



IVY LEAVES



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ST. MARY'S HALL, BURLINGTON, N. J.

No. 4

Headmistress' Notes

In the midst of this, its fifth war period, St. Mary's Hall has had an active and constructive year and is going ahead enthusiastically with plans for the coming year.

The Aluminum plant on the Riverbank, which we thought might have a deteriorating effect on the school, seems to bother us very little—except as a blot on the landscape. We hope that some interested friend will want to plant some trees which will serve as a screen to separate us from this unsightly view.

Academically, the school has had a good year and seems to be following the trend of other private secondary schools for girls, that is, continuing to offer a curriculum rich in liberal arts and cultural subjects. There is, at present, no thought of accelerating or shortening the secondary school curriculum, although this is being done in many of the boys' schools. While recognizing the fact that many girls will want to stop school to engage in war or defense work, the emphasis is put on the need for them to continue their education to provide trained leadership which the whole world needs at the present time and will need desperately after the war.

The work in the foundation courses of the school has been strengthened under the direction of Miss Sandt, the academic director. In addition, a series of tests in the vocational area have been given this year for the first time. These included interest inventories, personality analysis, aptitude tests, etc. The girls have been deeply interested in the results. A few had definite plans for the future and these girls have been greatly reassured in their decisions. Others have had no ideas about the work which they want to do; they have been shown a wider field of vocations and professions than they knew existed and have begun to scrutinize these areas more seriously. With the increased confusion as to their future and the unnatural employment pressures to be exerted upon them, this testing program has been of invaluable help in making the girls more conscious of their own abilities and in setting up as scientific a basis as possible for their choice of a career.

The work of the Lower School under the able direction of Mrs. Comfort is becoming more and more entrenched in the neighborhood. Following the meeting of the alumnae on Founders' Day, May 27th, the elementary grades are planning a demonstration of their activities. The children are now busy on class room projects and practicing

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Parents' Day

The response to Parents' Day for the Upper School, held on Saturday, May 8th, was so gratifying that the day fully justified the act of faith which started it. The last Parents' Day was held on December 7, 1941. Since then the travel facilities have been so curtailed that it required courage to plan for a similar event this spring. The day seemed made for us—the kind to spend out of doors—blue sky, clouds, warm sunshine. The campus in its spring garb was never more lovely and provided a beautiful background for the demonstration of gymnastics and folk dancing by the Physical Education Department.

Gymnastics are fundamental to sports for through them the body may be moulded, strengthened, and coordinated. It has been interesting to learn that the gymnastics which have been taught all winter at the Hall are now recognized as part of the physical fitness program adopted by the United States Government. The possession of a perfectly coordinated mechanism is the ultimate aim of physical education in the development of character and personality.

The folk dancing was an attempt to assemble some of the dances of the different nations of the world. The flags of the nations represented by the dancing, Belgium, Denmark, England, Free France, Norway, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Russia, Sweden, and the United States, provided a timely background for this rhythmical interpretation of one of the most fundamental bases of international fellowship.

After the demonstration the faculty went to their individual classrooms. The number of parents who took advantage of this opportunity to discuss the work and progress of their respective daughters was very gratifying, for we believe that all true education is the joint responsibility of the home and the school. We want our parents to find out all they can about the school, what their children are learning, what they do.

At four o'clock parents, faculty and students met in the study hall for a meeting in charge of The Very Reverend Frederic M. Adams, Chairman of the Educational Committee of the Board of Trustees. Bishop Gardner, Miss Newbold, and Miss Sandt spoke to the group about various social and academic phases of the life and future of the school.

At the close of this meeting a buffet supper was served in the school dining room which added a further note of warm fellowship to what had been for us at the Hall a most inspiring and heartening occasion.

We regret that this issue of Ivy Leaves is so late in coming to you. Because we have had no Field Secretary nor Alumnae Worker this year, and because of insufficient clerical help in the office, it was impossible to publish it sooner.

We have been gratified at the response from Class Reporters of news items, and we hope that the interest in the Hall and this paper will continue. The material has come to us in fine shape, and we are deeply grateful to the Collectors for we know the time-consuming effort involved.

The subscriptions have also been encouraging. To date we have received \$138.69. Deducting a debit from last year of \$13.00 and \$79.08, the cost of the autumn issue, we have a balance of \$46.61 for this spring issue. This sum will not be sufficient, however, to cover the cost of printing and postage. We shall be most appreciative of late or additional contributions at this time.

So many letters of appreciation and interest come to the Hall about Ivy Leaves, that we hope we may continue next year the policy established this year of mailing it to all graduates and associates of the school, not just those who have subscribed their one dollar or more.

We should like to answer each letter that has come to us with news for Ivy Leaves and regret that our limited staff prevents this. Will each contributor take this as our way of saying "Thank you"?

CHAPLAIN RESIGNS FROM HIS POST IN BURLINGTON

The Reverend John Talbot Ward for some time has not been in the best of health and following the Christmas services found it necessary to rest for a long period. He subsequently resigned as Rector of St. Mary's Church and has given up his duties as Chaplain of the Hall. His many friends at the School hope that a complete rest will ultimately restore him to health so that he may continue his useful life of which he has given so devotedly and so generously to the Hall for so many years.

Vocational Guidance Program for 1943

"PRESENTING—'NJC'"

A color motion picture "College—Designer for Democracy", which covered one of Dean Margaret Corwin's Convocation addresses to the students of the New Jersey College for Women, was presented before the Upper School on February 8th. Mrs. O. W. Davidson, Field Representative for NJC, elaborated on the scenes as they were shown.

The film portrayed a charming campus life woven around rigid academic activities. Various courses were described in enough detail to stimulate thought. More important, though, was Dean Corwin's outline of the present need for college-trained women in all fields. Science, Physics, Engineering and the Arts are calling for capable young women to aid in the war effort. Science alone is growing more rapidly than laymen realize, and opportunities in the Arts are innumerable.

Mrs. Davidson's visit was the opening feature of this year's Vocational Guidance Program, which has included tests to enlighten each individual about her abilities and information on institutions of higher-learning, where she might prepare for her chosen field.

JUNIOR CLASS PRESENTS FLAG TO THE SCHOOL

On April 6, 1943, in honor of Army Day, the Junior Class presented a flag to the School for the Study Hall. The need of such a flag has long been felt, and, instead of having a large class banner, as is the tradition, the Juniors decided the flag could well take its place. Jane Loucks, the President of the class, made the presentation to Miss Newbold, who accepted the flag on behalf of the Board of Trustees, Faculty, and Students. The singing of the National Anthem closed this very impressive ceremony.

We all take pride in having this flag in the study hall and it makes us long more than ever to have one floating in the breeze on the Riverbank outside the school.

The Juniors designed a very effective small class banner and each Junior is now the proud possessor of one.

We are proud of our two students who received Certificates of Acceptance for material submitted to *Annual Anthology of High School Poetry* this year. The award is made by the National High School Poetry Association. The two students so honored were Anne Bausman for her poem, "It's Christmas" and Elizabeth Wright for her verse, "Garden Society." These poems will appear in the next issue of the Anthology. Copies have been ordered by many of the student body.

The School again participated in the Current Affairs Contest sponsored by Time Magazine, the results of which have not yet been learned.

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dances and gymnastic stunts to be presented out-of-doors.

The social life of the school has been somewhat curtailed this winter because of transportation difficulties, but the students have shown excellent spirit about it. We have been able to go to some symphony concerts in spite of last minute disappointments about bus drivers. Upon two occasions we have had dances at the school. From the adjustments which had to be made, we have found tea-dances becoming popular instead of the usual evening affairs. The girls have gone in groups to Peddie, Bordentown, and Perkiomen, for parties. In addition, the Saturday evening programs have included speakers on world events, dramatic readings, and music.

In these uncertain days one must constantly ask: How does the Church School meet the growing tide of unrest and insecurity among young people? What does a Church School have to offer that is not found in the private secular schools? What is the justification for the existence of a school like St. Mary's which we all love so much?

Young people everywhere today are deeply concerned and show evidences of insecurity which seem to be hemming them in on all sides. It springs, primarily, I believe, from their deep concern over the men they know in the service, the lives of their fathers, their brothers, and, for the older girls, their friends and their sweethearts. This sense of insecurity and restlessness comes to them from many sources, from parents who are greatly troubled and communicate their anxiety unconsciously to their children; sometimes it comes from faculty who are sharing their feeling of insecurity.

The answer is not easy. It seems to me that the chief function of a Church School lies in communicating to its students the idea of God and His relation to their personal lives. Young people have a great sense of need for direction and help from a source beyond themselves. That the connection between these two ideas (that is Source of help and the need of young people today) may become more clearly defined throughout the school, a Committee on Religious Life and Activities, composed of representatives from the Board of Trustees, Faculty and Students, has recently been formed. This Committee has met several times and is studying the religious life and practices of the school, formal as well as informal, and scrutinizing the Religious Education Program with the idea of making plans and suggestions to vitalize and make more meaningful the spiritual life of the faculty and students.

Church schools have today a definite obligation to teach and to practice the principles of Christian democracy in every phase of school life; to exercise and utilize democratic procedures in every type of relationship within the school. It is a deep concern of all of us that St. Mary's Hall should not fail in this challenge.

The War Effort At St. Mary's Hall

With the induction of the school waiters into the Army at the beginning of the year, it was necessary to call upon the girls to help in this emergency. Every student volunteered and the dining room is being run at the present time more efficiently and more quietly than ever before. Luncheon at which the day students are present is served buffet style. Breakfasts and dinners are served by the students, each girl serving one day a week. The student body is organized into pantry committees which are responsible for setting up the tables before each meal with silver, bread and butter, salad, milk, etc. The whole system of student help in the dining room is supervised by a senior who is doing an excellent and efficient piece of work which we consider a very real part of the war effort.

A junior branch of the American Red Cross was formed early in the fall. A sum of money was collected, part of which was sent to the National Red Cross, a small portion used to buy materials for Red Cross work, and a third part contributed to the national senior drive. The Glee Club also contributed \$10.00 to the senior drive and many of our older girls joined the senior branch at that time.

Our first shipment of goods was made in December. The art department made five large Christmas posters, ten folders, and twenty cards for Fort Dix. Six scrap books, bean bag frogs, a patchwork quilt, thirty cross-word puzzles, boards and pencils were also sent. In March we had a drive for books, coat hangers, and large-eyed needles that soldiers could thread themselves. Coat-hangers and needles were made an entrance requirement to some classes and we were able to send them along with a large carton of books.

The Lower and Upper schools have been working all winter on two afghans made in squares of wool scraps. They will soon be finished. We are really getting to the place where the song just "one more square" no longer seems an exaggeration. We have used that slogan all winter to get people to find wool in their attics or to knit us a "Mr. five-by-five."

The scrap drive has not been neglected for each community collection finds the Hall ready with its contribution.

Friday evenings are very busy for the eighteen girls who are taking the Home Nursing Course. They hope this summer to be able to look after the neighbors' babies very capably, and to help with the manifold household tasks in many ways. *Parents Please Note.*

WANTED—1942 YEAR BOOK

Only one copy was left at the school. This was borrowed and not returned. A gap is therefore left in the school records for the year 1941-1942. Will some one please come to the rescue?

News Of Our Alumnae

1866

Sarah Butterworth Githens in February 1943 joined the procession of sainted members of the alumnae of St. Mary's Hall who have passed into eternity. She was born in Vincentown, New Jersey, in 1850 and endeared herself to her community by her long life of devoted service and the genial hospitality which made her home the center of the social life for both young and old. Her graduation from St. Mary's Hall at the age of sixteen placed her among the oldest of the living alumnae today. At the Centennial Celebration in 1937 Miss Githens led the procession of graduates, carrying the banner for the class of 1866.

1874

In February, Mrs. John L. Williamson and Miss Kay Salmon called on Mrs. H. A. Kingsbury, the corresponding secretary for the New York Chapter for so many years. They found her well and as alert as ever, but confined to her apartment.

1879

Mrs. Frank N. Loomis (*Mary B. Holcomb*) writes of a wonderful trip she had South last summer. While there, she call on one of her classmates, Mrs. Harriet L. Hunt (*Mrs. Bryan*) of Guilford, North Carolina, who has such a charming home filled with beautiful antiques. Also, she recalled memories of the class of 1877, telling of the large double slates which were used in Mathematics. Brass hinges held those double slates together and, thereby, supplied the necessary amount of space for solving Trigonometry problems. It pleased us to hear from Mrs. Loomis, and we wish that she would tell us more about her recollections of the Hall.

Mrs. Gallagher (*Grace Kempel*) has recently passed away. She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Bissell Montclair.

1885

Mrs. Joseph Nesbit (*Emma B. Hutchinson*) passed on at her late residence, Rose Tree, Media, on March twentieth. We extend our sympathy to her daughter, Miss Linda H. Nesbit of the Spring House, Todmorden Farm, Media, Pa. Miss Linda graduated with the class of 1918.

1893

We hear accounts of the wonderful work being done by Dean Percy Stockman as head of the Seaman's Institute in Philadelphia. Mrs. Stockman, (*Margaret Stryker*) is deeply interested in this work too.

