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## THE BISHOP'S FEAST

Once again after many year's absence, we at the Hall celebrated the Bishop's Feast. The gala night was April 2nd, Easter Monday. After a brief Chapel service, the girls repaired upstairs to dress in all their finery. In due course of time the bell sounded for all students to enter the dining room, except the members of the senior and junior classes. A few moments later the seniors appeared escorting the trustees and honored guests among whom were Governor Edge and his charming wife, Judge Eastwood and, of course, Bishop Gardner. The juniors followed escorting the faculty. The beautiful way the dining room was arranged and decorated by the sophomores impressed us all very much. Henry really did us proud with a most delectable dinner. The Glee Club entertained us with three very appropriate and enjoyable selections following the main course.

After the dessert of apple pie and cheese, Bishop Gardner related the history of the Bishop's Feast and the importance of tradition in school and community life. Miss Newbold read a letter written by a student of the 1840's describing one of the early Feasts when Bishop Doane entertained the students at Riverside. Judge Eastwood was then introduced and he immediately won our hearts by beginning "sweet young ladies". The Judge, very entertaining, struck a serious note when he stressed the importance of family life, the keynote here at the Hall. The Bishop next introduced Governor Edge, welcoming him not only as Governor but as a Trustee of St. Mary's Hall; he spoke of how nice it was to be with us, and how relaxing to escape from the tedious duties of the Legislature now in session.

A solemn ceremony followed his talk; the juniors left the dining room, the seniors stood up while their banner was taken down by the class president and secretary and removed to the rear of the room. The juniors reappeared, and as they sang, their banner went up in the recently vacated spot.

With the singing of the Alma Mater dinner was over and the seniors and juniors escorted their partners to the study hall where movies of the 1937 Centennial Pageant were shown. This was followed by a film taken in Arizona of some very interesting missionary work during a visitation by Bishop Gardner. The film in technicolor proved to be of interest to everyone. A Latin American film with sound was shown, and before we knew it a perfect evening drew to a close. It was wonderful while it lasted, and the memory of the Bishop's Feast 1945 will always stay with us. BABARA WARNER—1945.

## SOCIETY OF GRADUATES

GRAND RE-UNION, SATURDAY  
MAY 26, 1945

Since Founder's Day falls on a Sunday this year, the annual meeting and Grand Re-union of the Society of Graduates of St. Mary's Hall will be held on the day preceding Founder's Day, May 26th, at the Hall. Since this gathering comes under "religious meetings" and since less than fifty come from any great distance we are permitted to proceed with arrangements.

The Celebration of the Holy Communion by Bishop Gardner at 10:30 will be followed by the Crowning of Bishop Doane's portrait. Following this will be the business meeting and presentation of class of 1945, with luncheon scheduled for 1:30 p. m. A charge of seventy-five cents will be made for the luncheon and will be collected during the lunch.

With the approval of the New York and Philadelphia Chapters a plan will be discussed for the raising of a sum of money during the next two years to redecorate and beautify the Chapel of Holy Innocents which is now celebrating its centennial anniversary. The cornerstone was laid in 1845 and the Chapel was consecrated in 1847. What more fitting way is there to celebrate the anniversary of the shrine most loved by all who have attended the Hall than to plan for its beautification during these two anniversary years? Here is an opportunity for every graduate and every associate to in some measure pay her debt of gratitude for all the Chapel has meant to her.

We are especially eager to have large representation of all the five year classes—as well as the in between classes at the luncheon. If you wish a table reserved for your class and can promise seven or more, write to Miss Newbold who will arrange for it.

At 3:30 that afternoon the students of St. Mary's Hall will present the Gilbert and Sullivan Opera—"Pinafore". We hope all those who come to Founder's Day will be able to remain for this event.

## Commencement Program

We are happy to announce the following speakers:

Sunday, June 3rd, Baccalaureate Sermon—The Right Reverend Oliver J. Hart, D. D., LL. D., S. T. D.

Tuesday, June 5th, Commencement Speaker—Lieutenant Rosa E. Cunningham, WAC.

If you have not sent in your subscription for Ivy Leaves do so now.

## THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Our last issue gave details of the report of our evaluation by the Middle States Association. In addition to the many favorable comments, there were some constructive suggestions, and indicated improvements. We are well aware that the true value of such a project lies in the follow-up work. We grew through our study of our problems last year, and we must continue to grow along the lines opened up by our study of ourselves.

This year has seen the organization and active functioning of a Planning Committee. The group consists of members of the Board of Trustees, the school administration, parents, and graduates. Mr. Haslam, headmaster of Episcopal Academy and chairman of last year's evaluating committee, has agreed to serve with the Planning Committee and to help us in carrying out the needed improvements. The other members are: Dean Adams, chairman, Bishop Gardner, Dr. William E. Arnold, Mr. Harold Holmes, Mrs. Frank S. Katzenbach, Jr., The Rev. Arthur Lee Kinsolving, Mrs. Bradford Locke, Mrs. A. H. Fawcett, Mrs. Joseph Low Gooch, Jr., Mrs. F. Nelson Lukens, Miss Newbold and Miss Sandt. The purpose of the group is to work out a long-time program and to make recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

Some of the problems which this committee has already defined and about which it has made recommendations are the need for revision of the Constitution and By-Laws; the need for new members on the Board of Trustees; the need for a definite salary schedule for teachers and employees; the need for a more definite policy in granting scholarships; the need for increasing income to meet increased expenses by a tuition raise.

At the recommendation of the Planning Committee, two members of the Board of Trustees will spend a day at the school each month. These members will rotate in the hope that each trustee will give one day a year to becoming acquainted with the activities of the school. The visitors may attend classes, go through the buildings, talk with the teachers and students and do whatever will help them to know the school as it operates on any school day. Mrs. Locke and Mrs. Fell were the first such visitors and most welcome ones.

Also at the recommendation of the Planning Committee, two members of the faculty will be elected to serve on the Board of Trustees. This, too, should help to coordinate the work of all those interested in the growth of St. Mary's.

## CHRISTMAS AT ST. MARY'S

The Christmas celebration at St. Mary's was a live one, not a reconstruction of an ancient event, but an actual affair of today, still the chief source of human joy.

Ask someone who has been there what it is like to spend Christmas in a place where December 25th is the same as February 24th or August 10th. They will tell you that they do not particularly mind the lack of presents, decorations, cards and feasts; but they do feel a dreadful sense of loss and loneliness, a spiritual poverty pressing in on them.

The phrase Merry Christmas often seems archaic in these days, when few people are merry or realize what enormous benefits and beauty are brought into their lives by this superlative gift. Some of this magic is captured at St. Mary's.

There was the reading of Dicken's Christmas Carol by Bishop Gardner. He looked a veritable Father in God, seated by the fire in the dining hall. The fire blazed merrily with yule logs contributed by the September hurricane and bought in by some of the girls.

The floor, tables and chairs were occupied by crowds of girls, and the old wood panels shone in the candlelight.

One saw old Scrooge, bounded by his mean and miserable past and felt, as always, the change from active dislike to fear that he would not find his real treasure in time. All rejoiced in his escape and savored the goose and toast at Tiny Tim's.

Everyone who desired was given a part in the Christmas decorating. Later they will realize that they were decorating their spirits more than doors and windows.

December 20th was St. Mary's real Christmas day, when the Christmas Mystery and dinner were held. The Mystery is portrayed only by girls who appreciate its meaning and purpose, and have some experience of spiritual verities. No one could fail to perceive the meaning of their portrayal of the Christmas story.

It was a good setting; a few candles and lights in the beautiful chapel; the colors in the robes of the wise men, angels and shepherds; a sensitive Mary who looked the "handmaid of the Lord"; voices and speech worthy of the faultless phrases of the Gospel.

Dinner afterward was a family party with turkey, carols, favors, glee club and reading by Miss Newbold of some excellent and sensitive stories and poems written by St. Mary's girls.

All left for holidays at home the next morning, the Christmas in their hearts showing plainly in their faces.

ANN GROFF, R. N.

(Editor's note: Miss Groff, whom the Hall is fortunate in having as its nurse, has spent many Christmases in China. She was an exchange prisoner from China in the autumn of 1943 and arrived in this country on the S. S. Gripsholm just before Christmas.)

## OUR MRS. FEARNLEY

The many friends of Mrs. Fearnley will regret to hear of the news recently received in a letter from her:

"You may have heard of my accident three weeks ago when I broke my left hip. This means several weeks on my back here in the hospital before we can decide how the hip is mending, but in general I am well and trying to keep up my spirits and I am hoping for the best.

It means, of course, that I cannot send you the notes for Ivy Leaves I have. I am writing to ask you to put in a very prominent notice in your next issue saying that Mrs. Fearnley wants to thank the many girls who have written to her since her accident and regrets that she is unable to answer each one, but she appreciates it all very deeply. I shall be very grateful if you will do this for me."

We wish you a speedy recovery, Mrs. Fearnley, as we pray for your complete return to health.

## GIFTS

We are delighted to receive a picture of the Reverend Daniel Caldwell Millett, who was Rector at St. Mary's Hall from 1855 to 1858. This was given to us by Dr. Floyd Appleton, Jamacia, Long Island, and Reverend Hobart Millett, Wheaton, Illinois. We appreciate their thoughtfulness in sending us this photograph.

The Very Reverend Frederic M. Adams, Dean of Trinity Cathedral, Trenton, and a member of our Board of Trustees, has given a number of recent books to the Library—a most timely gift.

A Steinway concert grand piano was willed to the school by Mrs. George Hewitt (*Isabel Pugh*) and will be rebuilt for concert use in the study hall as soon as war conditions permit. Smaller gifts have come to us from the home of Mrs. Hewitt: One or two lamps, a sofa, some pictures and two beautiful goldleaf wall plaques, showing Fra Angelico angels, to be placed in the chapel.

Mrs. Reinberg, mother of a former student, Anne, sent the following books to the school at Eastertime: *The White Bunny and His Magic Nose—Duplaix & Masha*, *The Golden Almanac—Bennett & Masha*, *The Golden Dictionary—Walpole & Elliott*.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Arthur Delo, parents of a present student, Betsy Ann, have contributed \$25.00 to the Chapel fund, which has been allocated to a special fund for redecorating the Chapel.

## "SENIOR HOUSE"

The old Reynolds property, officially known as Ruth Hall, but through association and recent use referred to as Senior House, has not been used since the winter following Pearl Harbor. It has deteriorated rapidly during this past winter. Since repair would be exorbitant it seems wise to raze it. This too is an expensive task so the Board of Trustees may decide that the expedient move is to accept one of the offers received for its purchase. The matter is now pending.

## ACTIVITIES IN ALUMNAE GROUPS

### PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER

The winter luncheon meeting of the Philadelphia Chapter was held at the Engineers Club on Thursday, March 8th. This was most successful with a wonderful turnout of forty-four people. The meeting was presided over by the new president — Mrs. John Hoffman. The luncheon chairman was the new secretary, Miss Florence Davies.

Splendid reports were presented on the teas and card parties held during January and February in various cities and geographical centers as means of raising money. A vote of thanks and congratulations was given to the following hostesses: Mrs. Henry Sweney and Mrs. Edward Lupton of Chester; Mrs. Edward Hamner, Germantown; Mrs. Herbert Allen, Main Line; Mrs. Howard Knight, Moorestown; Mrs. Robert Laslocky, Riverside; Miss Elizabeth Ridley, Riverton; Mrs. David Styer and Mrs. Henry Siegrist, Bordentown; Mrs. Frank Katzenbach, Trenton and Mrs. Frank Devlin, Bristol. Through these parties and individual contributions the grand total of \$155.50 was raised. The chapter voted to give this money to a special Chapel Fund being raised to redecorate the Chapel.

Miss Newbold was our guest and told us of the changes and improvements at the Hall. The Chapter commissioned her to get estimates on furniture that needed repairing in the parlors. The Philadelphia Chapter has contributed to the maintenance and upkeep of the parlors for a number of years. It was decided to spend between \$200. and \$250. this year on the parlors. A discussion of the actual expenditure of this money is on the agenda for the next meeting to be held at the Engineers Club on Saturday, April 14th.

