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Seven Faculty And Staff To Leave

The day May 31st will find not only the seniors leaving St. Mary's, but also seven members of the faculty and staff will say their last good-byes.

Miss Nell Ruth Jewel is retiring after being resident nurse in the infirmary for ten years. Although she has no special plans, Miss Jewel wants to continue nursing as well as working in her garden and sewing at her home here in Raleigh. Miss Jewel says, "I've enjoyed my work. Everybody has been so nice and pleasant to work with."

Miss Ernestine Boineau will leave St. Mary's after being head of the commercial dept. for fifteen years, and thus will end the commercial courses offered at St. Mary's.

In the Registrar's office, Miss Sadie E. Walker "retires" after almost four years as a secretary. Miss Walker retired officially upon leaving the office of the United States Department of Agriculture and came to us on a temporary basis. She has no special plans after leaving St. Mary's, but says, "I've made nice friends here and I've enjoyed being around the girls."

Dr. Russell Broughton, for twenty-five years organist in the chapel and chairman of the music department, plans retirement in May.

Dr. Moultrie Guerry, who has been every St. Mary's girls best beau (pardon us, "Precious") for eight years, says that he had reached retirement age without knowing it. Dr. Guerry and "Precious" plan to live in Norfolk, Virginia, in an apartment in the same building they lived in for fifteen years of their previous stay in Norfolk. As Dr. Guerry says, "It's been home longer than any place we've lived and it has a park in front to remind us of St. Mary's campus." Dr. Guerry also hopes to continue work with training and examining young men for the ministry as he has done in this diocese.

The English department will lose Mrs. Carolyn P. Poole, a teacher for twelve years. Mrs. Poole plans to teach a poetry course at Meredith next year, among other courses.

Mrs. Laura C. Nicholson will go to Salem College in Winston-Salem, after having taught English for three years here. Mrs. Nicholson comments, "It has been such a pleasant and rewarding experience teaching at St. Mary's I'm particularly happy to continue teaching in a girls' school and I look forward to teaching St. Mary's girls at Salem."

Also leaving this spring will be Miss Margaret Elizabeth Nichols who has served as assistant to the dean for the past year. A St. Mary's graduate herself, Miss Nichols also graduated from Smith College. Miss Nichols plans to continue her studies with the possible idea of teaching at a later date.

St. Mary's Plans 123rd Commencement



Students Give 'Joan of Lorraine'

Joan of Arc was burned at the stake exactly five hundred years ago on May 30th. Yet, on the night of May 28, she will come alive again at St. Mary's in the 1965 commencement play *JOAN OF LORRAINE*.

According to Mrs. Nancy Stamey, director, *JOAN*'s author has made this into a play within a play. The outer play shows a group of actors rehearsing on an empty stage, preparing a production about her. The story is beautifully dramatized, and there is parallel action which occurs outside the *JOAN* play proper showing the meaning of faith today, and the necessity of believing in something. The actress who plays the title role thinks that the dialogue should never show Joan compromising her ideals, and she is ready to quit the cast because she thinks that it is doing just that. However, she learns that life is made up of many small compromises and that she—as herself and as Joan—has to give in on the small issues to achieve the greatest good. In carrying her part to the end, "she learns the lesson Joan taught the world, of great faith and idealism, even though compromise . . . is sometimes necessary."

Mrs. Stamey says that the cast is "tremendous." Of the twenty-two members of the cast four have attended the Governor's school in the field of dramatics, and two will attend the School of Performing Arts in New York City next year.

Although the majority of the group are students, also appearing are Mr. John Robertson, a Raleigh attorney; Mr. Alton Buzbee, Director of Religious Education at Campbell College; and Mr. Robert Connelly.

The role of Joan is played by Suzanne Deas. This will be her first

performance at St. Mary's. She has done dramatic work at Ashley Hall.

Other characters are: Al, the stage manager—Jody Burton; Assistant Stage manager—Carol Erskine; Marie the costumer—Joan Wickham; Pierre d'Arc—Linda Stott, Jean d'Arc—Jean Muchmore (brothers of Joan); A poet at Court of Dauphin—Frances Lewis; A scribe at the trial—Linda Connelly; The director—Andy Wood, State College; Duke of Tremoille—Jerry Pritchard, State College; Dunois—David Fore, Broughton; The Dauphin—Trip Plymle, Broughton; Archbishop of Reims—Neill Watson, Broughton; La Hire—Mr. John Robertson; Bishop of Beauvais—Mr. Robert Connelly; Father Massieu—Mr. Alton Buzbee; Durand Laxart—David Stevens, Campbell College; Two soldiers—Randy Rickman, Mark Ramsey (both from local high schools).

The cast deserves the praise of the whole student body of St. Mary's for the time and effort they have put into making this an inspiring and memorable play.

On Sunday, May 25, Dr. Guerry presented a meaningful sermon on the play, which will be produced for the student body May 28.

Dr. Guerry spoke on the method and the mood of the play, and showed how each of these things contributed to the success of the play. He cited several speeches in which there were references to the Bible. The main purpose of the play, he remarked, was to show, through Joan, the courage and faith one must exhibit in the small occurrences of life as well as the major events.

This sermon did much to broaden each student's awareness and enjoyment of *Joan of Lorraine*.

Graduation Plans Are Announced

This year St. Mary's will have its one-hundred and twenty-third commencement exercises. The ceremonies will begin on Friday, May 28, when the Dramatics Club will present the play "Joan of Lorraine" in the auditorium at 8:15 P.M.

On Saturday, May 29, at 10:00 A.M., the Sophomore Class Day exercises will take place. The same day at 4:00 P.M., the Senior Class Day exercises will be presented. That night, at 8:30, there will be a concert given by the Glee Club.

On Sunday morning, at 8:00 A.M., there will be a celebration of Holy Communion in the Chapel. At 11:00 A.M., there will be the Morning Prayer and the Baccalaureate Sermon. The sermon will be given by the Reverend Thomas Eugene Bollinger, Rector of The Church of The Holy Comforter, Burlington, North Carolina. At 4:30 P.M., the parents and graduating classes will attend the President's tea at Dr. Stone's home. At 6:00 P.M., there will be step-singing in Smedes Hall.

The Graduation exercises will take place Monday morning, May 31, at 10:30 A.M. in the auditorium. The speaker will be Raymond J. Seeger, Ph.D., D.Sc., National Science Foundation. At the end of the service, the chief marshal, Marie Kirksey, will drop a white handkerchief signifying the end of the academic year.

News In Brief

Orchesis Walks

Orchesis inducted five new members on May 5. They were: Drew Brooks, Jody Burton, Laura Fonville, Ann James and Amey Parsons. These girls were selected in a candlelight walk climaxed by initiation and a party in the gym.

Sophomore Banquet

The Sophomore Class Banquet was held at 6:30 on Tuesday, May 18, 1965, at the Angus Barn. Among the Sophomores' guests were Dr. and Mrs. Poole, Miss Richardson, and Dr. and Mrs. Stone. Following dinner, the class sang folk-songs.

St. Mary's Girl Bound For France

Mary Ravenel has been accepted for study at the Institute for American Universities in Aix-en-Provence France. In addition to her studies, she will also make either field trips or independent tours to Italy, Spain, Germany and Switzerland.

The senior class held their annual class day May 6. The classes were assigned distinguishing colors to wear

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