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War Situation Changes Plans For Bishop's Feast

February 13, 1942.

My dear Miss Newbold:

Am writing to explain to you, and through you to all others my reasons for not holding "The Bishop's Feast" at this time, and in the way we have held it in the past.

I feel in the light of the needs of the school for every bit of financial help we can give to it to meet the deficit, and especially in the light of the demands upon us for the great war effort that it is much wiser for me to give to you my check for the cost of the dinner, and ask you to apply it to the school deficit.

I also feel that we can carry out the spirit of the Bishop's Feast as it originated with Bishop Doane, and much in the way he gave it, if we postpone the same until some time after Easter, when the weather is more propitious.

As I understand it, Bishop Doane held his Feast as a high tea then at his residence "Riverside". It was a simple family affair, and I think if we were to plan for such an afternoon, either at my own home on Wood Street, or at the school, we might recapture more of the real tradition of the Feast.

I trust the girls will be able to understand this, and feel that they are both helping in the spirit of the school for this day, and also are making their contribution to the school's needs.

Faithfully and cordially yours,

WALLACE J. GARDNER.

PARENTS' DAY

Parents' Day was held at the school on Sunday, December 7th, the first time in a number of years and was a most successful occasion. Fifty fathers, sixty-four mothers and seventeen trustees were among the guests who came at three and stayed until nine.

Dean Adams and the members of his Educational Committee are to be congratulated on the fine program that was arranged. Parents were so enthusiastic about the day that they asked for a similar meeting in the Spring. Miss Newbold's speech on this occasion is printed in full.

REMEMBER THE DATE OF
FOUNDER'S DAY
WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

The Board of Trustees of St. Mary's Hall honored the Reverend John Talbot Ward at the Evensong service held on Parents' Day, December 7th, by conferring on him the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

The Students and Faculty of the school welcomed their beloved Chaplain, Father Ward, at the Evensong service, December 3rd, at which time he preached his first sermon at the school after a long absence.

Degree Conferred on the Rev. John Talbot Ward

Citation by the Rt. Rev. Paul Matthews, D. D., in Presenting the Reverend John Talbot Ward for the Degree of Doctor of Divinity in the Chapel of the Holy Innocents, St. Mary's Hall, Burlington, New Jersey, December 7th, 1941.

Right Reverend Sir:

I have the honour of presenting to you, as President of Burlington College, the Reverend John Talbot Ward, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, to receive the degree of Doctor of Divinity *honoris causa* awarded to him by the Board of Trustees.

John Talbot Ward has been a faithful priest of the American Church for forty years.

After serving in the Diaconate for a year in the Trenton Associate Mission, he became Curate of St. Paul's Church, Erie, Pennsylvania, for two years.

He was Rector of the Church of the Resurrection, Fern Bank, Cincinnati, Ohio, from 1903 to 1909, and then Rector of St. Clement's Church, Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania, from 1909 to 1921. (For twelve years.) In 1921 he began his work as Rector of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, in the long and honourable line beginning in 1703 with John Talbot whose name, by a happy coincidence, he bears.

He has been the Chaplain of St. Mary's Hall for the past twenty years; the Secretary of Burlington College; a faithful pastor; a forceful preacher of God's work; an inspiring and helpful teacher of the Christian Faith.

In the Diocese of New Jersey he has been honoured by appointment as an Examining Chaplain; by election to the Standing Committee, as a Deputy to the Provincial Synod.

In our Diocesan Councils he has been
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Present Educational Trend As It Affects Our Alumnae

At a recent meeting of the Principals of Schools for Girls which I attended in Boston, over two hundred schools were represented and the question of the future of private school education was the one most discussed both formally and informally. It was generally agreed that no one actually knows just what the future holds so far as private schools are concerned and that this period must necessarily be one of watchful waiting — of evaluating ourselves and our fundamental purpose for existing. A hopeful note was introduced when it was stated that the private schools in Canada have been full to overflowing since the war started.

The majority with whom I talked seemed to feel that this period is one which presents a direct challenge to church schools for the contribution which the Church itself has to make at this time. In these uncertain days, when the future of both ideals and institutions is so vacillating, this challenge seems to me to be the opportunity of a generation. I believe that because of the conditions in which we find ourselves, and not despite them, the private school has a contribution to make that is increasing daily in fundamental importance—that of promoting Christian fellowship supplemented by democratic ideals of living. I believe, also, that if these fundamentals can be worked out in the small groups represented by the private schools, they will eventually permeate the ideas and ideals of the nation as a whole.

With this idea of self-preservation for so vital a purpose in mind, we are turning first to our alumnae with an earnest plea for their continued interest and loyalty during these years which may be difficult for us to weather.

In an analysis of the sources from which new students are obtained, you will recall that our most fertile field is the alumnae and others who have attended the Hall. For this reason we have adopted a plan of working with and through these daughters of St. Mary's to the end that many who have gone here should become more interested in the school and in turn send us names of prospective students. Briefly our plan has been as follows: the New York Chapter and the Philadelphia Chapter have recently held meetings at which time their jurisdiction has been subdivided into smaller geographical areas and key people appointed to take charge of each of these smaller areas. Within the past month, the key people of both these chapters have spent a day
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Report Of the Headmistress To the Board of Trustees

On Monday, February 16th, the Board of Trustees held their mid-winter meeting at the Hall. Although the meeting was not so well attended as usual, a great deal of constructive thinking was accomplished. We are passing on to the alumnae some of the salient points which came out at this meeting which we know will be of interest:

The addition of three new students at the beginning of the second semester, brings our total enrollment up to one hundred and five. One of the new students is a boarder in the Upper School, and the other two are members of the Kindergarten. The distribution now stands at sixty boarders and forty-five day students. There are fifty-six students in the Upper School—thirty-five boarders and twenty-one day students; nine students in the Middle School—eight boarders and one day student; thirty-two students in the Lower School—seventeen boarders and fifteen day students; and eight students in the Kindergarten, all of whom are day students.

The general attitude of the students toward their academic work is good, and the girls are genuinely interested in maintaining a high academic level. This is evidenced by the fact that a comparison of the academic achievement of the Upper School classes this year with that of last year at the mid-term, shows that the present Senior Class has an average of 80.88% as against last year's Senior Class average of 70.41% and as against their own average last year of 75.72%. The other three upper classes show a corresponding rise in the average of their academic work:

	1942	1941
Senior	80.88%	70.41%
Junior	77.29%	75.72%
Sophomore	75.57%	71.67%
Freshman	74.49%	73.54%

This comparison gives some indication of the excellent foundation upon which the Upper School functions under Miss Ruch's direct and constant supervision.

The student life of the school has been happy and harmonious. No major disciplinary problems have arisen so far and there seems to be an unusually small amount of minor complaints among the student body. Much of this harmony is directly due to the work of the Student Council which has accepted the responsibility for constructive criticism and for maintaining high standards of conduct.

The social life of the school has been varied and interesting. On February 7th, the Juniors sponsored a dance for the benefit of the British War Relief which was a delightful affair and generally agreed the most successful dance the school has ever given. The orchestra was donated by the father of the president of the class and the dance netted forty dollars. Twenty students from Admiral Farragut Academy were included among our guests.

Because our program of planned entertainment is particularly interesting and because we think it good publicity in the community, we mailed out to approximately three hundred friends of the school a printed program of social events inviting them to share these occasions with us. The response has been good and should do much to bring and maintain the school before the public eye and ear.

The students this year have been much interested and very generous in their study of and contributions to various organizations and projects, sponsoring such organizations as Young America Wants to Help, the British War Relief, Bundles for Britain, H. M. S. St. Mary's, etc. The French Club sends a small amount each month for the maintenance of a French orphan, and the Lower School has responded one hundred per cent to the Junior Red Cross. In addition, the entire student body, faculty, and staff responded generously to the Red Cross Roll Call, the March of Dimes, and many of them are vigorously engaged in knitting for the Red Cross and British War Relief. The faculty, with three exceptions, is taking a First Aid course under Red Cross supervision, and twenty-eight students are taking the course under two faculty members who are accredited First Aid instructors.

The entire school is gearing itself cheerfully to war effort and when it opens next September we expect to have gone into the question of self-help sufficiently to enable us to use student help in the dining room and on the corridors to replace those of our boys who will be called in the draft.

It is with great regret that we face the fact that we can no longer make scholarship provision for our twelve English students. The Bishop's Fund for this purpose is now exhausted and it seems inadvisable to attempt to raise funds for these scholarships at this time. We are hoping that the parents and sponsors of these children will be able to raise money to continue them in the school since they have adjusted themselves happily and have proved a real addition to the school life and atmosphere.

HOW THEY ARE AND WHAT THEY'RE DOING

We were delighted to welcome Miss Edith Weller back to the school early in February. Miss Weller was a guest at Fairholm over night. Everyone was delighted to see her looking so well and enjoying her new work as Director of the Women's Residential Club of the General Electric Company in Schenectady, New York.

We regret that Mrs. Fearnley has been ill this winter, but we are glad to know that she is making a nice recovery. She is at the Hotel Wellington in New York City.