REBECCA STYER HOFFMAN, *President*

### NEW YORK CHAPTER

The New York Chapter had a successful Saturday afternoon meeting in January at which the attendance was almost doubled because of the presence of the younger graduates. Because Saturday proved to be convenient for so many the annual luncheon meeting is scheduled for a Saturday afternoon, April 21st, at the Hotel Carlyle. Bishop Gardner, Dean Adams, Father Hogg and Miss Newbold have accepted invitations to this luncheon, which promises to be a well attended affair.

### WASHINGTON-BALTIMORE AREA

Mrs. A. H. Fawcett (*Mary Tappan Phelps - 1918*) who is a member of the Planning Committee that has been meeting monthly this winter, is arranging a tea in Washington on Friday, April 27th, to which alumnae, mothers of present students and mothers of prospects will be invited. Mrs. Fawcett is being assisted in her plans by Mrs. John S. Mosher of Washington, mother of one of our sophomores, and Mrs. Rodney Mercur of Alexandria, Virginia, a mother of a recent graduate (*Nancy—1941*).

Miss Newbold is going to Washington and Baltimore for these teas.

# News Of Our Alumnae

1869

We had a very interesting letter from Dorothy Ransome Mersereau, Bolton Landing, New York, daughter of Bithia V. Leavitt, class of 1869. She has passed on to us an amusing anecdote which her mother used to tell her about the time when she was a pupil at St. Mary's: "One day she (Bithia Leavitt) was seated by the window looking out on the Delaware River at a small row-boat very far off with two men fishing from it. Presently the principal, whom the girls called "Aunt Nin", came up beside her and glancing out the window at the row-boat and the men, gently drew down the blind and remarked, "We don't keep our best wares in the window"! Miss Mersereau said she imagined the girls of today will think it almost incredible, but that it is true.

1874

Mrs. George W. Hewitt (*Isabel Pugh*) died during the winter after a long illness.

1887

Sarah E. Olden, 38 Grammercy Park, New York City 10, met with an unfortunate accident during the winter when she fell and broke her arm. She was hospitalized for several weeks and has had a tedious convalescence.

We were glad to see her at the recent New York Chapter meeting looking exceedingly well and apparently fully recovered.

1896

We were sorry to hear that Edith C. Packer lost her brother, Donald Julian Packer, who died at Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, last December.

We have a change of address for Mrs. Tazwell T. Thomas (*Marie Vall-Spinosa*), 700 Park Avenue, Baltimore 1, Maryland. She is at present with her daughter, Hilda, and her three children; Hilda's husband is in the service. Mrs. Thomas' son is in the Pacific area on a destroyer.

1897

We regret to learn of the death of Bettie Sill Marley on December 15, 1944. She was a very fine woman who devoted her life to the care of her nephew and niece after their parents' death.

1893-1898

Violet Josephine Zell of 144 Ancon Street, Pelham, New York, a student at the Hall from 1893 to 1898, visited the Hall in March.

1898

Mrs. M. C. Jensen (*Susan May Park-er*) 61 Broad Street, Norwich, Connecticut, sent Christmas greetings in memory of her happy Christmas at St. Mary's seventy years ago!

1907

Mrs. F. Robin Graham (*Edith L'Engle*) writes that her son, Lt. Francis Robin Graham, a B-17 pilot, has been killed in action. Mrs. Graham is now living at 1228 Spring Street, N. W., Atlanta, Georgia. We are glad to hear from her and extend our sympathy.

1909

Mrs. Earl C. McArthur is now at Paul Smith College, Paul Smith, New York, where her husband is serving as president since its inception in 1941. She recently visited her aunt, Mrs. E. Budd Shedaker, associate, of Burlington and both called at the school.

Mrs. Edward Hamner, Jr., (*Dorothy Kirk*) Alden Park Manor, Germantown, Penna., has written that their daughter is attending the University of Pennsylvania and their son is on a destroyer in the South Pacific, a Lt. in the U. S. Navy. Mrs. Hamner's brother, Admiral Alan Kirk, has been doing great things in the European theater of war. He was in charge of the Fleet on Invasion Day. John Mason Brown's book, "To All Hands", is an account of the life on Admiral Kirk's ship.

Mrs. E. Raymond Burdge (*Valetta Bennett*) spent two days recently with Mrs. Levis C. Babcock, Jr., (*Marguerite Flanders*) 90 Hoover Avenue, Penllyn, Pennsylvania, on her way home to Herbertsville, New Jersey, from a three months visit in West Palm Beach, Florida.

1910

Anna Kennedy, valedictorian of the class of 1910, writes that Mrs. Chidester (*Helen Daniels*) and Mrs. Fearnley are the only ones from St. Mary's Hall with whom she is in touch. Anna saw Mrs. Fearnley in New York last spring. Anna says of Mrs. Fearnley, "She is just as wonderful as ever, with her many interests here and abroad. I do so love her letters. Ours is a great privilege to have had her teaching. Haven't you found, going through these years, since 1910 how continually there are reminders of both of them. How Mr. Fearnley would have loved this last "Othello".

Anna has been staff assistant at the Red Cross Blood Bank in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. For twenty years before that her work was religious drama, to quote Anna, "Mr. Fearnley's Bible and Shakespeare" Anna started her work again this winter, but was prevented by illness to do work of any kind. We all hope she is better now and that she will be able to continue her work after Easter as she wishes to do. Of Helen Daniels Chidester, Anna writes, "Helen has a delightful family and home in Massillon, Ohio".

Mrs. Douglas Williams (*Agra Bennett*) is still bustling. Agra's mother died in May, 1944, after a few day's illness and Agra was busy "closing

apartments, making room for storage and selling surplus, etc.". Incidentally, we have no address for Agra—will some one supply it? Agra's son, Johnson McKinley, is a Lieutenant in the Marines. He was married October 1943 and has moved fourteen times. At present he is stationed in Columbus, Ohio, and ferries planes and is a test pilot. Agra hopes he will be able to stay there until his child is born in May. Agra's daughter's husband, Commander Edgar K. Thompson, is somewhere in France after three years as Naval Attache in Lima, Peru, South America. Agra is delighted to have her daughter at home with her and though they have no help they manage beautifully even to raising a vegetable garden and Daschund pups. She helps Agra with some of her Red Cross work (executive) and recruiting for WAC activities.

Louis McKinley is a P. F. C. in the infantry. He went to Lyon with the first invasion last Christmas and was wounded February tenth, 1945, but is alright now. Douglas Junior is in the Marines; Agra thinks he is in Honolulu.

No news from Mrs. Henry Black Clagett (*Mary Steacy*) since before Christmas. Mary's husband was in the hospital at Hot Springs at that time and was to retire. Her son, Henry, was overseas and her daughter, Louise, was in Miami in war work; the husband of Mary's other daughter, Jean, was with McArthur in 1943 and escaped with a bad case of malaria. He has returned to his outfit. Mary's address is: El Deisco Hotel, 2901 Pacific Avenue, San Francisco, California.

A letter from Mrs. Herbert Allen (*Florence Ten Broeck*) says that she and her husband have been wintering in Florida at Delray Beach since the fifteenth of January, swimming in the ocean and basking in the sun. Florence says that they like it so much they looked for a house to purchase there, but could find none for sale. Florence's sons, Bob and Jack are on ships in the Pacific.

From Mrs. William E. Shedd (*Lettie Patterson*) we hear that her husband is a Major General and now in command of the Ninth Service Command with headquarters at Fort Douglas, Salt Lake City, Utah. He was in Panama and Puerto Rico in command of the Antilles before going to Fort Douglas. Lettie's son is a major overseas in the Fourteenth Armored Division in the Seventh Army. He has a lovely wife and a year old boy, W. E. Shedd, IV. George, Lettie's youngest boy, is eighteen years old and waiting to hear about his West Point exams. If he passes he will receive an appointment and will leave the first of July.

Mrs. J. E. Browne (*Madeleine Lopez*) is a widow, living in Key West and head of the Red Cross Chapter there. Madeleine has one son in the Coast Guard; he is stationed in Miami.

Mrs. Norman L. Jameson (*Miriam Bisler*) has been very busy keeping her mind on four little grandchildren, all boys, Edmond Louis Meinfelder, age five, Laurence Gleeson, age three, Richard Wick Havens, age two, and Peter Jameson Havens, age three months. The two little Havens boys and their mother are now living with Miriam while their father, a lieutenant in the Marines is fighting in the Pacific theatre of war. The other fathers of the children are lieutenants in the service, Army and Navy. In October Miriam moved from Radnor, Pennsylvania, to St. Davids. Her mailing address is Aberdeen Road and Pembroke Avenue, Wayne, Pennsylvania. Her oldest daughter, Miriam Jameson, a lieutenant in the WAVES, was married last summer to James Barker Day, also a lieutenant in the Navy.

## 1912

Mrs. G. C. Halstead, Jr. (*Marjory Royce*) 67 First Street, Garden City, Long Island, New York, has offered to serve as your class secretary. Please send her news items!

Mrs. William S. Detwiler (*Gertrude Mott*) High Bank House, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, has been spending a few days at the Hall while dismantling the home of Mrs. George W. Hewitt (*Isabel Pugh - 1874*) who died during the winter.

## 1914

Mrs. R. F. Van Seggern (*Olive V. Wilde*) can be reached at 787 North East 82 Terrace, Miami 38, Florida.

Arona Hubbard, class secretary, writes that her classmates do not send news items to her. She speaks of seeing Mabel Cook in February. Miss Hubbard is now located in Pittsburgh trying to find an apartment. She says she is very busy, selling stamps and bonds in the D. A. R. booth of the Red Cross, among other things.

## 1916

Mrs. Herbert Lewis (*Georgie Ingersoll*) 657 Fairmount Avenue, St. Paul, Minn., at last wrote us a real letter and it was worth waiting for. Her husband, who is Managing Editor of the St. Paul Pioneer Press and Dispatch, is just back from England where he was the guest of the British Ministry of Information. He is to be at the United Nations Conference in San Francisco in April, and has been invited to Norway, by the Norwegian Government in Exile after the war. Georgie is evidently bursting with pride about him and no wonder. She works in one of the St. Paul hospitals, canvasses for the Red Cross, is a regular Blood Donor, and has three children to boot. But we've saved the most amazing bit about her till the end—she has a maid who has been with her eight years!

Mrs. John Summersby (*Jean Ingersoll*) 11 Fernwood Road, Summit, N. J., wrote to say that she had absolutely nothing to say, but we were so glad to hear from her we don't care at all, and are grateful that she didn't chuck us into the waste basket—which she confessed she very nearly did. At least we know

she is alive and well, and she sounded as if she hadn't changed a bit!

Mrs. Paul B. Fidel (*Ruby Matthews*) 4713 Tufunga Avenue, North Hollywood, California, had twins—a boy and a girl—and the Class will be distressed to hear that her son was killed last July in a plane crash in England. The deep sympathy of all of 1916 goes out to her in her irreparable loss. Her daughter is married and has a child.

Mrs. Troup Zeth (*Sarah McCullough*) 1110 Fourteenth Street, Santa Monica, California, is still working at Douglas Aircraft and has nothing new to report. Her husband's health is somewhat improved and her boy is at home—so in spite of her arduous job, Sarah is as cheerful as ever.

Mrs. John W. Weber, Jr. (*Elise Schreiber*) 975 Park Avenue, New York, writes that her son is an ambulance driver in The American Field Service, attached to the British 8th Army, and has been in Italy since last July. She works in the U. S. O. at the Pennsylvania and Grand Central Stations, lending a helping hand to the boys going through New York.

Miss Genevieve Thomas, Powder Point, Duxbury, Mass., is hepatologist at the Children's Hospital in Boston, working full time and has laid aside her sculpture for the duration.

Mrs. John Hardt (*Nancy Thomas*) Gladstone, New Jersey, with one son piloting a B-29—another (age 17) about to enlist in the Navy, and a third little boy, Jack, an invalid at home, writes that her life is a quiet domestic one as she cannot leave her youngest boy at all. So her days are spent at home with him, but she manages to get some knitting and sewing done for the Red Cross.

Miss Catherine Watson, Miss Porter's School, Farmington, Conn., writes that school continues the even tenor of its way, and though Spring Vacation was shortened a week this year, still the O. D. T. let them have two thirds of it, so it might have been worse, but she had no particular news.