1896

Mrs. T. T. Thomas (*Marie Vail Spinosa*) writes from Moline, Illinois, where she is visiting her daughter, Hilda, that she is enjoying her three grandchildren but will eventually return to Baltimore where she has many friends and her Church affiliations. Marie's son George is a Lieutenant in the Navy.

Miss Edith C. Packer is now living at The Cadwalader, 640 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey. Her brother has been ill and is now living with their married sister, so they have closed their homestead at Buck Hill Falls.

1897

Margaret Benson Ross died in February of this year. She was a student in 1895, 1896 and 1897.

1901

Mrs. Florence C. Beijen of 216 Dayton Street, Ridgewood, New Jersey, has a son in the Army who is located in Ireland, at the present time.

1902

Mrs. Harry L. Ransom (*Mildred Weaver*) writes that her older son, Willard, is working with the DuPont plant in Buffalo, and the younger, David, is about to enter an Officers' Training Camp.

1903

Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Barnes (*Adelaide Baird*) have announced the marriage of their daughter, Adelaide, to Mr. James C. Ambrose, on January 16th, 1943, in Pittsburgh, Pa.

1904

Mrs. Cady (*Madeleine Beach*) who lives in Nashville, Tennessee, sees a great deal of Mrs. Garner DeVoe, (*Edna Cozzens*) also of Nashville. Madeleine's daughter Betty has a job in Massachusetts and her son is in the U. S. Army.

Mrs. Henry McKeen, Jr. (*Clara Cresson*) has been doing a grand job as Associate Director in the Overseas Division of the Bermuda U. S. O. at the Coral Island Club, which has been turned into a recreation centre. Mrs. McKeen has now returned to the States and will take up similar work here.

1905

Mrs. H. W. S. Gehrke (*Emilie Zehm*) writes that the Army took over their place in Reading last summer to add to the Airport there and that they had two weeks to move. The new address is Fleetwood, Pa., R. D. No. 1.

Mrs. Walter M. Bond (*Florence Daniels*) whose address is now 2757 Ridge Avenue, Evanston, Illinois, writes that her son, Sam, who graduates from the Northwestern School of Engineering, is with the Joseph T. Ryerson, and the Government has deferred his call as he is doing essential war work. Barbara, her daughter, has a job at Fort Sheridan.

1907

Mrs. John H. Hartman's son, Jack, who is with the U. S. Army, is overseas. Mrs. Hartman was Marion Mitchell and is herself in uniform and doing fine work.

Mrs. Howard H. Herr (*Miriam Urban*) has a son, Pat, who is with the Paratroops. He was among those flown from England to Morocco and was taken prisoner in Spanish Morocco. The last news we had, he was well.

1908

Mrs. Brace Bennitt (*Ethel Cranson*) wrote that her son was in the Naval Reserve Training Course at Columbia and was graduated last December.

1909

Louise Filbrun Murtaugh is having a most interesting time at the Chance-Vought Division of the United Aircraft Company. She is now Recreational Director for that organization, in charge of all outside activities for over six thousand women workers.

Marguerite Flanders Babcock, (*Mrs. Lewis T. Babcock, Jr.*) class reporter, tells us, also, of an interesting position held at Haverford College by Anne Hewitt, an old Burlington resident. Miss Hewitt is custodian of some rare and valuable books, as well as being a secretary for the college.

Mrs. Babcock writes that her chief interest, at the present time, is Richard, her five year old grandson who started kindergarten in February.

Mrs. E. Raymond Burdge (*Valetta Bennett*) was interned at the Long Branch Hospital during the winter, where she underwent a series of treatments. We hope that she has completely recuperated and is now quite in the "pink" again.

1910

Mrs. Norman L. Jameson (*Miriam Bisler*) on a recent visit to New York, went to see Mrs. Fearnley. It was hard to realize that she has four grown daughters and is even a grandmother. Peggy, the oldest girl, has joined up with the WAVES and is in training at Smith College; Jane is Mrs. Minefelder; Susan is Mrs. Gleeson and paints portraits, and Caroline Louise, the youngest, was married last November to Lieutenant Richard W. Havens in the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve and is at Quantico, Virginia.

We are told that Mr. Henry B. Claggett is stationed in Texas, after some difficult times in China and in Manila. Mrs. Claggett is Mary Steacy.

Mrs. Johnson McKinley (*Agra Bennett*) was married last July to Mr. Douglas Bailey Williams. She is still living in her lovely home in Wheeling, West Virginia, "Willow Glen." Of her three children, Agra, Jr. is the wife of Lt. Commander Thompson and they live in Peru, S. A. Commander Thompson was recently decorated by the Peruvian Government. Her son Johnson, who attended the U. S. Naval Academy, has been transferred to the Air Corps, and the younger son, Louis, is still at College but will probably be taken by the next draft.

Helen Edwards Nichols writes that her daughter, Elizabeth, was married to Lieutenant Winthrop G. Pierrel on December 22, 1941. Helen still lives in Philadelphia. Her husband is Principal of the Holmes Junior High School at 55th and Chestnut Streets.

Florence Ten Broeck Allen has become a grandmother. Her daughter, Alice, had a daughter, born on March

7, 1942. Her son, Jack, is still on a fighting ship in the Pacific. He received word of his daughter's arrival on January 8, 1943. The Allens have moved from the Navy Yard and are living on Buck Road, Haverford, Pa.

Helen Daniels Chidester is a grandmother, also. Her daughter, Jane, had a little girl on January 16, 1943.

Miriam Bisler Jameson's daughter, Carolyn Louise, was married to Lieutenant Richard W. Havens on November 28, 1942.

Anne Sprague Upson's daughter, Marion, was married on January 29, 1943.

Thank you, Gertrude Showell, for news of your classmates and do send us some news about yourself the next time. Mrs. Showell's address is—Old Kennett Pike, R. D. 1, Wilmington, Delaware.

1911

Mrs. Franklin Shakespeare (*Lucinda Bradford*) writes that her daughter, Lucy, is at Middlebury College, majoring in Chemistry.

1912

Mrs. Ralph Bierer (*Betty Beach*) who attended St. Mary's Hall for the year 1912, writes of her nine months old grandson, saying, "It would take a book to tell how very wonderful he is." Her son-in-law has entered the Army. Therefore, her daughter and her grandson are making their home with her.

Mrs. Gilbert C. Halsted, Jr. (*Margorie Royce*) and her daughter, Nancy, visited the west coast in March. Mr. Halsted joined them later, and they planned to see their son Lieut. (j. g.) G. C. Halsted, III, who is now stationed out there.

1913

Miss Olive Child Pinney, daughter of Lieutenant William Whitney Pinney, USNR, and Mrs. Pinney (*Margaret Gostenhofer*) was married to Ensign Henry Ashe Tilghman, USNR, of Long Island, on December 2, 1942, at the Calvary Episcopal Church in Summit, N. J. The Rev. W. Ovid Kinsolving officiated.

Lieut. and Mrs. Pinney's son, William Whitney Pinney, Jr., was married to Miss Louise Quinby of Goshen, N. Y., on March 20th at the Church of the Heavenly Rest, Goshen, New York.

Mrs. Arthur Hamilton's (*Josephine Zinkeisen*) son, William Bradford, Jr., entered the service in February.

Mrs. Frederick Waddington (*Olivia Beddoes*) spent this winter at 18 East San Miguel, Colorado Springs. Her son, David, now 18, has enlisted in the Navy Reserve at Colorado University until needed for active service.

We are in need, for publicity purposes in Church papers, of names of graduates who are engaged in the War Effort, or in outstanding community work. Please send to the Hall all such material.

1914

Mrs. Fearnley had the pleasure of a call from Mrs. John Nalle (*Frances Bain*) late in January. Frances is busy with war work in Lancaster, Pa.

Mrs. Fearnley had a letter from Mrs. William Conyers (*Louise Walker*) from Bermuda for Christmas. Louise says her older girl has a job with the Admiralty in Bermuda after two years at the Sarah Lawrence College; the younger girl, Jane, is at school at Wykeham Rise, Washington, Connecticut; and the boy, Bill, is still at school in Bermuda. Louise is busy with the Bermuda Woman's Auxiliary Force.

Jessie Craven's address is Nantucket, Massachusetts.

Martha Smith's (*Mrs. W. T. Bacon*, 860 Auburn Road, Winnetka, Illinois) daughter, Martha, attends Northshore Country Day School; her younger son, Carter, is a freshman at Yale; and the older son, a sophomore at Yale, is married and has a son, born January 1, 1943.

Louise Beach's (*Mrs. John F. Park*, 1220 S. 20th Street, McAlester, Oklahoma) daughter, Joan, is 14 and attends school in McAlester; her son, Judson, 16, is a Pharmacist's Mate, third class in the Navy and was in the thick of the fighting when U. S. took Safi and Casablanca. Dr. Park, a surgeon, is a Colonel and waiting to be called. He was in the French Army before World War I, later enlisting in the U. S. Army, and had charge of a Base Hospital in France. Louise has finished her Red Cross Home Nursing Course and is now teaching Nurse's Aides. Her sister, Madeline Beach Cady, Class of 1904, is living in Nashville, Tennessee (Room 412, Doctors' Building). She has a soldier son in Africa.

Caroline Wittemore (*Mrs. C. W. Charles*, *Shelton Hotel*, New York, N. Y.) writes that her daughter, Anne, is residing with her and is employed in Schirmer's Music Store in New York. Her son, Donald, Jr., a Yale Scientific School graduate, (1942) enlisted in the Naval Reserve. Another daughter, Elizabeth, fourteen, attends Dwight School in Englewood, N. J. Caroline expects to continue her work in the field of the handicapped child as she taught for three years at the N. Y. Institute for the Blind. She has been very active in the furthering of the Humber Plan for World Federation.

Mabel Cook (*Mrs. Mabel Cook*, 114 S. Virginia Avenue, Atlantic City, N. J.) has a Red Cross Knitting Unit through the Business & Professional Women's Club, of which she is a Past President; they have a Service Center for the boys at the local Y. M. C. A., of which Mabel is sub-chairman. They make and fill service kits which they give to every draftee leaving Atlantic City and Ventnor. She is also on duty at a Casualty Station—all of this in conjunction with her position as Savings Teller at the Guarantee Bank and Trust Company of A. C.

Olive Wilde (*Mrs. Ray Van Seggern*, Iowa Ordnance Plant, Burlington, Iowa)—She and her husband moved to Iowa a year and a half ago and she became assistant to the teacher in the Plant School and was later transferred

to the office of the Booster Line. They are fortunate in having a house just outside the Main gate of the plant and she is very busy keeping house and being employed six full days a week.

Genevieve Parker (*Mrs. John H. Dunnington*, 11250 Fifth Avenue, New York City)—Writes that her daughter is married and lives in Texas. Genevieve is a Nurse's Aide at Presbyterian Medical Center and is working in the Sloane Hospital in the nursery with the new babies and loves it.

Arona M. Hubbard (*31 E. 30th Street*, New York City) has been sewing with the Daughters of the American Revolution for the Red Cross and going nightly to Spanish classes, aside from being employed in a war industry plant in New Rochelle, New York. While visiting in Pittsburgh during the holidays, she attended the annual luncheon of the Federation of Girls' School Societies, of which St. Mary's used to be a member. Mrs. Lee Barnes (*Adelaide Baird—1904*) did not attend the luncheon but sent a happy message to the Hall.

Gladys Osborne (*Mrs. Gladys Holberton*, 935 27th Street, North, St. Petersburg, Florida) has been employed in St. Petersburg for some time and is so happy now since her sister and family have moved there from New Jersey. She is doing her bit in war work and has a married son in camp in the West.

Mrs. Frederick Laidlow (*Isabel Emerson*) reports that her husband is doing war work at Sikorsky's in Stratford, Connecticut. She is in the Motor Corps of the Massachusetts Women's Defense Corps, taking the Communications Course with Morse Code, and is hoping to receive a Federal License after passing the course.

1915

Mrs. Ezra Troth (*Harriet Tams*) can almost vie with Heinz's *Fifty Seven Varieties*. She writes from her farm outside Washington: "Last summer we had a splendid garden, and we did not let a bushel of vegetables go to waste and at the end of the summer I counted fifty one varieties of canned and preserved fruits and vegetables."

Mrs. Dixon (*Margaret Merwin*) has a most attractive Shop in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

We are told that Mrs. Richard Logan (*Kate Lee Dando*) is living in Cleveland, Ohio, but regret that we have not the street address.

Mrs. Charles L. Maxwell (*Katharine Vigelius*) whose address is 322 Spring Garden Street, Easton, Pa., writes that her older son has just left Cornell to enter Naval Aviation. Katharine herself is busy with war work, chairman of the Committee for Refugee children, and head of the Women's activities in the area of Easton.

Elizabeth Terry has just been appointed as Executive Secretary of the Burlington County Chapter of the American Red Cross and was introduced at the March monthly meeting of the Chapter. It is interesting to have a county resident to fill this important position and we know Elizabeth is well suited for the post.

Mrs. A. Wellesley Brown (*Geraldine Brown*) is a Nurse's Aide at the Englewood Hospital, Englewood, New Jersey.

1916

Alice Drake (119 Golf View Road, Ardmore, Penna.) is doing Bible Club work among children and young people in Philadelphia. If she has any hobbies she won't fess up.

