



Louisa Sloan Selected May Queen For 1940

Vera Mae Lanning Is Maid-of-Honor

Seven pretty girls walked across the stage in chapel Thursday morning and out of those seven two were elected — one May Queen, the other Maid-of-Honor. Louisa Sloan, from Wadesboro, N. C., was elected queen; and Vera Mae Lanning, Wallburg, N. C., Maid-of-Honor.

Louisa came to Salem two years ago from St. Mary's School in Raleigh. Last year she was an outstanding member of our May Court — with her stately, brunette beauty.

Louisa is an A. B. student, and it seems, from all appearances, that the boys of Winston-Salem, as well as the girls of Salem, think she's pretty nice, as well as beautiful. (She's lovely in white; too. If you don't think so, just wait til next May!)

Vera Mae, better known as "Bib," is one of three famous Lanning sisters here at Salem. In last week's "Salemite" we learned that she likes Economics and German and would like to be a medical social worker. In her spare moments she practices her talents — knitting and playing the piano and, by the way, playing around High Point! She is active in sports and likes ham and "blue." (Maybe that will be her color next May!)

Congratulations, Louisa and "Bib!" Salem is very proud of you both.

May Court Attendants Chosen

This morning's chapel completed the elections for Salem's May Court of this year. And here we give you the list of our loveliest:

- Katharine King
- Mary Louise Rousseau
- Ann Hughson
- Lilly Sutton Ferrell
- Mararuth Allen
- Margaret Patterson
- Mildred Kelly
- Martha Bowman
- Betsy Moffit
- Dorothy Dixon
- Martha Rawlings
- Ceil Nuchols

ACADEMY PRESENTS BEAUTIFUL PAGEANT

On Wednesday afternoon at five o'clock the students of Salem Academy presented a pageant, "Christmas Comes to Crispin." The story of the pageant centered around a little crippled boy, who, because he was unable to play with the other children, was very unhappy. His unhappiness led him to believe that there was no Christ child. To show him how wrong he was, Angels came and took him to see the shepherds on the hillside watching their flock. Then they took him to the stable where the Wise Men were worshipping the Christ child. After having been shown these scenes, the boy's faith was restored, and he became much happier.

The story of the pageant was written by Miss Edith Kirkland of the Academy faculty and was directed by Mrs. Doris Pardington, who is connected with The Little Theatre of Winston-Salem.

Lillian Stokes, a college Freshman, was soloist on the program. The main characters were Evelyn Cheek, Sarah Clements, Nancy Rivers, Jacquelyn Burns, Petty Jones, Cornelia Garber, and Mary McKinney Goodson.

SALEM SENIORS PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS TEA



COURTESY JOURNAL-SENTINEL

Salem seniors majoring in home economics entertained this afternoon from 4 to 5:30 in the Lizora Fortune Hanes building at their annual Christmas tea. Three of the girls — Eve Tomlinson, Ella Walker Hill and Virginia Breakell — are shown here preparing food and decorations for the tea. Guests of the "home ecs" were members of the college faculty, and trustees with their wives and husbands. The seniors, assisted by juniors who are majoring in home economics, made their own decorations, the central arrangement of which was a "housetop scene" arranged on the mantle.

Seniors Entertain At Home Ec. Tea

The annual senior Home Economics Tea was given this afternoon from 4 until 5 o'clock in the Lizora Fortune Hanes House. The faculty and trustees were the honored guests.

Fruit cake with hard sauce and coffee were the refreshments. A favor for each guest was found in the cornucopia basket near the door. These favors were tiny boxes of homemade French bonbons.

Christmas decorations gave the house a gay atmosphere. The mantelpiece was the center of interest in the living room. A small Christmas tree was in the middle, and small red chimneys with a red candle peeking through the top of each, were on either side of the tree. Beside these were two larger chimneys with a Santa Claus climbing over the top. Red roses in the living room gave added color. The dining room also had outstanding decorations. There was a silver service at each end of the table. (Continued On Page Two)

German Club Entertained At Christmas Party

On Wednesday night, at eight o'clock, Mrs. Curlee entertained the German Club at a Christmas party at her home. About thirty-five members were present. Between each event on the program, they sang Christmas Carols in German around the Christmas tree. Margaret Wilson read the Bible story in German from a German Bible. Reece Thomas, Sarah Burrell, and Doris Shore gave a dramatization in German of the Bible story. Ann Watson told the origin of several Christmas carols. A Christmas play, "Weihnachtsspiel," was presented. The characters in the play were: Sally Emerson as Mutter Braun, Muriel Brietz as Vater Braun, Adele von Seekendorff as Hans, Jo Ann Brill as Fritz, Jennie Linn as Marie, Katherine Ledbetter as Anna, and Carolyn Creson as Verkäufer, the store-keeper. After the program refreshments were served.

