year include being on the business staff of the *Stagecoach* and serving as chairman for the Penick Open House.

Terry Barnes, serving as treasurer, is responsible for collecting class dues, alumnae fees, and project money. Terry is a counselor on third Penick and the head typist for the *Belles*. She also served as secretary of her commercial class. While serving the Senior Class as dance marshal Audrey Wall is responsible for helping to plan the underclassman dance. Last year Audrey was the Junior Class dance marshal and was also on the May Court. This fall Audrey represented the SAE fraternity in the homecoming court at N.C. State College.

## COLD CUTS ENTERTAIN

The ever-popular Cold Cuts, composed of twenty-three St. Mary's seniors, have begun another season of entertaining. These girls are engaged throughout the year to play at various civic gatherings and fraternity parties.

Previously this fall, the Cold Cuts have delighted the League of Municipalities, a group of 700 North Carolina officials. They have also performed at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity house at N.C. State.

In the future, the girls have been invited to play for a meeting of the Industrial Engineers at N.C. State and parties at the University of North Carolina.

## Dr. Ferris Challenges Students

Dr. Theodore P. Ferris of Trinity Church, Boston, Massachusetts, spoke in the St. Mary's chapel on Wednesday, October 28. Dr. Ferris was a guest in Raleigh of the Church of the Good Shepherd. He was holding a preaching mission sponsored by the Episcopal Churchwomen of the Raleigh area. Dr. Ferris graduated from Harvard in 1929 and then attended General Theological Seminary in New York from which he graduated in 1933. He continued his studies in New York while assistant rector of Grace Church until 1937. Next he went to Emmanuel Church in Baltimore and from there to Boston in 1942. In addition to his doctorate from General Seminary, Dr. Ferris has been awarded honorary degrees by Rollins College, Florida, Middleburg College in Vermont, and Boston University. About ten years ago Dr. Ferris was also named one of the twelve men who were outstanding leaders in a religious upsurge in the United States. He is known around the world as a great missionary and a great writer.

Dr. Ferris spoke at St. Mary's on morality. He began by stating the problem of determining if there are moral electives or just moral requirements. He stated that morality is "all things that make up a man's inner life." There are no moral electives; morality is a fixed thing. If man did not have moral requirements there would be chaos. The moral requirements are justice, love, and mercy, and they are commanded by God. To find out the moral requirements one should go to church which will send one to learn from the Bible and the example of Jesus Christ.

Dr. Ferris went on to say that a man should never judge another man because he can never know all the facts. He should try to accept others as they are. Dr. Ferris ended by saying that man must stop thinking only of himself, and in order to find himself he must lose himself in something which is much larger than himself. Man must find a cause or reason for living outside himself because "to be free is to be bound."

## GOLDWATER FANS RALLY

Recently the Young Republicans Club held a "Goldwater for President Rally" at St. Mary's. The purpose of the rally was to instill enthusiasm for Goldwater among the St. Mary's students.

The rally was held in the gym. Mary Ravenal was in charge of the

Rutledge and Minerva Jones. The play was climaxed by the love scene of William and Mary portrayed by Carol and Trip.

decorations, and the freshmen who were dressed in red, white, and blue served as cheerleaders. Free material was given to those who attended; and also such articles as Goldwater drinks, records, and books were sold.

The highlight of the rally was a speech by Mr. Chris Colley, a lawyer from Raleigh who is a very active politician. Mr. Colley was introduced by Amy Hardy, the president of the Young Republicans Club.