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Foreword

"As dew to the blossoms
And bud to the bee
As the scent to the rose
Are these memories to me"

To the Students of St. Mary's, objects of the Sisters' tender care and solicitude, we present this, the third issue of *Maris Stella*. Students of '35 need no reminder of the days passed within their cherished school walls—Yet when the battle of life seems hardest, and the weight of years press heavily, we fondly hope that these pages will renew visions of the past; that "*Maris Stella*," Our heavenly Mother, will inspire within them courage to stand by their colors and to live up to the ideals of their Alma Mater.

The Staff.



Maris Stella

When the sea of life is rough and
wild,

Mary, come to the aid of thy help-
less child.

Staff Of The Maris Stella

Marion Desomes '35	Editor-in-Chief
Mildred Dave '35	Associate Editor
Cornelia Delay '36	Business Manager
Clothilde Blache '35	Advertising Manager
Doretha Berteaux '36	New Editor



OUR SCHOOL

We Love Thee Well

*Come, students, now with voices clear
Come blend them in your sweetest lays
Unfold your white and blue so dear
Come sing your Alma Mater's praise.*

*Our pilot and our guiding star,
St. Mary's this of thee we tell,
Thy children whether near or far,
St. Mary's dear we love thee well.*

*St. Mary's truest friend and best,
Thy lessons all shall cherished be,
List to our tribute. Be thou blest,
St. Mary's, our dear Academy.*



MISS MARIS STELLA

(JESSIE IDA THOMAS)

Our Seniors

MARION DESOMES

Class President
Editor-in-chief of Maris Stella

*"I am as constant as the Northern Star of
whose true-fixed and resting quality there
is no fellow in the firmament."*



JESSIE IDA THOMAS

President, Paul Lawrence Dunbar
Literary Club
Miss Maris Stella '34
Miss Maris Stella '35

*"There is certainly no defense against ad-
verse fortune which is on the whole no ef-
fectual as an habitual sense of humor."*



LOUISETTE QUEZERGUE

Editor-in-Chief of Excelsior

*"The flower of meekness grows on a stem
of grace."*



Our Seniors



HELEN KITCHENS
Vice-President, Better English Club
"Victory belongs to the most persevering."



MARY NIXON
Comic Editor of Excelsior '34
*"The richest pearl is the Christian's crown
of grace is Assailing."*



MARGUERITE GARRISON
Secretary of Current Events Club
Vice-President of Class
*"A large part of virtue consists in good
habits."*

Eight

Our Seniors



CLOTHILDE BLACHE
President Current Events Club
Advertising Manager Maris Stella
Sports Editor Excelsior '34
Class President '34
*"Without hesitating, without rest,
Lifting better up to best."*



ELIZABETH SMITH
President T. V. C. Club
Class Secretary
*"My goal is not beyond the skies
And I shall reach it where it lies."*



MILDRED DAYE
President Better English Club
Associate Editor Maris Stella
Popular Girl of '35
Class Chaplain
*"Give to the world the best you have,
and the best will come back to you."*

Nine

The Seniors

Twelve years ago, among a group of ten five of us anchored our ship at the door of our dear Alma Mater, and were admitted to the Primer class. Little did we dream that the days would pass so quickly. First Grade with its work and play was soon over. Second, Third and Fourth slipped by also, and then just when we were beginning to realize the importance of school, a girl coming from San Antonio joined us. "Smitty" soon became a favorite working hand in hand with us and aiming at the same goal. The next year Baton Rouge sent us another companion, Mildred Dave, whom we all liked, and although others came and went we seven held on and were among the thirteen happy girls who graduated from St. Mary's Grammar School in June, 1931.

What an important event this was for us! We had been for a long time eager to experience what high school meant hence on September 7th, we were all on time to answer the bell which summoned the Freshman Class.

Then began the weaving of the golden tapestry depicting our high school career on which now only a few threads are missing.