PRESENT EDUCATIONAL TREND AS IT AFFECTS OUR ALUMNAE

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at the school going over old files, sorting out and bringing up to date the cards in their own areas, and selecting the names of those whom they might contact personally and invite to a small neighborhood tea. Either Miss Hasbrouck or I have promised to attend each of these teas. Three have already been held—one at Fairholm at which about sixteen alumnae living in this part of New Jersey were present, one at Bordentown at the home of Betty Fell Seigrist, where many of those living in the Trenton area were present, and one in New York City at the home of Mrs. John Weber. Other teas are now being planned. Arrangements were also made and carried out to hold a luncheon meeting in Boston for those living in the New England area. Miss Newbold and Miss Hasbrouck met with about twelve from this group at which time moving pictures of the school activities were shown. This is the second meeting held in the Boston area within a year and the group has voted to make it an annual affair.

Perhaps the most heartening thing to the Headmistress in her less than two years at St. Mary's Hall, has been the interest, support, and loyalty of the alumnae—as evidenced by their interest in these meetings and their frequent visits to the school. With such a spirit in back of the school, and with the long tradition of genuine substantiality upon which to build, and with the present student body ready and willing to serve their school in any way in this emergency, certainly we can face whatever the future holds for us with the utmost confidence.

—F. L. N.

Special Notices to Alumnae

FOUNDER'S DAY

Plan to show your interest in your Alma Mater by attending Founder's Day on Wednesday, May 27th. Special effort is being made to have as large a representation as possible from the classes of 1932 and 1937 who will be celebrating their 10th the 5th reunions this year.

PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER

Philadelphia Chapter is holding a Bridge-Tea at Fairholm on Saturday, April 25th. Admission is 50 cents per person, or \$2.00 per table. This is an opportunity to bring a guest who might be interested in seeing the school.

Make your reservation early through your Chapter, or through the school.

NEW YORK CHAPTER

The New York Chapter will hold its annual luncheon at the Hotel Wellington on Wednesday, April 15. Make your reservations early through your Chapter or through the school.

Miss Neubold Discusses Purpose of Parent's Day

Ever since I first came to Saint Mary's Hall I have been looking forward to a time when I might greet the parents of our students at a meeting such as this. I know that only good can come of such a gathering and I am very grateful to those who have come, for your presence is evidence of your interest in the school, and is most encouraging to me because it is evidence of your belief in the school and its future.

In planning this meeting with the Education Committee and the members of the staff of the Hall, we agreed that since it was the first of its kind, it would be better to have no outside speaker but to make it informal so that we might share with you some of our hopes for the future of the school and that you in turn might have the opportunity to share with us your own ideas from which I know the school would benefit.

And so I am going to give you a very simple but comprehensive picture of what we are trying to accomplish at St. Mary's Hall.

Any educational task must include a workable formula for life as a whole and not just one phase of it. We are of course primarily concerned with the academic education of your children, some of whom will go on to college and some of whom will find other places in life to which they may contribute the results of their school training.

The standard of secondary school these days must necessarily be very high for competition is great; it behooves any school not only to be good, but to be continually aware of the advances in educational trends and methods, and adapt them according to need.

Working with us in this task is Miss Hilda Ruch, our academic director.

Schools today are confronted with a greater challenge than ever before in the history of education. Our whole philosophy of life in the United States today is on trial. To the school is given the task of maintaining the status quo—of well balanced living as we have known it—of maintaining the conception of the democratic way of life. Ideally, it is through the family that this way of life has been preserved—more so in the past perhaps than in the present because of the change in the American mode of living. The church too has its contribution to make in preserving this democratic way of life through what it teaches as well as its method of teaching; but we submit that it is primarily the school, both public and private, which has the future of the American ideal as its great responsibility.

What is this democratic way of life? That which preserves the integrity of the individual. Security of living, through school life, may be achieved in any one of three ways: by authority, by laissez-faire or by cooperation. It is inconceivable that a school run on the first, or authoritative principle,

will turn out sound-thinking, responsible citizens.

The same might be said of the second or laissez-faire method.

At Saint Mary's Hall for the past year we have been working on the third method, discussing the best way to interpret our approach to school problems, school discipline and school government to students and faculty. The student council, as it had been called, had been concerned primarily with small details of school life. The group that comprises the council this year has been doing some real thinking on the influence of the council in school life and the contribution that this group of girls could make to Saint Mary's Hall. Only so far as each council member and student is willing to accept responsibility, will we develop the kind of character and training that will make for useful citizens participating in their community when these girls go on to college or out into larger fields.

We have talked about the educational life, our effort to instill the democratic procedure in the school, our emphasis on cultural development, but we feel that the most important part of our school life has been typified by our chapel service today. St. Mary's Hall has always emphasized the religious side of life and will continue to do so for we feel that the religious approach, although the most intangible, is the most needed for the Christian mode of living, and I believe that this need is in some measure fulfilled through our chapel service.

The democratic way of life and the emphasis on religion are, then, what we stress. When these two approaches are used in conjunction with high academic standards we feel there develops the beginning of a sound philosophy of life, the first requisite of a well-balanced approach for the individual to face college or whatever the future may hold for her. We also believe this combination will produce a mature person, able to live a life satisfactory to herself and her own ideals as well as to those of any sphere in which she may find herself.

DEGREE CONFERRED ON THE REV. JOHN TALBOT WARD

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a wise leader, and in all his activities he is respected for his ability and loved for his amiability. With no trace of instability, his mind is clear and independent and not easily swayed. It is to be remembered that his native State is Missouri.

He is a born son of St. Mary's. His mother was a graduate of this great school and it was here that her naturally strong character was so reinforced in earnest faith that her zeal became a potent force to bring her family within the influence of our holy and beloved Church. Two of her brothers became priests, and one of them, the well known Missionary Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho, was later, as Bishop of Bethlehem, the Presiding Bishop of the Church.

John Talbot Ward stands here today

Cooperative Council Plan Adopted by Students, Faculty

Last year - a new plan for a student representation was adopted by the student body of St. Mary's Hall - A Cooperative Council of students and faculty. A firm foundation was laid by the members of this Council and through their valuable experiences, we the members of this year's Council are presented with the opportunity to achieve even more.

This year, we, the students and faculty of the Cooperative Council have again established high standards. Our object is to organize strong aims and ideals throughout the school; to win the respect of the student body who can so ably assist us through their cooperation.

Our Council is composed of eleven members. The president and a representative from each of the four upper classes; the president of the Athletic Association and two members of the faculty.

At our weekly meetings which are held each Monday afternoon, it is the duty of each member to present to the Council the thoughts and suggestions of the students she represents. We discuss these ideas and suggestions to the best of our ability and when decisions have been reached, they are returned to the students by their different representatives.

Indeed it is an important and responsible task which the Council member undertakes. She must consent to give her thought and time to carrying out the aims of the Council and to encourage student support and cooperation in school activities.

I am proud and honored to be at the head of the Cooperative Council for this year and to present the Council to you. We are here to help encourage a more democratic way of living and a closer cooperation between the students and faculty, and to make this a more unified and worthwhile school year at St. Mary's Hall. With the generous support offered thus far, I feel sure we will succeed in achieving our goal.

RUTH CLARK, President,
Cooperative Council.

as a Priest of this Church because his mother, Alice Talbot, came to St. Mary's Hall in 1854.

He is a worthy son of a devoted mother and a notable scion of a distinguished family.

He is altogether worthy of all the honour and distinction which Burlington College and St. Mary's Hall can bestow upon him.

In every way he upholds the great traditions of this place where sound learning, pure manners, and true faith are preserved, and where so many have been and are being trained in the good ways of the Church's life.

St. Mary's Hall, in honour preferring him, salutes him, and presents him to you, Right Reverend Father, as our well loved Chaplain John Talbot Ward.

News Of Our Alumnae

Permission has been received to publish this most interesting letter from one of our alumnae:

1921—Bertha Louise Kaltenbach

November 18, 1941.

My dear Miss Newbold:

Enclosed you will find one dollar for my subscription to Ivy Leaves.

I had another interesting three weeks vacation this year during the month of August. I spent twelve days with my parents and sister at a fishing camp up the French River. The name of the camp was "Bears' Den Lodge". It was the first time I had been anywhere near the French River. I never saw so much water. Then, too, one had to be a very good sailor for those waters get pretty rough and are very dangerous. We had good luck this year for the fish were certainly biting. I also had the good luck of catching on (Wednesday, August 13th) the largest pickerel caught up there for two years. It weighed 8½ pounds. I am enclosing a snap shot I took of it. All the folks at camp wanted me to have it mounted but I wanted to eat it; so eat it we did. After an eventful twelve days at this camp my sister and I took a week's motor trip from Toronto to Montreal, Quebec, Whitefield, New Hampshire, Arlington, Vermont, and home. We took in a night and half a day at Montreal and two nights and a day at Quebec, taking in all the sights of each city, and also St. Anne De Beaupre, Kent House and Montmorency Falls. At Whitefield we spent two nights and a day and a half seeing as much of the White Mountains as we could. We saw Pinkham Notch and Glen Ellis Falls, Echo Lake, Franconia Notch and the Old Man of the Mountains. We got a wonderful view of the Presidential Range also.

