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Athletic Progressing Interest Keen

Athletics for the fall season are now well under way. Basketball practices for all college classes are progressing satisfactorily, and much enthusiasm is being shown by all who are coming out regularly. While the number of those interested in trying for the teams is encouraging, there is opportunity for a great many more to participate in this invigorating sport, and undoubtedly, a higher rate of competition would arouse more of the fighting spirit in the contending teams. It is the aim of those who are in charge of basketball, to get out enough players to form two teams for each class, so that each individual class practice may be of the greatest possible benefit to all the players. Charlotte Sells, head of basketball, reports that the Freshmen are showing especially fine spirit, and that their teams contain some very good material. Come on, upperclassmen don't let the freshmen go ahead of you!

Training rules for all those interested in making the teams, go into effect this week. The final teams will not be chosen until the last practice before Thanksgiving. Everybody has a chance to make the team, so it pays to keep on trying!

Practices in horse-shoe throwing have also begun. This is a new and interesting sport, and more people should come out for it.

Since the annual swimming-meet cannot take place until spring, other plans have been made for keeping up the interest in water sports. There will be a contest in long distance swimming for all who care to try. Trials may be made at any time when the pool is open, the contestants signing up their distances after each attempt. Distances will be counted up at the end of the season.

Call Meeting of Math. Club on Wednesday

A call meeting of the Mathematics club was held on Wednesday, October the sixth.

The purpose of the club, to stimulate interest in mathematics, to furnish social life, and interesting programs, was emphasized.

The following officers were elected:

Lillie Taylor—Treasurer.

Lula Wright—Secretary.

Margaret Sells—Reporter for the *Salemite*.

The following committees were appointed for the regular meeting to be held next week:

Refreshment committee — Ellen Patterson, chairman; Grace Martin, Margaret Walker, Katherine Helm, Virginia Martin.

Social committee—Marian Allen, chairman; Genevieve Marks, Catherine Miller.

Entertainment committee— Margaret Sells, chairman; Virginia Lutt, Adelaide Webb, Claudia Bradford.

Science Club Holds First Regular Meeting

The first regular meeting of the Societas Scientiarum Salemensis was held Wednesday, October 6th. Laura Thomas, president of the club, presided over the meeting. The time of the meeting was changed from Wednesday to Friday nights. Each member of the club reported the topic that she would discuss or demonstrate this year.

"Tin Gods" Enjoyed By MacDowell Club

On Saturday, October 2nd, at seven o'clock, the McDowell Club for its first entertainment presented "Tin Gods." Thomas Meighan played the leading role, that of Roger Drake, a young civil engineer.

Drake marries a wealthy girl, Janet Stone, who will not give up her career, neglecting him and their son, Billy, to gain a reputation as a writer and politician. Billy is accidentally killed and his father is grief-stricken. After this Drake takes a contract to build a large bridge in South America. While Janet is campaigning for election to the Senate, Drake, at work in South America, turns to drinking in order to forget his grief. He is finally removed as foreman of the bridge building, and then becomes ill with Black Plague. He is cared for by Carita, a beautiful young dancing girl, who has fallen in love with him.

In the meantime, Janet, overwhelmingly defeated in the senatorial race, decides to go to South America and find her husband. Carita knew of Drake's marriage, but was assured that he loved her alone; nevertheless, when his wife comes, she believes that he will return to New York with her. Heartbroken, she climbs up to the completed bridge and hurls herself into the raging stream below, where Drake finds her body. In her memory, he builds a chapel at the foot of the bridge.

Meighan himself is said to have stated that he staked his claim as an actor on this picture, his latest release. His acting is skillfully and sympathetically done, and he is ably supported by the entire cast.

Mr. Vardell's playing added much to the interest and enjoyment of the picture, as did the singing of songs and cheers, under Virginia Welch's leadership, during the changing of reels. Ice cream was sold after the performance by members of the Junior Class.

Mr. Kostanecki Visits Salem College

An interesting visitor to the college on Monday, October 4th, was Mr. Michael Kostanecki, of Krakow, Poland, who was visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Long. Mr. Kostanecki became acquainted with Mr. Long while the latter were in Poland doing Y. M. C. A. work. Since that time he has been engaged in studying architecture at the University of Danzig. It is interesting to note that Mr. Kostanecki's father is president of the University of Krakow, which university was founded before Columbus discovered America.