One-fourth of this is woven in blue and silver, the class colors of our Freshman year—the blue representing our loyalty and stick-to-itiveness; the silver, the bright ideas which filled our minds. As "Merry Co-Workers" with the aid of our teachers, we passed successfully to the Sophomore class.

This was our "Rainbow Year." We changed our colors to purple and gold, and these blending with the blue and silver of the previous year caught a glimmering ray of sunlight and broke it up into the glorious colors of the rainbow. For St. Mary's Violets, or the S. M. V's, (as we were afterwards known) seventeen in number, with their motto "Ad Astra per Aspera" to guide them took a lead-

ing part in all school activities. It was they who had the distinction of presenting a Christmas drama composed by one of their members; it was the Sophs who donated the Crib to the classrooms; it was the S. M. V's who went over the top in the Year Book Drive and thus had "Our Best Saleslady" chosen from their number. This portion of the tapestry is fair to look upon. However, there are a few dark spots indicating our battles with Caesar, Algebra and History, and one especially, darker than the rest, tells the fate of those who fell by the wayside. Yet no part of the tapestry tells a brighter, happier story than this does.

But as the threads continue they assume a more somber hue. Shadows on the royal purple deepen, the gold seems to lose some of its lustre as Geometry and Chemistry stand out in the foreground. Yet the silver of hope gleams in the helping hands of our instructors, and the gold reappears in all its splendor to weave the tale of the Maria Stella Contest of '34 when an S. M. V. won the laurels. Together, the purple and gold again unite to weave "Farewell to Juniors of '34," "Usher in the Seniors of '35."

And now the purple recedes to give place to the blue of our Lady's mantle, the blue symbolic of St. Mary's. We could not complete this tapestry without it. The blue and gold interweave to tell a story of hard work accomplished, of high aims reached. The gold is in prominence, for while Quadratics have tripped us often, English, French, Biology, Economics have been for the most part successful. Our Penny Party, our Halloween Party were all that could be expected, while our comedy, "Mechanical Jase" caused lots of fun and laughter to the audience, and netted a neat little sum with which we were able to donate a parting gift to our school. Then,

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SITTING: From Left to Right: Helen Black, Evelyn Lee, Marie Elizabeth Williams, Marie Louise Williams, Dorothea Bertram, Edith Currier. STANDING: Cornelia DeLor, Denise Gusterson, Blanche Johnson, Edna Barbara, Grace Hayward, Mary Arnesen.

Juniors

Juniors of '35, do we realize what these words mean? Can we who number merely a dozen today, visualize the happy, rollicking twenty-six Freshies who entered St. Mary's on September 7th, 1931? More than half of our number have left us, and as we look backwards on the achievements of our three years of high school, are we not proud that we have been able to accomplish so much?

Just stop for a moment and review our Freshman Year . . . Our efforts to conquer Science and Math; our triumphs in volleyball; our keen competition in other extra-curricular activities, and in the Drive for the Year Book; also the curiosity which the name B. B. C's aroused on the campus. Have not all these helped to make that year a never-to-be-forgotten one?

Now recall the class of twenty-two Sophomores. Look at its schedule with its quota of new subjects, Latin, Civics,

History and Dressmaking (for the Home Economics students). Do you not feel the thrill of the trip to Baton Rouge, and the visit to the Capitol, which taught us more about Civics and Louisiana History than any printed page could. Are we not still proud of the highlight of that year when a sophomore won the title of "Our Willing Worker" in the 1934 Year Book?

With what grim determination to reach the topmost rung of the high school ladder at St. Mary's did we return as Juniors in September! Have not Biology, English, Geometry, held the center of the stage while, French, Latin, Home Economics, the electives, also played important parts in the classroom? What wonderful supplements to our Biology and Language classes were the trips to the Audubon Park, and to the Delgado Museum at the City Park? Think of our basket-ball games at 10:40;

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SEATING, from left to right: Orlene Fortson, Elsie Kent, Rosalinda Delph, Catherine Allen, Orie Johnson, Bertha Duane. Second Row: Laura Pugh, Joa Parker, Beatrix Foster, Myrtle Bonner, Gladys Morrison, Marjorie Gaudin, Margaret King. Third Row: Myrtle Mason, Velma Duffel, Zella Mott, Etta Mae Mohr, Mildred Thompson, Edith Marshall, Lenora Douglas.