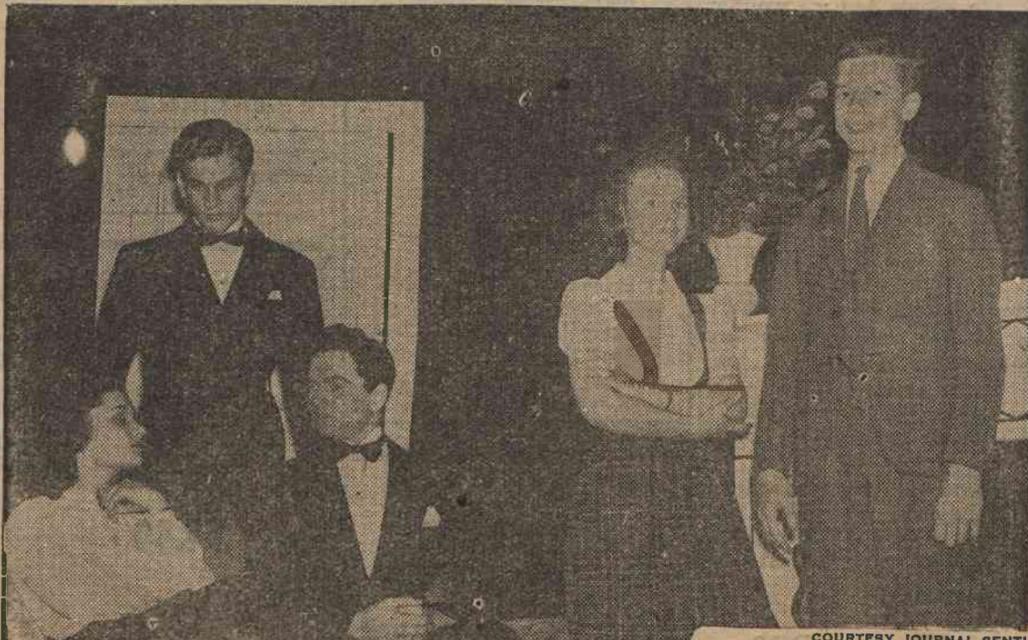
Seniors To Go Caroling On Tuesday

Following the custom of former years, the Senior Class will go Christmas caroling Tuesday night — the night before our Christmas holidays begin.

After the main course of dinner the seniors will leave the dining room and go to Louisa Biting Building for a party with the day students as guests. Gifts will be exchanged and refreshments served.

Then the seniors, dressed in their senior robes and carrying lighted candles, will sing carols around on the Campus. Later the seniors will go around in automobiles to carol at various homes in the city. Afterwards they will return to the home of the President on the campus, where Dr. and Mrs. Rondthaler will be hosts.

CAST IN PRACTICE FOR "DEAR OCTOPUS"



COURTESY JOURNAL-SENTINEL

The Pierrette Players and the Freshman Dramatic Club of Salem College presented "Dear Octopus" (Dodie Smith) Tuesday night in the Old Chapel at Salem College. Pictured here are a group of the characters at play-practice: Eleanor Betscher, as Edna Randolph, daughter-in-law; Clay Shields (standing), as Kenneth; Emory Barber, as Edna's son; Mary Lou Moore, as daughter; Charles Vance Jr., as Bill, son of Kenneth.

Seniors To Observe Traditional Vespers

On this Sunday, December 17, at 6:30 P. M., the annual Senior vespers will be held in Memorial Hall. This traditional service is one of the most beautiful of the entire year. The members of the faculty and student body are present, as well as the families and close friends of Seniors. Each Senior has a Sophomore page, and they enter the Hall in procession, led by the Senior President and Vice-President. Everyone in the auditorium is given a Moravian Christmas candle, which is lighted in the semi-darkness of Memorial Hall. In this impressive scene the program — the Christmas story and carols — progresses. "Morning Star," sung in antiphonal style; is always used as a characteristic and well-loved part of Senior Christmas Vespers.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY IS NEAR

On Monday evening at 6:30, Santa Claus will come to Salem. He will not come down the chimney but through one of the doors of the dining room, because Santa is going to appear at the Christmas dinner. He will give appropriate gifts to the faculty and seniors.

Katharine King is in charge of the program, assisted by Lee Rice and Teenie McGehee.

(The juniors reminded me that all jokes are supposed to be funny, and they ask you to behave accordingly!)

MATH CLUB HOLDS CHRISTMAS MEETING

Tonight at 7:30 P. M. approximately twenty-members of the Mu Alpha Theta held their Christmas meeting in the form of a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Curlee, club sponsors.

Anne Mewborne, president, and Frances Angelo arranged a program of Christmas carols, a story of Christmas told in mathematical terms, several games, and the proof and solution of a geometric fallacy.

After the entertainment Mrs. Curlee served refreshments.

ACADEMY PARTY WAS GALA AFFAIR

On Thursday evening the Academyites really felt the Christmas spirit. The scene was their annual Christmas party. This year, the theme of the party centered around the anti-bellum period, and they had a real colonial Christmas party in 1939.

The guests were met at the door by an old negro in livery, and then were received by Dr. and Mrs. Rondthaler and members of the Student Government, all dressed in authentic costumes of the period. During dinner, presided over by Miss Margaret Webb of Knoxville, Tennessee, everyone joined in the evening's festivities and sang Christmas carols.

After dinner, everyone went to the social room, where there was a beautiful Christmas tree. Dr. Rondthaler, as head of the plantation, gave presents to the servants and their children, as was done a long time ago.