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150TH ANNIVERSARY OF SALEM COLLEGE—LARGE FRESHMAN CLASS.

The opening of our college is always welcomed with interest by a large group of alumnae and friends, but this year, 1921-22, it is doubly interesting. At 10 o'clock on Thursday morning, September 15, 1921, the one hundred and fiftieth session of Salem Academy and College was opened by impressive exercises in Memorial Hall. The hall was filled throughout, there being a number of visitors present. The exercises were opened with the organ prelude by Dean Shirley. Then in accordance with custom, the new Senior Class sang "Standing at the Portal" as the processional led by Rev. E. J. Heath; the company read the 121st Psalm responsively. Bishop Rondthaler offered a fervent prayer, asking God's blessing on the institution and all connected with it.

Members of the faculty made important announcements concerning schedules and other matters, after which President Rondthaler spoke briefly but earnestly and effectively to all present. His remarks follow in part:

"Today is not only a day of usual interest in being the first day of the new term but it is a day of unusual interest in that it ushers in the one hundred and fiftieth year of unbroken service in the history of Salem Academy and College.

"Every time you enter the north door of Main Hall you pass by a stone bearing the date 1772 and marking the foundation of this great institution.

"Those were very different years from these—those old Colonial days when the United States of America was as yet unknown, and when we were still a restless and unhappy group of colonies giving unwilling allegiance to the English crown.

"When you come to know better the historic memorials of this community, you will find record of the passage through these very streets of hostile armies and you will also appreciate the more the long and unbroken history of 150 years which tells the story almost without duplicate in America, of faithful and conscientious devotion to an ideal almost unknown when this pioneer institution began its toil, i.e.,

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ELECTION OF SOPHOMORE OFFICERS

The members of the class of '24 waited until they had attained the wisdom of Sophomores to select their officers for the second year. Marion Propst was elected president; Mary Pfohl, vice-president; Margaret Smith, secretary; and Jane Noble, treasurer. As they wish to express an unusual amount of pep and enthusiasm, they have separate leaders for yells and songs: Elizabeth Stroud is cheer leader and Elizabeth Batts, song leader.

THE SUNDAY SERVICE

The services which were held in the Home Moravian Church on Sunday morning were very impressive, marking, as they did, the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the opening of Salem College and Academy. Mr. Pfohl was ably assisted in the pulpit by Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler, who conducted the responsive readings, and by Rev. Edwin J. Heath, who read the Scriptures and announcements.

Prior to his sermon, Mr. Pfohl extended a cordial welcome to the faculty and students of Salem College and Academy. In his sermon, Mr. Pfohl had as his text the first three verses of the First Psalm, which are: "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

And he shall be like a tree, planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."

Likening the ideal man to the sturdy tree which flourished by the river's side, Mr. Pfohl convinced his congregation of the true worth of religion and education to the strong man, who wishes to overcome all temptations. In conclusion, Mr. Pfohl explained that school is only a step in preparing for an education; for after all, we do not secure our most important knowledge between the covers of books, but from the schools of Life, through experience.

Three cheers for the Freshmen.

THE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

The Athletic Association? The very term speaks for itself, but what it may mean to each of us, personally, rests entirely with the individual. It is because of that fact, as well as the benefits to be derived from athletics here at Salem that we hope a larger number of girls than ever before will come out for the various sports this year, thus helping to make it the very best the association has yet known.

It is customary, at the beginning of each school year, for the association to meet in order that it may elect the heads for these sports: namely, basket-ball, hockey, tennis, baseball, hiking and swimming. Such a meeting was called on Tuesday night by Miss Gertrude Coble, the president and was carried on successfully. The results follow:

Head of basket ball, Elizabeth Griffin; tennis, Margaret Russell; hockey, Harriett Harris; baseball, Mildred Parrish; hiking, Mary Warren; and swimming, Marjorie Hunt. These girls are all interested in their particular sport and are, we feel confident, going to do everything in their power to get everyone interested. The point system, which was introduced through the untiring efforts of Miss Jackson and the officers, has been a big step in this direction. How about a little appreciation through co-operation, girls!

H. HUNT.

O'HANLON'S WELCOME

"Elizabeth, you have a telegram!" This information sent electrical thrills and fears through me! Instantly there ran through my mind a list of events which would call forth the formality of resorting to telegraphy. Before opening the yellow envelope, I "came up for air," and to my surprise, beheld many garish envelopes such as mine. What could it be! Simultaneously, we all opened our messages. First, a sigh of relief escaped us; then, one of appreciation, as we read the cordial invitation to visit O'Hanlon's up-to-date drug store. To prove our gratitude for their kind welcome, we "dismissed the messenger boy," and answered the telegram in person that very afternoon, and experienced great pleasure in doing so. Hereafter, when downtown, we will make our headquarters at O'Hanlon's, the big, busy drug store.

GET-TOGETHER NIGHT AT SALEM.

Saturday night the annual Get-Together celebration was held in the library (beginning at 7:30 o'clock.) Members of the College and Academy faculties, old and new students of both the College and Academy were present. A spirit of congeniality pervaded the atmosphere and the new girls were made to feel very much at home.

The following program was carried out in the library, after which everyone repaired to the upper back campus where ice cream was served. Dancing in the gymnasium followed.

Program

1. Opening Song—"Dixie."
2. "America the Beautiful."
3. Introduction of New Members of the College and Academy faculties.
4. "Pack Up Your Troubles."
5. Senior Stunt and Yells.
6. Junior Stunt.
7. Sophomore Stunt.
8. Freshman Stunt.
9. Academy Stunt.
10. Dr. Rondthaler.
11. Alma Mater.

The new members of the college faculty were very graciously presented to the audience by Miss Farrand of the department of Modern Language. Each one was called to the front to make her bow and each received hearty applause from the audience as she came forward.

New members of the Academy faculty were presented by Miss Mary Hadley Connor. Miss Connor is herself a new member of the Academy faculty but is well remembered by the old girls as president of the Student Self-Government Association two years ago, and is held in high esteem by all who know her.

The Senior stunt was one of charming originality and full of historical interest. The girls were dressed as girls of 1772, the year Salem was founded, and 1922, which is the year of their graduation. A strong contrast was shown in the fashions and customs of the two different times. The colonial girls gave a typical class as conducted in olden times. After this came yells to Dr. Rondthaler, Miss Stipe and the faculty.

The Juniors, in their stunt introduced in a most interesting way their

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