Sophomores

In September, 1933, St. Mary's opened her doors to 31 High School Freshmen, the largest group that she had enrolled for many years. Being Freshies, we did not know what was expected of us and had to be initiated, but the old students helped us along and we soon found our place. We worked hard at our lessons and at extra-curricular activities, hence, when the end of the school term came we had reason to be proud of our success, for we went on record as having given the first play of the School Year. In the "Marie Stella" drive we had taken a leading part and were rewarded with the title "High School Boosters." These successes along with our trip to the Capitol in Baton Rouge made our Freshman year one to be remembered.

June came, then vacation with its days of fun. When these had passed, back to

St. Mary's we came ready to begin new work and to shoulder new responsibilities. We are still the largest class in the high school, although all of our members did not return.

Our activities this year have been confined to a Carnival Entertainment and to our participation in the Year Book Drive. However, we have the distinction of presenting to the student body (in our weekly program) the first corner duet played by members of the newly formed band; some of the best volley ball and basket-ball players come from our ranks; Latin, English, Algebra, Civics and Home Economics all have their devotees among us, and the Sophs of '35, striving hard to reach the top, are looking forward to the close of the school term with their eyes on the third base—the Junior Year. Myrtle Mason, '37.

Twelve



SEATING, From left to right: Laura Robert, Ethel Parker, Stella Charoan, Lillie Richards, Helen Martin; Second Row: Geraldine Johnson, Vivian Carlos, Dolores Campbell, Althea Adams, Jamie Lee Warren; Third Row: Dorothy Bragg, Maude Wain, Thelma Harris, Mary Aubrey, Marjorie Peters, Dorothy Weber.

Freshmen

Twenty-two in number we entered the doors of St. Mary's in September to begin work. We had enjoyed our vacation very much but were glad to enter high school and to start new work. Since nearly every parochial school for our group in N. O. was represented in our class, the majority of us were strangers but the St. Mary's girls tried to make us feel at home and we soon fell in line.

As a prelude to the work, we were given the State I. Q. in which the majority did well. Our principal then knew where we belonged and we were placed accordingly into two groups—the Prep. Class, better known as the Latin People, and the General or Home Economics Class.

In the latter part of September we organized our Class Club, the D. S. M's of St. Mary's. Our motto is "Onward to

Victory." As our class officers we elected:

Althea Adams—President
Dolores Campbell—Vice-President
Vivian Carlos—Financial Secretary
Marcella Peters—Recording Secretary
Our class colors are White and Gold.

Our next big activity was our Friday program. We worked hard to make it a success and were rewarded with much applause. We realized a nice sum from our Valentine Party in February, and in the Year Book Drive, we, Freshies went over the top, thus proving that we are not as green as many imagine.

Although five of our number have dropped out, we are getting on very well and hope that we will all start a new school year as Sophs.

Laura Robert, '38.

Thirteen

The Maris Stella Contest



MILDRED DAVE
The Most Popular Girl

While there were not many competitors for the title of Miss Maris Stella, there was keen competition for obtaining Ads between the classes. The desire to make this issue of the year book a success seems to have been the principal motive. With this as the aim each class worked faithfully as a whole, yet some individuals in the grades and the high school excelled in their earnestness, and spirit of co-operation. From these latter, the "Star Workers" who showed the most school spirit have been selected.

St. Mary's is proud of the splendid teamwork done by these students, of the qualities of initiative and co-operation exhibited not only on this occasion but also at other times during the school term.

May continued success attend the future endeavors of "Miss Maris Stella" our "Popular Girl," and our "Star Workers" of '35.