The visitor was intensely interested in seeing the college buildings, the campus and the athletic fields, purposely for their contrast to the colleges of his own country. In Polish schools there are no dormitories, nor is there a campus; only a central building where classes are held, the students living in private homes around this central building.

Mr. Kostaneck expressed his great pleasure in visiting Winston-Salem, for, he said, "It was the goal of my four thousand mile trip."

Seniors in Education are this week beginning preliminary observation work in the various city schools.

Mr. Long announces that the basketball schedule has been arranged and is posted on the bulletin board in Main Hall. He urges that many more girls come out for practices and work for the class teams.

Pierrette Players Have Test Meeting

"The Golden Doom" Presented Under the Able Direction of Dorothy Siewers

The meeting beginning the activities of the Pierrette Players for this year was opened by a short one-act play presented by the English Forum Class. The play, "The Golden Doom," was under the able direction of Miss Dorothy Siewers. She handled the members of the cast in a masterly way and the great success of the play was in a large measure due to its directress. It must be said also that the members of the cast portrayed their roles well and convincingly. They showed a clear understanding of their lines, which they had memorized perfectly. The performance was given without hesitance upon the part of any player.

The hall door of the Alice Clewell Living Room served as a substitute for the original setting of the play, which was an iron door outside the Royal Palace at Babylon.

The cast was as follows:

The King.....Charlotte Sells
Chamberlain .....Ruth Pfohl
Chief Prophet ....Elizabeth Transou
Girl ..... Minnie Price
Spies....Margaret Parker, Margaret Schwarze
First Prophet ..... Lucille Hart
Second Prophet ..... Eliza Grimes
First Sentry ..... Dorothy Siewers
Second Sentry ..... Agnes Thorne
Stranger ..... Lucille Carroll
Attendant ..... Isabel Wenhold

The time of the play was some while before the fall of Babylon. The play opened with the conversation of the two guards before the Iron Door. They were afraid that the wickedness and pride of the King would cause the destruction of the city. At this time two children, a boy and a girl, ran up to the door and began playing, unnoticed by the Centurions. While they were playing the children stood by the door and prayed for a hoop. The little mischievous boy wrote this poem on the door with a lump of pure gold which he had found in a nearly stream:

"I saw a purple bird
Go up against the sky
And it went up and up
And round about did fly.
I saw it die."

When the King saw the writing he immediately sent for his prophets to interpret the meaning of the poem. They expounded at great length upon the interpretation, which they took to mean that the King would soon be destroyed, and all his subjects with him, unless he conquered his pride. He did as he was counselled and placed his narrow golden crown before the iron door as a sacrifice to appease the gods.

Sometime later the little boy returned, still wishing for his hoop. He saw the golden crown, and thinking it was the hoop for which he had wished, snatched it up with a cry of joy and ran away.

When the King came next day, he, thinking the gods had accepted the offering of his crown, was exceedingly pleased and ordered the court to rejoice.

After the presentation of the play a short business meeting was held, at which time two committees, play and membership, were appointed by the President, Elizabeth Hastings. Ruth Pfohl, Vice-president, was chairman of both. The committee on plays was composed of Margaret Hauser, Elizabeth Rominger and Isabel Wenhold.

The committee on membership was composed of Elizabeth Hobgood, Dorothy Siewers, Lilyn Newell.

The president also reminded the Club members that a new Business Manager must be elected at the next meeting of the Club. As there was no further business the meeting then adjourned.

I. R. S. HEALTH CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED AT CHAPEL SERVICE

Purpose and Ideals of I. R. S. Discussed; Health Campaign Closed Friday Night at Social Forum Meeting

The Expanded Chapel Service for Wednesday, October sixth, was given over to the interests of the I. R. S., at which time an interesting program was presented, and a Health Campaign launched for better Body Posture was launched. Miss Stipe presided and introduced Anna Paulina Shaffner, president of the I. R. S.

Miss Shaffner first told something of the I. R. S. whose real meaning is I Represent Salem, and which strives for the improvement of dress, health, morals and social duties. The I. R. S. is composed of an Executive Committee made up of a President, Vice-president, the four representatives, both on and off-campus students, from each class, with Miss Stipe as advisor. The whole purpose of the I. R. S. has been for love and loyalty to Salem, and through its Social Forums, Weeks of Good Manners, and various other activities it has maintained a high standard of social and moral development. This year the I. R. S. is undertaking a Health Campaign, mainly to encourage better posture. The campaign will last three days closing Friday night at Social Forum. At this a prize was awarded t othe girl judged as having the best body posture. Miss Shaffner introduced the main speaker of the occasion, Mr. Harry Long, Physical Director of Salem College, who made a brief talk on Fundamental Health Principles.