Sarah McCulloch (Mrs. Troop Zeth, 1110 Fourteenth Street, Santa Monica, California) has one son, Samuel, aged seventeen, who wants to join the Navy. Sarah, herself, is working in the Personnel Office of the Douglas Air Craft, and on the side is a part time U. S. O. Hostess, and a telephonist at the Civilian Defense Control Center. She writes that she sees Miss McCormick (now Mrs. Briggs) every now and then (girls—will you ever forget the famous trip Miss McCormick took when she danced with Charlie Chaplin and Harry K. Thaw?)

Adelaide Parker (Mrs. John Graham Morrissey, 78 Milton Road, Rye, New York) has two young daughters, aged twelve and nine, (Hev! Ad'le—how about sending them to S. M. H.—it's a good school!) and is busy taking care of them, her house, and her husband, who is in the Pressed Steel Car Company, and must be a busy man these days.

Elise Schreiber (Mrs. John W. Weber, Jr., 975 Park Ave., New York) has a nineteen year old son who is now at Yale and has enlisted in the Marines. Her husband is also very busy working in marine paints—and Elise is doing Red Cross and working at the U. S. O. Canteens in Grand Central and The Pennsylvania Stations. She says she goes to all the S. M. H. New York Chapter meetings, but is always the only one from '16. How about some of you commuters joining her next time?

Geno Thomas (Powder Point, Duxbury, Mass.) is '16's only real claim to fame as her enchanting little sculpture groups are known throughout the country. Some day, when this cruel war is over, your secretary is going to buy her Breton fisherman and his lady love or know the reason why. On the side, she is doing plane spotting and working in the hospital lab., and her hobbies are "fresh water biology, birds, watering the garden, and playing the flute." She was quite ill with pneumonia this last fall, but is all right again now, you'll be glad to hear.

Mary Paschall Young (Mrs. Kenneth McIntyre Doty, 53 Second Street, Geneseo, New York) has two young sons, aged nine and ten. Her husband is a banker. In spite of looking after her husband, her children and her house, and spending the afternoons with her mother, who is house-bound during New York winters, Mary manages to work at the Ration Board, make surgical dressings, and do Red Cross service. She sounds like a very busy and very happy person.

Mary Hester McNeeley (Mrs. Malcolm Guy, 311 21st Street, N. W., Canton, Ohio) has a married daughter and a son aged 20 who is in Naval Aviation. Her husband is in the Canada Dry Bottling Company. Mary Hester works at the Red Cross, and collects antiques as a hobby. Her daughter graduated from St. Mary's in 1940. That's the kind of spirit we like to see!

Georgie Ingersoll (Mrs. Herbert Lewis, 657 Fairmount Ave., St. Paul, Minnesota) has three children; a boy aged twelve; a girl of nine; and a boy of four. Her husband is the Magazine Editor and Editorial Director of the St. Paul Pioneer Press & Dispatch. Whether he is really the manager, or whether Georgie does her share of managing, she doesn't say, and your secretary is not in a position to judge, but is hopeful that the above crack may draw a long threatened letter from Georgie.

Jean Ingersoll (Mrs. John Summersby, 11 Fernwood Road, Summit, New Jersey) has a girl aged fifteen and a boy aged eleven. Her husband is General Sales Manager of the Worthington Pump & Machinery Corporation. Jean is a Nurse's Aide—wouldn't you know she would still be tackling the hardest and most worthwhile jobs!

Catherine Watson is head of the College Preparatory English Department at Miss Porter's School—loves her job, and we are perfectly sure does a splendid one. Her home address is 7316 Bryan Street, Mt. Airy, Pennsylvania.

Charlotte Matthews (Mrs. Harold Sheffield van Buren, 20 Wood Ave., Glendale, Ohio—your humble and obedient secretary) has three children. Two boys, aged twenty and eighteen, and a daughter aged fifteen who is now a Sophomore at St. Mary's Hall. Her husband is with Procter and Gamble Company and is in charge of their Eastern plants. Her oldest son, having been turned down by the services because of a bad ear, has left Harvard and is putting in seven days a week as a laborer in the Boston Navy Yard. The younger boy left Harvard to enlist in the Coast Guard and is on active duty. Her war work is confined to the home front for various reasons and her hobbies are book-binding, gardening, and playing the recorder. How about a duet Geno? Incidentally—she would love to hear a little more about all of you—there'll always be a next issue of Ivy Leaves, you know. News from the following class members will be much appreciated:

Dorothy Blair (Mrs. James Austin) 5223 Wissahickon Avenue, Chestnut Hill, Penna.

Dorothy Haring (Mrs. Charles W. Mitchell) 321 Euclid Avenue, Hackensack, New Jersey.

Lillian MacDougall (Mrs. Leland H. Emery) 85 Merriam Street, Lexington, Massachusetts.

Katherine McKown (Mrs. Freling Foster, Jr.) 50 East 72nd Street, New York City, N. Y.

Phyllis Neal (Mrs. Howard I. Hooker) Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

Ann Thomas (Mrs. John Hardt) Gladstone, New Jersey.

Frances Wright (Mrs. Frederick I. Ordway, Jr.) 2929 Ordway Avenue, Washington, D. C.

Also—does anyone know anything as to the whereabouts of Ruby Matthews?

1917

Mrs. Richard D. Raff (Margaret Kuhns) writes that last June they sold

their house in Canton, Ohio, and moved out to their 125 acre farm, ten miles out of the city. They expect to spend their summers on the farm and in the winter will be at The Green Tree, 1950 Market Avenue, N., in Canton, where they have an apartment. Margaret's daughter has an Executive position at Finch Junior College, New York, and her boy, Dick, is attending the University School in Cleveland, Ohio.

Martha Antrim is showing great interest in the Red Cross. She is secretary of the Burlington County Chapter American Red Cross and also a Nurse's Aide reporting for duty at the Burlington County Hospital.

1918

Gunda Mordhurst is working with the N. B. C. and also, holds a job with the Guest Relations Board.

Mrs. Fletcher (Wain Richards) sends a new address on her Christmas card this year, namely 3533 West Fairview Street, Miami, Florida.

Mrs. Arthur H. Fawcett, your correspondent, is kept busy these days with various kinds of work through the Volunteer Civilian Defense Service. Her husband is in Washington with the Board of Economic Warfare, and her eldest daughter, Polly (S. M. H.—1942), is a freshman at Mount Holyoke College. Mrs. Fawcett wishes that her former classmates would send news of their activities to her at the following address: R. F. D. No. 1, Atlantic Highlands, N. J.

1919

Mrs. Nancy L. Perrie is now living in New York City. Her address is 207 East 62nd Street.

Miss Kathryn Terry Salmon (Kay) spent this past winter in New York City; while there, she gave a good deal of time and energy to the Canteen, at the Ritz Tower, which is being administered by The American Women's Hospitals Reserve Corps.

Margaret Montgomery Chalif's husband is now a second lieutenant and is stationed at Camp Croft, South Carolina. Her two daughters, Peggy and Sonia, are at the George School.

Elizabeth McCarty Howes has a young son, born this past January in California. Mrs. Howes spent the winter in California with her second child, George, who had been ill. However, he and Mrs. Howes are fine, now, and she is returning East this summer. Her husband, Captain Howes, is in North Africa, having sailed on the Armada.

Mrs. Arnold Ford (Kay Gray) has been a Nurse's Aide at the Englewood Hospital since May of last year.

Mrs. James Montgomery's (Connie Piersol) oldest boy is about to go into Aviation.

Thank you, Mrs. John S. Fair, for news of your former classmates, but won't you please tell us something about yourself the next time?

1920

Roselma Kefover's address is Arlington, Vermont. Roselma is doing war work in the Plastic Plant in Arlington.

1921

Mrs. Hasbrouch (*Marjorie Nightingale*) sent Mrs. Fearnley at Christmas a charming picture of herself and her two children. General Robert W. Hasbrouch is at present stationed at Headquarters, 8th Armored Division, Fort Knox, Kentucky. Marjorie wrote of meeting Mrs. James McLean (*Violet Grubb*, 1923).

Word has just been received at the Hall of the death on May 8, 1943, of Bertha Louise Kaltenback's father. Our sympathy goes out to her.

Mrs. Fearnley had the pleasure of lunching with Mrs. Philip Crockett (*Ruth Dill*) on January 30th in New York. Ruth is working hard towards a degree at Rutgers' College.

1922

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shepard (*Odile McCullough*) have a son born on December 6th, 1942.

Mrs. William D. Timmons (*Alice Hunt*) writes of the new house they have bought at 1200 South 16th Street, in Coshocton, Ohio.

1923

We are told that Mrs. Jones (*Euphemia Bott*) has a little daughter, about five years old, named Nancy Gay Jones. Mr. James E. Jones is Captain in the Marines.

Mrs. Herbert J. E. Smith (*Frances Burck*) writes from 15 Gay Street, New York City, that they will return to New Jersey in the Spring. Her son Willis attends the Admiral Farragut School at Tom's River, N. J.

Master Ivins David Jessup arrived on December 14, 1942. He is the only child of Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Jessup (*Sara Tattersall*) of Trenton, New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. David Higbee (*Thelma Downes*) have a beautiful baby daughter, born on February 15, 1943. The baby is named Helen Anne after Thelma's twin sister, Helen Downes.

We appreciate your efforts, Miss Bettie Siegrist, and hope that the summer will be a pleasant one for you. Classmates! Won't you send news of "whereabouts" and activities to Bettie? Her address is—Mrs. Henry G. Siegrist, 15 Farnsworth Avenue, Bordentown, New Jersey.

1924

Mrs. Robert E. Kocks (*Elizabeth Richmond*) has sold her Rockland, Maine, farm and is now living at 70 Elm Street, Camden, Maine.

About the middle of January Dorothy Richardson called on Mrs. Fearnley. Dorothy is living at the Woolsey, 141 East 44th Street, in New York and has a job as a Statistician with a well known wool firm.

1925

We hear from Mrs. John S. Fair that Betsy Neal is very well. Mrs. Fair saw Mr. Neal during this past winter and kindly forwarded the news on to us.

1926

Mrs. Charles F. Gaskill (*Betty Weber*) writes of the house they built

two years ago on the Sudbury River, the grounds of which are largely wooded. Her address is South Lincoln, Massachusetts. She has two little girls, Joan and Lucy. Mr. Gaskill enlisted in the Volunteer Officers' Candidate Corps.

Mrs. E. W. G. Boogher (*Elizabeth Reynolds*) has moved to 511 King's Highway, Moorestown, N. J. She has two boys in the Service as well as her son-in-law.

1929

Elizabeth Hoe Klein's husband, the Rev. Howard F. Klein, is a Chaplain in the Navy and is located in the Caribbean area.

1931

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton H. Howell have announced the marriage of their daughter, Marjorie Virginia, to Lieut. Lee Harrison Collison, U. S. A., which took place on January 23, 1943, at Roanoke, Virginia.

1933

Some time ago, an announcement arrived from Mr. and Mrs. T. Frank Devlin, Jr., (*Mary Bright*) telling of the arrival of Mary Roberta, their daughter. She was born at Mercer Hospital on December 30, 1942.

1936

News from the Richard Palmers tells us that Lieut. Palmer is now in Alaska and Mrs. P. (*Ruth MacDonough*) is kept busy, at home, with their new daughter. Judith, who greeted us weighing 6 lb. 6 oz., was born on March 21st and is the Palmer's second child. Congratulations!

1937

Virginia Ten Eyck Beardsley was married to Richard Atkinson Claybrook, III, on April 2, 1943, at Saint Stephen's Church, New York City.

Nance Auten Riegal is employed by the Armstrong Linoleum and Cork Company at Lancaster, Penna. She is living at home as her husband is serving in the Army.

Eloise Garber Blair is at Hartford, Connecticut, with her husband, who is serving in the Army Air Corps.

Living in Vincentown, New Jersey, R. D. No. 2, with her minister husband, and three children, is Ruth Kirby Wykoff.

The Standard Oil Company of New York City recently employed Elizabeth Salisbury.

Betty Webster Lyon and son, Michael (aged 3) are living with her father in Trenton, N. J., while her husband is serving in the Coast Guards.

We hear Yolanda Ugarte was recently married to a prominent radio singer.

Helen Tasman has a position on Wall Street, New York City.

A new address for Betty Brown is 219 Academy Street, Trenton, N. J. She is still employed by the DeLaval Steam Turbine Company.

Employed as a decorator in Philadelphia is Edith Cramp.

As the editorial assistant of the Natural History Museum Magazine, we have none other than Betty Downes.

Betty Drake Blois is living with her husband, who is serving in the Navy, at 1630 W. 22nd Street, Sunset Island, No. 4, Miami Beach, Florida.

We are grateful to our correspondent, Mrs. W. A. Blair, Jr. (*Eloise Garber*) for so much news about her classmates. She and her husband, Lieut. Blair, are receiving mail now at the Army and Navy Engine School, Pratt-Whitney Aircraft, East Hartford, Connecticut.

1938

Isabella Brogan was graduated from Barnard in 1942 and is doing bacteriological research work for one of the doctors at the New York Hospital.