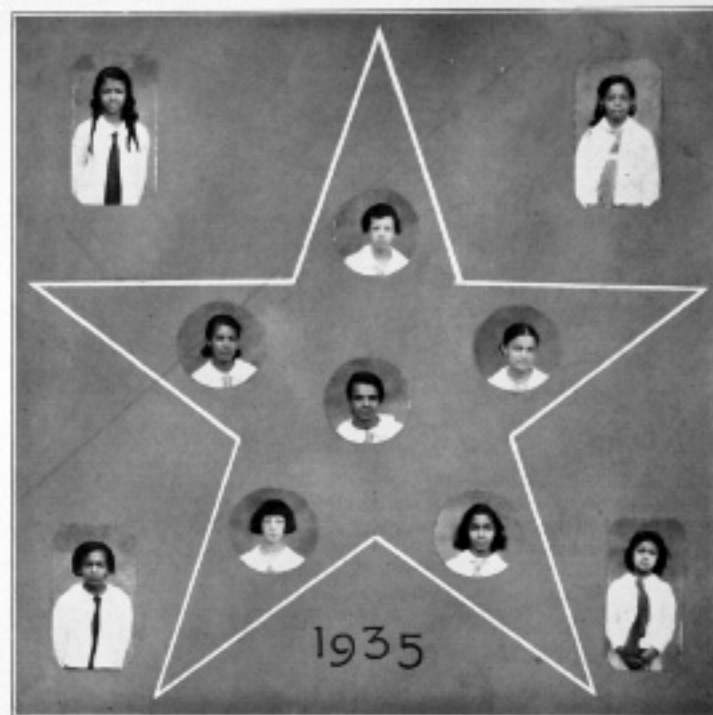
High School Band



SITTING. From left to right: Beulah Lee, Margaret Harringer, Jessie Ida Thomas, Alice Adams, Elsie Johnson, Laura Robert, Mary Stone. **STANDING:** Marcelle Peters, Mable Ostrum, Dolores Garabell, Celina Fortuna, Fannie Block, Evelyn Duffell.

Fourteen

Our Star Workers



Dolores DeLay

Clotilde Bloche

Lucile Stone

Marilyn DeLay

Beulah Lee

Merrill Mason

Dorcasia Damsburg

CYNTHIA DELAY

Laura Robert

Leatrice DeLay

Fifteen

Sixth and Seventh Grade



SITTING: From Left to Right, Esther Guillemette, Mercedes Graber, Victoria Elsten, Rose Skillman, Laura Lee, Maxine Lawrence; **Second Row:** Reine Garrison, Dolores DeLay, Gloria Hall, Marie Quergue, Wilma Peters, Dorothy Robert, Deborah Delpit, Lucy Ann Dauphin; **Third Row:** Jessie Mae Curtis, Lorraine Demazellere, Juanita Hatfield, Bernice Clave, Doris Dupre, Ernestine Alexander; **Fourth Row:** Cecile Johnson, Aurile Daminie, Consuela Crockett, Dorothy Prescott, Cecile Avril, Elsa Mae McGuinn, Eliska Dave, Lillian Monroe.

L. F. W. W.

These little alphabets, which represent the Sixth and Seventh Graders seem of no importance, but when we tell you what we have been able to do by keeping them before us, you will appreciate them more.

In September we aimed very high, we admit, but if one does not aim high, he will never reach so much as the midpoint of success.

We think every pupil of our class has learned to understand and to appreciate Religion and Civics more than before. By the lessons taught, we have learned how to live with other people and to conquer our own wills when the good of our neighbor requires us to do so. This is one of the marks of good citizenship.

