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Freshmen Week Inaugurated

Traditional Chapel Service Marks Opening Hundred and Fifty-fifth Year

Greetings From Alumnae: Dr. Rondthaler Welcomes Faculty and Student Body; Speaks of Adaptability

On Tuesday morning, September 16, at the old Church Clock struck Salem's one hundred and fifty-fifth year began with the traditional chapel service. According to customary procedure, the hymn "Standing at the Portal," was sung as the processional, the Seniors singing the first stanza before the audience joined in. This was followed by the reading of the eighty-fourth Psalm by the Reverend Robert Grubbin and Dr. J. Kenneth Pfohl offered a short prayer.

Announcements were made by Miss Jennie Wolfe, president of Student Government; Miss Eleanor Chase, principal of Salem Academy, and Miss Marian Blair, Registrar. Dr. Rondthaler then called on acting Dean Vardell, who read a letter from Dean Shirley, who is in Europe enjoying a year's leave of absence in travel and study. From Salzburg, Austria, the Dean sent greetings to all he knew and good wishes to the new students. To the Freshmen, he advised concentration and real daily devotion to work, since these measure the degree of success or failure. Dr. Rondthaler then announced the new members of the faculty, and extended a hearty welcome to them.

After speaking of the background of Alumnae consciousness accompanying this opening service, Dr. Rondthaler read the following telegrams:

From the Class of 1925—Best wishes for Salem's one hundred and fifty-fifth year, and greetings to the Seniors from the Class of 1925.—*Mary E. McKelvie, President.*

Johnson City, Tenn.—I am thinking of you all today and would love so much to be there. Since that is impossible, I send greetings to everybody and all good wishes for the most successful year ever.—*Mary Lee Taylor, Class of 1926.*

Johnson City, Tenn.—I know at this time I shall always be wishing I were standing at the portal of a year's work at Salem. Although I cannot be there this morning I am sending best wishes to faculty and students. May this Salem's most successful year.—*Sarah Healdston, Class of 1924.*

Reidsville, N. C.—This is the first time in seven years that I have failed to stand at the portal of the opening year at Salem. My heart thoughts are with you all today, and I wish for you the most successful year ever. Love.—*Evelyn Graham, Class of 1926.*

Mount Airy, N. C.—Greetings from Mount Airy and two members of 1925. Best wishes for a successful and happy year. To the Seniors, class of 1925; Flora Binder, Class of 1925, and Good-bid Chief of the Seniors.

Rockwellville, N. C.—Editor looking for the coming year. Wish I were there.—*Elizabeth Shaw, Class of 1926.*

Concord, N. C.—I leave my forty wriggling pupils to send greetings to all. Love to everybody, especially Mr. Higgins and the new Annual staff.—*Rosa Caldwell, Class of 1926.*

Reidsville, N. C.—"Sights and Landmarks."

Beaufort, N. C.—Wishing for all a year full of happiness and good hard work.—*Helen Griffin, President Class of 1926.*

Dayton, Ohio—Greetings to Sa-

lem today. May your year be full of happiness.—*Grace M. Keeney, formerly of Music Faculty.*

Mount Sterling, Illinois—Much love to everyone at dear old Salem.—*Hath Duncan Turner, formerly of the Music Faculty.*

In extending his personal greet-

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Mrs. Rondthaler Writes of Improvements

Covered Walks Renovated; Science Laboratories Improved; Campus Renovated.

September again! Do you not love it with all the brilliant glory of a summer's growth, the flowers of vivid orange and red and purple hues, the golden haze in the sky, the challenge of work beginning again, and best of all the coming back "home" to College and seeing everybody again.

While Dr. Rondthaler and I were traveling in leisurely and delightful consort thru France and England last summer Mr. Higgins and Miss Kersey and Miss Ferryman and Mrs. Best and Elizabeth Marx and Mr. Tally and Mr. Burrage and Mrs. Hampton and Mrs. Grell and Miss Anna and Miss Essie and Mrs. Meredith and Miss Fullbright were all doing their bit on this side of the world to make Salem College more attractive than ever before.

Mr. Higgins proved himself to be a mighty general (alike he doesn't think that Winston-Salem weather can approach the climate of Maine) and marshaled his forces so efficiently that many interesting improvements have been accomplished.

