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### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the government shall be upon his shoulders; and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, the mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace."

With this issue the *Salemite* suspends publication until the year 1927. In looking back over the brief career of the present staff we tremble at the failures that loom large in the background, and smile satisfactorily over the minute successes we think we have accomplished. Our one great aim has been to make the paper interesting—we ask for criticism if it has not, and humbly do we beg for a bit of recognition if it has been.

Together, with the remaining migrants of Salem, we are looking forward to our vacation pleasure, and are anticipating of course with a little trepidation, the renewal of journalistic duties in the budding new year.

As its last request for 1926, the *Salemite* bids you a joyful Christmas, and a Bright New Year!

Now that the Christmas holidays are almost here, some students are beginning to observe them. Such a short time is left, they say, that it is useless to try to accomplish anything. This reasoning is an unfortunate as well as a mistaken one. Each day is separate and distinct, a unit in itself. Those tasks, which are insignificant or of vital importance, which should be performed today cannot be as successfully done on some uncertain tomorrow, which will inevitably be filled with its own tasks.

Perhaps it is a note book or a term paper which should be completed, whatever the task may be, much can be accomplished. Furthermore, work satisfactorily completed or on the way to completion will not only make the student enjoy the vacation more fully, but may save haste, worry and even the more serious disaster of failure in the future.

### Seniors Finished Practice Teaching

The seniors who have been doing practice teaching have successfully completed their work. The teaching was done in the following schools: Salem Academy; Thelma Frey, Laura Thomas; South Park; Mary Buckner, Ruth Platt, Rachel Phillips; East School; Elizabeth Tramm; Reynolds Memorial High School; Lardner McCarty; Elizabeth Hastings, Minnie Price, A. P. Shaff, nor, Dorothy Siewers, Isabel Wendt, Jennie Wolf, and Lucie Hart.

## OPEN FORUM

The spirit of Christmas is in the air, all of us are anxious to get away from College, from studies, and from rules. How nice it will be to have to think of such things for three weeks, and to be comparatively free to do as we please! While at College each of us tries to live her best and serve her best. We all try to live in harmony with things, and thus be real Salem girls, real Salem girls, and representative Salem girls.

But when we go home do we realize that we represent Salem even more than when we are right here on the Campus and in all College activities? I think not. We do realize that Salem's future name and reputation depend entirely upon us and particularly during the three weeks of Christmas vacation which, in a sense, are still a part of the college year? I'm afraid not.

Won't you agree that though colleges need outstanding girls on their campuses they need them far more out in the life and society of the community? Won't you admit that you love Salem enough to exert for her a fair name among the colleges of the South? "What foolish questions," you say. Certainly they are foolish. And yet how many things we do of which we are ashamed and of which Salem could never be proud!

Then, instead of answering a nonchalant "yes" to these questions let us hear them in mind during the Christmas holidays, and remember that "actions speak louder than words."

"Was the week before Christmas  
When at all of Salem College  
Not a one was not busy  
In pursuit of some knowledge."

But all thought of things is gone. They would do when at home; No restrictions and call-downs As they leisurely roam.

"Was the week after Christmas  
When every girl wondered  
Just how she would manage  
Her time that had squandered."

Each was happy and gay  
For her time was well spent.  
She had quite fully realized  
What "I. R. S." meant.

—Ina Pauline Shaffer.

When a girl first comes away from home to college, she is usually very careful in her actions and in what she says. She feels that she owes it to her home and to her parents to behave to the very best of her ability. She does not want her school companions to have any occasion to think that she was not brought up properly. She thinks that any unfavorable comment on her home aroused by a misdeed or of hers is a reflection on herself.

We have lived at Salem almost three months now. That makes it almost our winter home. Even if it is not like the home we left this fall, it is our College home. When we return to our original homes for the Christmas holidays, are we going willingly to do anything or say anything that will bring up the reputation of our Alma Mater? Are we going to stand by and hear her slandered because of some misdeed of our own? Let us remember that we are Salem's present-day daughters and everywhere we go may we never forget that we represent Salem.

Mary Ardrey Stough.

Will Hays, "Czar of the movies," says that some movie house proprietors, to say nothing of the public, are not always up to the literary world. An exhibitor within fifty miles of New York City, advertised, for a special children's matinee: "That great annual picture, 'Black Oxen'." Another theatre, announced "Elsie Ferguson in 'A Little House—being the Kidnies'." One called "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" "another great cowboy drama." A third offered a picture "by the great western author Max Terlinck, who wrote 'The Blue Bird'."

"Is football your favorite game?" "No, quail on toast is mine; what's yours?"

## Glee Club Gives Delightful Concert

The program of Christmas carols given by the Salem College Glee Club on Tuesday evening was one of the most beautiful and inspiring concerts of the year.