We hope in the future to aim still higher and as we go on in life to carry the teachings of dear old S. M. A. wherever we go. Victoria Elston, 7th Grade
Sixteen

OUR DARLING



Marion Bakewell

*There is a smile on her face
Which shows goodness and grace
May it never depart
But remain in her heart.*

Our Grammar School Pupils



SITTING, First Row, from Left to Right: Leatrice Deloit, Faylis Charbonnette, Yvonne Quenzel, Lois Goughs, Julie Marie Williams, Wilhelmina Peters, Bertha Mae Wilson, Joyce Bidell, Rosemary Shonberg, Eunice McKendall. **SITTING, Second Row:** Juanita Turnbull, Lucretia Guice, Geraldine Marcelin, Margaret Guichard, Ruby Johnson, Cecelia Deloit, Dardanella Darenburg, Rosemary Raymond, Doris Goughs, Geraldine Turcut, Helen Carriere, Geraldine Netter, Joyce Woodfox, Bernice Blache, Gloria Mae Betts, Marie Louise Matthew. **Third Row:** Marietta DeLay, Dorothy Jat, Elsie McBride, Juanita Simmons, Edith Melancon, Lucy Ann Dauphin, Lucille Steele, Mildred Dupre, Marion Haines, Iona Radford, Lorraine Cassino, Marcella Prevost, Mercedes Dauphin, Marion Bakewell, Marion Desvignes. **Fourth Row:** Gloria Goughs, Lorraine Demazellere, Gloria Hall, Drusilla Peters, Dorothy Robert, Deborah Deloit, Lula Dave, Enola James, Wilma Adams. **Fifth Row:** Mildred Parker, Reine Garrison, Dolores DeLay, Wilma Peters, Ernestine Alexander, Bernice Clave, Marie Lucille Quenzel, Aurile Dumaine, Eliska Dave, Juanita Hatfield, Rose Mary Land, Doris Dupre, Jean Amedee, Jessie Mae Curtis. **Sixth Row:** Cecile Johnson, Maxine Lawrence, Cecile Avril, Laura Lee, Hilda Melancon, Rose Skillman, Etta Mae McGuin, Victoria Elston, Dorothy Mae Prescott, Esther Guillemett, Lillian Monroe, Consuella Crockett.

Feast Of The Little Lanterns



Cast of the Operetta

Principal: Clothilde Blache, Helen Ketchum, Beulah Lee, Catherine Allen, Eugenie McKendall, Cherise Zaida, Mabel, Clio Johnson, Mildred Davis, Hattie Cartier, Dorothy Bertaux, Doris Quisenberry, Stella Chappell, Margaret King, Mary Anderson, Helen Martin, Grace Brown, Lillian Demoss, Cordelia Ketchum, Miss Manning, Evelyn Barber, Louise Quisenberry, Marion Desomes, Geraldine Johnson, Hilda Marshall, Emma Mott, Virginia Curtis, Jessie Thomas, Marguerite Gosselin, Laura Robert, Gertrude Chubb, Esther Chubb, Doris Johnson, Lillian Martin, Ella Mae Motson, Doris Allen, Marie Demoss, Augusta Hatfield, Doris Mae Platt.

Dramatics

"All the world's a stage."

It has always been the aim of St. Mary's to discover and to develop the hidden talents of her pupils, therefore, in order to encourage and to train those who have histrionic ability, dramatics have been given a prominent place in our activities. An annual operetta usually draws a large gathering of parents and friends, while programs of less importance given from time to time, serve to keep the students 'in trim' should the occasion arise for an important affair.

This term, the school presented the "Feast of the Little Lanterns," a Chinese operetta, which gave an excellent opportunity to the principal characters, Katherine Allen, Helen Ketchum, Clothilde,

Blache, and Beulah Lee to show their power of expression. In December the Sixth and Seventh Grades gave a Christmas program which included a tableau of the Nativity, and in January the Seniors played "Mechanical Jane," a comedy, that sent everyone into peals of laughter. "Out of the Dark," a pageant for Negro Week depicting episodes in the history of the Race, given by the Juniors and Seniors was followed by "The Secret of Fortune Telling," an operetta, by the boarders. These with the weekly programs of each class, and the celebrations in honor of Washington's Birthday, Education Week, Vocation Week and Community Chest Week have helped to accomplish the aim of the school.