Going back to this fishing camp—the only way we could get to it was by train. We motored from Cleveland to Toronto and left the car at the station. The Canadian National train left at 10:50 P. M. and arrived at Hartley Bay at 5:30 A. M. There we were met by an Indian guide and had a 15 minute motor launch ride to the camp. Going back to Toronto, we left our parents there and they took the afternoon train to Cleveland, Ohio.

I do hope you will kindly print the picture of the largest fish I ever caught in Ivy Leaves, I'd like everyone to see it.

I am not by any means an expert fisherman. I have a lot to learn, but I do enjoy it and get a thrill out of it. I also had a poem written about this event, but alas! I have neither time nor space to write it out—it is pretty long.

Sincerely yours,

BERTHA LOUISE KALTENBACH.

Editor's Note: We regret that lack of money prevents us from printing pictures of any sort in Ivy Leaves.

1891

Mrs. Mary S. Cate, of Wood Street, is spending the winter months in St. Augustine, Florida.

1899

Mrs. Walter Twining (*Ethel R. Jones*) 20 Hewitt Road, Wynote, Pa., visited the Hall on Sunday, November 7th. Mrs. Twining had not been back for some time and was delighted with the general atmosphere of the Hall.

1905

Mrs. C. C. Williams (*Bertha Case*) has recently announced the engagement of her daughter, Marjorie Condray Williams, to First Class Private Daniel Burnham Eddy, of the Personnel Department of the 502nd Air Craft Warning Regiment at Fort Dix.

Word has reached us that Mrs. Marc Smith (*Isabel Craham*) who has been living abroad for many years is now residing in Mexico.

1908

Colonel and Mrs. C. R. Haig (*Hilda Morse*) are at Fort Devens, Mass.

Mrs. Brace Bennett has moved to 2938 Ewing Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

1909

Mrs. Edward C. Hamner (*Dorothy Kirk*) and family have moved from the old Hamner homestead in Lynchburg, where they have lived for the last fifteen years, to 2100 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa. We are very happy to see Mrs. Hamner at the Philadelphia Chapter meeting and to hear about her two children: Henry is a midshipman at Annapolis and Joan is away at boarding school.

1910

Miriam Bisler Jameson writes us that she has been quite ill for a number of years and enjoys so much receiving news of the Hall. She says she was delighted with the new catalogue and noted with much interest the cultural and academic progress made by the school in recent years.

Florence Ten Broeck Allen writes that Captain Allen has now been promoted to Senior Medical Officer of the Fourth Naval District and they have just bought a new home in Haverford, Pa. Their son, Jack, (the class baby of 1910) is an Ensign in the Navy on active convoy duty. Her other son, Bob, is still at Lawrenceville, and her daughter, Alice, was married last October to Frederick Allen Dudley and is also living in Haverford.

Mrs. E. B. Showell (*Gertrude Chapman*) was in New York during the holidays and had an interesting visit with Mrs. Fearnley. Mrs. Showell has moved to Old Kennett Pike, R. D. No. 1, Wilmington, Delaware.

Mrs. Gilbert Halsted's (*Marjory Royce*) son, Gilbert C. Halsted, 3rd, recently gave up his work at the University of Virginia and is now an Ensign in the United States Navy in the Submarine Service. He will be called to active duty at any time. His sister, Nancy, is a senior at Colby Junior College.

1913

Mrs. Caleb Fox, Jr. (*Ballach Richards*) has been active in defense work and has been made chairman of production of the Red Cross for her area.

1916

Alice C. Drake, of St. Paul, Minnesota, who spends a large part of her year in the East, has recently moved to 119 Golf View Road, Ardmore, Pa.

1918

Mrs. William LeQuier (*Emma Perrine*) is now living at 252 Seventy-fourth Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Mrs. M. P. Lee (*Martha Price*) sends her new address as 24 West Sellers Avenue, Ridley Park, Pa.

1922

Elizabeth Day (*Mrs. Horace Barker*) wrote us a much appreciated letter of congratulation on the first issue of Ivy Leaves. She tells us she now has two children: Jessie Austin Barker, who will be ready for St. Mary's in 1952, and Robert Dill Barker, who they hope will follow his father to Annapolis. Our first enrollment for 1952—Who's next?

1924

Mrs. W. Troy McWhorter (*Marie Williams*) is now living at 1235 Kings Drive, Charlotte, North Carolina.

1925

Mrs. John Hensler (*Helen Donnelly*) writes of the arrival of a daughter at their home. The baby is named Eliza Brooke.

Mrs. Phillip C. Newbaker (*Barbara Fergusson*) of Easton, Maryland, has just had her fourth daughter who was born September 30th and named Margery Phyllis.

1926

A daughter, Nancy, was born to Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Sweet, of 552 Upper Boulevard, Ridgewood, Mrs. Sweet is Marion V. Wilcox, and Nancy is her second child.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Stubbs, of Steelton, Pa., announce the marriage of their daughter, Harriet, to William Robert Armstrong, of Pittsburgh, Pa., on November 15th.

1930

Betty Miller, of Red Bank, N. J., with her mother and five year old daughter, visited the school during the Christmas

holidays. Her husband is a Captain in the Army and is now stationed in Honolulu.

Margaret Cayford has recently been appointed Director of the Country Day School of Mansfield, Ohio. Friends of Peg, as well as friends of her mother, will be delighted at this recognition of her ability (which we of St. Mary's Hall naturally feel is inherited.)

1936

Emelie Phillips was married at St. Marlis Church, Hammonton, N. J., on November 19th to William Burnett Teasenfitz.

Ester Weir was married at St. Ann's Church, Wildwood, N. J., on February 12th, to George T. Quinn. We hope very much they will send us their new address.

Sallie London Fell's engagement to Lieutenant Gordon Griffin was announced by Mr. and Mrs. J. Henry Fell the latter part of January. Mrs. Henry Galt Siegrist (*Bettie Fell '23*) of Bordentown gave a Tea in Sallie's honor.

Mrs. Eugene D. Speace, of 81 Church Street, Beverly, N. J., announced the engagement of her daughter, Louise Colkitt Speace, to Mr. Robert Fulmer Miller, U. S. N. R., son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Miller, of 19 Crestmont Terrace, Collingswood, N. J. Mr. Miller was graduated from Banks College and the College of South Jersey.

1937

We hear that Nancy Williamson's engagement to Richard Henry Rugel, of Bethlehem, Pa., has been announced.

Eloise Garber was married on Christmas Day. We hope to give you more details in the next issue of Ivy Leaves.

1938

Jane Bennett was married in the chapel of St. James Church on November 22nd to George Albert Brengel, Jr., of Hempstead, Long Island.

Mary Mercer Tomlinson of Onancock, Virginia, was in New York City for a few days visiting Caroline Miller.

Caroline St. Claire, who is attending New Jersey College for Women, was a member of the Bids Committee for the German Club Dance. Caroline is majoring in English and is a member of the Music Guild.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Waln Wills, of Mount Holly, N. J., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Virginia Waln Wills, to Mr. Howard Elliott Eldridge, son of Mrs. David Henry Eldridge, of Metuchen, N. J. Virginia is a member of the senior class at Duke University. Mr. Eldridge is a graduate of Economist Institute, New York, class of 1938.

Clara Stewart's engagement to Robert de Hart has been announced. We hope Clara will let us know where they are planning to live.

The school is desperately in need of a station wagon to meet the increasingly difficult problem of transportation. Even if the necessary funds were available, we could not purchase a new one; therefore, we are sending out an appeal to the alumnae and friends of the school in the hope that someone may either donate one, or advise us where we can obtain a good used one.

1939

Priscilla Ireland, Secretary
102 South 36th Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

At a New Year's Eve Party the engagement of Peggy Clayberger to Lt. John Jones, of the United States Marine Corps was announced.

Madeleine Addicks is working with the Bel-Air Red Cross.

Jane Boswell and Katharine Wilson spent the day with Prissy Ireland during the Christmas holidays. Both girls are very well and are enjoying college.

"Jimmy" Carter is working at the Boy Scout Headquarters in Washington, D. C. Her new address in the nation's capital is Westchester Apartments, Cathedral Avenue, N. W. and 39th Street.

Nancy Zuver is attending business school this winter and has also been taking some interesting courses in New York. Her winter address is 223 Terrace Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.

We hear that Onnolee Brace is attending the University of Maryland and that she likes it very much.

Jane Zander has a position at the Corn Exchange Bank in Philadelphia.

There were only three of our class at the Christmas Mystery—Peggy Clayberger, Jane Zander and Priscilla Ireland. We certainly missed our other members and hope they will have a happy and prosperous year.

Muriel Welles is now a Junior at New Jersey College for Women. She is majoring in English and is a chapel usher.

We have had a special plea from her classmates to have Jane Guy get in touch with some of them who are eager for news of her. We know she is now Mrs. Rowland Staley, of 250 Seventeenth Street, Canton, Ohio.

1940

Betty Kunzi is now a sophomore at New Jersey College for Women and is majoring in Home Economics.

1941

Lillian Handleman is studying at the American School of Design in New York City.

