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T HISTORY CLUB MEETING

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Bernard Shaw Is The Dramatic Club Topic

Miss Smith Gives Sketch of Life and Dorothy Rosemond Reads "The Man of Destiny."

The Pierrette Players met in the Campus Living Room of Alice Clewell building on Thursday evening, February 18. After the secretary's report, the business for the meeting was discussed. Althea Backenstoe gave a report from the Committee on Plays in regard to the spring play. This committee decided previously that the spring production of the club was to be *The Mollusc*. Certain members of the club will, in the near future be asked to try out for this play. Miss Backenstoe also announced the program for the next meeting, on Thursday, March 5. At this time the Tenth Grade of the Academy will entertain the club by a dramatic performance under the direction of Miss Pfohl, the English instructor in the Academy.

At the meeting on March 19, a one-act play will be produced by a group of the club members, for the benefit of the club and friends. This promises to be a very interesting program.

It was decided at this meeting to donate a certain amount of money to the Committee on Plays for the purpose of buying dramatic literature for a shelf in the library—this shelf to be the property of The Pierrette Players, and the books for their express purposes. The addition of a number of one-act and two-act plays to the library will add much to the value of the research department.

The motion was made and seconded that the secretary purchase some stationery with *The Pierrette Players* engraved upon the folders and envelopes. A committee was also appointed to look into the matter of purchasing pins for the club members.

Bernard Shaw was the subject of the program for the evening. Miss Smith recounted the circumstances which influenced Shaw's life, and which led to his critical viewpoint upon life and existing social conditions. Dorothy Rosemond read "The Man of Destiny," one of Shaw's shorter plays. His interpretation of the ironic and fickle Napoleon proved very interesting.

Dr. Willoughby read the list of girls who are to try out for places on *The Mollusc* and announced that these candidates would be asked to read certain parts of the play as soon as more copies arrived.

Hikers Undaunted By Rainy Weather

Eight Girls Enjoy Walk Through Southside on Monday Afternoon.

On Monday afternoon, February 7, the Walking Club met on the back porch of Main Hall for its weekly hike. Only eight members were out on this occasion. For several weeks interest has lagged and at the most only a few faithful members go on the walks, regularly planned by Miss Briggs and the head of walking.

Saturday afternoon the walk proved a very delightful one. It rained! So there was a real walk, which met the requirements of Doctor Rondthaler's definition of a walk—a struggle against the elements. Miss Briggs led the hikers and the route taken was out through Southside and the return by Grandville School. As the rain continued to pour, it was necessary to shorten the walk to some extent and to hurry home. Eight tired but contented girls reached the campus in plenty of time for dinner and joined with Miss Briggs in expressions of the pleasure of a hike in the rain. Those who enjoyed this walk were:

Miss Briggs, Annie Belle Thaxton, Annie Belle Brantley, Doris Walston, Pearl Martin, Marion White, Eloise Willis, Emily Bailey.

Seniors Entertained In Practice House

Home Economics Seniors and Miss Leftwich Are at Home to Members of Class.

Fortunate Seniors received, during the first of the week, a delightful invitation from the "Practice Housekeepers" to a supper on Tuesday night:

"We'd like to have you
taste our food
At six on Tuesday night;
Martha and George will
be here waiting
To help you get a bite."

The Home Economics Seniors and Miss Leftwich were hostesses and Mary Ogburn and Margaret Wellons, costumed as George and Martha Washington, greeted the guests at the door.

The practice house was appropriately decorated with red candles and potted plants. A buffet supper was served by Kate Hunter, Ruth James, Elizabeth Leight, Eleanor Tupton, Mary Ogburn and Margaret Wellons. The favors were small George Washington hatchets bearing the inscription, "I cannot tell a lie."

Dr. Thomas W. Lingle History Club Speaker

Will Speak on Subject of "Shrines in General and Lourdes In Particular.

The regular monthly meeting of the History Club will take place on Wednesday, February 25, at eight P. M. The speaker will be Thomas W. Lingle, head of the Department of French Language and Literature at Davidson College. Dr. Lingle has chosen as his subject an unusually interesting topic, "Shrines in General and Lourdes in Particular," and it is of interest to note that he made another pilgrimage to Lourdes during the past summer.

Dr. Rondthaler Is Guest of Kiwanians

Reads Letter From Washington to the Brethren of Wachovia.