Marion Desomes, '35.

Eighleen

Seniors In The Library



Marguerite Gosselin, Louise Quisenberry, Mary Nixon, Jessie Thomas, Marion Desomes, Helen Ketchum, Clothilde Blache, Mildred Davis.

Seniors, Farewell

To you this year is of much importance. Out to face the trials of the world you are being turned. May the good moral and scholastic teaching you have received always remain with you, and may your religious teachings be never forgotten. The good Sisters have

put forth every effort in giving to you what is best for the development of your character. Keep their precepts before you and be faithful to them. We say farewell—farewell only in words, for in our prayers you will always be remembered.

Dorothy Bertaux, '36.

Seniors

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too, Miss Maris Stella contest of '35 was won by an S. M. V.

Only a few more blue and gold threads are needed to weave the results of the elocution contest, the State exam and the Closing or Commencement Exercises, but we are confident that this part of the tapestry will be in keeping with the rest.

As we linger awhile and glance at this pleasing picture of different hues, and realize that loving, sympathetic hearts and hands have helped us to make it, our hearts well up in gratitude to the dear Sisters who have guided us all these

years, who have "taught our lips to pray and our minds to think."

When another issue of Maris Stella goes to the press, we shall have passed forever beyond the portals of S. M. A. as students, then let us bid farewell "to those who work with us each day; to those who will follow us when we have gone away."

Farewell, farewell, dear Alma Mater. Never shall we forget the lessons we have learned, the principles you have labored to instill. We hope that in the years to come you will have cause to be proud of the class of '35.

Louise Quisenberry, '35.

Nineteen

A Class In Biology



From left to right: Helen Kitchens, Mary Anderson, Grace Bergand, Dorothy Bortman, Evelyn Lee, Elizabeth Smith, Hester Johnson, Marion Deane, Christine Baker, Joyce Thomas, Loretta Mendenhall, Catherine Delany, Doris Quisenberry, Margaret Gorman, Mary Louise Wilkins, Mary Elizabeth Williams, Victor Carver, Madeline Davis.

Biology

"Man is a tool-making animal" we are told.

When we enrolled in September, we found Biology on our schedule. We were somewhat skeptical about it and feared that the hours devoted to this subject would be tiresome. Happily for us, it turned out just the opposite for the periods have been interesting. We have welcomed each laboratory day, because it gave us a chance to take a peep into the secrets of Mother Nature. It has also helped us to appreciate better the works of God and His care for the universe.

We have taken genuine pleasure in dissecting frogs, fishes, turtles, and in performing other tedious experiments on insects. We have also been pleased to learn the construction of the human body and the care that must be given to it in order to avoid disease.

Science should always be the safeguard of religion, and the student of science at St. Mary's finds her Faith strengthened by her observations in the laboratory directed by her instructors.

Marie Williams, '36

Juniors

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and our frequent turns at volley ball. Remember those unexpected tests and our keen interest in the results. What about our term papers, and our English notebooks?

As we gaze upon all in review can we not see that hard work on our part and the sympathetic attitude of our teachers

have combined to make the picture a pleasing one? As we face the end of the school term, what is our resolve?

"NO VICTORY WITHOUT LABOR" IS OUR MOTTO. WITH LABOR, THEN, WE WILL MARCH TO VICTORY AS THE SENIORS OF '36.

Corradin Delany, '36.

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From left to right: Hilda, Gladys, Margaret, Jess, Parker, Leah, Helen, Margaret, Kline, Beatrice, Delany, Elsie, Kline, Beatrice, Deane, Marie, Helen, Margaret, Corradin.

The Sewing Class

The Home Economics students of the Junior and Sophomore classes are very much interested in sewing. Realizing that a knowledge of this useful art will be a means of saving many dollars for them in later life, they are grasping the opportunity which St. Mary's is placing within their reach, and responding to the efforts of their excellent teacher, Sister Agnes Marie, they have made several articles of clothing. These include street dresses and evening gowns.