Mercer Tomlinson is engaged to Caroline Miller's brother, Reynolds, who is now a lieutenant in the Navy and is overseas.

St. Mary's Hall graduates who are now seniors at New Jersey College for Women are winning recognition in extracurricular activities. Caroline St. Claire recently was awarded undergraduate honors for the past academic year and is a scholarship holder. She was also chosen as hostess for the Freshman Parents' Day dinner and as an usher for the German and French Clubs Christmas party. Muriel Welles has been elected chapel usher and was enrolled in the defense course in poultry husbandry. Both girls are majoring in English at N. J. C., and St. Mary's is very proud of them.

1939

The marriage of Miss Josephine Marie Peters, of Woodbury, to Mr. Richard Christopher Wynne, of Burlington, took place on March 27th in the Christ Episcopal Church at Woodbury.

Mrs. John Jones (*Peggy Clayberger*) fell from a horse and cracked a bone at the end of the spine. She had a miserable time for several weeks. Peggy had planned to join her husband who has recently returned from overseas and who had expected to be stationed in this country. However, he was sent to Mexico quite unexpectedly, and Peggy is going to join him just as soon as she has completely recuperated.

On October 20th, 1942, Madeleine Addicks became the bride of Lieut. Sumner Adams Brown, of Boston, Massachusetts and Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland. It was a whirlwind courtship we hear. All happiness is wished for you and your lieutenant, Madeleine. Their address is R. D. No. 2, Bel Air, Md.—c/o Mrs. Charles Bockler.

Shirley Baum is now Mrs. Harold S. Hawley, R. F. D. Box 561, Oak Road, Walnut Creek, California. Many thanks, Shirley, for granting our wish and letting us hear from you.

Jimmy Carter, we understand, is attending the University of Arizona. Libbie Williamson is out there visiting her now. Libbie has been working for SKF Ball Bearing Co., in New York City.

We are certainly pleased and proud to announce our first "Class Baby"—David Dean Utzinger who was born on January 9th weighing 8 lbs. and 2 ozs. The happy parents are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Utzinger (*Mary Betty Hewitt*). Congratulations to the happy family!

Congratulations go to Jo Peters, too, upon her graduation from Glassboro Teachers College on January 29th.

In January, Mr. and Mrs. David B. Winton announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Mary Elizabeth Winton, to Robert A. Winstanley, of Johnston, Pa. Best wishes Mary E.!

How interesting it was to hear that Priscilla Ireland has done some Practice-teaching at the Friends' Select School in Philadelphia where the children called her "Teacher Priscilla." Yes, we liked the name, too, and St. Mary's extends its best to you with your senior work at Miss Illman's next year.

Dorothy Sargent Warner announced the birth of a daughter, Carolyn Shreve on February 19, 1943.

1940

Helen Barber is now in Elmira, working six days and two nights a week and living at the Mark Twain Hotel.

Marion Burns is working at The Philadelphia Navy Yard as a typist. She says her work is very interesting and likes it a lot.

Betty Kunzi didn't go back to school this year but she is keeping herself quite busy doing Red Cross work in the daytime and many of her evenings are taken up by those U. S. O. dances—Isn't that right, Betty?

Marguerite Pearson is now living in Pemberton and is working as Book-keeper in the Pemberton bank. She works every day till about seven o'clock or later if the books don't balance—We hope that doesn't happen very often, "Pier".

Ann Pumyea is working at the Permutit Co., at Birmingham, N. J., about eight miles from Mt. Holly. It is a defense plant at present and she is doing secretarial work for six Ph.D.'s. She is very much interested in her work and likes it a lot. Her fiancé is stationed at Camp Forrest, Tennessee.

Presley Ann Rhodes is now working in the New Milford library in Connecticut. She writes that it is very interesting work and keeps her mind occupied with other things besides this terrible war which is on everybody's mind nowadays. Pres is living at the Wayside Inn in New Milford.

Mrs. E. Sawicki (*Lillian Schneck*) has been married since September 12, 1942; we were pleased to hear the good news and, tho, it is a bit late we want to wish all the happiness in the world to her. Her father, who owns a coat factory, has taken her on as his secretary. Her husband also works in the office of her father's factory.

Barbara Speace has joined the "Waves" and her official title is Barbara Ann Speace, A. S., USNR. On February 19th she left for the "Waves" training school at Hunter College, New York City. She writes "Ever since the day I was sworn in (December 8) I've had to think things the Navy way—which isn't hard so far." Good luck, Barb—Remember we're all behind you.

Eleanor Shoemaker is at Maryland College for Women and majoring in the Kindergarten course. "I like the work a lot and I don't know of any

profession that I could have chosen that I'd like any better. It is really fun to work with children that age. They have great imaginations—Honestly, I learn something new every day."

Margot Gooch has been connected with the Dock Street Theatre, Charleston, this winter. You will remember that Margot graduated from Erskine where she studied under Phyllis Stohl. As a student she did some radio work on the Crimson network and directed settlement house shows. Later she studied dancing with Otto Ashermann's dance group. She has also studied sculpture under Frederick Allen. She says her debut in New York last year was fun, but she is "really serious about the theatre."

Margot has always been interested in community theatres and did an excellent job as business manager of "My Sister Eileen" which opened at the Dock Street Theatre in the late winter. She quickly fell in love with Charleston which looked unbelievably beautiful to her after the grime of Boston.

1941

Barbara Swift's home is now in Florida. She is transferring to a college near home. Next September she starts an accelerated course at the University of North Carolina. There she will study sociology and economics. She seems to be very satisfied.

Jane Long, is living at home and is employed as stenographer for the Assistant Superintendent and Manager of the Permutit Company of New York City. Her work is in Birmingham, New Jersey. In addition to this, she is using every spare moment working as a Nurse's Aide for the Red Cross. She is very interested in both, and I am sure doing wonderfully.

Dorothy Travers is still in training and looking forward to the time when she can be a Navy Nurse. She is very satisfied and extremely happy with her profession.

Barbara Bowen is completing her Sophomore year at the University of Maryland. Her progress is quite satisfactory. She is engaged to be married to Pvt. Albert H. Crowell, formerly a student of the University. He comes from Baltimore and is in the U. S. Army.

Mary Mac, last fall, was taken into Beta Epsilon Phi (National honorary fraternity) and this fall became the secretary of said group. She graduated from Stevens on February 6th and is staying on as a radio apprentice. She is carrying a 23 hour schedule besides writing five scripts a week for broadcasts. She finds her work exciting and is doing well.

Betty Ann Van Hise's engagement to Private Harry Pierce Callagan was announced on February 21st. Best wishes!

Dorothy Heck has written enthusiastically about her work and life at the University of Wisconsin, where she hopes to be graduated in 1945. Dorothy is taking Psychology, Sociology, and Physical Education and hopes to be accepted by the WAVES or the WAACS

ANNUAL MEETING OF SOCIETY OF GRADUATES

The Annual Meeting of "The Society of Graduates of St. Mary's Hall" will be held on Thursday, May 27, 1943, at 10:15 a. m., at St. Mary's Hall.

Trains leave New York City at 7:30 a. m. Trenton at 8:38, and arrive in Burlington at 9:05. Buses leave Philadelphia every fifteen or twenty minutes from the Terminal at 13th and Filbert or from Broad and Cherry Streets.

The first reunion of The Society of Graduates of St. Mary's Hall was held May 27, 1875. Since that time, a meeting has been held each year on the date commemorating the birthday of Bishop Doane, the founder of St. Mary's Hall. In these difficult days of a world at war, we can not expect a large attendance at the meeting this year, but, for those of you who can come, let us try to make the meeting one of deeper significance; the Chapel service at half past ten o'clock "a very present help in time of trouble"; a renewed consciousness that in these uncertain days St. Mary's Hall is one enduring thing we can hold in our hearts and upon which we can steady our lives. *Come to the meeting if you can.*

ELIZA R. RIDGWAY, *President,*
of the Society of Graduates.

after her graduation.

Your class reporter is now affiliated with the Aviation Corps of the Lycoming Motors Division doing photostatic work in the photographic department. she finds the work interesting, the people nice, and the knowledge she is gaining invaluable—Jean S. Hathaway.

1942

Mr. and Mrs. Herman U. Clark of Plainfield and River Road have announced the engagement of their daughter, Ruth Carolyn, to Aviation Cadet Paul A. Curtis, Jr., son of Lieut. and Mrs. Paul A. Curtis of Devonshire, Bermuda. No date has been set for the wedding.

Vivian Atkinson visited the school recently and we were glad to learn that she had been made a member of the Dramatic Club at Wilson College.

Several other members of the class of 1942 visited the School during the year. Ruth Clark has been down to spend a day recently and Fay Harrison came for a visit. We are expecting Polly Fawcett for Founders' Day.

HALO DEPARTMENT

We vote a Halo to Charlotte Matthews van Buren (1916) for the best job of class reporting in this issue. Who will get the Halo in the next issue?

Special Gifts

We are most grateful to Miss Sarah Olden for her continued interest in her Alma Mater and for the generous contribution she sent us in the early spring.

We are also grateful to Mrs. George Wattson Hewitt (nee Isabel R. Pugh), of the Class of 1874, for the gift of her own personal and extremely valuable library of piano music, which she has presented to St. Mary's Hall. This fine collection includes many of the principal works, written for orchestra, such as symphonies, string quartets and quintets by the masters, Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Schumann, Brahms, and Wagner, arranged for four and eight hands; as well as a large number of piano solos by the classic, romantic, and modern composers. More than one half of this noteworthy library of music is in the irreplaceable, foreign editions of C. F. Peter and Breitkopf and Hartel, now impossible to procure. St. Mary's Hall, and more especially those of the Music Department, wish to thank Mrs. Hewitt for her very great generosity.

NEW BOOKS FOR THE LIBRARY

It is always a delight to add new books to the Hall Library and we are grateful and appreciative that the alumnae have it on their minds. Through the generosity of Mrs. Fredericka Weeks Fishers of the Class of 1924, a large assortment of good books have been added to the shelves this winter.

We are grateful also to Elizabeth (1943) and Caroline Wright (1945) who frequently bring to the library several volumes of modern usable books of fiction and biography which have been definite assets to the permanent collection we are trying to build.

Kay Salmon, 1919, had us in mind also and sent us *The Tragic Era* and *The British Agent*.

At Christmas time, Mrs. V. C. Henrich, the mother of one of our Lower School students, sent us a copy of *Our Hearts Were Young and Gay*, Skinner and Kimbrough, which has given many of us great pleasure this winter and spring.

Miss Ridgway has also been good to us. At Christmas time she presented the library with a copy of *Van Loon's Lives*, by H. W. Van Loon and this spring a copy of Emil Ludwig's *The Mediterranean*.

Miss Newbold has given the library this year a recent collection of Foreign Policy Pamphlets which have enriched the rather under-stocked social studies collection. This part of the library shelves needs additional reference material and any such gifts are very welcome.

MISS CURTISS' SPRING PIANO RECITAL

On Saturday evening, May 15th, St. Mary's Hall presented Miss Lota Winchell Curtiss in a piano recital. Miss Curtiss is now completing her fifth year as Director of Music at the Hall and is well-known to the music lovers of Burlington and the vicinity.

Miss Curtiss is a graduate of Smith College, with special honors in music, and received the degrees of Bachelor of Music and Master of Arts from Yale University. She has given piano and organ recitals in Northampton, Boston, and New Haven, and is continuing her study of piano with Henri Deering of New York City.

Her many friends were delighted with her execution of the program.

SEND US A PENNY POST CARD

The greatest and most constant need of St. Mary's is that the school become better known throughout the Church and that we enroll more and more students.

Our greatest source of new students, since I have been at the Hall, continues to be the alumnae. Won't you not only keep up the good work but *double your efforts*? Send us your daughters, and your granddaughters. Send us the names of interested friends. A penny post card is all that is necessary, but let us know whether or not we may use your name in writing to the person or persons whom you suggest. These suggestions will be followed up immediately and some one from the school is always available to speak to groups of young people or parents about the School.

Let us work toward the largest enrollment since the last war!

NEW YORK CHAPTER MEETING

The annual luncheon meeting of the New York Chapter was held at the Hotel Carlisle on Wednesday, April 28th. About thirty people were present. Mrs. Gooch, President, was encouraged by the response since so many of the members are busy with war duties and find it difficult to attend such meetings. The Bishop, who was unable to be present, sent a letter. Miss Newbold gave a resume of the year's work and the activities at the Hall. The Chapter was delighted to have as special guests Mrs. Fearnley and Miss Benjamin, or "Benjy" as she is known to "her girls."

PHILADELPHIA

Due to the difficulties of transportation and the war activities of the people in charge of the Philadelphia Chapter, the group has not met this year. We have, however, been no less conscious of their interest and fellowship with us for we have been enjoying in the living rooms this year expressions of their thought of us. We are hoping to see a large number of them at Founders' Day on the twenty-seventh.

Flash! Flash! Flash!

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM, 1943

Saturday, May twenty-second
8:00 p. m.—"BROTHER GOOSE"

Saturday, June fifth
8:00 p. m.—Senior Promenade.

Sunday, June sixth
5:00 p. m.—Baccalaureate Service.
The Right Reverend Wallace J. Gardner, Bishop of New Jersey.