Mrs. Harold S. Van Buren, (*Charlotte Matthews*) Glendale, Ohio, has a scattered family these days—a married son and daughter-in-law living in Cambridge, a son in the Navy Air Force in Corpus Christi, Texas, and a daughter (lately at S. M. H.) at Radcliffe College. She is Darby and Joaning it with her husband in southern Ohio and herewith thanks you all most gratefully for crashing through with all the above information.

## 1919

Mrs. Henry Nott Ramson of New York, has announced the marriage of her daughter, Mrs. Louise Lines Davidson, to Mr. Chester Billings of Rumson, New Jersey, which took place in the Collegiate Church of St. Nicholas, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Billings will live at 400 East 58th Street, New York City.

## 1920

Friends of Mrs. John B. Elfreth, Jr. (*Peg Clevenger*) will be sorry to learn that her husband, John Bennington Elfreth, died suddenly last July 4th. Her address is: 12 East Drive, Margate, Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Mrs. R. C. Schaeffer, Jr. (*Elizabeth Read*) 466 Gainesboro Road, Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania, will spend the early summer at Westtown Farm House, Westtown, Pennsylvania. Her address for next winter will be 143 West Drexel Avenue, Lansdowne, Penna.

Mrs. Burton Morley (*Elizabeth Coles*) a student at the Hall from October 1920 to May 1921, is now living in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and is giving a great deal of her time to the Tuscaloosa Service Center training girls to work there and at the General Hospital. She is at the Center every day and is as regular in her work as if she were a professional member of the staff. Her efforts were recognized last spring when at a banquet of 350 people she was presented with a Civilian Award as the most outstanding citizen of the year. Our hats are off to her and to her fellow citizens who recognize such service.

## 1921

Mrs. Herbert V. Mercready (*Margaret Moore*), her husband and young son, Paul, are living in their own home in Chatham, New Jersey, 217 Washington Avenue. All three of them attend Calvary Episcopal Church, Summit, New Jersey, where her husband is Assistant Superintendent of the Church School, her son is a pupil, and Margaret teaches fourth grade girls. Margaret is ending a two-year term as recording secretary of the Chatham Parent-Teacher Association.

## 1922

Mrs. Horace Barker (*Elizabeth S. Day*) now lives in New Canaan, Connecticut, R. F. D. No. 1.

Mrs. Thomas H. Atherton (*Eloise S. Wickes*) has moved from Chestnut Hill to 113 Mahandongo Street, Pottsville, Pennsylvania.

## 1923

Karin Hillman returned from a vacation in New York to find her home in Hot Springs, Virginia, had burned to the ground. Neighbors had succeeded in removing her silver, glass and linen before the flames reached them.

The class of 1923 was exceedingly well represented at the Philadelphia Chapter luncheon by the following members: Helen Downes of Haddonfield; Mrs. Ivins Jessup (*Sara Tattersall*) of Trenton; Mrs. George Reinohl (*Bessie Clark*) of Flourtown, Pennsylvania; Mrs. Constant F. Wiltberger (*Rosalind Dubell*) Bala-Cynwyd, Pennsylvania. Another member of the class, Mrs. Harold Fick (*Elsie De Voe*) of New Brunswick, who is a member of the New York Chapter, was also there.

## 1928

Mrs. Harold C. Parachini (*Ruth Paynter*) has been doing considerable traveling around the United States with her husband, who is an officer in the Naval Reserve, and for the present is in Norman, Oklahoma, Box 631.

## 1929

Does any one know the married name and address of Ida Druck?

1934

Mrs. Allah H. Sharp (*Elinor Case*) is living in North Plainfield and seems to have her hands quite full taking care of one husband, two adorable daughters, Betty and Linda, ages three and a half years and almost two years, and a large and very active Boxer puppy.

Mrs. Joseph Worthley (*Blanche Matthews*) is living in Cranford, and she, too, has two cute moppets—Ginny, who is almost five, and Jay, who is two.

Barbara Congdon is in New York City studying voice. She has been doing a lot of choir work and radio work in Portland, Maine (her home) since graduating, and is planning to study further in New York. Good luck to her.

Mrs. Henry Neville (*Gene Ewart*) 3404 Claremont Street, Baltimore, Maryland, was visiting Adeline Stevenson Miller in North Jersey recently.

Marion Hartman is having one of the most colorful careers of all. She is a Corporal in the Women's Army Corps. She enlisted in June, 1943, and went overseas in November of the same year. When she first landed, she was billeted in an art museum on the outskirts of Casablanca. For some time now she has been in Italy. We stay-at-homes are right proud of you Marion—and just a little envious too.

Mrs. Duncan F. Francis (*Marianne Matthews*) is living in Carmel, California. She has two daughters, Betsy and Marianne. Her husband, a Lt. Commander in the Navy, just got home from a long stretch of sea duty in the Pacific, in time to celebrate little Marianne's first birthday; it was also the first time he had seen her, too.

Mrs. Paul Miller (*Adeline Stevenson*) is living in Westfield, New Jersey. Her Navy Lieutenant husband is out in the Pacific, we understand. She has two boys, who undoubtedly completely fill her days.

Dorothy Willaman is one for whom we have no address. As her sister, Janet, is in the WAVES we are wondering if Dorothy is in the service too.

Mrs. John P. Higgins (*Helen Wyckoff*) is with her family in Red Bank, 200 Broad Street, for the duration. At the moment she is doing social service work, plus the usual Red Cross and War Bond Drive work on the side. Her husband is a Lieutenant in the Navy, and is "out there" in the Pacific too.

1936

Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Miller have announced the arrival of Robert Fulmer Miller, Jr.; (*Louise C. Speace*) on April 22, 1945, weight 71 lbs. 11 ozs.

1937

Mrs. Ronald Wyckoff (*Ruth Kirby*) now lives at Pittston, Pennsylvania, where her husband is Methodist minister.

1938

Mrs. G. Reynolds Miller of Charlottesville, Virginia, announces the engagement of her daughter, Caroline Woods Miller, 405 East 54th Street, New York City, to Lieutenant Herman A. Spindt, U. S. N. R., of Berkeley, California.

1939

We hear that Mrs. Jose de Murguiondo (*Onnolee E. Brace*) is located at Howard Hall, Olney, Maryland.

Priscilla Ireland resigned her teaching post at Rumson County Day School to accompany her mother, who has not been well, to Florida in January. Priscilla obtained her teaching certificate in Florida and has been teaching thirty-four fourth graders in Orlando since February. She and her mother will return to their home (Monmouth Beach) early in June. Until then, she can be reached at Empire Hotel, 28 West Central Avenue, Orlando, Florida.

Jane Boswell is now a doting aunt! Her niece, Mary Virginia Conklin, is the daughter of P. F. C. and Mrs. Lewis H. Conklin (*Mary Virginia Boswell, 1935*). As Mary Virginia is a graduate of the Hall, we are sure that Mary Virginia, Jr., will be a future "Belle of St. Mary's". She was born January 24th in Neosho, Missouri, where her father is stationed.

Mrs. E. L. Donovan (*Marjorie "Jimmy" Carter*) is finishing at the University of Arizona, Tucson, while Captain Donovan is overseas. She will graduate May 16th.

Libbie Williamson is with Jimmy at 1415 E. Speedway in Tucson, where they share Apartment No. 3. They hope to visit Dottie Sargent Warner and Shirley Baum Hawley (our California delegates of 1939) before coming East.

At Christmas, Peggy Clayberger Jones and her Major were at "Gnarled Oaks", Escondido, California, P. O. Box 506.

It was grand to hear from Betty (Evelyn Jean) Curtis not long ago and to learn that at Christmas she became engaged to Paul Surber of Iowa, at present in the Seabees "somewhere in the Pacific". Our best wishes are with you both! Betty is now at home and 607 Fifth Street, Lakewood, New Jersey, will reach her.

We were so pleased to hear from Jane Guy Staley during the holidays. She is at home, 311 21st Street, N. W., Canton, Ohio. Her husband, Rowland, is in Germany.

Jo Peters Wynne is now an Ensign's wife as Dick received his commission just before Christmas.

We hear that Tino Ridley, our 1939 "WAVE", is in Atlanta, Georgia.

It was with heartfelt sympathy that we learned of the loss of Nancy Zuber's mother. Priscilla Ireland, class secretary, writes—"Mrs. Zuber was a lovely person, and those of Nancy's class extend their deepest sympathy both to Nancy and her father. When hearts are full, words are such empty things—please read the hearts". Nancy (*Mrs. John A. Hastings, Jr.*) lives at 48 Charles Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

1941

Mrs. John McComb, Jr. (*Nancy Mercur*) has been spending the winter in California, and after her husband, Lt. McComb, was sent to the Pacific theatre of war took a job in a defense plant. She has recently returned to spend the summer with her mother in Virginia.

Barbara Swift is located at 15 A West 64th Street, New York 23, New York.

We had a letter from Barbara Bowen before Christmas who says she is very busy as a college senior. Her family recently bought a home in Short Hills, New Jersey, 15 Elmwood Place.

Barbara Mayer is now living at The Inn, Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania.

We had news of Laura Sloman Reed, who attended St. Mary's in 1941, who is living in Kansas with her year old son and mother-in-law. We were sorry to hear that both Laura's husband and father-in-law were killed in recent campaigns. First Lieutenant Reed was killed in Italy and his father, a Colonel, was killed in France. Both were graduates of West Point.

The headmistress ran into Kitty Helwig Kline in the station the other day. Her husband is a Captain in the Navy is now in the Pacific area and Kitty is living at home with her mother—c/o Mrs. E. L. Helwig, Bristol, Pennsylvania.

Gwendolyn Compton is now working at the Nashua Manufacturing Company in New York City and living at home, 119 Water Street, Perth Amboy, New Jersey. She is enjoying her work and certainly looked on top of the world when we saw her.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Allen Van Hise announce the marriage of their daughter, Betty Ann, to Lieutenant Harry Pierce Callagan, United States Army Signal Corps, on November 26th, 1944, at Point Pleasant, New Jersey.

We were delighted to have a letter in December from Lillian Handleman and to know that she is now in the WAVES—her address is: S-1/c, WAVE Quarters "A"—Room 707, 1809 Q Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

1942

Gwendolyn Goodridge's engagement to Sgt. Charles E. Porteus was announced on Christmas Eve and they plan to be married on June 2nd. Good luck to you Gwen.

We hear that Hazel Lister is still at Connecticut, but that Barbara Jutson has given up Barnard and gone to work.

Eloise Woodward writes that she hopes to complete her nurse's training next October and that she "would not trade this interesting, helpful experience for anything, yet it is nice to see the end in sight". She plans to enter the service as soon as she graduates.

Vivian Atkinson has been in quarantine for scarlet fever in the infirmary at Wilson College; she hopes to study French at Middlebury this summer.

Ruth Clark has been busy with bond drives for the Red Cross and has recently accepted a position in the Home Service office of the Red Cross in Plainfield.

Nancy Crawford is enjoying her work at Bryn Mawr, putting a good deal into it consequently getting corresponding results.

Nancy Kane enrolled at Hood College this year. She writes that it is a bit hard to get back into good study habits after two years of office work but that she is enjoying herself immensely.

## 1943

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Rex Macfarland of 222 Hazel Avenue, Delanco, New Jersey, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Nancy Allison Macfarland, to P. F. C. Edward W. Mumm, USAAC, son of Mrs. Edward Mumm, Chicago, Illinois. Nancy is now a member of the sophomore class at Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida. Private Mumm was graduated from Lawrence College and is at present stationed at Orlando, Florida.

We receive such interesting letters from Anne Bausman who can be reached at: U. S. Navy Bomb Disposal School, American University, Massachusetts and Nebraska Avenues, N. W., Washington 16, D. C. She speaks of her work with the WAVES as "a glorified postman" and from her description it must be exceedingly interesting.

Carolyn Spencer speaks enthusiastically of her work with the Marines. She is assisting the Lieutenant in charge of personnel. Her address is: Sgt. Carolyn Spencer, MCWR - 755976, Co. E, Bks. 3, Henderson Hall, Arlington, Virginia.