Changes of Addresses

- 1910—Florence Ten Broeck Allen, "Swinging Gate", Haverford, Pa.
- 1910—Mrs. Norman L. Jameson (*Miriam Bisler*) 630 South Bowman Avenue, Merion, Pa.
- 1910—Mrs. Edward B. Showell (*Gertrude Chapman*) Old Kennett Pike, R. D. No. 1, Wilmington, Del.
- 1911—Mrs. E. A. McMillan (*Helen Applegate*) 160 Prospect Avenue, Princeton, N. J.
- 1914—Mrs. John Nalle (*Frances Bain*) 434 State Street, Lancaster, Pa.
- 1916—Genevieve M. Thomas, Powder Point Road, Duxbury, Mass.
- 1923—Mrs. Henry G. Siegrist (*Betty Fell*) 15 Farnsworth Avenue, Bordentown, N. J.
- 1928—Mrs. E. J. Robertson (*Eugenia Dufur*) Flourtown, Pa.
- 1929—Mrs. William P. Mulford (*Charlotte Parry*) 100 East Broad Street, Burlington, N. J.
- 1929—Mrs. Robert Retzer, Jr. (*Nancy Bryan*) Caroline Apartments, Baltimore, Md.
- 1931—Dorothea Grimshaw, Little Silver, New Jersey.
- 1935—Mrs. James Allanson (*Elinor Irwin*) 156 Cypress Street, Brookline, Mass.
- 1935—Adelaide Ward, 257 Valentine Lane, Yonkers, N. Y.
- 1936—Mrs. Clifford Johanson (*Esther Newton*) 2212 South Shields Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 1937—Sarah Elizabeth Salisbury, 126 Twenty-first Avenue, St. Petersburg, Fla.
- 1937—Betty Downes, 330 West 36th Street, New York City.
- 1938—Mrs. George Albert Brengel, Jr., (*Jane Bennett*) 720 Burns Street, Forest Hills, Long Island.
- 1938—Mary Mercer Tomlinson, Onancock, Virginia.
- 1939—Nancy Zuver, 233 Terrace Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.
- 1939—Mrs. Rowland Staley (*Jane Guy*) 250 Seventeenth Street, N. W., Canton, Ohio.
- 1939—Mrs. Philip F. Miller (*Ann Hay*) 95 Hemlock Road, Short Hills, New Jersey.
- 1939—Mrs. DeVer Knowlton Warner (*Dorothy Sargent*) 10517 Kinnard Avenue, West Los Angeles, Calif.
- 1940—Earlena Morton, 310 South Lee Street, Alexandria, Va.

An interesting visitor at the Hall during the Holidays was Mrs. Boyd Nixon (*Josephine Leaming Whitney*) of Chestnut Hill. Although Mrs. Nixon herself was never a student at the school, her grandfather, Thomas Whitney, who died in 1884, was a member of the Board of Trustees and her father, John P. Whitney, and her brother, George Dudley Whitney, were also trustees.

Mrs. Nixon's grandmother, Emma Hopkins Thomas, attended the school during the 1850's. Her sister, Hanna Holmes Whitney, and two daughters, Josephine and Emma Leaming went here. We wish Mrs. Nixon might have been a student also, but we are glad we have her interest.

Of What Value Is The Study of French Today?

French has always been the modern language emphasized at St. Mary's Hall. At present it is taught in the Lower, Middle and Upper Schools. Two years of Spanish are also offered.

Recently modern languages other than French have received increasing attention throughout the United States. If such a trend meant that our national appreciation of the cultural importance of modern languages had at last been aroused, we should need only to express our pleasure.

On the contrary, we find that some schools are urging their students to study Spanish rather than French, that some are reviving German as a possible substitute for French. We believe that their doing so is the result of war—depression psychology, rather than of clear thinking. We consider such a policy false to our solemn trust as guardians of culture. In education we must keep ourselves uninfluenced by hasty pessimism, by temporary politics. Our decisions must be based upon cultural need.

Were the burden on the student not too great, we should be delighted to have her learn French, German, and Spanish. But among these three languages we must choose one, and French remains our choice.

Our reasons for continuing to emphasize French are just what they have been in the past. We believe that these reasons have in no way been altered by the chaos of current events. But to those who have anxiously inquired whether or not we are succumbing to a point of view foreign to education, we owe an explanation of our answer: That French is the modern language most valuable in a well-rounded curriculum.

I Intellectual and Cultural Value

Study of any language necessitates orderly thinking. The use of a language is in itself a cultural experience, since, like art, it is concerned with matter, emotion, and thought. It encourages reflection, for words suggest as well as express thought. Because the French have always regarded their language as an art, this experience is perhaps more vivid in French than in other languages.

But there is an even greater cultural and intellectual purpose in education: that of offering students an opportunity to evaluate the past which has led to their present. To this end French is indispensable. France may not in the immediate present hold the place of acknowledged leader in the arts and sciences of Western civilization, but it has held this position over much of the whole modern period, and until the very recent past.

No other country has had within modern times a greater influence on the culture of English-speaking peoples. The United States has felt this influence directly, as well as indirectly through its ancestral England. French philosophy has played an important role in the development of democracy, our own in particular. A study of German and Germany would offer neither the same long history of cultivation of individual

liberty, nor so wide an understanding of international influences. A study of Spanish might supplement the better acquaintance, which contemporary publications are giving us in ever-increasing quantity, with our neighbors to the south. But Spanish does not offer us that knowledge of its roots which, to a new country, if it would understand its own direction, is so necessary. Study of an old world culture linked to ours presents more good counsel and more warning than a study of cultures in the new world developing at a pace with ours, or perhaps less rapidly.

II Moral Value

In this intellectual stimulation to be found in comparing one's own culture with another culture so rich in the past and in the present lies the greatest moral value of language study. Such comparison provides a powerful moral weapon in the public and private fight we much teach our girls to make against provincialism.

In addition to this moral value, which study of any language can give, there is in knowing the French another moral benefit particular to the Anglo-Saxon.

So many of our typically Anglo-Saxon short-comings are not native to the French, an understanding of whom gives us clearer knowledge of our psychological needs. The French "art of living" is a revelation to most Anglo-Saxons; their knowing how to get the most out of life, how to think deeply, how to express thought simply, how to react keenly, how to preserve courageous gaiety, how to avoid the surrender of individuality to the machine, how to sense hypocrisy. We Anglo-Saxons are all too likely to submit to deadening mass-standard, to become tolerant of hypocrisy, to be over-solemn, to forget the fresh outlook of youth, to neglect thinking, and to express what thought we have ponderously. French character is a mirror to Anglo-Saxons, in which, if we do not have false pride, we may take the precious opportunity of seeing ourselves as others see us.

III Linguistic Value

French is the language of greatest linguistic value to Anglo-Saxons. Its clear vowels are often remedial for our faulty articulations; its preciseness for our careless wordiness. Its transfer value enriches English vocabulary; the majority of our words of Latin origin have been introduced into English through French. French is thus the useful and logical link between English and Latin, and has so proved itself here at St. Mary's Hall for those students who have entered in the Lower school and studied French before beginning Latin.

IV Recreational Value

Students who have completed four years of French in the Upper School of St. Mary's Hall can understand public lectures in this language; they have already attended during their fourth year, several such lectures at Alliance Francaise meetings in Philadelphia. They have seen and understood films in French. They can read the language with ease adequate for the enjoyment

of French literature. They have a background of French political history, of the history of French Arts and Sciences, which renders museums, concerts and reading in English literature infinitely more pleasant. They can converse with a fluency sufficient for travel and for friendships with French speaking people.

V Utilitarian Value

We consider the utility of any academic subject more a by-product than a reason for studying it. We protest against the contemporary habit of asking about study, "How can I use this course?" We encourage rather the question, "What will help me develop my mind and my personality, will open new vistas, inspire new thought?" It is only to render this discussion of French comprehensive that we consider its utility.

As a means of communication, French is still the language necessary along with English for travel. Where English is not understood, French is. Not only in Europe, Africa, and Asia, but also in both Spanish and Portuguese-speaking countries of South America, French is spoken by the educated people.

French is an invaluable tool of research for college work, for professional and vocational study. It is a necessary aid for almost any line of endeavor our girls may choose: literature, art, architecture, music, science, mathematics. In comparison, German, while particularly necessary in some fields, is not useful over so wide a range of interests. Spanish has much rarer use in research. A student who has completed four years of French at St. Mary's Hall has acquired possession of this tool. Even if she studies no French in college, her knowledge of the language is adequate for travel, and adequate for intensifying any specialization she may undertake.

In conclusion, we admit, of course, that we do not always succeed in making French so valuable to our students as we think it can be. But our girls are gratifyingly receptive. In spite of their youth, a recent discussion of modern language policy by students of the present Senior Class gave expression, from one girl or the other, to each of the points we have included here. Finally, they agreed that if a choice must be made among modern languages, none could bring greater satisfaction to the majority of students than French.

GEORGINE HANCE,
Head of French Department,
St. Mary's Hall.

We regret to inform the many friends of Miss Elizabeth Hasbrouck, who for almost two years has served as field representative for Saint Mary's Hall, that by her physician's orders she has had to relinquish all professional duties this spring and take a complete rest. We wish Miss Hasbrouck a speedy recovery and are grateful to her for the real contribution she has made during her time of service.