Mr. Long discussed three phases in particular: Dieting, Sleeping, and Posture. Taking up the first subject, Dieting, he professed that more illnesses are caused by lack of common sense in eaitng than any other one thing. There seems to be an epidemic of girls wanting to reduce here at Salem. Mr. Long stated that it is a crime to allow oneself to grow stout, but that the way to reduce is not by dieting, but by regular exercise. The best rule is to eat regularly and to stop eating between meals. Over-indulgence or some, and indulgence, in certain foods, such as cheese, and beverages such as coffee, cause grievance, but plenty of fruit is essential. In regard to sleeping, Mr. Long said that people do not sleep enough and human beings, especially young people, need sleep. He said that the human body was originally intended to be perfect. As an example he cited the American Indians, who lived normally with bodies well-trained and in almost perfect physical condition until the appearance of the white man, who trie dto civilize them. As a result they have died by the thousands until today there are comparatively few left alive. All diseases are caused by insufficient exercise and improper conditions. One of the greatest hindrances to the health of girls is the high heels of some modern shoes. To keep physically fit and to be able to attend daily work, one must take plenty of exercise, and, after all, the steady and alert worker is the one who succeeds in athletics, in studies, in business, and in life.

Miss Torbert told what the correct standing position is: head up, chin up, back straight, and shoulders relaxed. She urged that Salem girls should pay more careful attention to posture.

Sara Dowling, vice-president of the I. R. S., presented the viewpoint of the off-campus students to the I. R. S. and asked that they take an active interest in the success of the Health Campaign.

In conclusion, Miss Stipe stated that the program was for the purpose of stimulating group consciousness and urged the hearty co-operation of eery on and off-campus student of Salem College.

With this enthusiastic launching of the three-day campaign for better posture there is no doubt that the campaign was a great success, and that Salem girls will be benefited much by the earnest efforts of the I. R. S.

Prominent Students Honored in Statistics

At a meeting of the Student Self-Government Association on Monday, October 4th, statistics were voted upon, and the following were the results.

Best all-around Senior—Ruth Pfohl.

Best all-around Junior—Charlotte Sells.

Best all-around Sophomore—Margaret Hauser.

Best all-around Freshman—Elizabeth Rondthaler.

Most Popular—Jennie Wolfe.

Most Athletic—Dorothy Frazier.

The Gloom-Chaser—Lardner McCarty.

Most Intellectual—Dorothy Siewers.

Miss Salem—Anna Pauline Shaffner.

Senior Hat Burning on Monday Oct. 25

Senior Hat Burning will take place on Monday evening, October 25th on the upper campus. This is a gala occasion in the college year and is looked forward to with a great deal of interest. At this time the caps and gowns will be donned for the first time permanently by the stately Senior class, after an attractive performance has been presented by members of their sister class, the Sophomores. Already plans are well under way, and though everything is kept a secret, it is certain that this occasion will prove a most interesting surprise.

Science Club Enjoyed Picnic and Boat Ride

On Monday evening the old members of the Science Club entertained the new members at a picnic at the Power Plant, about fifteen miles from Salem. The picnickers built a fire on the sand by the river. Hot coffee and roasted weiners were probably not scientifically cooked, but they were enjoyed by the Science Club. After supper every one went for a boat ride on the river. The club returned to Salem at about nine o'clock. The new members of the club are: Janie Little, Mary M. Faulkner, Letitia Currie, Sarah Turlington, Mary Duncan McAnnally, Dot Frazier, Mary Audrey Stough, Sarah Dowling, Elizabeth Dowling, Martha Dortch, Elizabeth Crouse, Rachel Phillips, Elizabeth Hobgood, Margaret Schwarze.

French Club to Have Meeting Wednesday

La Cercle Francaise will hold its regular meeting in the Campus living room of Alice Clewell Building on Wednesday afternoon, October 13th, from five to six o'clock. The program has been arranged but is not ready yet to be announced. This is the first meeting of the year, and promises to be most interesting.