## 1944

The Christmas Mystery was attended by many members of this class; the following members being present: Helen Richards, Jo Anne Clark, Jeanne Hornberger, Dorothy Allen, Doris West, Dorothy Mark, Elizabeth Coddling, Helen Taylor and Loella Schisler. It is good to welcome so many of the same class at one time to the Hall.

We had a nice letter from Lois Westby, 214 Old Brompton Road, S. W. 5, London, England, who is working in an office. She says that she is trying hard to keep up her art work, but since the government does not consider it essential she cannot devote full time to it, and is taking evening classes at the St. Martin's School of Art. During her lunch hour she hurries to the London School of Music for vocal lessons and is also taking a Journalism course. She says with all that, it is very difficult to get in social activities, but that somehow she manages it!

## CORRECTIONS

We reported the death of Dorothy Simmons Craig under the year 1924 but she was in the class of 1922. Her death was a great shock to all who knew her. Her husband, the Reverend Herbert S. Craig, was in France as a Chaplain with the Army at the time of her death. He has returned to this country to receive a discharge from the Army and has resumed his duties as rector of Trinity Church in Red Bank.

Under the 1940 notes in the November issue, we wish to call attention to the fact that Hetha Powell Brown, A. M. M. Third Class Wave, is engaged to Lieutenant John Shevvin Wagner, U. S. N. R., of St. Louis. We announced the marriage — our mistake!

## WAR WORK COMMITTEE

Give that too small dress of yours,  
Of wool or any cloth.  
Better to some poor destitute  
Than to any corpulent moth.

*From a student poster.*

Many seem to have followed this sage advice, judging from the number of garments now to be found in the collection boxes for the United National Clothing Collection. Our collection of cancelled stamps has also reached a sizeable amount. War stamp sales have been encouraged by posting the percentages of stamps sold to the different classes each week.

Scarborough students, always peppy and active, have made a set of a hundred favors requested by the Red Cross for the Navy. Doane students have been active purchasing pencils, pens, erasers, crayons, combs, toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc. for Gift Packages to be sent by the Red Cross to European school children. The sum of \$115.45 was raised by the school during the Red Cross drive and turned over to the Red Cross War Fund.

## LATIN AMERICAN EXHIBIT

Like the mountain which was supposed to come to Mohammed, Latin America came to us here at the school in the form of a Latin American exhibit. This was sent, at our request, by the U. S. Office of Education working with the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs. Although the greater part of the exhibit consisted of recent books and pamphlets on Latin America, it included an interesting collection of regalia; a complete set of miniature flags of the Americas; a potsherd from a "dig" in the ancient Inca remains; handwoven work by Indians; a corn husk doll, a gourd, and a pottery plate from Mexico; a group of records of Latin American music. There were large panels showing the different forms of Transportation, of Housing, and of the Dance in the southern republics; also a large reproduction of Diego Rivera's "The Flower Vendor." Browsing students were intrigued with the beautifully printed and illustrated children's books, sometimes finding it difficult to tear themselves away from the adventures of "The White Panther" or "The Silver Llama". Older students enjoyed looking through "El Hogar" (the South American equivalent of The Ladies' Home Journal), "Wings over the Americas", or Ybarra's rollicking "Young Man of Caracas." The librarian received numerous requests to acquire for the library books that were on display in the Latin American exhibit.

CONSTANCE HYSLOP

*(Editor's Note: A course in Latin American relations is being taught for the second year during this semester. Miss Hynlop, instructor in Spanish and French, teaches this course.)*

## NEEDS

The Hall is still in need of plated silverware—knives, forks and teaspoons. It is also in need of rugs, lamps and small tables for the furnishing of faculty rooms.

HOW THE MIGHTY HAVE  
FALLEN  
OR  
WE TOOK A CHANCE

It started out to be a lovely day, but the Varsity made it uncomfortably warm for various members of the August faculty. 'Twas Wednesday, the fourth of April, when the dauntless group, armed to the teeth, entered the gymnasium to outshout, outguard, outclass, well, at least out-confuse the varsity. That we accomplished the latter is definitely true. As to being "armed to the teeth", one L. W. Curtiss made a striking entrance gnawing on a delicious stalk of celery.

The game started after the usual formalities. Never has such a professional game been witnessed by a more appreciative audience. Such cheering was greatly appreciated by the faculty team and they went on to miss more baskets than they had anticipated. The two gentlemen of the team, Mr. West and Mr. Hogg, added to the general confusion by playing boys' rules. Miss Loutzenhiser and Miss Newbold made gallant attempts, aided and abetted by Miss Sachsel, but for some reason the guards (two aforementioned gentlemen and Miss Hyslop) just couldn't seem to stop the basketward bound ball.

After three quarters of excellent passwork (from team to team mostly) the faculty suddenly blossomed forth and even the referee and timekeeper were catching and throwing for the dear old faculty. But, in spite of last minute substitutions which gave us five forwards and four guards, we lost the game! (Secretly, we suspect the scorekeeper, for the referee and timekeeper were both on our side.) It was a good game—if it can be called that—and now the undownable faculty will try to stop the seniors in baseball on May 8th. We've just got to win something.

DOROTHY MEEHAN

## STUDENT CONTACTS

Six of our students, one faculty member and the headmistress attended the Buck Hill Falls conference the weekend of January 12th. About 150 boys and girls from 22 different schools were present. It was a stimulating experience for the girls who enjoyed not only the social activity but whose minds were stretched by the speakers and the discussion. The students gave an excellent report of this conference on the theme of "Brotherhood" to the student body upon their return.

A week later this theme was enlarged upon for we invited a group from Fellowship House in Philadelphia to be our guests for dinner. In the program that followed, these young people gave us a most forceful message. A young negro girl spoke on "What it means to be a negro in White America"; a Jewish girl on "What it means to be a Jew in Christian America"; a Nisei on "What it means to live in a concentration camp in free America"; and a young man from Germantown Friends School on, "What the Dominant Group can do about Race Relations".

## THE TESTING PROGRAM

The process of preparing young people to take their places in an increasingly complex world is itself growing in complexity. We cannot tell them where they are going; they must find the way for all of us. The best that we can do is to help them understand the past and to help them understand themselves. If they know what they are fitted to do well, and know what others have done before them, they should make a worth-while place for themselves.

Through the Tomlinson Counselors Service we have given each girl an "Interest Inventory" to determine what areas she is naturally most interested in exploring. For some these interests are already conscious and well defined, but for many they are unrecognized. This preliminary survey is followed by more detailed tests for the two upper classes. They have been given a "type analysis", designed to study temperament and emotional trends, and aptitude tests to determine their fitness for certain occupations in which they have expressed some interest. The results of these tests are revealing to the girls themselves and a help to parents and teachers in advising them about the future. Each student will have an opportunity to talk over her problems and plans in the light of these test results.

## THE ACTIVITY PROGRAM

We have tried to enrich our program this year by offering a wider choice of things to do in the afternoon. The time between classes and a study hall has been divided into two hour-periods with a half-hour intermission. The first period is given to the athletic program, and the girls elect sports for at least two days a week. The second period is given to other interests which the students may also elect. We have had a different activity each afternoon; Glee Club, Sketch Club, Handicrafts, Creative Writing, and Modern Dance have been offered. Each girl was required to choose one activity, but could take as many as she was willing to give her time to. Most girls participated in more than one. The afternoon program this year is not only more extensive but also more flexible. The freedom of choice allowed a student has given her more control of her "free time" and provided the possibility of an afternoon or two with no scheduled responsibilities. The students appreciate the possibility of such freedom, even when they elect to fill their afternoons with scheduled activities.

**NOTE** — Several alumnae have asked where the seals which were used on cards to make place cards and tally cards at the recent Philadelphia Chapter parties may be secured. They are for sale in the book shop of the school, 50 for 35c. Correspondence cards with the small picture of the gate on them are also for sale, 2 for 5c.

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## STAFF RECITALS

Miss Lota Winchell Curtiss, instructor of piano and organ, and director of the choir, gave a most brilliant piano recital on March 24th. The preceding Saturday, Miss Curtiss played at one of the Lenten organ recitals at St. Mary's Church. The Hall may well be proud to have such an accomplished musician on its staff. Miss Curtiss is a graduate of Smith College, and received the degrees of Bachelor of Music and Master of Arts with Special Honors in Music, from Yale University. She is continuing her study of piano with Henri Deering of New York City.

One of the highlights of the social calendar in the autumn was the voice recital of Mrs. Florence Weygandt on December 2nd. The students and guests greatly enjoyed her program which showed the range of Mrs. Weygandt's rich voice. Mrs. Weygandt's early training was under Fraulein Kleinert of Philadelphia; later she studied under Sergei Klibansky and George Rogers of New York. More recently she has studied with Nicholas Douty, receiving training in directing oratorio and song interpretation.

The voice department started by her last year is growing steadily.

## SOCIAL LIFE

The Saturday night programs this year have included Alva Hamilton Singer in "Dawn Over Victory"; Earle Spicer, baritone soloist; Cornelia Stabler in "Personality Portraits"; and Dr. Van Walt on Current Affairs.

Recently we have had more moving pictures than speakers because the school has purchased a Victor 16 mm moving picture projector. The girls are delighted with this addition to the school's equipment which will serve us well both for educational and social purposes.

The Junior-Senior Prom was a most enjoyable affair and followed the plan of last year, the girls remaining at the school for the midyear week-end after the majority of the other girls had gone home. Twenty-six young men were our guests Saturday afternoon and evening, and twenty-two of them remained overnight in Scarborough. The chaplain was good enough to act as host to these men while they were in the school. The girls enjoyed the tea dance at Fairholm, the formal dinner at seven o'clock, and the prom itself which was held in the study hall, the theme of which was "June in January". The study hall bloomed as a garden with rose covered lattices, low lights, soft music and benches under arbors of ivy and roses, while outside, winter gave promise of more snow. It was a reluctant group that said goodbye to each other and to us on Sunday morning.

The Sophomore class sponsored a spring dance on April 7th, attended by about thirty-five couples, which proved to be a most enjoyable evening.

## S. M. H. GLEE CLUB

The Glee Club has been unusually active this year. The girls made their debut by singing at the Christmas Dinner and again at the Bishop's Feast. Mrs. Edge was particularly enthusiastic about the tone quality and finished work of the selections. The Glee Club also gave selections during the Episcopal Glee Club concert and received enthusiastic acclaim from our guests. It is now working on selections for Commencement.

The only concert given away from the school this year was at B. M. I. on May 16th. The girls gave an excellent program and enjoyed the dance which followed. They gave an enthusiastic vote of thanks to B. M. I. for arranging such a nice party.

The Club this year is under the direction of Mrs. Florence Weygandt, the resident head of the voice department.

## VISITING GLEE CLUBS

For the first time the Episcopal Academy Glee Club journeyed from Overbrook to give a concert at St. Mary's Hall early in the winter. The boys were invited to supper which was a delightful occasion. The seating was arranged so that each boy escorted his partner for the evening into dinner. The Glee Club sings unusually well and everyone enjoyed their program. The affair was so successful that both the girls and boys have voted to make it an annual occasion.

For a number of years the Peddie School Glee Club has visited St. Mary's Hall every other year with our Glee Club going to Hightstown alternate years. The Peddie School concert on April 28th this year at St. Mary's was a great success; it was followed by a dance with the Peddie School Orchestra furnishing the music. This was a high point of the season for many of the girls.

## "PINAFORE"

The school is singing excellently this year and we have had many complimentary remarks about the quality and singing of the choir by the entire school, as well as the singing of the more selected group composing the Glee Club. For this reason it has seemed a good year to combine the voice and dramatic talent. The Gilbert and Sullivan Opera "Pinafore" is now in rehearsal and will be presented on Saturday, May 26th, at 3:30.

A new project is just beginning to take form in St. Mary's—a school paper, "Within the Walls". We are hoping in this way to promote school spirit and give to the girls a greater sense of responsibility in participating in school life. The staff has been organized and has planned the first edition of the paper to be published shortly. Due to wartime conditions, we will have to mimeograph the paper, but in spite of that we hope to have fun editing it and satisfaction from the finished project.

DEAN PALMER, Editor.