IVY LEAVES



NOVEMBER, 1942

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

No. 3.

Excerpts From Headmistress' Report to Board of Trustees

St. Mary's Hall opened its 106th year on Thursday, September 17th, with an enrollment of fifty-five boarding students and thirty-three day students. Although this total enrollment of eighty-eight is slightly under that of last year, those who have visited the school agree with us that what we lack this year in quantity has been made up in the quality of the student body. It is an unusually fine group of girls assembled at the Hall and each one has returned with the avowed purpose of getting just as much from the school year as is possible, for each is aware apparently of the conditions abroad in the world and of the fact that she is at the school as the result of the personal sacrifice of some one else.

In 1941 the enrollment of 102 included the Kindergarten which has been discontinued this year because of the difficulties of adequate transportation. We note that in the enrollment of 91 students at the school, the number of girls in the Upper School is at about the same level it has been for the past three years and the deficiency in numbers occurs in the lower grades.

The geographical distribution of these 91 students is interesting; about one-half of them come from New Jersey and a third from Pennsylvania. Of the others, there are from

England	8
Massachusetts	4
New York	10
Virginia	2
North Carolina	1
Tennessee	1
Ohio	1

Six of the girls have fathers in the Service of the United States, four are daughters of clergymen, and twelve of physicians; other fathers are lawyers, manufacturers and business men.

Sixty-four of the girls are Episcopalians; other denominations represented are Presbyterian, Baptist, Dutch Reformed, and Methodist.

Of the eight English guests we have in the School, four have returned to St. Mary's for their third year, three for their second, and one is new to the School this fall. Three of these children are receiving partial help from a special plea made by Bishop Gardner in a letter to alumnae and friends of the School under date of July 6, 1942. The English students have become so much a part of the life at St. Mary's that we are delighted to have so many of them back again.

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SUMMER IVY LEAVES OMITTED

We regret that it seemed expedient to omit the summer issue of Ivy Leaves because of strain on the school budget and pressure of work in the office. Bishop Gardner's letter sent out early in July to each alumna must have reminded each one that she was not forgotten.

We know you will be interested in this issue for it contains so much news of former students. If conditions throughout the country permit, we plan to issue another Ivy Leaves in the early spring and a third soon after commencement. We should like to follow our custom of last year in sending this issue to every one on our mailing list. Will you help us make this possible by sending your contribution? However small, it will be welcome—larger amounts doubly so! Please make checks payable to St. Mary's Hall and address them in care of Ivy Leaves.

Do you know of anyone who would like to receive a copy and who is not on our mailing list?

We had a request to send a copy of *The First Hundred Years at St. Mary's* this fall to Miss Mary L. Soule, the Organist and Director of the Lutheran Church of the Holy Comforter in Baltimore, Maryland. In thanking us she wrote:

"... It truly is a beautiful volume, radiating much of the charm and appeal associated with St. Mary's. I was organist and choir director for two years during Mr. and Mrs. Fearnley's administration. Being quite young then, the experience gained in my work at the Hall was very valuable to me... Those years were happy ones, the girls, the teachers, the charm and traditions of the place, the Bishop's Villa (as we called it), the Riverbank, the Parish Church, but most of all the Chapel where most of my time and work were spent, the choir, girls, our lovely service, the Christmas carols, organ recitals, the glee club and outdoor musical plays,—all these and others are woven in my thoughts of St. Mary's as a colorful and precious tapestry."

It is nice to know that Mrs. Fearnley has returned from Maine and is now at the Wellington in New York City.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We are indebted to Miss Hazel Clark, the Librarian of Burlington County, for advice and help in re-cataloguing the library and in finding Mrs. Perinchief of Mt. Holly, who assumed the responsibility for the actual work of the cataloguing and re-shelving the books.

The Hall has felt for a long time the need of a flag and flag pole. In these critical times so many people have spoken of the lack of a flag pole at the school that we are hoping some friend will be interested enough to make us a donation of one at this time.

EXCERPTS FROM HEADMISTRESS' REPORT TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES

(Continued from Page 1)

It is gratifying to know that alumnae continue to be one of the most fruitful sources of new students. It will be recalled that last year we had a number of meetings of daughters of St. Mary's Hall in small, geographical areas. As transportation becomes more and more difficult, this plan of keeping in touch with the alumnae will have to be abandoned, but we hope that as many spontaneous, informal meetings as possible will be an adequate substitute for the present.

It was decided early in the fall that, in the interest of the budget, we should try to do without the services of a field secretary this year and that her work be taken over by the Headmistress. It has been suggested that she visit various key cities where alumnae could gather together for an afternoon or evening at a meeting and be brought up to date about school matters. Friends interested in sending girls to St. Mary's could be invited to these meetings. We shall appreciate suggestions for such meetings.

FACULTY — OLD AND NEW

There has been a large turnover in faculty this year which seems to be the case in many schools and which no doubt is a part of the great change due to the world at war. Our new members bring to the School a great deal in the way of experience and personality.

UPPER SCHOOL

The School is fortunate to have secured Miss Eleanor E. Sandt to supervise the academic work of the Upper and Middle Schools. Miss Sandt has spent two years in graduate work in English at Yale University and two years in graduate education at New York University specializing in teacher-training and supervision. She was head of the English Department of the training school at Hampton Institute for a number of years and has taught English in the Tuxedo Park School, Miss Beard's School, and the Sandia School in New Mexico. In addition to her supervisory duties, Miss Sandt will teach English in the Upper School.

Mlle. Bertile Queneau, who is in charge of French, has been for seven years at the Gateway School in New Haven, Connecticut; she took her Master's Degree at Middlebury College in French and Italian. Her experience includes teaching at the Choate School in Brookline, Massachusetts, and in Annie Wright Seminary, Tacoma, Washington.

Miss Henrietta M. Crane comes to us after successful years of teaching at The Cathedral School in Washington and the Annie Wright Seminary at Tacoma; she seems to have already demonstrated at St. Mary's her unique ability to interest young people in mathematics.

Miss Janice Good has her Master's Degree in French and Spanish from Columbia University. She has worked

in the language school at Middlebury and comes well-recommended to teach French in the Lower School and Spanish in the Upper School.

Miss Sybella LeB. Halliday has taken her A. B. degree in Science at Barnard College; she has been a practice teacher at the Brearley School and has done considerable laboratory work as an assistant.

Miss Elizabeth Foster who taught in the Lower School last year is teaching history in the Upper School and is in charge of the library.

Miss Mabel Conn, the new Bursar, has been for many years at the Asheville School for Boys. She will teach commercial subjects.

Miss Dorothy Meehan in charge of the Physical Education Department, is a graduate of Russell Sage and comes to St. Mary's Hall after seven years experience in the MacDuffie School in Springfield, Massachusetts.

Mrs. Pauline M. Nickel is in charge of the infirmary. She is a graduate of the Montclair State Normal School, of St. Luke's Hospital, New York City, where she was for a long period of time one of the head nurses. She has had valuable experience in camps and as a social service nurse, which makes her association with the girls and the School a particularly valuable one.

We are glad to say that Miss Frances Taylor is again with us teaching Latin and Ancient History and Miss Lota Curtiss is again in charge of the music department. Mr. Walter Gardner comes to the Hall four days a week for the art classes and The Rev. John Talbot Ward is teaching senior Bible in addition to his duties as Chaplain.

LOWER SCHOOL

The Lower School has been splendidly organized this year under the direction of Mrs. Frank M. Comfort, a graduate of Miss Ilman's School of the University of Pennsylvania, who has been head of the elementary department of Miss Zara's School in Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia. Working with her are Miss Florence Worthley and Miss Louise Holzman, both of whom were at the School last year, and the special teachers in French, Art, Music and Physical Education who teach in the Lower as well as the Upper School. It is a great satisfaction to have the work of these lower grades in the capable hands of Mrs. Comfort who in addition to supervising the Lower School also teaches the Third and Fourth Grades.

HOUSEMOTHERS

Miss Dougal who has done such a splendid piece of work for a number of years is in charge of the home-life of the little boarders again. There are twelve of them this year.

Mrs. Downes and Miss Schauer both of whom were with us last year are again on Scarborough.

THE DINING ROOM

The housekeeping department which is becoming increasingly more difficult with the shortage of food and labor is again under the capable management of Mrs. Cayford. This is truly a domestic war and St. Mary's girls re-

turned to face many changes in the School. One of the most noticeable of these is the lack of boys in the dining room; all the waiters have gone except one. Scott and Sam are in the Armed Forces and John, our chauffeur, in defense work. This leaves only Frank in the dining room who is being assisted by two young boys. The self-service plan was inaugurated at the beginning of the school year and is working very well; the girls seem to enjoy carrying this responsibility and are serving very efficiently. In addition to receiving excellent training, they have a feeling of satisfaction that, however small, they are making a contribution to the war effort.

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

The extra curricular activities of the School are somewhat curtailed this year due to lack of adequate transportation facilities. We have had to give up the riding since we have no bus or station wagon with which to transport the students to Medford Lakes Riding Academy. The swimming will have to be abandoned for the same reason, nor can we offer the over-night excursions to the Medford Lakes cabin, an outing which was so popular the last two years. DOES ANY ONE KNOW HOW OR WHERE WE COULD SECURE A STATION WAGON?

