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Letter To Editor

There is much to say in favor of going to a small woman's college, and, personally, there is very little I would want to change about St. Mary's, her traditions, or even her rules. However, I feel that the action of the administration on Sunday, May 14, was an example of Victorian thinking and a direct insult to the students of the school.

The girls now attending St. Mary's were brought up in fine homes by parents who were conscientious enough to see that their daughters were given a good education in both scholarship and culture. For the Administration to take it upon themselves to tell one of the students that she was not wearing the proper hat to attend church in Raleigh is an insult to her upbringing.

By the time a girl enters college, her ideas regarding fashion and etiquette are already established, and it is not the school's prerogative to tell her she may or may not attend church because of (her attire.)

Church attendance, of course, should not be farcical, but it is the state of mind, not the appearance, of a person which determines the nature of one's religious feeling. I am not saying that a person should wear whatever he pleases to a church service. That

Where Did The Year Go?



EDITORIAL

IN RETROSPECT

In looking back over the past year, there are many times that we will never be able to forget. Someone has said, "Think of the good times," and we at St. Mary's have had some wonderful times to think about and remember. If we reminisce for a few minutes, we can think of things such as the first day of school, the first time we heard the Cold Cuts and then waiting anxiously to hear them again, the first really enjoyable date we had, the Glee Club concerts, and the Dramatics Club plays. And how will we ever forget the Christmas Party in the parlor, or our class banquets, or Senior Day?

Yes, there have been many good times and the ones mentioned above are only a few. However, one that was not mentioned, but I feel will never be forgotten, is the Suppressed Desire party that the Juniors had for the Seniors. Thanks to the entire Junior class, it was a big success.

That night was like St. Mary's should have been all year long. All of the other times the classes had spirit, but this night topped them all. There was so much spirit

which he wears should be chosen tastefully, and I feel that the girls of St. Mary's are intellectually competent and mature enough to select their dress for any occasion.

To send a mature young lady back to her room before she is allowed to attend church is, indeed, making a farce, not only of church attendance, but also of St. Mary's.

and so much friendship and unity that one might have thought that it was a close family reunion rather than a group of girls. There also was not a distinction between the Juniors and the Seniors. It was like one great big happy family. It is only too bad that we have not been that close all year, because it really would have been great.

I suppose one reason why that will be a night to remember is that it was the last time the Juniors and Seniors would ever be together as a group again. It is so hard to realize that exams are over, the year is at a close, and the Seniors will not be back next year. What are we going to do without them? They have been such a great class this year that it is going to be hard for the Juniors to take their place. But they are off to a good start with their excellent officers.

Yes, the Seniors will be missed and often we will think about them and maybe they will think about us and we will all remember the good times.

P. M. J.

St. Mary's Glee Club To Present Commencement Concert

The Glee Club will present their Commencement program Saturday, May 27th. They will sing selections from "Camelot," Antonio Vivaldi's "Gloria," and several other selections.

Focus

By Susan Slover

Penick is empty now. The days have gone with the Spring stars a colorful ending of a two-year experiment in living. They are young in 1965 — wide eyed and expectant with no unity as a whole — only a wide range of talent and ability. St. Mary's has undergone a change since their arrival.

Their obvious success stems from their new individuality, low strong determination in every undertaking. Age old traditions received new vitality under their guidance. Meaning was created through enthusiasm and dedication. When they sang "Welcome You, Seniors" they meant it. They were the driving force, the motivating factor, among classes. They were a position of excellence fulfilled.

Seniors forced through two years — years that were a combination of responsibility, sophistication, and heart. As counselors they were concerned; as student government officers, efficient; as roles, comprising student life at St. Mary's. Responsible and ideal, one then the other. Entertainment was instant when Cold Cuts belted out improvisations of "Elvira." They built horror houses and solved problems. Seniors were never lost.

These Seniors — wild, fun-loving people with an inexplicable air of experience and a certain charm all their own — will go home May, 1967. Graduation two years of growth and accomplishment.

Their identities are firmly established — young adults with things to do and places to go. Life has been experienced at St. Mary's but they have outgrown her. Their attitudes and horizons are beyond the gates of St. Mary's way beyond.

The lonely darkness of the chapel cannot match the thoughts of the Seniors placed so quickly into new environments with tried horizons. Go now Seniors and don't hesitate. There is a need for good bye — just "see you around."

On Suppressed Desires Party

By Jessica Gillespie

First Cruikshank's Brown troop walked away with all the bacon or rather all the wafers at the Senior Party Thursday night. The judges pressed from a multitude of suppressed desirers. It was a party to know that many other desires would remain suppressed.

The old and new Cold Cuts combined to give their wonderful conditions of many of our old favorites. The spotlight was on many of them for the last time. For most it was a welcome as they walked around the day with a hand extended to their eyes to protect against sunlight.

Next in the program came

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