## HONOR ROLL

Four names have been added to our Honor Roll since the November issue of Ivy Leaves:

## WAVES

|                                  |      |
|----------------------------------|------|
| Anne Bausman . . . . .           | 1944 |
| Mary Louise Hough . . . . .      | 1919 |
| Lillian Vera Handleman . . . . . | 1941 |
| Christine W. Ridley . . . . .    | 1939 |

*Guests at the Hall During  
the Winter - 1944-45*

|                                                 |      |
|-------------------------------------------------|------|
| Mary Phelps Fawcett . . . . .                   | 1918 |
| Marguerite Flanders Babcock . . . . .           | 1909 |
| Nancy Kane . . . . .                            | 1942 |
| Barbara Jutson . . . . .                        | 1942 |
| Elizabeth Coddling . . . . .                    | 1944 |
| Ada Christian Smith . . . . .                   | 1905 |
| Marilynn Carr . . . . .                         | 1943 |
| Elizabeth Holley . . . . . (Assoc. 1939-42)     |      |
| Elizabeth Terry . . . . .                       | 1915 |
| <i>(Executive Secretary - Red Cross)</i>        |      |
| Camille Compton . . . . .                       | 1944 |
| Nona May Clapp . . . . .                        | 1944 |
| Marion Burns . . . . .                          | 1940 |
| Mary Newton Cox . . . . .                       | 1944 |
| Elizabeth R. Wright . . . . .                   | 1943 |
| Edith Tams Steelman . . . . .                   | 1925 |
| Barbara Ann Speace . . . . .                    | 1940 |
| Violet Josephine Zell . . . . . (Asso. 1893-98) |      |
| Mary Altemus Pearson . . . . .                  | 1943 |
| Ty Bricker . . . . . (Asso. 1941-42)            |      |
| Jo Clark . . . . .                              | 1944 |
| Sgt. Carolyn Spencer . . . . .                  | 1943 |
| Adeline Stevenson Miller . . . . .              | 1934 |
| Lois Conroy Lynch . . . . .                     | 1942 |

The Society of Graduates, through its committee, announces the following nominations for the various officers to be elected at the meeting of the Society, May 26th. There will be an opportunity to receive additional nominations from the floor.

## OFFICERS

*President*, Miss Eliza R. Ridgway;  
*Vice-President*, Miss Kathryn T. Salmon;  
*Vice-President*, Mrs. Henry G. Seigrist;  
*Vice-President*, Mrs. Stobo Cate;  
*Recording Secretary*, Mrs. David Styer;  
*Corresponding Secretary*, Miss Margaret Merritt;  
*Treasurer*, Miss Mary L. Miller.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mrs. J. Conway Hiden, Miss Sarah Olden, Mrs. M. H. Scott, Mrs. John H. Hartman, Mrs. John W. Hoffman, *President Philadelphia Chapter*; Mrs. Joseph L. Gooch, Jr., *President New York Chapter*; Miss Margaret S. Haines, *Chairman Nominating Committee*.

The efforts of the creative writing group, which has been meeting once a week all winter, culminated in the publishing of a school magazine "Odd Moments", which came out in late April. The magazine comprises about thirty mimeographed sheets, publishing not only poems and stories written by the group itself, but additional contributions selected from the school as a whole. The group is to be congratulated upon its work this year.

## INCREASE IN TUITION

The Board of Trustees announces that the board and tuition of boarding students, beginning September 1945, will be \$1200. It feels justified in taking this step because of the rising cost of food and labor during the past year and because the committee which evaluated the school in 1944 spoke of St. Mary's Hall as "doing a \$1500. job for \$1000". We can no longer maintain the high calibre of the teaching staff nor give the services to which our students are accustomed without increased income.

## TRANSCRIPTS

In these days when more graduates than ever before are having to write in for official transcripts of their records, when our present students are making early enrollment in more than one college, and when colleges are asking more detailed information than ever before, the work of sending out these records has become an office problem. We are obliged to adopt the policy of many schools, and all colleges, of making a charge for all such records, after the anticipated preliminary forms. A student may be entitled to two such application forms before her graduation—or after it, but she will be expected to enclose a dollar with a request for subsequent records. A non-graduate may receive the record necessary to effect her transfer to another school, but will be expected to pay a dollar for any later copies of her record. Several of those making such requests have anticipated the adoption of this policy by offering to pay for the extra work, and we appreciate this recognition of our problem.

Under the direction of Miss Audra Bailey, teacher of speech, diction and English, each class has been working on a play which has been presented on the stage in the gymnasium. This has proved to be fun for the girls as well as excellent experience for each girl has had an opportunity to participate in the dramatic program.

The dramatic season will culminate in the presentation, by the Dramatic Club, of "Little Women", on May 5th.

Our Chaplain, The Reverend Wilbur E. Hogg, Jr., has been granted a leave of absence by the Vestry of St. Mary's Church in order to serve as a chaplain in the armed forces. Mr. Hogg expects to be called for service about the end of May.

Since the opening of the school half a dozen members of the faculty have been continuing to give volunteer service at the Community Center, Pleasantville, Fort Dix, on alternate Monday nights. Beginning last November two or three seniors have usually joined them.

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## EXCERPTS FROM VISITING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Planning Committee is arranging for two of its members or two Trustees to visit the school each month. On April 12th, Mrs. Bradford B. Locke of Princeton, and Mrs. J. Henry Fell of Trenton, were visitors.

Mrs. Locke's report to the Planning Committee includes the following paragraphs: "We reached the school shortly after nine o'clock and started visiting classes at once. We were both greatly impressed by the excellent spirit that prevails in the classes. The students were alert and keenly interested and the relationship between the students and the teacher appeared to be one of close cooperation. I was particularly impressed by the Geometry class I attended where there was a lively discussion between the students of different ways to prove problems. The teacher was most insistent that the students explain by which rule of Geometry they had found their answer and the students showed considerable ability in doing this.

I spent some time in the Primary department. I was amazed to find that there are so many boarders in the Lower School — 17 in all.

I spent considerable time with the gymnasium teacher who is doing a fine job with limited facilities and equipment. I was much impressed by the posture and gymnastic class I attended.

There is need of paint both inside and out. If the trim on the outside were painted white it would brighten the buildings enormously.

We were favorably impressed with the efficiency of the kitchen and serving. The lunch was delicious and the cafeteria system works smoothly and quickly."

TRANSPORTATION TO  
ST. MARY'S HALL

FOR

FOUNDER'S DAY, SATURDAY,  
MAY 26th

## FROM NEW YORK CITY

|                                    |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Lv. Pennsylvania Station . . . . . | 7:20 A.M. |
| Arr. Trenton . . . . .             | 8:25 A.M. |
| Lv. Trenton . . . . .              | 8:39 A.M. |
| Arr. Burlington . . . . .          | 9:05 A.M. |

## THROUGH TRAIN

|                                    |            |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Lv. Pennsylvania Station . . . . . | 10:15 A.M. |
| Arr. Burlington . . . . .          | 11:45 A.M. |

## FROM PHILADELPHIA, PENNA.

Take Bus No. 9, marked Burlington or Trenton, leaving Twelfth and Market Streets (Reading Terminal) at 8:45, due Burlington 10:08. These buses run about every half hour.

Or take train leaving 30th Street Station at 8:23, due Bristol, Penna. 9:07.

(If the school is notified in advance the station wagon will meet this train.)

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Miss Sarah E. Olden (1887) completed this year payment of a pledge of \$1000. made to be applied to the deficit. This concrete evidence of Miss Olden's loyalty to her alma mater is deeply appreciated.



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

No. 9

## A NEW YEAR BEGINS

The 109th year opened September 20th with the largest enrollment in many years, totaling 118 students. The growth has been in the upper school, with a freshman class of 19. The geographical background of the student body is varied, 13 states being represented, in addition to England, the Virgin Islands, Colombia and Brazil, South America.

The Right Reverend Wallace Gardner made the address at the celebration of the Holy Communion on Tuesday morning, September 20. The Reverend Otis L'A. Rice, Chaplain of the school, was the celebrant. Following the service an assembly was held, at which time Miss Newbold welcomed the students and introduced new members of the faculty and staff.

The staff has been increased by the addition of an accredited librarian, Mrs. Eleanor Sibley Riley. She is the widow of the late Reverend Lester Leake Riley, D. D., former rector of Zion Church, Douglaston, New York. She is not only an experienced librarian but is also equipped to teach remedial reading and has been an instructor in this subject at the New York University Reading Clinic. Recently she has been on the faculty of Chatham Hall in Virginia.

Miss Evelyn Jenkins of Andover, Massachusetts, has recently come to St. Mary's Hall as a resident member of the staff. Her chief responsibility will be interviewing parents, registering new students, and taking charge of the Alumnae Office. Miss Jenkins has had valuable experience at Phillips Academy in Andover.

Miss Lura M. Hardman, who has had several years of teaching experience in Colorado and New Jersey, is teaching Mathematics. She replaces Miss Jeanne Buzby, who was released in the late summer for work with the Red Cross.

Mrs. Margaret Neuhauser, of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, has taken the position of bursar, which was vacated by Miss Winifred Loutzenhiser. Mrs. Neuhauser was formerly bookkeeper for a large Lancaster newspaper. Her daughter, Margaret Louise, is a member of the sophomore class.

Mrs. Burd H. Grove has joined the staff as housemother in charge of one of the freshman corridors. Mrs. Grove also teaches Middle School Arithmetic and assists in the Lower School. She has had experience at Highland Hall, Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania, and St. Agnes School, Albany, New York.

## H. M. S. PINAFORE

or

### *The Lass That Loved a Sailor*

The ponderous ship of education was given a great lift in May by the production of H. M. S. Pinafore, as were the war weary spirits of the audience.

Florence Weygandt, as director, and Lota Winchell Curtiss, as accompanist, spent hours of painful, tuneful, interesting, thrilling, and finally triumphant drill on the preparations.

They were generously assisted in scenery, choreography, speech, lights, properties, and costumes by a production staff, and no modern tamperings with score or costumes were allowed.

The vocal and dramatic revelations of the cast were Priscilla Hall, as Ralph Rackstraw, and Edith Fort, as Captain Cocoran. Barbara Stem was more beautiful and appealing than any K. C. B.'s daughter ever was.

The entire cast and chorus were more than adequate for the gay and inspired quarterdeck of H. M. S. Pinafore.

Let us have more music with our punctures of official stuffed shirts, more beauty with our music, and especially more Gilbert and Sullivan!

## FOUNDERS' DAY - 1945

When the roll-call was taken, 51 responded from New Jersey, 18 from Pennsylvania, 7 from New York, 2 from California, and one each from Florida and Maine.

The result of the election of officers as given by the chairman of the Nominating Committee is found elsewhere in the issue.

An interesting resume of the past five years was given by the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Styer. Miss Newbold presented the Class of 1945, which was welcomed into the Society of Graduates by Miss Ridgway.

Miss Newbold gave her report to the Alumnae at the luncheon, which was served in the school dining-room following the business meeting. An interesting feature of the luncheon was the presentation of Blue Ribbons by Miss Edith Packer to those attending from the earliest class. They were:

Margaret Haines - 1884  
Caroline Haines - 1885  
Alice VanKirk Richards - 1885  
Sarah Olden - 1887  
Eliza Ridgway - 1889

Following the luncheon an invitation was extended to the Alumnae to attend the performance of "Pinafore" given by the students. An able cast performed and remarkable results were shown under the capable direction of Mrs. Florence Weygandt.

## COMMENCEMENT - 1945

The 108th year closed with Commencement Exercises Tuesday, June 5th. In greeting the many parents and guests who were present that day, Miss Newbold referred to three ways in which the school year of '44-'45 will be remembered:

1. The academic standing of individual classes is higher than last year.

2. It has been a singing year at St. Mary's, culminating in the excellent production of "Pinafore".

3. The program has been enriched by offering a choice of activities, such as Creative Writing Group, Sketch Club, Handicrafts, Modern Dance, etc.

Miss Newbold then announced the following awards:

1. The Scarborough Prize, to the ranking student in the 6th grade—Barbara Armstrong, of the Virgin Islands, Honorable mention to Barbara Marter, N. J., ranking student in the 5th grade.