Monday, June seventh
3:00 p. m.—Planting of the Ivy by the Senior Class.
4:00 p. m.—Senior Tea.
8:00 p. m.—Musical.

Tuesday, June eighth
10:30 a. m.—Commencement Exercises. Address: The Reverend Harold F. Hohly, Rector, Christ Church, Bronxville, New York.

The Hall is greatly indebted to Father Harry S. Ruth for his many ministrations and general helpfulness during the Lenten Season when we were without a Chaplain. Although he already carries a heavy schedule, he gave generously of his time and strength for services, conferences, teaching, etc. to the students and faculty and we are indeed grateful to him for his faithfulness to us. Father Ruth is Rector of St. Barnabas' Church, Burlington.

We also are indebted to the Reverend M. J. Peterson, Curate at Trinity Cathedral, Trenton, for the time and careful way in which he prepared our candidates for Confirmation this spring.

As we go to press we welcome to the Hall, the Reverend Wilbur E. Hogg, Jr., who has been called to succeed the Reverend John Talbot Ward as Rector of St. Mary's Church and who held his first service at St. Mary's Hall on the first of May.

In spite of the unusually active year, the Headmistress has found time to act as a discussion leader in one of the courses of the Diocesan Winter Conference of Pennsylvania for five Tuesday evenings in February and March, to speak at Women's Group meeting at St. James' Church, Upper Montclair, and to serve on the Burlington Committee for Child Care under Civilian Defense.

Miss Newbold has been asked to serve on a sub-committee representing Church Secondary Schools for Girls which has been appointed by Dr. Walden Pell, II, Chairman of the Secondary Schools Commissions of the Department of Religious Education of the National Council.



IVY LEAVES



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ST. MARY'S HALL, BURLINGTON, N. J.

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From the Headmistress' Report to The Trustees

St. Mary's Hall began its 107th year under unusually auspicious circumstances on Thursday morning, September 16th, with a Choral Celebration of the Holy Communion in the Chapel. This service was followed by a school assembly in the Study Hall, at which new members of the faculty and the Student Council were presented to the students.

Registration at the Hall was larger this autumn than it has been for several years past and we feel much encouraged by the type of students we have enrolled.

The geographic distribution of these one hundred and eleven students gathered at St. Mary's this year is as follows:

New Jersey	57
Pennsylvania	24
New York	11
Massachusetts	5
Maryland	4
Connecticut	3
Delaware	3
Virginia	2
California	2

They represent the following religious denominations:

Episcopal	74
Presbyterian	15
Methodist	10
Congregationalist	6
Roman Catholic	3
Hebrew	2
Baptist	1

Of the seven English students in the school this year, three have returned for their fourth year, two for their third year, one for her second, and the seventh is new to St. Mary's Hall this term.

There is in the student group this year a blind girl, Frances Shock, from Delanco, New Jersey. Her work has been most satisfactory and she has been an inspiration to the students in her class. They seem to be proud to have her in the group.

In tests given the girls shortly after the opening of school, it was found that a great majority of them were well above the intelligence level necessary to handle successful college work without difficulty. There is plenty of good ability in the group and a few instances of unusual I. Q.'s.

Every one is, of course, delighted with the increased enrollment and I have tried to give you a picture of the diversity of background and possibilities

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GREETINGS FROM BISHOP GARDNER

October 25, 1943

My dear Friends of
of St. Mary's Hall:

I am very happy to accept the invitation of the editor of "Ivy Leaves" to say a word to you all at the beginning of this most auspicious year for St. Mary's Hall.

Financially, we had the best year we have had so far as I can recall, and we opened this year with a full registration. Both of these facts are significant in these trying days when institutions are being threatened and the freedom of education is being imperiled.

St. Mary's Hall is justifying its existence, and I am happy to acquaint you not only with the above facts, but also with the need for you to lift up your hearts as to the future of St. Mary's, and again to cooperate with us in every way possible to you to help the Hall to realize its place in American life.

Faithfully yours,
(Signed) Wallace J. Gardner

Mrs. Cayford

The alumnae and friends of the Hall will learn with regret of the resignation of Mrs. Josephine Cayford after sixteen years of devoted and loyal service. Mrs. Cayford has not been well for some time but hoped to be able to carry on her increasingly arduous duties for at least another year. However, she has been advised by her physician to give up her work at once and is at present confined to her home on West Broad Street in Burlington, where she will spend the winter with her daughter, Peggy, 1930. Peggy resigned her position as Director of the Country Day School of Mansfield, Ohio, last June and is at present in the motor transport division of the Fleetwing Corporation.

The Hall owes Mrs. Cayford a debt of gratitude for the excellent contribution she has made to the School. A shrewd buyer, with unerring judgment as to "what girls like," and knowledge concerning a balanced diet, Mrs. Cayford has built up an enviable reputation for St. Mary's Hall. Our reputation for good food and an excellent table is known far and wide.

The Board of Trustees, as well as the staff and students over a period of sixteen years, thank her and wish her a speedy recovery, with happy days to come.

Service Honor Roll

At the Armistice Day celebration this year a temporary Service Honor Roll was presented to the school. The names of St. Mary's alumnae who are participating in any part of the Service of their country appear on a heavy pasteboard plaque which hangs in Nelson Corridor. At a later date a bronze plaque will replace the temporary one.

In her presentation speech, Miss Newbold touched the hearts of all. She spoke of the futile Armistice of twenty-five years ago and asked everyone to pray for all those who had served their country in that last war and for a lasting peace in the near future. Referring to Winston Churchill's recent speech, she pointed out the possibility of victory in 1944, but warned all—especially those who have relatives or close friends in the Service—of the great sacrifice of lives that would have to be made before victory would be attained. Then she spoke of the struggle which would confront all people and nations in the effort to bring about unity among nations, to provide food for the starving world, and even the language adjustment which would be a major part of the universal rehabilitation program.

She reminded us that St. Mary's Hall has seen five wars: The War with Mexico, the Civil War, Spanish American War, the First World War, and the present War. Always before St. Mary's students and alumnae have been confined to helping at home. Now they

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Student Government

After three years of patient spadework, Student Government seems actually to be working at St. Mary's this year, with the Student Council assuming definite responsibility for certain phases of school routine, such as: supervision of study hall and corridors, the formation and order of the Chapel line, and other phases of our community life which make for good citizenship. The Council has also accepted in a mature way its responsibility as a judiciary body, and we are all much impressed with the growing dignity and poise with which it has been handling the various disciplinary problems which come before it. To act as a judiciary body is not easy, and the Council discussed this several times before it was ready to assume such responsibility.

This step which the Council has taken reassures us that Student Government is on a firm foundation and firm footing. It is working well in most areas where it has been tried, and because of this success, the Council feels that it is important to extend its activity to all phases of school life.

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of the group. It promises to be a challenging year for all of us.

FACULTY

As you all know, Miss Dougal resigned at the end of last year after serving the School as housemother for the Lower School boarding girls over a period of fourteen years. We have been particularly fortunate in securing Miss *Hallie Williams*, a graduate of Randolph-Macon College, to act in this capacity. Miss Williams had been in Japan for a number of years under the Episcopal Board of Missions and was the Head of St. Agnes' School in Kyoto before her return to America. She brings to St. Mary's Hall in general, and to her young charges in particular, a rich and valuable experience in boarding school life, and a background of community effort which is significant at this time. All of us at the Hall feel that the splendid work which Miss Dougal contributed to this department is being ably supplemented by Miss Williams.

Miss Miller, the school nurse, on leave from St. Andrew's School in Middletown, Delaware, returned from Hawaii after a year with the American Red Cross. She had her training at the Children's Hospital in Philadelphia and at the Philadelphia General Hospital.

Miss Winifred Loutzenhiser, our new Bursar, was graduated from Thiel College and has a master's degree from Columbia. She was a former teacher of mathematics and brings to her work a background of experience rich in associations with young people. During her fifteen years of teaching she has been active in young people's work, and in community projects.

Other new members of the faculty are as follows: Miss *Jeanne P. Buzby*, who had her training at Sweet Briar and the University of Pennsylvania, is teaching mathematics; Miss *Eleanor A. Doerr*, Bucknell University and a graduate of Liberty Science at Pennsylvania State College, is teaching English and Dramatics, and acting as Librarian; Miss *Sarah E. Graham*, with a Master's Degree from the University of Pittsburgh, is teaching history and social science. Mlle. Olga Vuagniaux, Ecole Supérieure des Jeunes Filles, Gymnase des Jeunes Filles, Lausanne, is in charge of the French. Her experience is particularly valuable because of her work in American universities, Radcliffe and Harvard. Mrs. *Florence Weygandt*, is teaching voice this year. At the present time she has five students. It is our hope that interest in her and her work will grow so that voice study may become a permanent part of our curriculum. It has been stimulating, also, to have our new Chaplain take over the courses in Religious Education which he hopes to revise and re-cast during the course of the war. The girls who studied with him two years ago are glad to have him back at St. Mary's.

The good spirit and dispatch with which the school settled down to its life and work this autumn has been due in

a large part to the fact that so many of the old staff returned and the continuity of the school life of last year was quickly re-established. In a year of tempting opportunities, we were fortunate to retain three-fourths of our experienced teaching staff and to fill all vacancies with well-qualified persons. Three of the four new teachers have master's degrees. Three have had wide experience in teaching and boarding school life. Our library is, for the first time, in charge of a trained librarian and the work of renovation, begun last year, is going ahead constructively.

LOWER SCHOOL

The Lower School has grown in organization and in numbers. The increased enrollment this year was in the third and fourth grades and the room usually used for these children was not large enough to accommodate the number of pupils. It was necessary to separate the grades and a visiting teacher, Mrs. Claire D. Thompson, of Riverton, New Jersey, was secured. This division of these groups has greatly strengthened the academic standards and teaching of the Lower School. It is our hope that further increase in enrollment of the Lower School will gradually make possible the separation of the other grades.

St. Mary's was admitted to membership in the Head Mistresses Association of the East last week, another indication of the growing strength of the school. The School also belongs to The National Association of Principals of Schools for Girls, The Educational Records Bureau, The National Association of Deans of Women, Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, Progressive Education Association, Private School Teachers Association of Philadelphia and Vicinity. We are well-fortified!

As part of her extra curricular activity, the Headmistress has been participating in the School of Christian Education sponsored by the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and has been chairing on Tuesday evenings the panel discussions based on the Six Pillars of Peace as formulated by the Federal Council of Churches. She has also been asked to lead a Seminar at the Conference held at Sweet Briar, Virginia, next June. This Conference is sponsored by the Province of Washington of the Episcopal Church.

In this report we have tried to express our deep satisfaction with the growth of the school in spite of the obstacles which have confronted us—and which still confront us. The year is one of unprecedented problems for institutions such as this, as well as for individuals. Although we are encouraged by the number of students in the school this autumn, this increased enrollment has brought many additional difficulties of living arrangements and expenses. We have had to face essential repair questions and have been met with scarcities of supplies and labor, and high costs. We have had to meet, with increased salaries, unusual competition in employment areas. We have had to purchase necessary equipment which last year's budget could not include, and we are having to provide for a twenty

per cent increase in our school family.

However, it is true that we have not only a larger school, but a more stimulating and promising one. In this difficult year equipment has been improved and the staff has been strengthened. Furthermore, the School is launched on the most extensive piece of self-investigation and analysis St. Mary's Hall has ever undertaken—the evaluation survey. The investments that have been made and the work that has been planned should make this a thoroughly progressive year.

I hope the Board will catch from this report something of the spirit of enthusiasm and vitality that pervades the School, and realize the promise the year seems to hold for us. With your continued support and loyalty, fulfillment of that promise must surely await us.

FLORENCE LUKENS NEWBOLD,
Headmistress.

SERVICE HONOR ROLL

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are permitted to share a much greater responsibility for their country. The following graduates are serving with the WAVES: Barbara Ann Speace, Hetha Powell Brown, 1940; Christine W. Ridley, 1939; Viola Monaco, 1937; Janet L. Willaman, 1936; May Alexander Cumpston, 1930. Marion M. Hartman, 1934, is serving with the WACS; Carolyn Ann Spencer, 1943, is in the Marine Service. Lilian Boschen, 1936, is in some branch of the Service; unfortunately, we do not know which it is. The Alumnae Notes (this issue) tell of the many worthy efforts being made by those at home in volunteer and professional capacities.

In closing, Miss Newbold asked everyone to treat the efforts of these young patriots as a personal challenge to do her share, small or large, in helping with this war and in shaping the peace to come.

The silence that followed the presentation ceremony was as great a tribute to the untiring efforts being made today as the earlier silence at eleven o'clock had been to all those who gave their lives for their country in the last war.

Note: If you know any alumnae who are serving in any capacity, please notify us immediately so that the permanent plaque may be completed as soon as possible.

NOTICE

Anyone interested in purchasing an IVY, the Senior Year Book or in contributing to "the general cause", should get in touch with Helen Taylor, Business Manager, before January 4th. The IVY has always been such a significant part of life at St. Mary's and despite war conditions, we are attempting to publish a Year Book comparable to those of past years. Its cost will be \$3.75 each.

