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Salem College had the honor of entertaining the Deans of Women of North Carolina Colleges at its annual meeting the first of this week. During the conference many subjects of vital interest in college life were discussed, and everyone who attended the conference felt herself at least a bit nearer the solution of some of her problems than she was before. Probably every college represented will profit from the results, and certainly Salem should get a great deal of benefit from it. She felt very proud to entertain a conference composed of women so distinguished in the educational life of the state, and was delighted to welcome them to her campus.

There has been a great deal of agitation in various colleges recently about the question, "Is student government a success?" And in many cases the answer seems to be "No." There is no reason, however, why student government at Salem should not be a success, but the only way in which it may be is through the honor of the individual, her recognition of her responsibility as a member of the association, and her complete co-operation with the council which was elected by the student body.

It is a very peculiar phenomenon that some halls are quiet during study hour while in others are noise and confusion. It seems to us that a uniform behavior should be maintained throughout all the buildings and that it should not be necessary to have a "strict proctor" in order to have quiet on the halls. Quiet during study hour and after light bell is one of the rules adopted by the student body, and we are certain that no one would wish it abolished. Why, then, do a few girls consider themselves unaffected by this rule, although everyone else is subject to it? It seems to us that this problem also is one which depends on the honor of the individual, and on her attitude toward her place in the student government system.

The recent cold weather had decided tendency toward stimulating interest in work. For a while, several victims of spring fever were seen loitering around the halls, and no doubt their work showed marked results of the progress of the affliction. However, "it is an ill wind that blows no one good," and all we needed was a little stimulation to show that the weather man was windy on his job, and that in this windy March weather, is to

get a good running start, and keep enthusiasm and interest revolving until after final examinations.

We are wondering what the "Open Forum" column of "The Salemite" is for. It has been seldom used, that one would think its very existence is a matter of doubt. And yet, that part of a college paper should be the most predominant, the most outstanding, the most democratic. Sixteen column, on an average, of a college paper is supplied by the staff; one is left for the use of any member of the student body. It is an open hall, in which anyone might discuss any question, without fear of rebuke, or scandal, or gossip, or hatred; or without being termed a radical. If you do not like the way something is going on, or if a certain event or certain situation pleases you, write about it, and let others know your opinions. No matter how trivial those opinions might be to you, they may be worth a great deal to some struggling reporter, or staff member; to the Cabinet or the Student Council, or to anyone or any organization. No one has any right to criticize your thinking—it is your own. Write it down, and send it in.

## Academy Seniors Win Final Basket Ball Game

Tenth and Eleventh Grades Play Championship Game; Score is Five and Four.

On Wednesday afternoon, March 17, at three o'clock, the last inter-class basket ball game of the season was played between the academy senior and junior class teams. The players were attractively dressed in white knickers and jerseys of their respective class colors, purple for the seniors, and yellow for the juniors.

The game was intensely interesting for the teams were evenly matched and each side had difficulty in scoring against the other. There was fine playing on both sides, and some good cooperative team-work. Captain Virginia Shaffer of the senior team was chief scorer for her squad, while on the opposing team, the honors were almost evenly divided between the two forwards, who did some excellent passing in the course of the game. The centers were kept busy, passing the ball from one end of the court to the other. The two side-centers were remarkably quick and accurate in their passing.

The game was exciting throughout, but particularly during the last quarter, when the two teams were at their best. The issue of the game was uncertain until the final whistle blew giving the victory to the seniors by the close score of 5 to 4.

The line-up was as follows:

Seniors		Shaffer
Forward	Har	Center
J. Center	Hopkins	S. Center
Guard	Willingham	Guard
Guard	Mims	Stokeley
Juniors		
Forward	Williamson	Forward
Forward	Moseley	J. Center
J. Center	Murray	S. Center
Guard	Schenherr	Guard
Guard	Dunlap	Guard
Guard	Parke	

The game was followed by the usual athletic banquet held in the academy dining-room. The



## State Association Of Deans Of Women Meets at Salem

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7:30 in the evening, with all members attending. Reports by sections of student government policy were received, and there were also reports, by sections of personal records. Following the presentation of these reports, there was a general discussion, and the session closed in time for the convention members to attend a program given in their honor, in Memorial Hall.