It seems that concerts are a part of the Government's definition of education under the priorities regulations and we have been able to arrange to take the students to the Philadelphia Symphony Concerts at the Academy of Music.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

The Government is bringing pressure to bear on all schools and colleges to extend the Christmas vacation period so that travel to and from school will fall on or near December 15th and January 15th. A new calendar has been worked out for the school year by which the students will leave St. Mary's on Thursday, December 17th, and return on Thursday, January 14th. The school days lost by the long vacation will be taken care of by Saturday morning classes and an extra week in June which will advance Commencement Day to June 15th.

THE LIBRARY

A trained Librarian has been working on the library this autumn, putting it into shape and giving directions and suggestions for the setting up of a good working library. The entire collection has been shelf-listed, a card catalogue made, and all books have been properly marked and classified according to the Dewey system. Special collections have been grouped together. In the opinion of the Librarian we have a good reference library and an excellent collection of material and documents about the past history of St. Mary's Hall and its founders. We are shy of modern literature, science, and history books, as well as better magazines. Contributions of needed book titles which will be sent on request and of money for the purchase of new books will be most welcome.

News Of Our Alumnae

1869

Last spring we received a letter from Louise A. Abbot who told us of the death of her mother on November 3, 1941. She says: "I believe she must have been one of the oldest members of the Society of Graduates at the time of her death as she was in her 86th year."

1874

We are delighted to have a letter from Effie Epler of 1018 Grove Street, Jacksonville, Illinois, asking for news of the class of 1874. I am sure she would be glad to hear from members of her class.

Another member of this class is Mrs. Julia Weimer (*nee Christian*) who is making her home in Burlington. Her address is: Care Masonic Home, Burlington, N. J.

Mrs. George W. Hewitt (*Isabel Pew*) another 1874-er is living in Burlington at 214 High Street. She has recently made an interesting gift to the School, noted elsewhere in this issue.

Mrs. H. A. Kingsbury (*Elizabeth Agnes Brown*) one of the oldest New York Chapter members spent one of the summer months at Blue Point where her daughter had a cottage for the season.

1879

We regret to learn of the death in 1940 of Mrs. Kate M. Warner of Titusville, Pa.

1891

Matilda F. Whitall spent the summer on the Gaspe Peninsula. Her paintings of that interesting coast have received high commendation.

The many friends of Mrs. Newton (*Frances Graff*) will learn with deep regret of her death on Monday, August 17th. Mrs. Newton had been an active member of the Society of Graduates and a regular attendant of the New York Chapter meetings. For the past few years she has directed the Grace Church Sunday School choir in New York City.

Mrs. Newton is survived by her daughter, Mrs. E. L. Foote, 2865 University Avenue, New York City. Mrs. Foote was Alice Sims, 1927.

1893

We hear that Ellen C. Buckelew is now living at Clifton Mills, Kennett Square, Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Harvie Heitman (*Florida Schults*) writes from her summer home the Floridan at Boothbay Harbor, Maine, that she is deeply interested in the Garden Club there and made several entries for the Flower Show. Mrs. Heitman has now returned to her home in Fort Myers, Florida.

Mrs. Fearnley had the pleasure of a call from the Reverend Joseph Kloman in June and was sorry to learn from him of the death of his mother, Mrs.

Henry F. Kloman, (*Nell Trapnell*) last Christmas in Raleigh, N. C. Mr. Kloman, Nell's younger son, is an artist; her second son is the Rector of Christ Church, Philadelphia.

1895

Friends of Margaret Benson Ross will be sorry to hear of her death which occurred about a year ago.

1896

The friends of Mrs. Tazwell Thomas (*Marie Vail Spinosa*) will be sorry to learn of the death during the summer of her husband, a noted lawyer and churchman.

The many friends of Edith C. Packer (1896) will regret to learn of the death of her beloved mother, Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Crozer Packer, widow of Samuel Bissell Packer at her home in Trenton on March 8th, at the age of 94.

1899

Mrs. John Howard Bridge (*Clara Shivers*) and her daughter, Cordelia, spent the summer in Maine. She has since returned to 55 Langdon Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

1900

We have a new address for Mrs. M. M. Sterling (*Elizabeth Heydenrich*) who has recently moved to Chestnut Hill Road, Route 1, Norwalk, Conn.

Mrs. Charles M. Scott (*Margaret Hoffman*) spent part of the summer at the Lake Placid Club, Essex on Lake Champlain, N. Y.

1901

Helen Crissey who has given up her work at Teachers' College, New York City, is now living in Princeton, New Jersey.

Mrs. John C. Cruikshank (*Edith Stauffer*) writes that it has become necessary for her son who works with Bell Telephone Laboratory in New York City to live near his work, so they have taken over his house for the present since their own home is too big, with all the children married and away. The new address is Arla De, Crafton, Pittsburgh, Pa.

1908

Mrs. Brace Bennett (*Ethel Cranson*) who is now living at 2938 Ewing Avenue, South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, writes that they are completely in love with their new home and that Minneapolis has about everything to make life interesting and pleasant. Their son, Brace, Jr., enlisted in the Naval V. 7. Service on graduating from college this spring.

1909

Mrs. Edward C. Hammer, Jr. (*Dorothy Kirk*) is now living at 2100 Walnut Street, Philadelphia. Her son was graduated from Annapolis this last June.

1910

Nan Kennedy who spent part of the summer at Beaumaris, Muskoka, Canada, is back in Pittsburgh for the winter and writes that she is taking the Red Cross Course for Staff Assistants and is to produce the Christmas Pageant for Calvary Church.

1912

Gilbert Halstead, Jr., only son of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Halsted (*Marjory Royce*) is serving on a Destroyer in the Pacific. He was home for a brief leave in June.

1913

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hamilton (*Josephine Zinkeisen*) have moved their Antique Shop from Sheffield, Massachusetts, to Great Barrington. Josephine's son, William Bradford, Jr., has been studying at the R. C. A. in the Radio School.

According to the Summer Social Register, Mr. and Mrs. Caleb F. Fox (*Ballock Richards*) of Philadelphia, spent the summer at Little Big Wood, Jackman, Maine.

1914

Mrs. Henry G. Sweney (*Margaret Campbell*) called on Mrs. Fearnley late in July but unfortunately Mrs. Fearnley was out and missed the pleasure of seeing Mrs. Sweney. She was visiting friends on Gerrish Island, Maine.

W. T. Bacon, Jr., the oldest son of Mrs. Bacon (*Martha Smith*), was married on July 18th, to Miss Margaret Hoyt. They will live in New Haven, Connecticut.

Commander and Mrs. Daniel Ward Harrigan (*Louise Dando*) announced the marriage of their daughter, Jane Elizabeth Stoutenburgh, to Mr. William J. Holland. Ensign U. S. Naval Reserve, on August 12th, in Atlanta, Ga.

We have word that Genevieve Dunningford's husband, Dr. J. A. Dunningford, of New Canaan, Connecticut, captured the season's largest Miramichi River salmon in Canada this summer.

Mrs. R. F. Van Seggern has sent word that her new address is Box 102, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, and that she is busy working in an Ordnance Plant six days a week which with her house-keeping and golfing keeps her very busy.

1916

We are glad to hear that Mrs. James Austin (*Dorothy Blair*) who has been ill for some time past has recovered.

Mrs. John G. Summersby, Jr., (*Jean Ingersoll*) has sent us her new address, 11 Fernwood Road, Summit, New Jersey. She writes: "We expect to go to Minnesota to our new summer house, about June 15th. There we will be next door to both sisters who also have cottages on our lovely river. It's the same place we went to as children."

1917

Mrs. Sidney S. Brewster (*Marion Wilson*) writes that her son Jack has enlisted in the Naval Air Corps.

Mrs. Robert E. Kocks (*Elizabeth Richmond*) was mentioned in an August issue of the N. Y. Herald Tribune as attending a big dinner given at the Samoset, Rockland Breakwater, Maine. Elizabeth has a very old and interesting farm near Rockland.

In answer to a letter of inquiry Lieutenant Commander Harold A. Waterworth wrote Mrs. Fearnley that his sister, Mrs. Gerald Bosio (*Maud Waterworth*) is still living in Florence, Italy. We regret to hear that she lost her husband nearly two years ago. Mr. Bosio was a talented architect. Maud has four girls and her mother, Mrs. Waterhouse, lives near her.

Friends of Marie Loranger Forhan, of Ft. Lauderdale, will learn with deep regret of the death of her husband, Captain Wilfred Allen Forhan, last April. Mrs. Forhan writes that she plans to start a House Maintenance Business.

1919

Mrs. John S. Fair (*Emily Frances Cuthbert*) spent most of the summer at Edgewater Park, N. J. She was far from well last winter but reports that she has entirely recovered her health and that this winter she will be at an apartment they have taken at 2100 Walnut Street, Philadelphia. Mr. Fair has become Purchasing Agent for the entire Pennsylvania R. R. System. He was a Reserve Officer but the Army decided he was more needed for his job and gave him his honorable discharge. In her letter to Mrs. Fearnley, Emily Frances says: "The monogram on this paper I designed in Study Hall right under dear Miss Beniv's nose. Probably it would have been better had I put the time on studying spelling."