News Of Our Alumnae

1884

We have just recently learned of the death of Miss Eleanor Moore, of Georgetown, Delaware. Miss Moore passed away in Philadelphia during July, 1941, after an illness of several weeks.

1886

Just as we were to go to press news has come of the death of Frances Dallam Blandy (*Mrs. William Morgan Claypool*), class of 1886, at her late residence, 320 17th Street, San Bernardino, California, on November 5th.

1887

Mr. John C. Tracy, 125 Summit Street, Willimantic, Connecticut, has written that his wife, Annie Lounsbury Tracy, passed away on December 3, 1942.

1891

Mrs. Mary Stobo Cate spent the past summer at the Westport Inn and Country Club, at Lake Champlain, New York.

1899

Mrs. James Howard Bridge's daughter, Cornelia, was married to Lt. John Barnard, Jr., U. S. Army, on Saturday the fourth of September, at the Church of Saint John the Evangelist, Hingham, Massachusetts. Mrs. Bridge was formerly Clara Shivers.

1906

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Davis (*Lea Lloyd*) while in Evanston, Illinois, in April to see their son who is stationed at the Naval Air School at Glen View, looked up Mrs. Walter M. Bond (*Florence Daniels*). They spent two evenings together talking over school days and events in the interim. Lea has four children, three of whom are actively engaged in the war. We regret to hear that Lea herself is not too well. We remember her as one of our real athletes.

Helen B. Thorn (*Mrs. Edwin M. Haas's daughter, Margaret Thorn Haas*) was married on May 30th, last, to Corporal Robert Edward Dietz, U. S. A. F., of Mt. Carmel, Pa. Mrs. Dietz will continue to live with her mother at Medford while her husband is overseas.

1907

Miriam Herr's only son is in North Africa; her daughter, Olivia, has a job with the Air-Craft of the Armstrong Cork Company; her words are, "... so I eat, sleep, and dream war."

Mrs. Lewis Heck (*Dorothy Tompkins*) is now living in Washington, D. C. Her husband is with the Department of Commerce, and her son, Douglas, is with the State Department.

1908

Mrs. E. C. Ainley (*Eleanor Titus*) writes that her younger daughter, Lieutenant Patricia Ainley, is serving overseas, probably somewhere in North Africa.

1909

In old days Mrs. Fearnley often had visits in the summer from her former pupils who were motoring up through

Daughters and Granddaughters

Any school is always proud of the representation of the second and third generations in its current student body, for no other test of the school's worth is as evident and so gratifying. St.

Mary's is very happy to have fourteen students with "ancestors" who are graduates or former students of the Hall. Here they are:



From Left to Right—First Row:

Alia Gibson, a granddaughter of Gertrude Adams, who was visiting the school the day the picture was taken.

Katherine Ann Probasco, daughter of Cynthia Louise Probasco, 1928.

Eugenia Dufur Robertson's mother was Eugenia Dufur, 1928.

Constance Lukens and her older sister, Shirley—just above on second row, are great granddaughters of Edith Anna Woolman, and nieces of Edith Anna Lukens, 1917.

Second Row:

Patricia Gertrude Brown, the great granddaughter of Maria Louise Barron (*Mrs. Charles de Forrest Fredericks*), graduated from the Hall in 1857.

Dean Palmer, is the granddaughter of Mary C. Earle (*Mrs. Theodore J. Palmer*), 1865, and the daughter of Margaret Ochs (*Mrs. Theodore Palmer, Jr.*) of the class of 1915.

Temple Fawcett, daughter of Mary Tappan Phelps (*Mrs. Arthur Hughes Fawcett*), 1918, and sister of Pauline Lindel Fawcett, 1942.

Sheila Walsh, the granddaughter of

Dr. E. R. Mulford, for 20 years the school physician, and a niece of Louise Mulford, class of 1927.

Third Row:

Nona Clapp, granddaughter of May Louise Campbell (*Mrs. Harry H. Sec*), 1886.

Helen Richards, daughter of Helen Painter, 1922, (*Mrs. Donald Richards*), and a niece of Dorothy Painter, 1917, and Emma Painter, 1925.

Helen Miller, granddaughter of Helen Ballou Miller, 1896.

Anne Gooch, daughter of Edith S. Albert, (*Mrs. Joseph Low Gooch*), President of the New York Chapter of the Society of Graduates, and sister of Margaret Gooch Phillips, 1940.

Elizabeth Coddington, daughter of Maude Cleveland Fitch, graduated in 1914.

Charlotte Peverley's family is well represented in the past of St. Marys; two aunts, Justine Peverley Woodhall, 1905, and Charlotte Peverley Hukill, 1914, are graduates of the Hall, as well as her two first cousins, Justine P. Woodhall, 1930, and Charlotte Woodhall, 1931.

Maine. With the gas shortage those days are gone, but one afternoon in early September, a very sporty car did drive up to "Bonnie Brae" and in it was Isabel Moore. She was in Ogunquit for ten days for a rest before the opening of the school, Foxhollow, at Lenox, Massachusetts, with which she is associated. It was a very

pleasant reunion, and Mrs. Fearnley was able to see Miss Moore several times.

Mr. and Mrs. Levis C. Babcock, Jr., (*Marguerite Flanders*) and son, Richard, spent a most pleasant week-end, in September, visiting Mrs. E. Raymond Burdge (*Valetta Bennett*) at Spring Lake, New Jersey.

1910

In December, Mrs. Edward B. Showell (*Gertrude Chapman*) is moving to 902 Blackshire Road, Wawaset Park, Wilmington, Delaware.

Mrs. Norman L. Jameson's son-in-law and daughter, Lieutenant and Mrs. Richard Woodruff Havens, have just received a son labeled Richard Nick Havens. Mrs. Jameson was Miriam Bisler. She is still living on Chew's Lane in Radnor, Pa.

Lieutenant William Cole, Naval Reserve Aircraft, son of Eleanor Rabe Cole, of Canton, Ohio, is stationed in Philadelphia. He is living at the Merion Cricket Club.

1912

Mrs. William S. Detwiler (*Gertrude Mott*) writes that her two oldest boys are in the Service—one graduated from Princeton last year, was commissioned a second Lieutenant in Field Artillery, and has been abroad since last November; the other graduated from Yale this past year and is now in the Marine Officers' Training School at Quantico, Virginia. Also, her daughter made the cover of the August issue of *Madoiselle*. Her youngest boy is now a senior at Exeter. An active and memorable family! Thank you Mrs. Detwiler for such a "newsy" letter. We are always so glad to hear from all of our Alumnae, and thank you, too, for telling your friends how fine our school is.

1913

Mrs. Arthur Hamilton (*Josephine Zinkeisen*) has a son, William Bradford, Jr., in the Service who is training at the University of Pennsylvania. Mrs. Hamilton is reached through P. O. Box 148, Sheffield, Massachusetts.

1914

Mrs. Henry Gould Sweney (*Margaret Campbell*) writes of a pleasant summer spent at Cape May, New Jersey. While there she met Mrs. Herbert Allen (*Florence Ten Broeck*) who was spending the summer there too.

Dr. and Mrs. John H. Dunnington (*Genevieve Parker*) spent August at Nantucket, Massachusetts. They had a cottage connected with the White Elephant Inn. She speaks of having seen Jessie Craven while there.

Word has reached us that Mrs. Ernest G. Potter (*Marion Gallup*) is still living at 306 West Green Street, Smethport, Pennsylvania. Her husband is a Major in the Judge Advocate General's Department; her nineteen year old son is a Lieutenant in the Navy; and her younger son is in a military school.

Arona N. Hubbard's new address is 121 Madison Avenue, New York 16, New York. Recently her mother was in an accident and was quite ill. We do hope that she has recovered by this time.

1915

Mrs. George A. Coleman (*Helen Brodriek*) writes that her eldest daughter, Louise, was married last year to Kenneth W. Gardiner, of Cambridge, Massachusetts. Mr. Gardiner is a research chemist.

Elizabeth Terry, 1915, of Edgewater

Park, is now the Director of the Red Cross for Burlington County and had tea recently at Fairholm.

1916

Dorothy Haring (*Mrs. Charles W. Mitchell*), 321 Euclid Avenue, Hackensack, N. J., has two grown-up children. Her daughter, Virginia, is living at home and is busy doing war work, and her son, Allen, is in the Naval Reserve having graduated from the University of Virginia last June. Her husband's business is newspaper advertising. Now, Dorothy, that's all very interesting, and it's wonderful to hear from you, but how about telling us a little about what you are doing next time? It may be base ingratitude, but you are the one we're most interested in.

Sarah McClough (*Mrs. Troop Zeth*), 1110 14th Street, Santa Monica, California, wrote us a long newsy letter last July. In it she told us about encountering various S. M. H. girls of our own vintage. Theresa Pearcy, Betty Harding, Dorothy Blair and Mary Hester McNeeley. Sarah is evidently a complete convert to the West Coast, but says she does want to come back east for a visit.

Charlotte Matthews (*Mrs. Harold Sheffield van Buren*), 20 Wood Avenue, Glendale, Ohio is still your secretary, and wants to remind you that there is nothing she would like better from each of you than a nice fat letter. And if you simply haven't a minute, please stand by to make one when the next questionnaire comes in.

1917

Mrs. Forham (*Marie Loranger*) had an operation this spring which meant a long recuperation to regain her strength, but she writes now that she is quite herself again. Her oldest daughter, Ann, has a war job; Betty is entering training as a nurse; and Jean, the youngest, is still at school.

Mrs. Martha E. Lee (*Martha Price*) has been having quite a time "pinch-hitting for the cook, butler, and what-have-you," because her mother has not been well. As a balance-weight she has taken on some social work in Philadelphia and finds it very interesting.

Mrs. Arthur H. Fawcett (*Mary Phelps*) is located temporarily in Washington, D. C., and would certainly like to see anyone from S. M. H. who might be living there also. All of her children are away at school. Her daughter, Temple, happens to be with us, and we like her immensely. Mrs. Fawcett's address is The Portner, Apt. 333, 15th and U Streets, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Our sympathy goes to Teresa Pearcy whose husband, Commander De Witt Talmage Hunter, Navy Medical Corps (retired), died Thursday, October 28, 1943. Commander Hunter saw service in the Philippines, China, Europe, Central America, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Just as we go to press, announcement is made of the marriage of Martha Antrim, 1917, niece of former Judge Charles A. Rigg, of East Broad Street, to Samuel Pettit, formerly of Locust Avenue, Burlington. The wedding took

place in West Virginia. The happy Pettits will make their home in Had-donfield.

1918

Once again fame has found a daughter of St. Mary's. Mrs. Arnold Ronnebeck (*Louise H. Emerson*) was acclaimed the civilian "Hero of the Week" (June 28, 1942) by the *Denver Courier*, of Denver, Colorado. Although it has been more than a year since that honor was bestowed on our talented sister, we have just heard of it and want to extend our proud congratulations to her. (We do not have an exact address for Louise, so if any reader happens to be aware of it, please send it to us.) Mrs. Ronnebeck painted three murals using the twenty-six United Nations as the main theme. They depicted the former occupations of peace-loving nations which are now engaged in strife. The countries selected were China, Great Britain and America. The murals were painted on the grey walls of the Service Club in Denver. They show that their creator has the vision of a great artist and hands trained skillfully enough to portray that broad horizon of mind. Mrs. Ronnebeck is the wife of Arnold Ronnebeck, noted artist known chiefly as a sculptor. They have two children, Ursula, 13, and Arnold, 15.

Helen Neilson Rudd tells of her summer of housekeeping, victory gardening, canning, and airplane spotting, plus the presidency of her village Library of Clinton, New York. She has been active in the Clinton War Chest Drive and is a Cub Scout Den Mother. Mrs. Rudd has two sons; the elder boy is away at school in Coopertown. Well! St. Mary's salutes her American mothers of 1918!

Word comes that Mrs. John Becker (*Mona Brown*) lives in Hastings, N. Y. and has a son twenty-one years old in the V-12 Navy Program at Williams College who is hoping soon to have a stripe on his sleeve. Apparently her handsome Boxer dog is serving in the Army also. Mona herself is doing the same as the rest of us—struggling with ration points, a maidless household and Red Cross work.

Mrs. Arthur J. Manville (*Margot Emerson*) writes from Woodbury, Connecticut, of her three children, Harry, aged 14, Sylvia, 12½, and Jeffery, 8½. She spends her time looking after her family but has enough time left to help in the lunch room of her local school once a week, spends three hours a week at the Control Center, and sometimes finds time to sew at the Red Cross. It sounds like more than a full-time program.

A very interesting letter has come from Alice Van Kirk Richards, 1885, telling of the active interest in the war of herself and her daughter, Mrs. Wain R. Fletcher, S. M. H. 1918. Mrs. Fletcher is editor of "The Fly Paper," with a circulation of 10,000, all over the Allied World. Her work sounds extremely interesting and valuable and Mrs. Richards reports that "the old lady is allowed in on the entertainment committee to jolly the R. A. F. boys along, making them think their grandmother is right there with them—and it's lots of fun," says she.

1919

Mrs. Edward L. Chalif (*Margaret Montgomery*) took a place at Spartenburg, S. C., this summer in order to be near Captain Chalif, who is in the Army. Margaret's older daughter, Sonia, entered Vassar College this autumn.

