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Motto-"Sail on Salem"

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It is, of course, impossible that there should be in Salem College any girl who does not know that her Alma Mater is one of the A Class colleges of the South, and we delight in the progress which our college has made, but what does that classification mean to each of us personally? We joyously greeted Salem's entrance on that list, we congratulated each other on the place she held, but how many of us resolved then and there to keep that place for her, and not only to keep it, but to raise it higher and higher?

We love our college. Each and every one of us loves it, and we are furiously angry when some student fails in the standards she sets for usyet, are we as careful in our own conduct as we wish others to be?

Of course, with the changes in the various departments and with the system of co-operation between college girls and the townspeople, the curriculum is under special observation. To a very large extent, the students make each class what they want it to be. No instructor, no matter how extensive her learning and accomplishment, can make class work satisfactory unless the members of that class apply themselves with enthusiasm and vigor. The plea for lighter work has never yet made preparation more thorough. We resent it if another student insinuates that her course is harder than ours-nor is that always self pity. We are proud to maintain that we engage in no slacker's work. Then why should we not do all in our power to co-operate with the faculty not in making the courses easy, but in making them interesting and profitable?

Now is the time to show your love for Salem, your pride in her. Now is the time to show other colleges that Salem girls are not afraid of work; that they like to accomplish things, and like to be instrumental in placing their Alma Mater on the list of the most respected and most worth-while colleges in the South.

McDOWELL CLUB BEGINS ITS DRIVE.

It seems quite natural to those of us who are old girls to be given the privilege of joining the MacDowell Club yet another year; but, for the benefit of those who are having it the first time, we may say that it is an organization which includes all the faculty, college students and the eleventh grade of the Academy. In the beginning this Club was essentially a musical organization which presented monthly entertainments; but in the last few years it has broadened its activities heached, our country once more show-

somewhat, one of the most recent being a moving picture show every other Saturday night.

The dues of the organization amount to one dollar a year, a rather small fee if one considers the returns from such an investment. Non-members may however, attend the picture performances by paying fifteen cents apiece. Let us hope that in this the first drive of our new school year, we may go over the top with a one hundred per cent membership.

WORLD NEWS

Greece and Italy fight-for what? Both refuse to surrender.

But the League steps in and settles their fuss: .

She's the very best kind of mender.

On the heels of the clash between France and Germany, followed an altercation between Italy and Greece which threatened to become serious. The trouble in itself was not dangerous, but the menace lay in the fact that neither country was willing to allow the League of Nations to settle the matter. With the Greeks potently wrong, but persistently refusing to surrender, the League was given one of the most stubborn problems with which it has yet had to deal. However, the court of the world finally settled the matter in a way apparently satisfactory to every one. Greece apologized, held a funeral service at Athens for the massacred sons of Italy, and fired a salute in honor of the flag of her recent enemy. Evidently Italy considered this sufficient reparation, for she accepted the apology, and another little scrap is blown over.

> The Spaniards defied the army. The king retorted in kind. He put the leaders in prison, And now he makes them mind.

Spain is still in a mild state of disorder, owing to the recent revolution. The people, though protesting loyalty to their kind, yet defied the military leaders. King Alfonso, suiting the punishment to the offense, signed a decree dissolving parliament. No disturbances resulted, and the country is now fairly quiet, though under military control, with Rivera as president of the directorate. All Bolshevik leaders have been arrested and the nation becms to be returning to normalcy.

When the earthquake rolled and rumbled when it threw their homes about

We were sorry for our friends across the seas.

We dug into our pocekts and we pulled the money out

And we sent it to our brother Japanese.

It will be many, many long days before stricken Japan will bloom again, and many years before the loss of humanity and property can be restored. The people of America again came to the rescue, as always, giving liberally of money and food. In almost every State the assigned quota was far over

ing her generosity for suffering hu- and stories, all of them representing tne history of the world has a greater disaster been known.

DR. MIMS IN POWERFUL AD-DRESS AT SALEM COLLEGE (Continued from page one)

have been devout Christians. Evolution, as a process of creation, makes eternal energy and mind. We live in a world of spirit, the fairy tales of science are paralleled by the hopes and dreams of man; God is a spirit and we are everywhere in touch with His spirnearer than hands and feet.

Referring to H. L. Mencken as the one man in America whose writings thinking, said Dr. Mims. Pessimism are exerting a wide influence, and who goes beyond all others in his sweeping condemnation of all American traditions, standards and ideals, the speaker said that five years ago he was generally considered a swashbuckler; today he has made his way into the very citadels of conservatism. His writings are eagerly sought and magazines and to his Alma Mater to make the adpapers are eager to print his essays. dress as rector of the University of Men are afraid of him, university boys are reading him, and many professors, a race of men whom he utterly despises, are chuckling over his diatribes. He is in short a phenomenon.

In further discussing the writings of Mr. Mencken, Dr. Mims said that he tary Hughes or Henry Cabot Lodge or President Harding, but that he could not find words to express his contempt the College during the present season. for a man who would not, for the moment at least, be hushed into awe or at least silence before the bier of a great name of parent on back of registration personality like Theodore Roosevelt, or card and looking at space opposite who would, in the presence of one of marked "date of birth"): Miss Forthe great tragedies of history-the man, do you want the date of birth for broken body of Woodrow Wilson-re- my mother or father? fer to him as the "late Dr. Wilson" or the "late Woodrow."

In answer to his question as to whether there is any answer to these indictments of the American people, Dr. Mims said that the most enlightened opponent of their point of view, a man who has used their own weapons of ridicule and satire and who is certainly cognizant with the contemporary literature in which they have expressed themselves, is Professor Stuart P. Sherman, of the University of Illinois.

The same conflict that has been found between two distinct views of science is also found in two tendencies in modern fiction, a form of art which is always so sensitive to contemporary tendencies. The speaker treated this phase of his address fully and brought out many interesting references. The writers who have contributed novels

magity. Not for a long time can the the revolt against sentimentalism, ronotal loss be estimated, but never in manticism and idealism were mentioned, among them being Sinclair Lewis. Scott Fitzgerald, Sherwood Anderson, Floyd Dell, and Joseph Hergesheimer. Dr. Mims stated that his objection was to the contention that these writings are the whole truth about American life, and he insisted that we should counterbalance these impressions with other facts which any man of observaall the more inevitable the infinite and tion and experience can establish, and with other points of view which prevail in the books of writers who have come nearer, he said, to seeing life steadily and as a whole.

The fundamental trouble with much it, closer is He than breathing and of the restlessness and pessimism of the present time is a lack of couragecourage to face the difficulties of is frequently an evasion of life. Men should live in an ideal world of love and beauty, with some hope that by preserving faith in human dreams, we may after all, perhaps some day make them come true.

> The speaker referred to the fact that when Sir James Barrie went back St. Andrews, he chose as his subject, the simple word, "Courage."

> In concluding Dr. Mims stated that in his opinion religion is the most important basis of real hope for the future of mankind.

Dr. Mims, in his address, covered could imagine an American who would his subject in a manner that was most not like Theodore Roosevelt or Wood- interesting and instructive, and the aurow Wilson or Justice Taft or Secre-dience was indeed pleased with the opportunity of hearing this, the first of a series of lectures to be delivered at

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