2. The American Legion Award to the 8th grade student recommended for her courage, character, service, companionship and scholarship — Judith Anne Nichols, of New Jersey.

3. Science Prize of \$10 for the greatest interest and initiative in Science — Beverly VanHorn ('46), of California.

The shield which hangs in Nelson Corridor and is awarded each year to the class making the highest average, went this year to the senior class and was presented this year to the ranking student in that class — Barbara Warner. A close second was Martha Flash, of New York.

The Bishop Matthews Award to the senior or junior ranking highest in a special examination in the Prayer Book — Patricia Van Horn ('45), California.

The Bishop Gardner Award, presented to a member of the senior class who fulfills the idea of Christian character and who makes a unique contribution to the life of the school — Emily Kent Wright, of New Jersey.

The Ivy Leaf Award for Citizenship is the highest award in the school. Both students and faculty register their choice of the student possessing the following attributes:

A co-operative attitude in school life and affairs; a high standard of conduct; loyalty to friends, faculty, and school; self-reliance and initiative and tolerance for another's point of view — Martha Levick Flash ('45), of New York.

In closing her remarks, Miss Newbold presented two members of the graduating class, Frances Atkinson, president, and Phyllis Hornberger, who have been at the Hall for 9 and 11 years respectively.

Following the presentation of awards,

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## REDECORATION OF THE CHAPEL

One hundred years ago the cornerstone of the Chapel was laid. Two years later it was consecrated. It is our hope that by the end of the next two years the Chapel will have been painted, new lighting installed, and the floor repaired. Several gifts toward such redecoration have already been made:

\$ 23.97 from the Society of Graduates  
\$ 25.00 from Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Delo  
\$162.20 from the Class of 1945

Further contributions will be most welcome. Are there not some graduates who would like to make a thanksgiving or a memorial offering so that the Chapel in which they have worshipped may continue to be a source of inspiration and beauty?

## LOWER SCHOOL

The Lower School is fortunate in having two graduates of the Hall on its faculty. Miss Margaret Cayford, Class of 1930, and Miss Priscilla Ireland, Class of 1939. Both Miss Cayford and Miss Ireland are graduates of the Illman-Carter Unit of the University of Pennsylvania. Miss Cayford has had seven years of teaching experience at the Country Day School at Mansfield, Ohio. This is Miss Ireland's second year of teaching, the greater part of last year being spent in Orlando, Florida. Miss Elizabeth Jackson, who taught the 5th and 6th grades last year, is continuing her excellent work.

## COMMENCEMENT - 1945

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Lieutenant Rosa E. Cunningham, station commander of the Recruiting Unit of the Women's Army Corps, Trenton, N. J., gave a most interesting address in which she pictured the world as it is today and the opportunities awaiting women in the reconstruction period which will follow the peace.

Bishop Gardner presented 13 diplomas and 2 certificates to the members of the graduating class. The school entertained about 300 at luncheon following the exercises.

## BACCALAUREATE SPEAKER

The Class of 1945 was fortunate in securing the Right Reverend Oliver J. Hart, Bishop of Pennsylvania, to preach the sermon at the Baccalaureate Service on Sunday, June 3. Bishop Hart gave a most inspirational and helpful address. The Hall was glad to have him and his wife remain for supper.

## ATHLETIC BANQUET

At the Athletic Banquet, held just before the closing of school in June, awards were made to individual students for achievements in sports. At this time the Athletic Shield, which hangs in Nelson Corridor, was again awarded to the White Team, making the third year this team has won it.

## GIFTS

The Class of 1945 has given the sum of \$162.20 to a fund for beautifying the Chapel. A portion of this money has been spent for the purchase of two hymnals to be used in the chancel. They are bound in red morocco and are inscribed with gold lettering. Earlier in the year the class purchased a missal, which has been in constant use on the Altar.

Dean Adams has presented the Library with a sum of money to be used for magazines. The following have been ordered: Atlantic; Survey; Graphic; Nation; New Yorker; Time; Saturday Evening Post; Better Homes and Gardens; Jack and Jill. He has also given two very fine books, *An Intelligent America's Guide to Peace*, edited by Sumner Welles, and *Durant's Caesar and Christ*.

Mrs. J. Tyson Forker, Jr., mother of Carol Jean, has presented the school with four badminton racquets and presses, a sled, and a lovely old maple chair. Carol Jean, who was a day student in our fourth grade last year, is now living in Philadelphia and attending Friends' Select School. We wish her well.

Flat silver is very much needed at the Hall. We are grateful to Miss Ann van Vliet for her generous contribution last spring.

## PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER

The Philadelphia Chapter held its first meeting of the year at the Hall on Thursday, October 25, attended by about twenty enthusiastic members. Winter plans include a luncheon meeting in Philadelphia on January 22 and a bridge tea at the Hall on May 4. The meeting, followed by luncheon in the school dining-room, was held in the living-rooms of the hall, recently redecorated by the Philadelphia Chapter, which plans to continue its interest in the rooms by adding appropriate furnishings. The members are searching for just the right kind of antique mirror to be placed over one of the mantels. Is there any one who knows of such a mirror or who wishes to make such a gift?

## THE NEW YORK CHAPTER

The New York Chapter lost a devoted member and its oldest graduate on February 12, 1945, with the death of Mrs. H. A. Kingsbury, who was Agnes Brown, Class of 1874. Mrs. Kingsbury was secretary of the New York Chapter for many years and until recently had taken an active interest in St. Mary's Hall.

The New York Chapter held three meetings and a luncheon this past year. The November meeting was held at the home of Mrs. John Weber, Jr. The January meeting was at the Hotel Blackstone. Hostesses were Mrs. Black, Mrs. Gooch, Miss Salmon, and Mrs. Williamson. The spring meeting and annual luncheon were held on Saturday, April 21, at the Hotel Carlyle. Forty members were present.

## OUR SISTERS AND OUR COUSINS AND OUR AUNTS

Sonya Leach is the sister of Jeanne Leach, 1940.

Sally Taylor is the grand niece of Greta Riddell (Mrs. Thomas Harvey), 1903.

Mary Lou West is the sister of Doris West, 1944.

Temple Fawcett is the daughter of Mary Tappan Phelps (Mrs. Arthur Hughes Fawcett), 1918, and sister of Pauline Fawcett Spofford, 1942.

Edith Fort is the great-granddaughter of Carvilla Brian, 1865.

Patricia Brown is the great-granddaughter of Marie Louise Barron (Mrs. Charles de Forrest Fredericks), 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.), 1915.

Barbara Brumbaugh is the granddaughter of Minnie Sattarfield, 1883.

Martha Rice is the step-daughter of Frances Day (Mrs. Robert Rice) who attended the Hall in 1929-31.

Constance Lukens is a great-granddaughter of Edith Anna Woolman and a niece of Edith Anna Lukens, 1917.

Katherine Probasco is a cousin of Cynthia Probasco who attended the Hall in 1938-39.

## REPORT OF ELECTION OF OFFICERS

### Founders' Day - 1945

Miss Florence Davies, Class of 1924, presided during election.

Mrs. George T. Richards, Class of 1885, was Judge of Elections.

### Tellers

Miss Mabel Schermerhorn, Class of 1907.

Mrs. B. B. Manchester, Class of 1908

Mrs. Henry A. Brown, Class of 1905  
82 votes were cast. Several scattered votes included names of

Mrs. Arthur Fawcett, Class of 1918

Mrs. Joseph Gooch, Associate

Mrs. Frank Katzenbach, Associate

### Ticket Elected

President: Miss Eliza R. Ridgway, Class of 1889.

First Vice President: Miss Kathryn Salmon, Class of 1919.

Second Vice President: Mrs. Stobo Cate, Class of 1891.

Third Vice President: Mrs. Henry Siegrist, Class of 1923.

Recording Secretary: Mrs. David Styer, Class of 1898.

Corresponding Secretary: Miss Margaret Merritt, Class of 1913.

Treasurer: Miss Mary Miller, Class of 1901.

### Executive Committee:

Miss Sarah Olden, Class of 1887.

Mrs. C. M. Scott, Class of 1900.

Mrs. John Hartman, Class of 1907.

Mrs. J. C. Hiden, Class of 1927.

MARGARET S. HAINES, Class of 1884.

Chairman of Nominating Committee.

# News Of Our Alumnae

1874

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Elizabeth A. Kingsbury (*Bessie A. Brown*) on February 12, 1945, who for many years was president of the New York Chapter.

1885

Oli Coughlin (*Mrs. William Mott*), of 313 Wood Street, Burlington, mother of Gertrude Mott (*Mrs. William Detwiler*), of the Class of 1912 and sister of Elizabeth Coughlin (1887), died in August.

1887

Miss Sarah E. Olden was at Nantucket this summer.

1888

Mrs. McClellan Hess (*Elizabeth Guion*) writes of her interesting life in Chicago where the Cameo Salon, of which she is founder and president, has just celebrated its 25th anniversary.

1891

Matilda Whitall spent most of the summer at the Riverside in Ogunquit, Maine, and Mrs. Fearnley had the pleasure of seeing her several times. She was doing quite a bit of painting and we hear sold a number of her delightful water color sketches.

1893

Mrs. Fearnley sends us word of the death of Mrs. Harvie Heitman (*Florida Schultz*), of Fort Myers, Florida, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ray C. Blownstine, in Amenia, New York, on July 4, 1945.

1896

The many friends of Mrs. Helen Ballou Miller will be grieved to hear of her sudden death on August 11 at her home in Barnstable, Massachusetts. Mrs. Miller died shortly after arranging for and witnessing the marriage of her granddaughter and namesake, who was graduated from the Hall in 1944. Mrs. Miller had kept up her active interest in the Hall and was a frequent visitor here. She will be greatly missed.

Miss Edith C. Packer attended the French Summer School at Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont, during the summer.

1904

Mrs. Cady's address in Memphis, Tenn., is 1607 Shackleford Road. Mrs. Cady was *Madeleine Beach*.

1905

Mrs. C. C. Williams (*Bertha Case*) spent July and part of August with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Eddy, in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and writes that she has lost her heart to the grandeur of that state.

Mrs. Garner De Voe (*Edna Cozzens*) lives on Hillwood Drive, Nashville, Tenn.

1906

Mrs. H. W. S. Gehrke (*Emilie Zehm*) writes of their delightful home at Fleetwood, Penna.

1908

Mrs. Louis Beijen (*Florence Cameron*) wrote Mrs. Fearnley that they were expecting to move to California this autumn.

Mrs. Ainley (*Eleanor Titus*) writes that her older daughter, Baroness Henri Borel, goes to Greece in September, as her husband has been named Belgian Ambassador to that country. The Borels have two children, a son and a daughter. Mrs. Ainley's younger daughter, Patricia, is still working with the British Red Cross in Syria.

1909

Anna B. Hewitt regrets that her duties as curator of the Haverford College Library prevented her attending the Founders' Day Reunion. She was especially busy during May, due to the visits of several historical societies.

Mr. and Mrs. Levis C. Babcock, Jr., (*Marguerite Flanders*) and son, Richard, spent a pleasant week-end in August with Mrs. E. Raymond Burdge (*Valetta Bennett*) at her home near Point Pleasant, N. J.

Mrs. Charles G. Stone (*Josephine Hanlen*), of New Cumberland, Pennsylvania, writes that her son, Charles, entered Princeton last June, after graduating with highest honors from High School. She also tells of her activities among the women in Harrisburg Masonic circles. Her husband is Potentate of the Lodge.

An interesting letter from Isabel Moore tells of her interest at Fox Hollow School, Lenox, Mass. This school was started seventeen years ago by the Principal and Isabel and has proved very successful. It is recognized as being at the top of the list of schools sending well prepared girls to colleges. This surely speaks well for Isabel's training at St. Mary's Hall and for her teaching experience there, when she assisted Mrs. Fearnley for several years after graduation.

Word has been received of the death of Lieutenant Henry Rawlins Hamner, U. S. N., 23, son of Captain and Mrs. E. C. Hamner (*Dorothy Kirk*), of Philadelphia, and nephew of Rear Admiral Alan G. Kirk. Lt. Hamner was killed while serving aboard a destroyer in the Pacific. We extend to Captain and Mrs. Hamner our deepest sympathy.