At the George Washington Day celebration of the Kiwanis Club on February 18, Dr. Rondthaler made an interesting address on the life of the first president, dealing particularly with his visit to the South, especially to Salem. He told of the letter still preserved in Salem, which Washington wrote thanking the Moravian community for its delightful hospitality. It reads as follows:

"To the Brethren of Wachovia.

"Gentlemen:

"I am greatly indebted to your respectful and affectionate expressions of personal regard and I am not less obliged by the patriotic sentiment contained in your address.

"From a Society whose governing principles are industry and love of order, much may be expected towards the improvements and prosperity of the country in which their settlements are formed, and experience authorizes the belief that much will be obtained.

"Thanking you with grateful sincerity for your prayers in my behalf, I desire to assure you of my best wishes for your social and individual happiness.

Geo. Washington."

ASH WEDNESDAY TO BE OBSERVED IN CHAPEL

Ash Wednesday will be observed on next Wednesday, February twenty-fifth, the first day of Lent. The chapel services at the Expanded Chapel Period will be appropriate to the opening of the Lenten Season.

DEAN BRADSHAW ADDRESSES THE STUDENTS AND FACULTY

Dean of Students at University Speaks at Expanded Chapel Service Discussing Relation of Home and Campus to Student Problems.

The student and faculty body of Salem College and Salem Academy were especially fortunate in hearing the address by Dean Bradshaw, of the University of North Carolina, at the expanded chapel service on Wednesday, February eighteenth. The speaker, a graduate of the University and a former secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, now holds the unique position of Dean of Students and comes, by virtue of his office into intimate, constructive relationship with campus and home life of more college men than any other person in the South. His subject was, "Campus and Home Problems in Student Life."

The preliminary remarks of Dean Bradshaw were such as to gain the interested attention of his audience from the outset, considering, as they did, of the statement that actual investigation as to the scholarship of High School Seniors intending to pursue the college course at Salem showed that college to rank highest in intellect among the educational institutions of the State. "It is a real pleasure," ran his introductory sentence, "to speak to what has been designated the most intelligent college audience in North Carolina."

The theme of the address was stated in terse, original manner. Campus life as the field of preparation for activity and service; as the field lying between two homes, the homes from which students come and the homes to which they go; as the period in which students demonstrate what they have been, what they are, and what they are to be. True adventure lies in the real, everyday things of life. Men of today, occupying positions of trust in regard to government of America, profess themselves concerned as to the moral fibre of the race and of the nation. One hears on all sides the cry that there is needed a return to the old simple ways and methods of one's fathers, and, even in the case of those who have a sincere conviction that the "old days" were better than the present, there is much of superficial veneration for a state of things which never existed.

The men now in the lead of affairs are anxious to make America predominant commercially and otherwise, and are concerned about the character of the men who will take their place as leaders, for they realize that it is the youth of today who will be responsible for America's position. Her place today is one of world importance; the recent European War has caused it to be said, "As with America, so with the world"; and there is little wonder that there is a growing concern for the national character. America's position will be wasted unless the average American takes advantage of the opportunities to develop a strong moral fibre.

Dean Bradshaw made the statement, in the course of his address, that him one of the fundamentals in the building of character is emphasis on honesty. The question of honesty underlies all other questions and is the most serious of them all. Dishonesty is the primary sin; others may be considered secondary. One oftentimes forgets that the simple laws of honesty are important ones because they are so familiar, so obvious. Young people often erroneously regard them as devised by adults to restrict and prevent the pleasure of the younger generation; they are, rather, the painful efforts of adults to chart a pathway across the desert of life. The home, more than any other institution, is responsible for the development of the spirit of honesty. A number of tests conducted in the secondary schools revealed the distressing fact that eighty per cent of the children regarded the stealing from the corporation—not from an individual—as perfectly legitimate; every test to detect the extent to which school children would be honest on tests, examinations, etc., brought the same result. Such tests show up the weak spots in home training; and in like manner, the civilization of today, in which temptations are stronger than ever before, strains the national character in such a way as to expose some of its weak spots.