Miss Desha directed the performance with her usual skill and artistic appreciation. She was ably assisted by Miss Susan Luckenbach, pianist; Miss Mary Cash, organist; and Miss Sara Vay, violinist. The soloists of the evening were Miss McAlpine, Miss Dorothy Siewers, Miss George Tramm, and Mr. E. R. Clapp.

The program was characterized by infinite variety and beauty of arrangement. The carols sung were representative of almost every Christian nationality of the middle ages. The order in which they were given produced contrasting effects which strikingly revealed the rich and varied tonal peculiarities of each.

The ensemble work of the Glee Club was consistently artistic and the evidence of careful training. Their attacks were good and their enunciation was excellent. Their rhythm was flawless and their tone quality was beautifully expressive.

The impressiveness of the occasion was enhanced by the fact that the entire Glee Club was personally vested. This uniformity of costume gave the audience an opportunity of appreciating the music with undivided attention.

## Current Events Column

Balkan war clouds loom menacingly.

The United States and Russia are to be included in the economic and arms production conferences which are held under the auspices of the League of Nations.

"The Council of Ambassadors is worried about Germany's alleged failure to carry out the program of disarmament."

Premier Poincare has quashed attempts to tax foreigners in France and when Deputy Follon, Republic can Socialist, moved that a special tax be levied on tourists as a part of the new finance bill, the Premier hastily rose and demanded the right to speak.

Dolony, on stand, declares that patriotism moved him to take the Turpeti House lease and denies that the \$100,000 loan to Fall had any connection with the lease.

The senate has begun the fight on the newly-elected members who are charged with making excessive expenditures in their campaigns.

Twenty men are reported killed in the mine disaster.

Agriculture is believed to be on the up-grade by Secretary Janine.

The fundamentalist committee of One Hundred is looking for a lawyer to advise them on anti-evolution legislation.

Governor McLean paroled three prisoners.

The State Bureau of Animal Husbandry declares that the northwest movement is the most promising dairying field in the north.

The northwest counties need a systematic tuberculosis test.

Ray Johnson, chairman of the County Board of Commissioners, believes that there is no citizen of the county now suffering from the necessities of life.

The Board of Arbitration has a busy session at Asheville.

The North Carolina Municipal Association wants the cities given power to eliminate grade crossings.

The State expenses exceed its income, declares Lucy, State Treasurer.

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Dr. E. C. Brooks, President of State College, says that to achieve the object of the cotton acreage drive the North Carolina farmers should be independent of any action that may be taken by the other states.

## JOKES

"If I had nine children and eight apples how would I make the apples go around?"  
"Aw, ap-ples!"

Newly: They say Jones' wife had triplets after reading the *Three Mistletoes*.

Well! Good heavens, mine was reading *The Birth of a Nation* when I left.

"Has she a very good musical education?"  
"Splendid. You can tell her the name of a song and she can tell you what's on the other side of the record!"

Gruff Father to Son: Why don't you get out and find a job? When I was your age I was working for \$1 a week in a store and at the end of five years I owned the store.

Son: You can't do that nowadays. They have cash registers.

Anyway, a man can still take a chew without feeling that he should first offer one to the lady.

Sunday School Teacher: Who commanded the sun to stand still?

Archie: Mussolini.

Man: I wish you would destroy Son's kiddle ear.

Ma: He took the little girl next door for a ride and made her walk home.

Modern Ad: For rent, handsome bungalow with a garage, kitchenette, bathette, parlor, and porchette.

"Another thought that depresses me is that I don't know the long made pies you buy down town must come from."

"What's the ideal honeymoon salad?"

"I pass."

"Lettuce alone?"

—The Saiper.

Sue: I spent the winter in Germany. I love Danzig.

He: Shall we step out on the door then, or is your cold too loud?

—William Purple Cone.

Soph: Why don't you major in pharmacy?

He: I wish. Oh, no! I can't think of living on a farm all my life.

—Punch Book.

Professor: Who made the first air-ride?  
Bright Pupil: Paul Revere.

A drill sergeant was drilling the recruits in the use of gifts. Everything went smoothly until blank cartridges were distributed. Then the sergeant vigorously gave the command: "Fire at will!"

Private Murphy was puzzled—he looked his gun, "Which one is Willie he asked."

Prof: Able, give me a definition of the word appetite.  
Able: When you're eating you're 'appy, and when you're finished, you're tight.

—Orange and Green.

"Some burglars got into the house last night, bound me to a chair and gagged me."

"Then what did you do?"  
"Why I sat all night and chewed the rag."

—Bachelard Belle Hop.

Two Jewish travelers were on their way back to the old country. As they were standing in the train shed at Genoa, one suddenly turned to the other.

"Venise today?"  
"Today is Wednesday."

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