1910

Mrs. Jameson (*Miriam Bisler*) wrote Mrs. Fearnley that while paying a visit in Geneva, New York, she got in touch with Mrs. Cassidy (*Angelica Mumford*) and they had a day together. She adds that she is planning to spend a day at Cape May, New Jersey, to see another classmate, Mrs. Williams (*Agra Bennett*), who is there, as is Mrs. Herbert Allen (*Florence Tenbroeck*). St. Mary's friendships certainly seem to last over the years.

Anna Kennedy, we regret to say, has been ill for several months, but she is making progress towards recovery and

hopes to be traveling by spring, 1946. She writes that Patsy, the daughter of Eleanor Titus Ainsley, is serving with the British Red Cross in Beirut, and is meeting Anna's friends there.

Mrs. Marius Roche (*Margaret King*) is living on a ranch in California and writes that she would like to send her two girls to St. Mary's Hall but that "it is too far away."

Mrs. Douglas Williams (*Agra Bennett*) spent two weeks at Cape May in August with her husband and daughter, Mrs. Edgar K. Thompson. Agra's address is Willow Glen, Wheeling, West Virginia.

Mrs. Herbert Allen (*Florence Tenbroeck*) and her husband summered at the Chalfonte, Cape May. The daughter, Alice, and her two children had a cottage nearby. Florence's sons, Jack and Bob, are still in the Pacific.

Mrs. Norman Jameson (*Miriam Bisler*) paid a visit to Agra Williams and Florence Allen in Cape May. While visiting her oldest daughter, Peggy Day, in Geneva, New York, she had the pleasure of a visit from Angelica (*Mumford*) Cassidy. Then in turn she visited Angelica in Watkins Glen.

Mrs. George D. Upson (*Anna Sprague*) wrote in the spring but her letter was too late to be included in the last issue of Ivy Leaves. Anna writes, "As for me, I am always terribly busy with all sorts of interests, too numerous to print. My biggest personal news is that I am a grandmere and have decided that this is the only racket which proves to be all the fun that it is actually cracked up to be. My son now is at Yale in the V-12, a break for which I am truly thankful."

Mrs. Leigh Gersternberger (*Marjorie Howe*) writes that her son, John, aged twenty-one, is in 4F class and most unhappy about it. He has a job in the Research Department of McGraw-Hill, publishers, in New York and is on the road most of the time. Leigh, Jr., aged sixteen, is at Blair Academy.

Mrs. William C. Stiver, Jr. (*Bessie Crowder*) wrote us from Ocean City, New Jersey.

1912

Mrs. Bruce Stratton (*Dorothy Hover*) of Denver, Colorado, spent the summer with her parents at Long Beach, California. Mrs. Hover, also a graduate of St. Mary's Hall, was Mariana Vought, Class of 1878, and her address at Long Beach is 852 East Ocean Avenue.

Mrs. Gilbert Halsted's daughter, Nancy, was married to Lt. Waldo Watson Simons last June.

1914

Mr. and Mrs. John Nalle (*Frances Bain*) have recently moved to 33 Wellington Road, Belmont 83, Massachusetts.

Mrs. Henry G. Sweney (*Margaret Campbell*) wrote Mrs. Fearnley that her grandchild and also one of Mrs. Herbert Allen's (*Florence Tenbroeck*)

play together on the beach at Cape May, where the Sweneys and Allens are spending the summer.

Mrs. Arona Hubbard, of Pittsburgh, spent part of the summer at Miami, Florida, and while there saw much of her classmate, Mrs. Ray Van Seggern (*Olive Wilde*).

Gladys Osborne Holberton is living in St. Petersburg.

### 1915

Mrs. French Burnham has announced the marriage of her daughter, Ann Lee Burnham, to Pfc. Hugh Wiley Hitchcock, A. U. S., of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.

### 1916

Geno Thomas, who has been a hematologist in a Boston hospital during the war months, took a much-needed rest during part of the summer at Hayford's-in-the-Field in New Hampshire, which, from her description, must be a delightful spot with its lakes and forests under the shadow of Chocorua.

Mrs. John Weber (*Elsie Schreiber*) spent the summer in Glen Cove, Long Island, week-ending at Shelter Island.

### 1917

We were shocked to hear of the sudden passing of Mr. Gorham P. Sargent in August. Our deepest sympathy goes out to his family, Mrs. Gorham P. Sargent (*Dorothy Shreve, Class of 1917*); Mrs. DeVer Warner (*Dorothy Sargent, Class of 1939*); and Gorham P. Sargent, Jr., of the Army Air Corps.

Mrs. Wilfred Forhan (*Marie Lorange*) spent a delightful vacation at Balsam, N. C. She writes that her Fort Lauderdale, Fla., address for the present is 322 S. W. Twentieth Street.

### 1919

Mrs. Edward Chalif's daughter Peggy entered Vassar College this autumn. Her oldest child Sonia is also at Vassar.

Rosemary Thomas, who for several years has been connected with the Spence School in New York City, goes this autumn to take up new work at the Oxford School, Hartford, Connecticut.

Kay Salmon has been creating a little garden as a memorial to her mother, who died last year. Kay and her father are living at Southold but will return to New York in November for a few months and will be at 319 East 50th Street.

### 1920

Mrs. R. C. Schaeffer, Jr. (*Elizabeth Read*) with Mr. Schaeffer and their son, spent the summer at the West Town Farm, Pennsylvania. They have bought a new home at Lansdowne, Penna., into which they will move this autumn. The address is 143 West Drexel Avenue.

We were interested to hear that Dr. Russell Best, husband of *Jane Johnson* of Omaha, Nebraska, on his return from the European theatre of war was put in charge of the large hospital for wounded service men at Colorado Springs, Colorado.

### 1921

We heard recently that Emily Wooley Ferguson had married Mr. Leland Goddard and is living at Key West, Florida.

The Washington "Times Herald" of Thursday, August 16, had a picture of Major General Robert W. Hasbrouck and Mrs. Hasbrouck (*Marjorie Nightingale*) and their daughter, Margot, at their home, 2938 Macomb Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. General Hasbrouck was in command of the famed 7th Armored Division which fought 2000 miles from Normandy to the Baltic.

We learn that Mrs. Philip Crockitt (*Ruth Dill*) has been spending the summer in Bermuda, her girlhood home.

Mrs. Herbert V. Mercready (*Margaret Moore*), 217 Washington Avenue, Chatham, N. J., last June, accepted the appointment to the P. T. A. Morris County Board of Managers, for a three-year term, in the capacity of Publications Chairman of the Morris County Council, New Jersey Congress of Parents and Teachers.

### 1922

Mrs. Adrian Head (*Deborah Ware*) spent several weeks this summer with her parents in Ogunquit. She had with her her son, Richard. Mrs. Head lives in Rosedale, Toronto, Canada.

### 1923

Mrs. Howard F. Knight (*Gertrude Reynolds*) and her sister, Mrs. E. W. G. Boogher (*Elizabeth Reynolds*) of Moorestown and Merchantville, respectively, had lunch in July with Mrs. Henry Siegrist (*Bettie Fell*) at her home in Bordentown. Another guest that day was Mrs. Maurice Keen (*Gertrude Hutchinson*), of Bordentown, who also attended the Hall. Sallie Siegrist will probably be a student at the Hall next year.

### 1925

Mrs. John Hensler (*Helen Donnelly*) is moving to Island Heights, New Jersey. Since her husband has been in the Army she has lived at various places, having given up her home in Toms River.

### 1929

Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer D. Coles (*Elizabeth P. Shoemaker*) announce the arrival of a son, Wilmer Dayton Coles, Jr., on September 15, 1945.

### 1930

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hoffman (*Rebecca Styer*) announce the birth of a son, John William Hoffman, Jr., on July 19, 1945.

### 1931

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Winton Larson (*Nell-Gray Willcox*) announce the birth of a third daughter, Ann Winton, on July 1, 1945. They have two other daughters, Joan Ormsby, 5, and Nell-Gray Willcox, 7.

Elizabeth Mears Morgan is now living in Penns Grove, New Jersey, where her husband, the Reverend L. J. Morgan, is rector of the Church of Our Merciful Saviour. The Morgans have a year-old son.

### 1933

Katharine Marie Duncan (*Mrs. A. J. Ball*) has been living with her parents, Major and Mrs. Charles M. Duncan, Freehold Military School, Freehold, N. J. Her husband, who is a Lieutenant Colonel, is serving in the India-Burma sector. Her three brothers are in England, Belgium, and France.

### 1934

Dorothy Willaman has been married for nearly three years to Lt. Otto Haas, Jr., U. S. N. She is living in Washington, D. C.

### 1936

Lt. and Mrs. Edmond deC. Johnson (*Georganne Barnes*) announce the birth of a daughter on April 3, 1945. Adelaide Baird Barnes (1903) is the grandmother.

Mrs. Robert F. Miller (*Louise C. Speace*) attended Evensong with her sister Barbara one Sunday. It was such a pleasure to see them.

### 1937

The entire class wishes to express its deepest sympathy to Virginia Beardsley Claybrook upon the sad news of the tragic death of her husband on last Christmas Day, while fighting in France. "Ginny" is living with her family in New York.

Betty Webster Peplow has moved to Massachusetts.

Pat Clarke is instructing in art and pottery at the Greenwich House in New York City.

Corporal and Mrs. Richard Reigel (*Nancy Auten*) announce the arrival of a son, Charles Frederic Reigel, on May 29, 1945, in Lancaster, Penna.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Tourigney (*Helen Tasman*) announce the arrival of Helen Kay Tourigney on May 12, 1945. Their address is 15 Second Avenue, San Mateo, California.

We understand that Betty Drake Blois is the mother of a son born last December in Miami, Florida. We'd like to hear more news from her.

Mrs. John J. Routier (*Betty Brown*) was granted a month's leave of absence during June from her work in Rochester, where she has been making her home for the past two years while John has been overseas. She spent the month "just resting" with her parents in Trenton. Her address is 1191 Howard Road, Rochester, N. Y.

Mrs. Leslie J. MacDonald (*Elizabeth Salisbury*) has a new address: Room 103, 93 Church Street, Toronto, Ontario. She may resign her position with Imperial Oil around Christmas time to live nearer Les, who is stationed in Kingston, Ontario. "Brownie" and she had a reunion in Buffalo one week-end during March, and they both heard Muriel Welles' (1939) big brother, Dean Welles, give a marvelous sermon at St. Paul's Cathedral.

### 1939

Jimmy Carter Donovan and Libbie Williamson now have a house at 1203 East Water Street, Tucson, Arizona. We hear that the climate is grand!

Peggy Clayberger Jones is home from California. You'll find her at 38 Main Street, Vincentown, N. J.

Muriel Welles sailed for England in October. Her destination is St. Hilda's College, Oxford University, Oxford, England, where she will work toward her Master's degree. Bon Voyage, Muriel, and let us hear from you!

We have a new class daughter who was born this past May 7th. Her name is Judith Hastings and her very proud

parents are John and Nancy Zuver Hastings. We certainly extend a big welcome to Judy! She and her parents can be reached at their new address, which is Box 250, South Yarmouth, Massachusetts. Congratulations to the Hastings trio from us all!

Jane Boswell is leaving shortly for California to attend the University of California at Berkeley. She will take graduate work in Library Science.

It was so good to see Josephine Peters Wynne the other day. Dick is out of the Navy now, and the Wynnes are going to stay in New York City for a while.

Dorothy Sargent Warner is planning on flying East shortly with her young daughter, Carolyn. She is to be with her mother at 10 Main Street, Riverton, N. J. We are looking forward to her first visit in five years to S. M. H.

#### 1940

When Wave Barbara Speace, AMM 2/c, was home on a 10-day leave she visited the Hall several times. We learned of her engagement, which was announced last spring by her mother, Mrs. Eugene Dudley Speace. Her fiancé is Alexander Pinkham Grice, III, of Norfolk, Va. He is a graduate of Woodbury Forest School and is now attending William and Mary College.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Seaman (*Catherine Capozzi*) have been the proud parents of David Trent since this past June 1st. A big welcome from all!

Lillie Girtton was married on June 23 to Mr. Robert Edwards. Kitty Helwig Kline (1941) was matron of honor and Norma Wenzel (1938) was a bridesmaid.