The fact that "college rules and human emotions are as opposite as the poles" is the opportunity for deans to render a tremendous service to their institutions, declared Dr. Rondthaler in an address at the opening session Monday evening. The message was a presentation of the mission of the deans and advisers, and in developing the theme, he told of an incident which he witnessed recently. A steel worker, astride a swinging beam, was endeavoring to swing this beam into place. The motion of his body was the only propelling force, and although the task, to those on the ground, appeared impossible, he achieved his object. He was reminded, apparently, of the great anger in which he worked—his sole interest was in getting the heavy beam into place. The task of the deans is to bring the human emotions together with college rules, he said, and their undertaking is equally as great as that of the steel worker.

Courage and patience are needed at all times by a dean, to meet each individual girl's problems with sympathy and understanding, and at the same time with justice and intelligence, said Dr. Rondthaler. "You do not even have Sundays for rest, as others have," he reminded. "But the work is a joy—love, and the rewards, I believe, eternal."

The problem of the deans was termed by the speaker as "the insolvable problem," but he added: "I don't know how it is being done, but we are solving it, just as the steel worker swung his beam into its right place."

A plea for general physical education for all students, rather than a specializing of attention upon a few who may compose a team, was the theme of Miss Coleman's address. She de-

## Open Forum

Is the keen sense of honor which has formerly characterized the daughters of Salem becoming dull? It is either this, or inexcusable thoughtlessness which has caused a student deliberately to walk out of the library with a reference book which has not been marked up. A student guilty of this crime,—for it is a crime,—proclaims to the world her inordinate selfishness. She confesses that her ideals are not high enough to overcome her narrow desires and lower nature. She proves to the world that she is a weakling by stooping so low as to take a book which does not belong to her. She is inconsiderate of her

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clared that a gymnasium, with plenty of open space, fresh air, a piano, and some balls are sufficient for the physical education of students. The old-time idea of pulleys and other equipment has been superseded by the new-day plan, which is far more valuable and desirable.

Championship teams make very good advertising, said Miss Coleman, but the exercise taken by the six, ten or twelve members of the team are of little benefit to the hundreds of other students, the majority of whom get their exercise by sitting on benches watching the champions.

Physical education teachers should be required to show results, just as teachers in any other department, declared the speaker. If a girl comes to school underweight, or her lung capacity is small, the teacher should be required to show actual results of what has been accomplished after a given period.

Miss Coleman's definition of physical education was the development of people inwardly, and not the development of big muscles. She declared the important thing is to give each North Carolina girl a balanced physical educational program, so that she will be straight-thinking and properly equipped for life.

Preceding the address of Dr. Rondthaler and Miss Coleman, the visiting deans and advisers were welcomed by Miss Lula May Stipe, of Salem college, and response was made by Miss Alice Baldwin, of Duke university.

## Home Economics Club

### Visits The Bakery

On Wednesday afternoon, March the seventeenth, the two Foods and cooking classes, with Miss Osborne visited the American Bakery. There the girls after seeing the interesting roll-baking process were served coconut and pound cake. The trip was very instructive and enjoyable.

The dining room was decorated in green and a St. Patrick's day idea was carried out. The cup was presented to Virginia Shaffer, captain of the winning team, and the varsity team was announced as follows: Forward — Virginia Shaffer Forward — Virginia Harris S. Center — Eleanor Willingham J. Center — Ruth Hopkins Guard — Anita Dunlap Guard — Mary Stokely

## Colonial

MON. TUES. WED

Jack Holt—Florence Vidor  
—IN—  
"SEA HORSES"  
Also "OUR GANG" Comedy  
At 1:00—2:30—4:30—6:00—8:00 & 9:45

THUR. 1 day only

Laura La Plante  
And  
Harry Myers  
—IN—  
"THE BEAUTIFUL  
CHEAT"  
Also PATHE COMEDY

FRI. & SAT.

Buck Jones  
—IN—  
"DIRAND OF THE BAD  
LANDS"  
And  
"THE PACEMAKERS"