Mrs. William T. Jones (*Caroline Fuller*) has two sons in the Service; William Humphrey Jones, the elder son, who entered the Army in November 1942, had two promotions in six months and is now a Staff Sergeant, 42nd Rainbow Division; Robert, the younger, entered in April of this year and is now at St. Paul University taking the engineering course.

1920

Mrs. H. Whitney Wheaton (*Florence Horn*) lost her husband, Dr. Wheaton, of Baltimore, last April. Florence is left with three children: Whitney, who is eighteen; Joan Fearnley, thirteen; and Patricia, fifteen.

Dr. Russell Best, husband of Jane Johnson, is assisting with a hospital in North Africa.

Roselma Kefover, whose address is Trigwell, Arlington, Vermont, R. F. D. No. 1, writes that she is busy with a war job in plastics—"an exacting but interesting field of work."

Helen Shoemaker writes that she is beginning her tenth year, this autumn, as Physical Education Director at Northrop Collegiate School, Minneapolis, Minnesota. During the summer she was Director of the water front at Lyman Lodge, Excelsior, Minnesota—a Y. W. C. A. Camp.

1921

Mrs. Ferguson (*Emily Wooley*) has been working with the U. S. O. and, recently, has been with a Canteen in Miami, Florida.

1922

Joyce Smith spent her vacation this summer at Miami in order to be near Emily Wooley, 1921.

Mrs. Richard Clark Smith (*Barbara Ware*) and her small son, Timothy, are to be at Dover Street, Wellesley, Massachusetts. Her husband, Captain Richard Clark Smith, is in the Army.

1923

In September Helen Downes wrote to Mrs. Fearnley saying that her sister Thelma's husband, David D. Higbee, U. S. Navy, had been on a ship lost at sea. Later, they received word that he and the crew were safe at an undisclosed port. We are glad for Thelma's sake.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Galt Siegrist (*Betty Fell*) have announced the arrival of the second Betty Fell Siegrist which took place on October 25, 1943.

1924

We have learned that Florence L. Davies is Principal of the Burd School, 4226 Baltimore Avenue, Philadelphia, which is an endowed school for fatherless girls.

Mrs. Gamwell (*Mary Bennett*) is in Minneapolis, near her husband, Captain

William Gamwell, who is with the Marines. Her two little girls, Polly and Susy, are with her.

1925

Mrs. John A. Hensler (*Helen Donnelly*) is now living on Golf Road in Riverton, N. J. Captain Hensler, Army of the U. S., is stationed at the Frankford Arsenal.

1930

May Cumpston is now a WAVE! The best to her!

1933

Mr. and Mrs. Earl W. Gaines (*Margaret Reese*) have announced the arrival of little Sally Anne on February 22, 1943.

1934

Marion M. Hartman joined the WAACS during this past summer. She left home on June 2nd, spent five weeks at Daytona Beach for her basic training, and later attended the Army Administration School in Texas. Having signed for overseas duty, she hopes to get to England where her brother is stationed. Her mother, Mrs. John H. Hartman of Lancaster, is keeping very busy with Red Cross work.

1935

Louise Hathaway is now Mrs. J. Phillip Doelker and is still living in Williamsport. From all reports she is very happy. We send her our best wishes.

1936

Lillian Anna Styer was married to Robert Laslocky on August 29, 1942. They are at home at Potato House, Riverside, N. J.

Emile Phillips Teaserfritz is affiliated with the Department of Agriculture in rehabilitating the Kentucky farmer families who have come up to New Jersey. She finds the work very interesting but rather difficult at times to make the farmer understand her point of view.

We hear that Lillian Boschen is a WAVE and now in training. We'd love to know where, Lillian, and all about it. So please write us if you can.

1937

Betty Brown was married last May. Her new name and address are: Mrs. John J. Routier, 1191 Howard Road, Rochester, 11, New York. Mr. Routier is in the Service, so Betty is helping with defense work until he returns.

Elizabeth Salisbury had planned to be a bridesmaid for Betty but was stricken with laryngitis and later had to be hospitalized. We do hope she is better now!

The Reverend and Mrs. Eric Morrell Tasman have announced the engagement of their daughter, Helen, to Mr. Robert Allen Taurigney.

1938

The Right Reverend Wallace J. Gardner married Julia Carl and Captain Frederick W. English on July 18, 1942. Captain English is assigned for the present to the Quartermaster Corps in Boston. He and Mrs. English are living at 2 Arlington Street, Boston, Massachusetts. We were a bit late receiving that news!

After a pleasure trip of several months, Mercer Tomlinson Miller is going to live in New York this winter. Her husband is overseas in U. S. N. R.

Virginia Beardsley Claybrook is living near Phyllis Beardsley in Little Rock, Arkansas. Virginia's husband is in the Service and stationed near there.

Mildred Laslocky DeCecco has a fourteen month old son, Donald.

Virginia Waln Wills was married to Howard Elliott Eldridge, Lieutenant, Army of the United States, on June 26, 1943. Her very pretty wedding took place in the school Chapel. The Reverend Mr. Ridout, of St. Andrew's Church in Mount Holly, officiated. It was a military wedding and one of the loveliest ever to grace our Chapel.

1939

Katharine Musser Wilson graduated with a B. A. degree from Smith in June and is now interning at the Psychiatric Hospital of New York, as well as working on her M. A. in Psychology at Columbia University.

Jane Boswell has graduated from the University of Rochester and is assisting with some engineering work for the Army in Washington, D. C.

Nancy Zuver was married to John A. Hastings, Jr., of Bass River, Massachusetts, on September 20, 1943, at the home of her parents, the Reverend and Mrs. Dudley Zuver, of Wellfleet, Massachusetts. Mr. Hastings is a research expert at the radiation laboratory of M. I. T. and is directly connected with the development of secret products for the War Department.

Christine Ridley joined the WAVES in May, 1943, and is now training at Hunter College.

The Mt. Holly papers record the marriage of Mary Elizabeth Winton to Robert Arthur Winstanley, AS V-12, U. S. N. R., of Philadelphia. The ceremony took place this autumn in the First Presbyterian Church. Our greetings and congratulations to them.

1940

Nancy Eckman, a senior at Wilson College, has been elected President of the Student Council and, also, Secretary-Treasurer of the French Club. St. Mary's spirit—"Right Onward!"

On July 8, 1943 Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Low Gooch, Jr., of Bronxville, New York, announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Margaret Albert Gooch, to Lieutenant Commander Jewett Oron Phillips, Jr., U. S. N., whose home is in Columbia, Missouri. On October the ninth, the couple were married, in Bronxville, and are now residing at the Schenley Arms Apartments in Pittsburgh. The very best to them!

Jean Leach has completed her junior year at Cornell University, where she is majoring in Horticulture. She has gained good experience from assisting her father during the summers. Sonya, Jean's sister, enrolled at St. Mary's, as a freshman, just this past September.

Betty Kunzi is doing her bit by assisting at the ticket office of the P. R. R., at Trenton, New Jersey.

Barbara Speace and Hetha Brown are doing their parts with the WAVES. Good luck to them!

Ann Pumyea has tied the Gordian knot with her marriage to Mr. Edwin Gann Siner, Army U. S., which took place on September 29, 1943, at St. Andrew's Church, in Mount Holly. We hear that it was an especially nice wedding and wish the best to the bride and groom.

1941

Congratulations to Dorothy T. Heck! She is now Secretary of the Women's Athletic Association of the University of Wisconsin.

Nancy Mercur is affiliated with the Pan American Airways, in New York City, and "loves" it.

Barbara Swift has transferred to the University of North Carolina.

Lillian Handleman is with the Marines! (At least, she is connected with one of their offices.)

Kitty Helwig Kline's Lieutenant husband has just been promoted to senior Lieutenant, U. S. N. He is still on convoy duty in the Atlantic. Kitty is living at 516 Draper Drive, Oakdale Farms, Norfolk, Virginia.

A long and newsy letter from Jean Hathaway tells us that she is now in the photographic department of the Process Engineering Department of Douglas Aircraft, Santa Monica plant, which she finds extremely interesting. Her new address is 1034 Fiske Street, Pacific Palisades, California.

1942

Miss Newbold was very pleased in September when Nancy Kane and Barbara Jutson visited the Hall. They were both looking especially well. Nancy has been working at the Aluminum Company of America since March. Barbara has been employed by the Bell Telephone Laboratories since June and hopes to continue her studies at Barnard in February.

Gwendolyn Goodridge worked in an insurance firm in New York City this summer but is now back at Guilford College in North Carolina.

Faye Harrison spent a leisurely summer, took a few trips to North Carolina and has now entered her sophomore year at Endicott College in Massachusetts.

When Miss Newbold met Lois Conroy at the High School performance of *Pride and Prejudice* recently, she was introduced to Lois's fiancé, William Cook, of the United States Navy. Your class sends you all good wishes for your happiness, Lois. We were also glad to hear that Lois's brother, Lieutenant Conroy, of the Air Corps, who has been reported missing over occupied France, is safe. He has had some very adventurous experiences and is back on duty again.

Domestic duties occupied quite a bit of Nancy Crawford's time this summer, but they seemed to agree with her. She is back at Bryn Mawr now.

"Atkie" had a job this summer but is now back at Wilson.

Hazel Lister has returned to Mt. Holyoke for her second year, having spent an enjoyable summer at home and in New York City.

Ruth Clark started a business course last spring. When school opened, she very kindly came to help us in the of-

fice. Now she is back at home and is completing her business course.

Eloise C. Woodward is most enthusiastic about her training. Her work is becoming more specialized now, and her message to St. Mary's is, "To Would-be nurses I'd say, 'Come on in, the water's fine!'"

1943

The class of 1943 seems to have expressed itself well in the various courses and occupations it has undertaken. From letters and visits we learn that:

Lois Adams has entered Rider College in Trenton and "she loves it."

Mary Elizabeth Altemus has moved to Morrisville, Pa., and is commuting to Pierce Business College in Philadelphia.

Anne Bausmann is at home taking a "casual business course with a grudge and writing and cooking with more enthusiasm." She had a busy summer and we are glad to hear that her brother is doing fine work in the combat area in the Pacific.

Joan Burdge is commuting to Berkeley Secretarial School in New York and is very enthusiastic about her courses.

Marilyn Carr and Betty Longhurst have entered the Cadet Nursing Corps—Marilyn is training at the Episcopal Hospital in Philadelphia, and Betty is in the Johnston-Willis Hospital in Richmond. Both girls like their work and associates very much and write enthusiastic letters about their hospital life.

Mary Eckman is precariously situated on the top of a double decker at Smith having decided finally to go there instead of to Bryn Mawr. Sacha Adele Hardison is at Vassar, Margaret Ann Hohly at Barnard, Elizabeth Wright is at New Jersey College for Women, becoming more and more interested in occupational therapy, Katharine Woodward is at Mt. Holyoke, and Nancy MacFarland is studying music at Rollins College in Winter Park, Florida, where she is having a wonderful time.

Carolyn Spencer was accepted at Beaver College, but finally decided to join the Marines. She is stationed at Campe Le Jeune, New River, North Carolina.

Julianne Miller entered Tobe-Coburn School of Design in New York City, but we don't know how long she will be there, for in September she announced her engagement to Staff Sgt. Charles E. Alton of Cottonwood Falls, Kansas.

BISHOP'S FUND FOR ENGLISH STUDENTS

Dean Adams during the summer sent out an appeal addressed to alumnae and friends of the School asking for funds for the English Students. This letter resulted in contributions from 36 friends amounting to \$1,048. An additional \$100, added to the balance remaining in the Fund from last year, will be sufficient to cover our underwriting of charges against the Fund for the current year.

The contributions already received have been acknowledged, but we want you all to know how much we appreciate the continued interest in our English Guests.

FLORENCE WEYGANDT

GIVES SONG RECITAL

AT ST. MARY'S HALL

In a program of wide musical variety, Florence Weygandt, mezzo soprano, teacher of voice and new member of the Faculty at St. Mary's Hall, delighted an enthusiastic audience Saturday evening, October 23rd, with her artistic interpretation and fine musicianship. Mrs. Weygandt is a pupil of the great Marchesi and Lilli Lehman, and comes to St. Mary's Hall this year from a long and rich experience in the teaching and concert world. Her private studio is now located in New Hope, Pennsylvania.

The program was made up of representative classic works in Italian, German, French and English, as well as a large group of songs by Tschaiakowsky, Rimsky-Korsakoff and Rachmaninoff. Several encores were generously given.

Mrs. Weygandt possesses a lovely voice, warm in quality and wide in range. The four German lieder by Schubert and Brahms gave special occasion to display both its lyric and dramatic intensity. "Death and the Maiden" was particularly beautiful in its creative interpretation. Clarity of diction and fine musical phrasing were remarkable throughout the recital.

Miss Lota Curtiss, teacher of piano at St. Mary's Hall, provided the accompaniments for the evening.

THANKSGIVING DAY AT THE HALL

Because of the transportation necessities, we spent Thanksgiving Day at the Hall this year. The Peddie School boys came for a dance on Wednesday afternoon, November 24th, at half past two o'clock. At six-thirty a buffet supper was served, and the boys took the bus back to Hightstown in the early evening.