Announcement has been made by Mrs. Clarence N. Peacock of the engagement of her daughter, Betsey Taggart Whitestone, to Lt. John T. Camp, U. S. M. C., of Westfield, N. J.

#### 1941

The last issue of *Ivy Leaves* brought a prompt response from Kitty Helwig Kline because we had promoted her husband from Lieutenant Commander to Captain. We are sorry for the error but feel sure that time will vindicate us.

Dorothy Heck, who graduated from the University of Wisconsin, is now working for the Eastern Air Lines in Washington, D. C. Her work has changed several times since she has been with the company, but she is now at motor control, which consists of loading the ships with passengers and baggage within the ten minutes allotted for it. She writes, "When you have five planes on the ground at once, it keeps you very busy. There is something about this business that makes you work twice as hard as you ordinarily would. I love to watch the planes fly in, taxi in, and then fly off again. They are beautiful things and one never gets bored watching them."

Nancy Mercier McComb is now living with her parents in Alexandria, Va. She is doing secretarial work while awaiting the return of her husband, John McComb, a Lieutenant in the U. S. Marines.

#### 1942

The friends of Eloise Woodward will be delighted to learn that "Woody and Frank are engaged as of April 19." For further information write to Eloise.

Vivian Atkinson has been awarded a scholarship by the French Department of Wilson College, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, which entitled her to a summer of study at Middlebury College.

Mr. and Mrs. William B. Spofford, Jr. (*Pauline F. Fawcett*) announced the arrival of Timothy on Saturday, September 22nd. He weighed 8 lb., 1½ oz., and is a native of Boston.

Mrs. Hugh T. Goodridge announces the marriage of her daughter, Gwendoline Muriel, to Mr. Charles E. Porteus on June 2.

#### 1943

Elizabeth Wright is attending the Philadelphia Museum School of Industrial Arts, commuting from her home in Princeton. She is enjoying the work very much.

Joan Burdge returned for Commencement last year. After graduating from the Berkley Business School in New York, she accepted a position with the local Red Cross in Huntington, but is now with the J. C. Penny Company, in New York, where she is private secretary to one of the buyers. Her address is Box 404, Huntington, N. Y.

Smith College has announced that Mary Oliphant Eckman has won honors at Smith College. Her name is on the Dean's List. This honor is given to students who maintain an average of "B" or higher.

The Rev. Harold F. Hohly and Mrs. Hohly announce the marriage of their daughter, Margaret Ann, to Pfc. James Renwick McCarroll on June 23. Mr. McCarroll is a medical student at Cornell University.

#### 1944

Mary Newton Cox writes that she enjoyed her freshman year at William Smith College and "learned a great deal". She is looking forward to her second year there, as is Ann Gooch. Ann spent the summer in Ogunquit, Maine.

Lois Westby, who returned to her home in England immediately after her graduation, is living at 2114 Old Brompton Road, London, S. W. 5. She writes that *Ivy Leaves* is most welcome because it brings her news of her classmates and St. Mary's. In describing the celebration of V-E Day in London, Lois speaks of the thrill of the flood lighting on the buildings and the excitement of the crowd outside Buckingham Palace when the King made his public appearance. Lois has given up her work at the Ministry of Information and is now studying art.

Jeanne M. Hornberger is attending Russell Sage College in Troy, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred J. Miller, Jr., announce the marriage of their daughter, Helen Ballou, to Ensign Herbert A. Davidson, U. S. M. C., on June 23, at Barnstable, Massachusetts.

Ann Louise Pearson visited the school on October 23 with Arlene Spencer. She is a sophomore at Pennsylvania State College, where she is ma-

joring in home economics. She had an interesting summer in the physics laboratory of Rohm and Haas Chemical Plant.

#### 1945

Frances Atkinson at the University of Vermont writes that it is a great temptation to join in such activities as choir, dramatic club, and work on the school paper, but that she is refraining from doing so in order to spend more time on her studies.

Mary Belleville is enthusiastic about her work at New Jersey College for Women. Her new address in Trenton is 1202 Riverside Avenue.

Martha Flash is very busy with the nursing service course at Skidmore College and writes that she likes having one of her classmates on the campus. She and Barbara Stem have a good time comparing notes.

Priscilla Hall is a freshman at William Smith College. Priscilla and "Rusty" were here for Evensong the first Sunday of school. It was good to hear Priscilla's voice as she sang the opening sentence of the Magnificat.

Margaret Hirshon is at Sweet Briar College. We hope to give you more news of her in our next issue.

Joan Hornberger is at Syracuse University, and at first found the huge campus and many students a bit overwhelming, but she likes it now and enjoys living in one of the freshman cottages.

Mildred Loose is living in Philadelphia and studying art and music. We are awaiting more news from her.

Frances Schoch was here for the opening service of school. She is planning to do some volunteer work with the Veterans Commission of New Jersey.

Jean Smith was in Arizona this summer and plans to return to enter the university there in January, majoring in drama and studying voice.

Arlene Spencer has been enjoying a leisurely autumn at her home since Pennsylvania State College opens late in October. She is planning to major in home economics.

Barbara Stem has not yet decided upon her major at Skidmore but thinks it may be sociology. She is minoring in music. Both she and Pat Flash have made the freshman chorus composed of sixty students out of three hundred. Congratulations!

Patricia Van Horn is at Riverside College in California, hoping to transfer later to Stamford or Mills. She had an important position this summer as switchboard operator at Camp Haan, near Riverside. Her address is 3714 Hoover Street, Riverside, California.

Barbara Warner is enrolled at the University of Pennsylvania, taking a pre-medical course. We hear that she and Jean Smith have gotten together since Jean's return from the West.

Caroline Wright is a freshman at Syracuse, hoping to qualify in the field of occupational therapy.

Emily Wright is at home this winter teaching in the kindergarten of Mrs. Chapin's School. She was accepted at Miss Illman's School at the University of Pennsylvania and hopes to study there next year.

## THE LIBRARY

New and significant changes are apparent in the Library. Tables and chairs have been rearranged with more concern for the comfort of the readers, new and more efficient lights have been installed, and colorful curtains have been added. The students have already responded with interest and pride in the improved appearance of the room.

The task of evaluating and sorting the book collection with an eye to making it a good working tool of today's student has begun. Anything of real value or of interest in the history of the school has been carefully preserved and it is hoped that the Library may eventually serve as a receptacle of St. Mary's, a collection which should prove of interest not only to present and past students, but also to students of educational trends in this country.

Several new magazines have been added to the list, and story-hours and book talks have been given to various grades.

### *The Headmistress Pays Homage to the Loyalty of the Staff*

Following is an excerpt from her report to the Board of Trustees:

The loyalty and devotion of the entire staff, especially the household, kitchen and maintenance groups, has made possible the maintaining of our standards in these difficult war years. That we have recognized such service with small increases in salaries is not only an expedient policy, but a moral obligation. St. Mary's may well be proud of the fact that a number of the staff have been here from fifteen to thirty-five years and look upon the Hall as their home and their responsibility. It is this attitude that contributes greatly to the homelike quality of which parents and students speak and of which we are rightly proud.

## SCHOOL NOTES

Three bus loads and four cars of happy, excited students and faculty left the Hall the first Saturday of school with Beach Haven as the destination. It was a perfect day and every one enjoyed the delicious lunch, the sun, and the invigorating air.

Seats have been secured for the Philadelphia Symphony Concerts on six Saturday nights during the year.

### *School Bus*

St. Mary's bus, which went to war by helping with the transportation of employees at Fleetwings in Bristol, Pennsylvania, has been returned to civilian life. It is now being overhauled and may be sold or reconditioned for use of St. Mary's.

### *New Courses*

Three years ago a course in physiology on the college preparatory level was introduced into the curriculum of the school. The next year a course in Latin American Relations was introduced. This year the Hall is offering a course in psychology on the secondary school level. It is being taught by Miss Anne M. Groff, the school nurse.

## ECHOES OF WORLD WAR I

Mrs. Fearnley thinks the following may be of interest to the girls who were at S. M. H. during the First World War and who during that time and for several years after helped her to care for and support the several little French orphans we had adopted. She hopes they will be glad to know that she has heard from all these orphans since France was liberated and that they all not only survived these hard years but are all well.

The children Cadieu, in Finistere, send us word that Louis, the boy, was in the Free French Navy and on a ship that stood off the coast when the Allies landed in Normandy. Marie Louise, the younger girl, married just before this last war, has a little girl, Maryvonne, who plays with the doll we dressed for her when she was a little girl herself.

Of the children at Margaux, near Bordeaux, all are married and well. One of the boys is now a Lieutenant Colonel. All have children and are very happy that the days under German rule are over.

## WORLD WAR II

It has been suggested that the temporary service plaque hanging in Nelson corridor be replaced with a permanent one. Before doing this we want to be sure that the information on the present plaque is accurate and complete. Please send in additions or corrections promptly. The Honor Roll now reads:

### WAVES

Lillian Boschen, 1936  
Hetha Powell Brown, 1940  
May Alexander Cumpston, 1930  
Mary Elizabeth Leedom, 1940  
Viola Monaco, 1937  
Christine W. Ridley, 1939  
Barbara Ann Speace, 1940  
Janet L. Willaman, 1936  
Anne Franklin Bausman, 1944  
Edith Tally Cramp, 1937  
Mary Louise Hough, 1919  
Lillian Vera Handleman, 1941

### WACS

Marion M. Hartman, 1934

### MARINES

Carolyn Ann Spencer, 1943

## "IN MEMORIAM"

Mr. William E. Mott of Burlington, died suddenly of a heart attack October 6th. Mr. Mott, at one time, headed the Engineering Department of the University of Pittsburgh. He was active on many boards of directors and as a director of St. Mary's Hall was admired and his judgment respected. The Board of Trustees, meeting on October 9th, attended his funeral services at St. Mary's Church. Mr. Mott's wife, Oli Coughlin, was a member of the class of 1885.

## WANTED

The Art Studio would like to have back issues of LIFE MAGAZINE, or others that have featured reproductions of pictures and objects of art. Any such magazines mailed to the Hall will be greatly appreciated.

## STUDENT HAND BOOK

The Student Hand Book made its bow with the opening of school. It has taken three years to compile and is the result of the thinking and work of both students and faculty. Perhaps those who have made the greatest contribution toward it have been the presidents of the Student Council in the past five years. They are:

1940-41 Dorothy Thayer Heck  
1941-42 Ruth Caroline Clark  
1942-43 Elizabeth Rush Wright  
1943-44 Mary Newton Cox  
1944-45 Martha Levick Flash

## CHRISTMAS MYSTERY

The Christmas Mystery will be held on Wednesday afternoon, December 19th, at five o'clock. The alumnae, parents and friends of the school will be most welcome. The Mystery will be followed by the traditional Christmas dinner for the students and faculty at which the Bishop will be the honored guest. Students will leave for home on Thursday morning, December 20th, returning Tuesday, January 8th.

## BISHOP'S FEAST

The Bishop has set Tuesday, February 12th, as the date for the Bishop's Feast to which members of the Board of Trustees and their husbands or wives are invited.

The Board of Trustees will hold its meeting in the afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. It is hoped that the majority will remain for the chapel service and dinner.

## SENIOR HOUSE

There have been many inquiries coming to the Hall concerning the red-brick Victorian house on St. Mary's property, known as Senior House, but referred to by Burlington residents as the "Reynolds" property. This house has not been occupied since the winter following Pearl Harbor. It is now being razed, since the Board of Trustees is of the opinion that a vacant lot is more valuable than an obsolete building.

## OUR CHAPLAIN

The Reverend Otis L.A. Rice took up his duties as priest in charge of St. Mary's Church on July 1 and is now serving as chaplain of the Hall. He comes to Burlington from Minnesota. We are enjoying not only Father Rice but also his family, especially Diana, who is a student at the school.

## Sacred Studies Conference

The Headmistress attended the Sacred Studies Conference held at the Cathedral School in Washington last June. The Conference was attended by about sixty men and women representing church boarding and day schools. Miss Newbold has been asked to present and lead a discussion on the question of awards, motivation for conduct, etc., at a similar conference next June.