You will not recognize the North campus when you see it. The lot "covered boardwalk" is down, and never more will those boards render to many hurrying feet, often stumbling as they went because

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4 New Members to College Faculty

Dr. Ansonbee Succeeds Mr. Heath, Mlle. Nozet With Language Department; Miss Torbert Assistant in Physical Education.

Salem starts the collegiate year with four new members in the faculty. Dr. Frances C. Ansonbee, head of the History Department and instructor in Economics has just recently received his Dr.'s degree from the University of North Carolina, after having been a student in Erham College, Indiana, and at Johns Hopkins University. Dr. Ansonbee was born in England and



Civic Summer School of Music at Salem

Sacred Choir School One of Features, With Mr. Williamson, Director.

During the summer of 1926 two civic schools of music, under the direction of the Civic Music Commission of Winston-Salem were held at Salem College.

The Civic Summer Master School of Music was held for six weeks from June 14 to July 24, and was under the direction of Mr. William Branch, Director of Public School and Community Music of Winston-Salem. Mr. Arthur Kraft, of New York City, was head of the Vocal Department. Other members of the faculty were Dr. Max Cushing, Mrs. H. B. Starr, Mrs. Adely Yeargan Hall, Mrs. Estelle Emberg Bresh, Miss Bertha Clement, and Mr. C. D. Kutschinski. Mr. Kraft, accompanied by Dr. Cushing, gave the opening recital of the school, and he also assisted in the five programs which were given later.

The purpose of the school was to afford the teachers and students of the South an opportunity for special study with teachers of national reputation.

The Summer School of Sacred Music was held for three weeks, from July 26 to August 15. This school was under the direction of Mr. John Eddy Williamson, conductor of the famous Westminster-Jamson is ranked as the leading an- Choir of Dayton, Ohio. Mr. Wil-

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First Time Effort Concentrated on Creating Better College Spirit

Senior Picnic and Stunts With Song Contest Tonight; Automobile Tour of the City on Wednesday Afternoon

On Saturday evening, the Senior class will entertain the entire student body at a picnic supper on the Lower Campus. As hostesses, the Seniors have endeavored to make this evening one of the most prominent in Freshman Week, and the party gives promise of being great fun. After the supper, the guests are asked to give stunts and songs, the latter to be used in a



First Meeting of Self Government

The first meeting of the Student Self-government Association was held in Memorial Hall on Thursday evening, September 16, at 7 o'clock.

Jennie Wolfe, president of the organization, extending a warm welcome in behalf of the Council to the whole student body, and to the Freshmen in follow-up letters, she explained that Student Government was instituted because the students themselves desired to have it, and that it could not succeed without a high sense of honor, a realization of individual responsibility and obligation toward fellow students and toward Salem.

Miss Wolfe stressed the fact that the student council girls wish to fulfill the duties of the office to

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song contest between the classes. This is an excellent way of creating class spirit at the beginning of school, and also gives the opportunity for composing some good college and class songs that eventually are to become standard.

On Sunday evening, September 19, immediately following supper, there will be song practice on the terrace, at which time all the students are requested to come and add their bit to the song practice of the new college songs will be learned.

Monday evening is another important date in Freshman Week. At that time, important addresses will be made to the student body by prominent speakers on the subjects "Budgeting of Time," and "How to Study." These are important topics to be considered, especially at the beginning of school. The meeting will take place in the Campus Living Room of Alice Clewell Building.

On Tuesday evening, only the Freshmen are to be the guests of Dr. Wallyingham in the library. The purpose of this meeting is to show the Freshmen how to use the library to the best advantage, to point out the filing system, the card system, the position of reserved books, and the time limitations on books taken out. Impatience, who feels that the necessity of such information will also be admitted.

Probably the most entertaining ride of the week comes on Wednesday afternoon, when the Off-campus students will take the new on-campus students for a ride around Winston-Salem, and to places of interest in the city. The motes will be stationed in the reception room of Memorial Hall throughout the afternoon, to assign girls to the various automobiles that shall be waiting for them.

The September party, on Thursday evening marks the close of Freshman Week. At this time, the Freshmen will be guests of their predecessors, and besides being given they will no doubt be made to feel less sophisticated than their hosts.

Already the attractions offered so far in Freshman Week have proven that the undertaking is a success, and with the entertainments continuing for four more days, it is certain that the undertaking is a success, and well acquainted with Salem and her students.

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