The sewing room is large, well-lighted, and well-equipped, hence it is a pleasant place in which to work. Is it any wonder, then, that the girls are showing such enthusiasm in the making of pretty, useful articles?

We are hoping that the girls of the Home Economics division will continue to be interested in the work, for if this be the case, we might expect to find some "expert modistes" graduating from S. M. A. Harrie Carriere '36

Children of Mary Sodality

Our Sodality has been very active during the term. In addition to our monthly meetings with instructions and recitation of the Little Office of the Immaculate Conception, we have had other activities.

In September our annual retreat was given by a Jesuit Priest. Before the fervor of those days had passed away, October was observed in and we started a Rosary Drive. This was an effort on the part of each Child of Mary to persuade someone to recite the rosary, or,

at least, one decade every day during the month.

In support of the Legion of Decency, we have tried to keep the unendorsed films posted. Since our attention has been called to the condition of the Church in Mexico, we have launched a campaign of prayer for this country which is persecuting so many of our Catholic priests and religious.

May we ask our readers to join us in this?

Elizabeth Smith, '35,
E. de M.

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The Paul Lawrence Dunbar Literary Club

We were late in organizing the club this year due to the change in the daily schedule, however, the study of American literature was launched, and our members soon found themselves coming quotations from American authors with which to answer the roll call.

In our researches and discussions we have found that despite the fact that the founders of our nation were busy making history, some of them still had time to write history. Being girls, ourselves, it pleased us much to learn that the first real American poet was a woman, Anne Bradstreet, and that the first poet of our race on American soil was also a woman, Phillis Wheatley.

We are hoping that ere the school term closes we shall have made the acquaintance of every worthwhile American writer from colonial days to our own times. This knowledge will be a great help to us in choosing our reading.

Mildred Dave, '35.

The Oratorical Contest

The Seniors, or the S. M. V's, carried off another honor to be added to their many laurels, when Elizabeth Smith and Marguerite Garrison won the first and second prizes respectively in the first oratorical contest sponsored by St. Mary's.

"Mark Anthony's Oration at Caesar's Funeral" by Shakespeare, and an excerpt from "The National Ideal" by Theodore Roosevelt were the two speeches which brought victory to these students and which have evoked a desire for oratory in the Juniors. The Seniors had decided that they would capture the honors and they did.

Well done, Seniors! Carry that spirit of determination with you into the broad field of life and you must win in the strife.

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The Better English Club

The Better English Club has again taken its place among the clubs of the school and it has proven to be one of the most active of the year.

There have been a few additional activities of the club, the most important being impromptu speeches and conversational meetings.

We are proud to say that each member puts forth her best efforts to make the club a success and due to these efforts it has succeeded very well.

The officers for this year are:

Mildred Dave, '35—President
Helen Kerschens, '35—Vice-President
Beulah Lee, '36—Secretary
Marie L. Williams, '36—Chaplain.
Jessie Thomas, '35.

The DePriest Current Events Club

The DePriest Current Events Club was fortunate in its selection of a president this year. Clothilde Blache is a great reader of current history, hence a better president could not have been chosen.

Under her leadership the meetings have been both interesting and instructive. Each week we visit the various countries of the world to find out what of importance has taken place in their midst. Of course, we generally look in at Washington and the capital of the several states before starting on our foreign tour, for our motto is "See America first." However, the rumblings of war clouds on the Asiatic coast, and this later dispute between Italy and Abyssinia have claimed our special attention.

Last year, a Junior, Mary Nixon, won the premium offered for the best recorder of Current Events. We are trying to guess who will win it this year.

Marguerite Garrison, '35.