How is one to go about building up the national character, strengthening the moral fibre? That the real quality of an individual is expressed by his work is true not only in the making of material things but also in the making of personality. Character, in the first analysis, is not determined by the school or by the Church, powerful civilizing influences that they are, but by the home. The best the schools can do is worthless if the home is not what it should be. The home is turning out hand-made products and an institution which does so must be enlightened and make use of the best methods. Those who are training themselves today for careers tomorrow must realize that the campus is bounded on all sides by the home; the preparation for a career of any sort is the building of character in the home and perhaps the most fundamental principle that must be instilled in the minds of this being trained is the principle of honesty.

The most precious power of human life is not eyesight, hearing, feeling, tasting, etc.; it is the power of distinguishing between the true and the false. This is of infinitely more importance than the ability of distinguishing light and darkness outside. The most basic power, the most basic necessity in any individual, is that which enables him to detect what is true and what is untrue, whether in the line of health, of science, or in any field whatever. The loss of the faculty of seeing the truth means the ultimate loss of the faculty to act it and the individual who loses the power of seeing and acting the truth comes to be blown about by every sort of wind, unable to control himself by any means. He is no longer dependable; and character, in the final analysis, means dependability, means consistency. The only person who can be consistent is the person who is truthful. The liar, in most cases, trips himself up and fails to be consistent once he has cut himself loose from the truth.

The speaker expressed himself confident as to America's ability to develop a national character able to stand the strain of the present day. Her leaders are in a responsible position and should realize that regarded the stealing from the corporation—not from an individual—as perfectly legitimate; every test

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Miriam Brietz Is Next Year's Editor

Present Managing Editor will Take Charge of Paper In May.

At the regular Staff meeting on Saturday afternoon, Miriam Brietz, '26, was elected editor-in-chief of *The Salemite* for 1925-26.

Elected as News Editor in 1923, Miss Brietz served efficiently in that capacity for a year, becoming Managing Editor in 1924. Her high scholastic standing and special talent along journalistic lines make her particularly well-fitted for her new office; and the publication will undoubtedly prosper under her energetic leadership.

A Pupils Recital At Music Hour

Selections in Piano, Violin and Voice by Students in Department of Music.

On Thursday afternoon, February 19, the Music Hour program consisted of a pupils' recital. There were selections in piano, violin, and voice. The entire program was characterized by variety, beauty, and skill in performance. It was as follows:

Gurlitt .....Idyll
Rogers .....Fire Fly
Martha Brown
Scholtz .....Album Leaf
Marjorie Tate
Schuett .....Canzonetta
Sallie Hunter Ball
Tosti .....La Serenata
Margaret Sharp
Debussy.....Doctor Gradus ad Parnassum
Mary K. Brown
Chaminade-Kreisler .....Spanish Serenade
Sarah Yost
Rachmaninoff Bacarolle in G Minor
Elizabeth Sifford

Clogging Is Newest Sport For Athletes

Miss Briggs Begins Class with Large Enrolment of Students and Faculty.

Salem's interests are wide and varied. Athletically, they cover most of the popular sports. The latest interest to be added to the list is clogging and although an hitherto-unknown sport, it bids fair to become extremely popular. As many as fifty girls and several faculty members were out Monday night, February 17, for the first practice in the Student Hut. Clogging is to be under the direct supervision of Miss Briggs, who is very enthusiastic about this latest sport. The Athletic Association offers this not in place of field Hockey, but as a substitute for it until the weather permits practice. Girls will receive credit for clogging—two points for every five practices and this will be an additional inducement for entering.

The practices are scheduled for six forty-five P. M. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and will take place in the Student Hut.

Rev. Geo. O. Heath Dies February 17th

Mr. Heath was for Many Years Missionary to the West Indies; Funeral Thursday Afternoon.

On the night of February 17 occurred the death of Rev. George O. Heath, Senior, father of Rev. Edwin J. Heath, Secretary to the administration of Salem College. Mr. Heath was for many years a minister and a missionary to the West Indies; he was important also in connection with the British and Foreign Bible Society. The funeral was conducted on Thursday afternoon, February 19, at the Home Moravian Church.

The sincere sympathy of College and Academy faculty and students is extended to Mr. Edwin J. Heath and other members of the family of the deceased.

PLAYMAKERS WILL COME THIS SPRING

Will Appear Under Auspices of Hi-Players of the City High School.

The Carolina Playmakers will appear in Winston-Salem during the Spring under the auspices of the Winston Hi-Players of the city High School. The dramatic club, at their regular monthly meeting on February 18, made this decision. The actual date of the performance has not yet been set.