Mrs. Alfred Howes' (*Elizabeth McCarty Bullock*) address is c/o the Union National Bank, Clarksburg, W. Va.

Kay Salmon writes that she is now a full fledged Major and Co-Director of the Red Cross of the Suffolk County Unit of the A. W. H. Reserve Corps.

Mrs. Fuller, mother of Mrs. William T. Jones, (*Caroline Fuller*) spent part of the summer in Ogunquit and showed Mrs. Fearnley photographs of Caroline's three children. Humphrey, the oldest boy, who has a job with the Ford Company, is entering the Army this autumn.

Mrs. Edward Chaly's (*Margaret Montgomery*) husband enlisted last spring in the Army and has gone to an officer's training camp.

Mrs. Arnold Ford's (*Kay Gray*) new address is 101 East Palisade Avenue, Englewood, N. J.

1920

Dr. Russell Best, husband of Jane Johnson, has entered the Army as a Surgeon.

1921

Emily Woolley Ferguson worked this summer in the Raritan Arsenal and lived in one of the dormitories of Rutgers College, New Brunswick, New Jersey. She and Ruth Dill Crockett took up a course in Spanish.

1922

Mrs. Howard Wasserman (*Tish Lucas*) sent Mrs. Fearnley in July a charming letter with photographs of her children, Diane and Barton. Diane attends the Irwin School in Philadelphia and has as her teacher in English, Miss Marietta Lent, who taught Tish at St. Mary's.

Mrs. Fearnley had the pleasure of seeing Mrs. Richard Clark Smith (*Barbara Ware*) in Ogunquit in August. Captain Richard Clark Smith is with the 18th Field Artillery, U. S. A. and Barbara's account of having moved four times since Pearl Harbor was interesting and amusing. Her present address is Quarters 10, E. Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont.

1923

Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Scott Pierson (*Ruth Denison*) are living at Hot Springs, Virginia, where Mr. Pierson is Assistant Manager of the Homestead. We are sorry to hear that Ruth has been seriously ill for some time.

1924

Gertrude H. Smith was married on April 18th in Montclair, N. J., to Mr. Edmund Vanderveer O'Brien.

1930

Margaret Cayford is now Director of the Country Day School, Mansfield, Ohio, where she has been teaching the primary grades for the past six years. Peggy spent the summer with her mother at their newly acquired home on Broad Street in Burlington. Mrs. Cayford continues her duties at the Hall as dietitian and housekeeper, winning praise from every one for the delicious meals that are served at the Hall.

Mrs. Cayford and Peggy called on Rebecca Styer Hoffman in her new home at Morrisville, Pa., having tea with her and enjoying a very pleasant afternoon.

1931

Marjorie Howell has announced her engagement to Lee Harrison Callison of Camp Davis, N. C. She expects to be married some time early in December. Marjorie has been spending the summer with Col. and Mrs. Landon at Camp Dix where she has taken a temporary position.

Mrs. William E. Shoemaker, Jr. (*Jean Miller*) has a brand new daughter, Innis Howe Shoemaker, aged five months. This is their first child. Their address is 523 State Street, Shillington, Pa.

Betty Miller has taken an apartment in Red Bank, N. J.

1932

Mrs. Robert P. Rice (*"Foggy" Day*) writes from her home at Oak Lodge, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, that she is about to leave for their summer home at Remsenburg, Long Island. She speaks of her own boy, Bobby, who is ten months old and her stepchildren, Martha and Louise.

1936

Sallie London Fell, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Henry Fell and sister of Mrs. Henry J. Siegest, was married on Wednesday, June third, to Lt. Gordon Dix Griffin.

Louise Colket Speace on Saturday the fourth of April, 1942 in St. Stephen's Church, Beverly, became Mrs. Robert Fulmer Miller.

1937

Nancy Williams Auten is now Mrs. Richard H. Riegel and may be reached at Lititz Road, Lancaster, Pa. She writes of her great disappointment at missing the fifth reunion last spring.

We hear that Betty Drake was married not long ago, but we have had no word from Betty as to her present name and address.

Eloise Garber was married on Christmas Day of last year to Lt. Walter A. Blair, Jr., of the United States Army Air Corps. They are living in Fayetteville, N. C.

Betty Downes is doing editorial work at the American Museum of Natural History, New York City. She is assistant to the editor of Natural History Magazine. She visited the School recently over a weekend. Her mother is a valuable member of the staff.

1939

On May 1st last Peggy Clayberger became the bride of Lt. John Jones, of the United States Marine Corps. They were married at St. Mary's Church, Burlington, by the Rev. John Ward. We, of Peggy's class, wish her all possible happiness, and though a bit late, our wishes are just as sincere.

We hear that Shirley Baum was married sometime in September. Florence Porter, who was with us our junior year, was her attendant. We have two wishes for Shirley: first, for her happiness, and second, that she will let us know her new name and address.

Katharine Wilson and Jane Boswell have both returned to their respective colleges after a busy summer. "Willie" was working in an Eye Infirmary in New York City while Jane was in a Defense Plant.

Muriel Welles and her family have moved out to a lovely place, "Buttonwood Farm," at Crosswicks, N. J. It is a really beautiful spot.

Nancy Zuver has been working all summer in Boston. Her address there is No. 4 Otis Place.

Catherine Phelon's marriage to Winifred Gordon Allen of the United States Naval Reserves took place on May 9th in Christ Church, Bay Ridge, solemnized by Bishop Matthews. Mr. Allen at-

tended schools in Massachusetts and California.

We hear that Onnolee Brace is married also, but this is all we know about it. Won't you enlighten us a little, Onnolee, please?

1940

Last Christmas Day Mr. and Mrs. Nelson D. Pumyea announced the engagement of their daughter, Ann, to Mr. Edward G. Siner, son of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Siner, of Germantown, Philadelphia. Mr. Siner attended the William Penn Charter School and the University of Richmond. After graduating from St. Mary's, Ann attended Banks College and is now working at C. S. Wurts and Company in Philadelphia.

Catharine Emery Capozzi's marriage to Mr. William Javne Seaman took place on Saturday, September 26, 1942, at St. John's Chapel, Hobart College, Geneva, N. Y.

Mrs. Joseph Gooch spent a month in Maine this summer at Ogunquit with her daughter, Anne, who is now a junior at St. Mary's Hall.

Margot Gooch finished her course this June at Skidmore College in Boston.

Lillian Girton is making an excellent record for herself at Cedar Crest College. This is her Junior year there and she has been elected president of her dormitory.

Kitty Helwig was married in the summer to Lt. David C. S. Klein and lived for several months in Old Point Comfort before Lt. Klein was sent abroad on convoy duty.

1941

Friends of Barbara Anne Lindenfelter will be interested to know that she is now Mrs. James Edward Levett. Barbara went to Seattle in August and was married there on September third. Her husband is in the service of the Army.

Dorothy Tavers is studying nursing at Christ Hospital in Jersey City and writes that she is very happy in her work.

Dorothy Heck has transferred from Antioch College to the University of Wisconsin where she hopes to finish a two-year accelerated program combining work in social service and physical education. Dorothy writes that she is extremely happy and that the University of Wisconsin is a wonderful place. She spent the summer in Chicago at the University Settlement House.

Barbara Swift spent July in a Defense Factory in Connecticut. The balance of the summer she was with the Women's Civilian Training Unit in Glen Mills, Pa., where she tried to get an angle on post-war reconstruction problems by living in a settlement house and working on a farm. She spent a night at the School in September.

1942

Vivian Atkinson writes that she is enjoying her freshman year at Wilson. She and Ruth Clark came to St. Mary's for the opening of school. They stayed over night and hung the class banner in the hallway leading to the dining room.

Ruth Clark has entered the New Jersey College for Women in New Brunswick, where she plans to take the general curricula.

Lois Conroy will be at home this winter engaged in defense work at the Fleetwing Air Factory in Bristol.

Nancy Crawford is a member of the freshman class at Bryn Mawr.

Polly Fawcett and Hazel Lister are most enthusiastic about Mt. Holyoke.

Gwendoline Goodridge is a student at Guilford College in North Carolina and likes it very much.

Faye Harrison is at Endicott College, Beverly, Massachusetts, studying Home Design.

Barbara Jutson is enrolled at Barnard and likes it very much.

Nancy Kane is working in Philadelphia with the Insurance Company of North America, but plans to enter college next year.

Eloise Woodward has entered the training class of the Cambridge Hospital and is looking forward to an interesting and happy year there.

Special Gifts

RECENT GIFTS

At Founders Day last spring conversation at one of the tables centered about the need of the School for a Mixing Unit in the kitchen. Then and there a gift of twenty-five dollars was given which was followed by one of fifty dollars. Miss Salmon, treasurer of the New York Chapter, offered to try to raise the additional money and to date \$129 has been contributed. Other contributions have been promised. Any one who has not yet contributed to this fund may be assured that any gift, however small, will be most welcome. We are grateful to our friends in the Society of Graduates and the New York Chapter for their interest in this particular labor saving device.