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ST. MARY'S ALUMNI

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Twenty-three



From left to right: THOMAS QUINCY, THOMAS QUINCY, Lorraine Deane, Phyllis Charbonnet, Ceola Deane, Marie McDermott, Gloria Mae Deane, Gertrude Maresca, Judith Turbott, Wilhelmina Polak, Marion Desjardins, Marie Louise Mathews, Baby Johnson, Esther Boche, Joie Woodell, Geraldine Miller, Julia Marie Williams, Delores Gibson, Mercedes Desjardins, Della Deane, Gertrude Turbott, Dorothy Lee, Dorothea Desjardins, Lila Deane, Lorraine Deane, Maryetta Deane, Rosemary Raymond, Dorothea Polak, Mildred Deane, Lila Deane, Lila Deane.

Music

"Music hath charms to soothe the savage beast."

Listed among the finer arts we find "Music." Knowing this the good Sisters have organized a school band and are giving much encouragement to the members. Music is now one of the major activities of the school, for everyone is taking part in it under one form or another. The primary children have their rhythmic land; many of the gram-

mar and high school pupils are learning to play the piano; the military band belongs to the high school department, and all the pupils of both grammar and high school are being trained in vocal music.

We all know that music appreciation indicates culture and refinement, hence we may conclude that the students of St. Mary's are being trained along all lines—literary, moral and cultural.

Beatrice Lee, '36.

The Grammar or Preparatory School

With all grades, from the First through the Seventh, the grammar school began its school term on September 7th. Although the number in the primary classes was smaller than last term, the general enrollment was practically the same since several new students entered the Sixth and Seventh grades.

As a unit the grammar school is a harmonious, co-operation, and loyalty. There is

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healthy competition between the classes with the corresponding development of the sense of responsibility in each member of the group.

Some of the best hand-ball players, singers, and all-round students of grammar grades are to be found at St. Mary's. And lest we forget, we must say that the Seventh Graders are planning to give us all a surprise, and to come out first as one hundred per cent pupils in the state examination.

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Who are they that like to play?
To romp and run the live long day?
Who are they that adore God's sight?
And let God guide them by His holy light

Who are they so cute and neat?
So kind and timid and very sweet
Rah! Rah! who are they?
Primer class, Primer class of S. M. A.

Who are they a little larger?
Who love their Principal Sister Borgin?
Who are they that love their school?
And try to obey its golden rule?
Who love to go to the chapel to pray
To our good God in their own little way?
Rah! Rah! who are they?
First grade, First grade of S. M. A.

Who are they that have a good start
Because they are said to be very smart
Willing workers who are they?
Who love to help dear S. M. A.
Who are they that say "Help your school
Because she has so many good rules."
Rah! Rah! who are they?
Second grade, Third grade of S. M. A.

Who are they that love their school so
dear?
And want the Blessed Mother near?
Who are they that are proud to say
We are from sweetest S. M. A.
Who are they that love their school
more
Than anyone ever did before?
Rah! Rah! who are they?
Fourth grade, Fifth grade of S. M. A.

The Sixth and Seventh have always won
They never leave their work undone
They always lend a helping hand
And at the top they always stand
If my class should ever love
To try again we'll ne'er refuse
Our faces seem to hold a smile
That seems to impress you for a while
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But still we have our work to do.

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St. Mary's Mothers' Club

Of all the auxiliaries of the school, none is as active, none more interested than the Mothers' Club. Each month, it launches a drive of some kind for the benefit of the school, and the officers are always on hand to assist in any emergency that might arise. To Mrs.

Thomas, the president, is due to a great extent the success of this issue of the "Marie Stella" since her canvassing for ads, and her encouragement to the students were the means of raising funds.

Long life and success to Mrs. Thomas and the members of the St. Mary's Mothers' Club.

Excelsior

The Excelsior started its second year of publication in March '34, and had given hopes of a successful term by the co-operation of the newly elected staff. Unfortunately, however, interest in it seemed to have waned, and after two months' publication, it was discontinued

in December.

A school paper is an asset, and we regard it as such, therefore we are hoping that 1936 will see the Excelsior revived as a larger, and if possible, a better paper.

The Alumni

The Alumni carried out its new plan this year of giving a scholarship to a graduate from St. Mary's grammar school. Helen Martin was the recipient.

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