On Thanksgiving morning there was a Celebration of Holy Communion in the School Chapel, followed by breakfast at nine o'clock. Those who did not attend the early service went to the Choral Matins at St. Mary's Church later in the morning. Thanksgiving Dinner was served at half past two with the freshman class acting as waitresses. The evening study hall, missed on Wednesday, was held from 5:30 to 7:00 and after it an informal buffet supper was served at Fairholm.

We tried to keep the idea of a school "family day" throughout, but we realize how much the girls missed being at home with their families, as did also the men in the fighting areas. We remembered them and kept in mind that it was the transportation needed for them that made necessary the withdrawal of our usual Thanksgiving recess.

It is nice to have a letter from Miss Weller as we go to press. She speaks of her busy life but promises to try to get away from her work to visit St. Mary's Hall this year. Miss Weller is Director of the General Electric Woman's Club in Schenectady, New York, and in addition, is giving some time to volunteer war work.

IVY LEAVES

We hope you will like this issue of Ivy Leaves. So many people have written us appreciative letters about the paper that we believe it is well to continue our policy of last year of sending copies to Active, Associate, and Honorary Members of the Society of Graduates, Trustees, Friends of the School, and many prospects who are interested in the current picture of the school which it gives. Its readers were very generous last year. We know we shall be able to count upon the same generous support this year. An accounting is as follows:

RECEIPTS

Balance from 1941-1942	\$ 50.94
Contributions 1942-43:	
41 at \$ 1.00	\$ 41.00
1 at 1.75	1.75
10 at 2.00	20.00
4 at 3.00	12.00
5 at 5.00	25.00
1 at 10.00	10.00
1 at 12.00	12.00
Total Receipts	\$121.75
Total Receipts	\$172.69

EXPENDITURES

Year Book Account	
1941 - 1942	\$ 13.00
November issue, printing and postage	79.08
May issue, printing and postage	91.25
Deficit for 1942-1943	\$ 10.64
Deficit for 1942-1943	\$172.69

We are sorry to begin this year with a deficit rather than the large balance of last year, but the response to Ivy Leaves makes us believe it is still well worth the effort. *Please be as generous as you can in your contribution!*

NEW YORK CHAPTER

The New York Chapter of the Society of Graduates held its regular autumn meeting on Wednesday, November 17th. Mrs. George Dunnington was the hostess at her charming home, 1120 Fifth Avenue. Mrs. Gooch, the President of the Chapter, presided over the business meeting and was re-elected to serve another term.

Miss Olden was present at the meeting and gave a delightful account of her impression of St. Mary's Hall when she visited the School last spring on Founder's Day. She spoke of the spirit of vitality which pervades the entire school, of the wholesome and attractive looking girls who made up the student-body, and the happy air that seemed to exist throughout the school.

The Headmistress gave her report, a summary of which is given in another part of this issue.

Mrs. Dunnington's gracious hospitality is well-known to the New York Chapter and as we gathered around the beautiful and bountiful tea table following the business meeting, we were all aware of a feeling of warm fellowship and deep interest in the things that belong to St. Mary's.

SUMMER FUN

If any one thinks we are too remote from the war here at St. Mary's, we wish you could have the opportunity of reading some of the themes which the seniors have written this autumn on the ways they spent last summer and of the new perspective on the changing world they gained from their experiences.

Four of them did laborious hospital work on busy understaffed wards; one wrote of the difficulties and inconveniences of canning, but likewise of the tremendous satisfaction which resulted from her work. One spent full days throughout the week, relieving the dining room shortage in a near-by hotel during her mornings, rolling bandages in the afternoon, and selling bonds in the evening—pretty busy days for a growing girl who is young and naturally expecting the fun and parties incident to "growing up."

Another wrote of her experiences and their effect upon her thinking in a hazardous defense plant; while still another told of her realization of what defense really meant in her summer life on the Maine Coast. Several of the girls undertook heavy farm duties, beginning with the milking at four-thirty in the morning, to be followed by haying, shipping of the farm produce, etc. Elizabeth Codding had an unusually fine experience with the Women's Emergency Farm Service, a branch of the Women's Land Army, located in Newport, Maine, under the direction of Miss Katherine L. Potter:

"This was a group of fifty-three girls, between the ages of 15 and 18, chosen from private schools all over our country and three from Syria and England. The girls were housed in five cabins with counsellors, in addition to a main house with a common dining room. They were divided into two groups, one known as the "Hart Seed Company" which harvested spinach, onions and parsnip seeds to be sent abroad, and the other as the "Portland Packing Company", which weeded beets and carrots the first month and string beans the second. One time a spoilage of a factory full of string beans was averted at the Portland Company factory in Unity, Maine, by volunteers of that company who worked all night snipping beans.

"A typical day began at six o'clock with reveille. After breakfast at 6:30 a. m. the trucks took the girls to the fields where they were ready for work at 7:30. The day lasted until 4:30, with an hour's respite for lunch. Back at the camp there was mail-call, swimming in beautiful, clear, cold Lake Sebasticook, and dinner at 6:00 p. m.; after dinner—town, croquet, baseball, badminton, or just leisure to write letters home. Taps were played at 9:30 at which time all lights were out and we slept—dreaming of beets, carrots, spinach, onions, beans and parsnips.

"We worked for eight hours each day, for six days a week, for eight weeks, but I'll never forget one of them! I enjoyed every minute of the whole summer. And at the end the WEFS went home feeling that they had really helped the war effort."

EVALUATION

St. Mary's Hall will come up for evaluation by the Commission on Secondary Schools of the Middle States Association at the end of April, 1944. The faculty has already begun work on its own self-analysis, and faculty meetings from now on will be devoted to study of the material and information needed for this survey. This will be a challenging experience for us all and effective in so far as Trustees, Faculty, Staff Members, and Students share and participate in the survey. We know it will mean a tedious task since every phase of school life will be closely scrutinized. Even the Governing Board will be evaluated. The House and Grounds Committee will be assigned work on the evaluation of the school plant and other members of the Board will work on administrative material.

The whole evaluation is made in terms of the school's philosophy of education, including its purposes and objectives. To this end the faculty has been working since last January to formulate a statement of the beliefs and purposes of St. Mary's Hall.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Each girl in the Upper School has chosen to work this year on one of the following committees: (1) Religious Life and Activities; (2) War Work and Community Service; (3) Social and Entertainment; (4) Library. Each committee is chaired by a student and each has a faculty adviser or advisers. The committees are working well and growing in ability and willingness to assume responsibility for school affairs.

The School gave a dance on Friday evening, November 5th, for the cadets at the Bordentown Military Institute and the general agreement seems to be that it was a very pleasant and worthwhile evening. A tea-dance was given on the afternoon of Wednesday, November 24th, for the Peddie School which off-set somewhat the disappointment the students felt at the withdrawal of the Thanksgiving recess this year.

The School has accepted an invitation to a dance at Perkiomen for December 4th.

THE PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER

A luncheon meeting of the Philadelphia Chapter of the Society of Graduates will be held at the Warwick Hotel, 1701 Locust Street, Philadelphia, Pa., on Wednesday, December 8th, at one o'clock. We hope a large group of alumnae and former students of the Hall living in this neighborhood will be present and a special invitation goes to the members of the graduating class of 1943 who are in or near Philadelphia. Miss Newbold has promised to be at the meeting and it is possible Bishop Gardner may be able to arrange his engagements to be present. If you have not yet made your reservations for luncheon, please do so at once through Mrs. Edmund K. Dewes, R. F. D., Phoenixville, Pa. Telephone No. Phoenixville 3087.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

In preparation for the evaluation of the School, it has been necessary to outline a statement of the requirements for the awarding of the diploma and the certificate. The Faculty has been working on such a statement over a period of months, realizing that it not only was needed for the evaluation program, but also for the new catalogue now in preparation.

The Headmistress presented the thinking of the faculty to the Board of Trustees at its meeting on November 8th, and the following recommendation was adopted by the Board:

The school diploma is to be awarded to a girl who has been a student at St. Mary's Hall for at least two years and has satisfactorily completed sixteen units of study in the high school department. Of these sixteen units, the following ten are required:

- 4 in English
- 2 in foreign language
- 2 in mathematics
- 1 in a laboratory science
- 1 in United States history.

The other six may be chosen from further courses in language, history, science, mathematics, or music appreciation, art history, shorthand, typing.

(The requirements of a college, technical, or professional school in which a student is interested, are considered in advising her about her electives. If she is uncertain about her future plans, she is advised to select a conventional college preparatory course so that she will be ready for college if she wishes to go at a later date.)

The applicant for the diploma must achieve a "C" average or better for her senior year.

The school certificate is to be awarded (1) to a student who has met the scholastic requirements for a diploma, but has been a member of the school for less than two years; (2) to a student who has passed all subjects, but has not achieved a "C" average for her senior year; (3) to students who, because of special interests in art or music, have devoted more time to those subjects than was compatible with meeting the requirements for the diploma. In the latter case, students are required, however, to pass twelve units of academic work, of which there shall be:

- 4 in English (to be taken in 4 different years)
- 1 in history
- 2 in science or mathematics
- 1 in either art history or music appreciation

A student doing one year of post-graduate work will be eligible for a certificate only.

A further recommendation of the faculty has been referred by the Board to the Society of Graduates for discussion at its meeting on May 27, 1944, namely:

"A student who has been enrolled in the school for only one year may be recommended for a diploma if

she has done superior work in a full academic program and, in the opinion of the faculty, has made an outstanding contribution to the life of the School."

We should be glad to have expressions of opinion or suggestions from the alumnae and former students on this subject.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

We are always grateful for the many ways in which our friends and alumnae keep us in their very generous hearts.

There have been added to the library this autumn several volumes presented by Kay Salmon, 1919, and a collection of about twenty-five books for younger children given by Frances Cassedy, one of our present seniors.

We are also greatly indebted to Mme. de Cerkes for a large and varied collection of books. Among them is a set of Macaulay's complete works and a set of Harper's *Encyclopaedia of United States History* for the reference shelves where books are so badly needed. We are especially grateful for the unusual French books in this collection, including literary works of P. Albert, J. LeMaitre, A. de Vigny, H. Taine, Comedies and Proverbs of A. de Musset, and a valuable set of E. Litre's *Dictionnaire de la langue Francaise*.

Mme. de Cerkes has also made to the Hall another very handsome gift, her lovely Chickering grand piano. It is a fine instrument, and we are deeply grateful to her for it.

An excellent steel engraving of George Washington has recently been presented to the Hall by Miss Laura Roberts, a devoted and loyal member of Trinity Cathedral.

We are indebted to the class of 1943 for three weeping willows to be planted along the Riverbank. They also left a generous contribution of \$205 toward the Furnace Fund and a radio which is giving the girls on Scarborough a great deal of pleasure.

FURNACE FUND

A very heavy item in the budget for this year was the installation over the summer of a new furnace costing approximately \$4,000. Through the good efforts of Mrs. Katzenbach and Dean Adams, forty-seven alumnae and former students of the School have sent us contributions amounting to \$1,178.21 toward this expense. We are indeed grateful to you all for this practical evidence of the warmth of your affection for St. Mary's and for the many messages of good-will and encouragement which accompanied the gifts. This warmth of affection seems to have been actually reflected for Mr. Bakely reports a heating plant growing more satisfactory each week. Additional contributions to the Furnace Fund are still coming in—we are grateful for those dollar bills!

The Headmistress enjoyed a delightful call with Mrs. Fearnly this summer at her summer home in Ogunquit.

OBJECTIVES OF ST. MARY'S HALL

We are very busy at the Hall these days. All our spare moments are taken up with various committee meetings which have to do with phases of the evaluation to take place in the spring. We thought you might be interested in learning what we aim to do for these daughters whom you are sending to us. The data is in tentative form only. It will appear in its final form in the new catalogue of which we hope to be able to send you a copy shortly after the first of the year.

St. Mary's Hall recognizes its responsibility for providing leadership from among its present student ranks in the reconstruction of a peaceful world and endeavors to provide an integrated school environment in which students may become more consciously aware of their growing potentialities and secure in their various relationships. To this end

We believe that

1. School life should provide an environment in which the student may come into possession of the heritage of our Christian ideals and see exemplified the principles of Christian living.

2. It should establish sound study habits and skills, provide a body of basic information, and train the student to use that information in solving problems.

3. It should provide a practice ground for dealing with and solving problems in human relationships.

4. It should provide practice in the democratic processes as the most worthwhile and efficient means of assuring the welfare of the individual and of society.

5. It should establish an appreciation of worthwhile leisure-time activities.

6. It should safeguard health and provide for its maintenance.

In support of these beliefs we propose to

1. Give the student experience which will develop confidence in her religious and social background, by making religion a constant active force in daily living.

2. Give thorough training in academic subjects and in the intelligent use of available sources of information.

3. Help each girl develop an understanding of other people and find a definite place for herself in the community.

4. Help students become self-reliant, self-disciplined individuals with consideration for the rights of others and respect for democratically delegated authority.

5. Encourage students in creative activities and develop cultural interests.

6. Supervise the health of each student and provide a wholesome program of daily living.