We are grateful to the Philadelphia Chapter for keeping the living rooms and halls attractive and well-furnished. This year a beautiful rug for the front drawing room was purchased and through a special source it was possible to buy a matching rug for the rear room. The Philadelphia Chapter also has placed in the drawing room a wedgewood lamp which adds greatly to the charm of the room.

The class of 1942 has given to St. Mary's Hall the sum of \$249.29 for use in making the Chapel more beautiful. A chasuble has already been ordered. Further announcements of similar purchases will be made.

The Very Reverend Frederick M. Adams has given the School a copy of *Science for the Citizens*.

Kay Salmon has given the Library a copy of *Life of Emerson*, by Van Wyck Brooks.

Ten dollars has been received for the purchase of books for the library from Jacqueline and Patricia Martin, two English girls who were with us last year, and who returned home the end of August.

The Hall is always interested in receiving mementos of the olden days. We treasure some of the things which have come to us from Miss Georgiana Emery of Newburyport, Massachusetts, who has sent us a box of possessions belonging to her sister, Miss Sarah M. Emery, of the class of 1862. They included a white merino cape worn by the seniors of that year and an album containing pictures taken at that time, letters, compositions, etc. Another sister of Miss Emery's graduated in the class of 1865—Mary Elizabeth Emery. A third sister Louisa Jane attended the Hall but did not complete the course because of illness. Miss Georgiana and her sister, Frances, were unable to come to St. Mary's as students, but visited Burlington when their sisters were here.

Mrs. Julia Chalfant Tison McEwen of Santa Monica, California, has also sent us some papers and photographs which belonged to her mother, Marie David Chalfant.

The Book Club of 1941-1942 has presented us with a subscription to Time Magazine which is much appreciated by the present student-body.

The School has recently been left a bequest of the books and music contained in the library of Anna H. Garrison, of Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Mrs. George Matteson Hewett of Burlington (Isabel Pew of 1874) has given a valuable lantern with six boxes of lantern slides to the School. The lantern is a beautiful one which was highly prized by her husband and many of the slides were made from photographs taken by him.

Through the kindness of Mrs. John H. Webber, Jr., and her husband, who is connected with the International Paint Co., fifteen gallons of marine paint were sent to the School in the summer for painting the porches. This is a very practical and useful gift.

Send us news items NOW for the next issue. It is your paper. Help to make it interesting.

An Autumn Reverie

Clear sunlight, rippling water, and a steady breeze lured me to a brisk walk over the bridge on a crisp October afternoon. As always, the height of the bridge, the expanse of water, the far horizon cleared the cobwebs from my brain and brought a new sense of proportion, new values, and an increased zest for living.

Returning from the Pennsylvania side, my gaze dwelt long and lovingly on the green bank where the ivy-covered buildings of the Hall appeared through the heavy foliage of the trees now tinged with autumn color. Riverside on the right, seemed to typify the learning for which the Hall has always stood; Fairholm, on the other side, symbolized for me the home-like quality which has always been so much a part of the life of the School; behind and beyond this panorama rose the slender spire of St. Mary's Church crowning and dominating the scene just as the influence of the chapel permeates the life of the School. "Has it ever been lovelier?" I thought. "No, it couldn't ever have been—this is what all these who have been here through the years as students and teachers love so much." And inwardly I gave thanks that for a brief span I am permitted to serve St. Mary's as its leader.

After a space my eyes wandered to the right of the bridge where almost overnight the War Effort has reared its ugly head. The erection of the magnesium plant by the Aluminum Corporation of America has changed the marshy landscape, on which for so many years had stood the old vacant brick building that once housed the Burlington College for Boys, into a modern streamlined version of Industry, 1943 style. Could there be anywhere else so clear a contrast? On the one side of the bridge stands that which the Church offers—St. Mary's Hall, rich in the culture and tradition of the past, striving to be faithful to its heritage while yet keeping abreast of the times in its educational achievement; on the other side, rapidly rising, stands the answer of Industry to the Government's War Effort.

We naturally are concerned about the effect this industrial plant will have on the future of St. Mary's. As I gazed at it, then back to the green bank, I thought of a remark a gentleman, who later enrolled his daughter with us, made to me this summer: "You are fortunate in that the bridge divides your School from the Aluminum Plant, for you are not conscious of it at all and I cannot see that it will be a handicap."

I thought of his remark this October afternoon and realized that he was right. The physical proximity of the plant to the School seems to affect us very little. But as I stood on the bridge with this thought uppermost there came another overwhelming one. "This must not be. Even if a physical barrier divides St. Mary's and the Industrial Plant, even if it does divide the intangible things of the past and the ugly tangible realities of the present, there can be no separation be-

tween education and industry, no barrier between youth and its participation in the War Effort. There must be a bridge, but it must not run as a dividing line between young people and a world teeming with need and opportunity for service; rather it must be a connecting link that bridges the gap between the school walls and the community in which youth will be expected to take its place and live effectively."

It is not an easy task we have set for ourselves at St. Mary's. But is there any part of the total war effort which is more important, more necessary than the guidance and training of these young citizens of the future in the responsibilities which will be theirs?

The symbol of the bridge applies in yet another way to our life at the Hall. There is a very definite bridge from the past to the present in the student-body this year, ten of whom have aunts, mothers, grandmothers, and a great-grandmother with roots in St. Mary's.

Patricia Gertrude Brown, one of our new students, is the great-granddaughter of Marie Louisa Barron (*Mrs. Charles de Forrest Fredericks*) who graduated from St. Mary's in 1857.

Nona Clapp's grandmother was May Louise Campbell, 1886; Helen Marie Miller is the granddaughter of Helen Ballou Miller; and Ann Rhawn's grandmother is Rebecca McElroy, a former student of St. Mary's.

Edith Anne Couch's mother was Edith Albert (*Mrs. Joseph Low Gouch*), and is now the President of the New York Chapter of the Daughters of St. Mary; Helen P. Richards' mother was Helen Painter of the class of 1922 (*Mrs. Donald Clark Richards*) whose husband is now a Lieutenant Colonel in the Army; Elsie Van Buren whose mother was Charlotte Matthews of the class of 1916, is also a granddaughter of Bishop Matthews.

Elizabeth Coddington's mother (*Mrs. Charles E. Coddington*) was Maude Fitch, 1914; and Eugenia Robertson's mother was Eugenia Dufur, 1928.

Charlotte Peverly's family is well represented in the past of St. Mary's; two aunts, Justine Peverly Woodhall, 1905 and Charlotte Peverly Hukill, 1914, have been graduates, as well as her two cousins, Justine P. Woodhall, 1930, and Charlotte Woodhall, 1931.

NUTRITION CLASS

Eight girls of the Upper School are giving serious thought to one of the big questions of the DAY—FOOD, PREPARATION OF FOOD, and THE USE OF FOODS. The class has been planning attractive menus at low cost which will fit well into limited budgets.

Miss Schauer, one of our house-mothers, is in charge of the class and teaches the girls the theory and basic principles of nutrition; the girls illustrate the lesson by learning to prepare the food attractively and serving it.

Fairholm kitchen and dining room are used for this purpose every Friday evening.

Class Reporters

With the continued and lively interest in Ivy Leaves the effort of publishing it becomes an ever increasing burden on the school office. The fact that some of the alumnae have offered to act as reporters for their classes covering news and the editing of it, before sending it to us, is welcome news. The following alumnae have volunteered to act as reporters so far:

Marguerite Flanders Bancock	1909
1027 South 54th Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	
Gertrude Chapman Showell	1910
Old Kenneth Pike, R. D. No. 1 Wilmington, Delaware	
Miss Arona Hubbard	1914
31 East 30th Street New York City	
Mrs. Charlotte M. VanBuren	1916
Wood Avenue Glendale, Ohio	
Mrs. Mary Phelps Fawcett	1918
R. F. D. No. 1 Atlantic Highlands, N. J.	
Kay Terry Salmon	1919
"The Little House" Southhold, Long Island	
Dorothy Simmons Craig	1922
8 Caro Court Red Bank, New Jersey	
Bettie Fell Siegrist	1923
Farnsworth Avenue Bordentown, New Jersey	
Gladys Dora Pugh	1930
St. John's Rectory Somerville, New Jersey	
Helen Wyckoff Higgins	1934
New address needed.	
Georganne Lee Barnes	1936
508 Jennings Street Beverly, New Jersey	
Bernice Garber Blair	1937
c/o Lieutenant Blair 220 Windsor Drive Fayetteville, N. C.	
Priscilla Ireland	1939
The Covington Hotel 37th Street above Chestnut Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	
Jean S. Hathaway	1941
1644 Scott Street Williamsport, Pennsylvania	

Please send news items to your class reporter. We shall be glad to have volunteers for classes not listed above.

We are grateful to Mrs. Beatrice Hollaway Lewis for her unfailing interest in the arduous duties of Field Secretary during the spring and summer months. Mrs. Lewis has worked conscientiously and loyally. We regret that the limited budget this year made it necessary to terminate her services in this capacity, but we know the School will continue to have her interest and support.