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S. U. S.

For several years it has been the custom of the Sophomore Hygiene class to conduct a campaign for better posture. Each year S. U. S. posters are so placed that they attract the attention of all passers-by. The campaign does not bring a new subject to our notice; it simply reminds us that we are perhaps relaxing in the good habits formed last year.

There is a close connection between posture and brain activity. By experience we know that our brains are more active when we maintain an erect position than when we allow our heads to drop and our bodies to slouch. Good position almost invariably inspires self confidence and brings with it renewed vigor.

Posture of individuals and posture of classes will be watched during the campaign which is now being waged, and the attention, vivacity, and, perhaps, scholarship of each will be judged accordingly.

OPEN FORUM.

The Open Forum is one column which The Salemite is particularly anxious to see advanced. It is with great pleasure, therefore, that we print two articles voluntarily contributed by members of the student body. It is an interesting fact that both articles come from the under classmen, one from a Sophomore, and the other from a Freshman. These students are realizing that Salem is not simply a place where one comes, but a place to which one belongs; that each of us has her definite position to fill, and definite duties to perform, and that we have the privilege of expressing our views and of co-operating with the various organizations. We are, therefore, glad to print these contributions not only because they indicate interest in The Salemite, but because they show loyalty and love for Salem.

DR. RONDTHALER LECTURES FIRST MEETING HISTORY CLUB

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sterility of her soil, "in which", someone has said, "an umbrella could be raised with difficulty." Without the loss of rural characteristics, she has also become the industrial leader of a vast area, and has become so without the growth of any large cities. Cities are prone to grow up on seacoasts, but nature has favored North Carolina with an invisible eastern barrier of sand which makes the landing of ships impossible. Her civilization is thus different from the states north and south of her, in that she lacks the domination of any great city population, with its overbearing, dictatorial,

insolent pride that has no patience with other sections which have progressed less rapidly.

Industrial priority is only in its first dawn, for while industry elsewhere depends on resources which it must destroy in the using, North Carolina has a widespread area of water falls producing energy that renews itself as it is consumed.

This is North Carolina—with her paradoxes of climatic conditions, of the absence of a great city population, of agricultural growth challenging the admiration of all the United States, of industrial priority without the sacrifice of the joys of rural distinctiveness.

WORLD NEWS.

A northeast gale rose in the night
 And broke the dikes all down—
 Moorehaven's streets are flooded,
 And water fills the town.

Unfortunately, Moorehaven had no little Hans to stick his finger through the hole in the dike and prevent a flood, as in the old poem. Indeed, it must have been a large and mighty man to have battled against the northeast wind which struck the dikes around Lake Okeechobee last Tuesday. Like little sticks they broke before its fury and let the water pour in over the city. The streets were raging rivers from one to four feet deep, and even the telegraph operator, like the boy on the burning deck, was tapping away in six inches of water. He expected outside communication to be broken at any time, though the dredge Panama had been sent for, and no more leaks were found. The water was said to be at a standstill, and no further danger likely unless there was a storm. Merchandise was slightly damaged and clerks were to be seen wading around in rubber boots removing canned peaches and bolts of calico from shelves. So far, there has been no loss of life, and the only serious results are the terror of worthy citizens and the disastrous effect of the water on the dry goods.

England removes the duty
 On her dominion's wares;
 But increases foreign tariff
 And thereby foreign cares.

Following the advice of Stanley B. Bruce, Australian premier, the English government removed all duty on fruit, canned, dried and preserved, from any of her dominions. The tariff on all foreign products is to be much increased; Britain must have learned from us, a hundred and fifty years ago, that it is best to be good to little colonies, and give them the advantage over other countries. Another offer is made, either to increase the empire preference on un-manufactured tobacco, or to maintain the present one for ten years and to guarantee no lessening of that granted to empire sugar. The British ministers have already been considering the idea of protection, although Premier Baldwin has again and again declared there would be no such tariffs on foodstuffs. This is, perhaps, the beginning of the long-predicted struggle about the question, and if so, it promises to be an interesting encounter.

The organized labor federation
 Won't enter the political field.
 Now, are they really noble,
 Or do they think they'd have to yield?

The labor federation at Portland, Oregon, voted with a large majority against any participation in politics as an organized independent party. The debate was warm and excited, Matthew Wall, vice-president of the federation and secretary of the resolution committee, arguing that labor should hold itself aloof from politics, and depend on the trade union movement. He feared that a political party would destroy the economic power of organized labor. On the

other hand, D. A. McVey of Chicago, asserted that he and his associates were not communists and, that labor could only reach permanent results by political action. Though the federation disagreed widely on this point, they all united in a resolution to urge the United States to resume trade with Russia, and ultimately recognize her government.

DR. CHAPPELL TO SPEAK IN WEDNESDAY CHAPEL SERVICE

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to hear a man as well known and well loved throughout his church as Dr. Chappell. He has only recently come to Asheville from Arkansas. He has been active for a great number of years in the work of his church in the Southwest.



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