

## Elsie Harris, Senior Killed In Auto Wreck

Accident Occurs Saturday Night; Body is Taken To New Bern.

The whole school was startled and grieved last Sunday to hear of the death by accident of Elsie Harris, a member of the senior class.

The accident occurred some time after ten o'clock Saturday night, when the car in which she was riding turned turtle down a fourteen foot embankment on the Germantown Road, seven miles north of Winston-Salem. The other occupants of the car were uninjured, with the exception of Irma Heaton, also a senior at Salem, who was slightly hurt.

Miss Harris was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Harris, of New Bern, North Carolina, and would have graduated in music the first of June. Her piano recital was to have been given on May 10th. She had attended Salem College for four years, and previous to her entrance as a freshman had been a student in the Academy for two years.

The car was driven by James Rountree and the other members of the party were Irma Heaton, of Tallapoosa, Georgia, Miss Jane Noble, graduate of Salem College, and member of the city school faculty, with whom Miss Heaton was spending the week-end, Dr. R. E. Smith and Dr. W. F. Medaris.

The accident occurred suddenly at a sharp curve in the road. Mr. Rountree said he did not see the curve, and before he knew it, the car had run up an embankment and turned over down the fourteen foot embankment. Dr. Medaris stated that the car was not moving at a rapid rate of speed and that the accident had occurred before anyone was aware of it.

Miss Harris was a prominent member of the Senior class a member of Delta Sigma Delta Sorority, class prophet and song leader. During her freshman year she was J. R. S. representative for her class; the following year, she was Vice President, and during her junior year she

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## Dr. Boyd of Duke Will Address History Club

Dr. Boyd Is Professor of History at Duke University in Durham.

The History Club has secured an unusually eminent speaker for the next meeting and promises a program which will be of interest to everyone.

Dr. William Kenneth Boyd, head of the department of History at Duke University will be the speaker; his subject has not yet been announced, but it is quite certain that whatever Dr. Boyd chooses will be instructive and interesting.

Dr. Boyd has behind him a brilliant record of scholastic achievements. He received his A. B. from Weaver College, Weaverville, North Carolina, and his A. M. from Trinity College.

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## Dean Shirley Given Leave Of Absence

Will Spend Year Traveling In Europe and Doing Research.

Dr. Rondthaler made the following announcement in chapel last Thursday morning, April the fifteenth: that the administration had given Dean Shirley a year's leave of absence which he will spend traveling and doing research work in Europe. The leave of absence will begin at the end of this session, and while Dean Shirley is gone, Mr. Charles D. Vardell will be acting Dean of Music.

Dr. Rondthaler expressed his great happiness at the opportunity, and said that he was going to call on Dean Shirley to tell a few of the things he intended to do in Europe.

Dean Shirley outlined his proposed trip as follows: "I think one of the most interesting things for me will be to go to Paris. This city is acknowledged by authorities to be the home of the organ and I shall naturally be interested to go where so many great organists gather.

"During the hottest summer months I think I shall go to Switzerland, where I may perhaps climb a mountain.

"It has long been a dream of mine to visit Germany, to go to the birthplace of Beethoven, to visit Leipzig, where the famous Leipzig conservatory of music is situated." In Germany Dean Shirley will visit other cities famous for having been the homes of great composers, and then he will spend a few weeks in Vienna. "During the winter months," he declared, "I shall go to some warm country, where I won't have to wear my mittens."

He then spoke of his proposed visit to Rome, interesting because this city has been chosen by a number of countries for the site of the International Academy of Arts.

"I feel that this is an extremely opportune time for my trip," said Dean Shirley, "and I have implicit confidence in Mr. Vardell and in the rest of the music faculty."

"I suppose the best thing will be coming home again," he concluded, "and when I come back I hope to be able to make a better speech in chapel."

Dr. Rondthaler again expressed his keen delight in the opportunity offered the Head of the School of Music. "The Dean of Music is not dead," he said, "but should! Long live the acting Dean!"

It will be remembered that Dean Shirley spent last summer traveling in Europe, and brought back accounts of varied and interesting experiences. This time the trip is to last for a whole year and he will no doubt multiply the experiences and be able to bring to Salem valuable information. The students and faculty wish him a pleasant journey and every success in the research which he plans to do.

The following sign appeared in a cafe: Eat here and you'll never eat anywhere else.

## Freshman English Classes Conduct Wednesday Chapel

Give Presentation Speeches For An Imaginary Library In Year Nineteen-Forty; Marion Bloor Presides.

Wednesday, April the twenty-first at expanded chapel the freshmen oral English classes gave a novel program which consisted of a glimpse into the future, the date being 1940. Marion Bloor, who acted as the vice president of Salem College and was presiding because of Dr. Rondthaler's inability to be present, introduced Henrietta Underwood as President of Sweet Briar, who dedicated the Edwin J. Heath Library. Mr. Heath, who for a number of years was an inspiration to many pupils, was always an advocate of scholarly ideals. Formerly the intellect was not as much stressed as now, a fact which is shown by the type of books composing the first library, books of etiquette, dress and "The Duty of the Female Sex," with the growth of the academy and college also came the growth of scholarship, which includes the development of character and the teaching of facts. As the main object of the College is scholarship, it must instill the desire for scholarship. Books on the transmitters of ideals. In the impos-

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## Big Events Scheduled For Annual Field Day

Every Form of Sport Is Featured; Preliminary Base Ball Games Played.

The annual Field Day has been announced by the Athletic Association, as taking place on the afternoon of Monday, May the third, at two o'clock. Extensive and interesting plans are being made for the day, and judging from all present indications, it will be a great success. Seven events are scheduled to take place: fifty yard dash, two hundred and fifty yard relay, hurdles, base ball throw, basket ball throw, running high jump and running broad jump. Besides these events there will be an archery contest and the final base ball game of the season. Following the athletics of the afternoon there will be a picnic supper for the entire Athletic Association and for the college faculty. Everybody is urged to keep this day open, and show true college spirit and class spirit by giving enthusiastic support to all of the contestants. All of the spring sports are receiving attention now on the part of those girls who are interested. There will be extra walks on Wednesday afternoons for the next few weeks, and a test hike is scheduled for Saturday, May the first, which all who are expecting points for walking, are required to take.

Archery is a popular sport this year, for the regular practices are being well attended. The tennis tournament is progressing satisfactorily, and the finals are expected to take place during the second week in May.

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ing new libraries there are one hundred thousand carefully selected volumes. There is a room for periodicals; one for maps and atlases; and upstairs is the seminar room with individual desks and comfortable chairs. Besides the librarian there are the reference librarian, the departmental supervisor, and the reading librarian, who is well-stepped in reading. Profit is derived from books only according to the sensibility of the reader.

The second speaker was Edith Harris, introduced as vice president of the Rockefeller Institute. She declared that this was a red-letter day in the history of the education of southern women. All great men have been well-read, Hamilton, Jefferson, and Wilson being notable examples. When we give to a library he is indirectly contributing to possible state leaders. Salem College with her quiet halls, rich with traditions, deserves the most modern cultural equipment.

It is in the depth of impression rather than the breadth of knowledge that counts. Miss Harris then presented to the "imaginary library an equally imaginary check for fifty thousand dollars." Jane Little, the librarian, felt that only she can know the real joy which the gift of the Rockefeller Institute gave. The library is the most needed and appropriate memorial of the college, but it would be like a jewel case without the jewel if it were not for this handsome sum for the purchase of books.

Doody Call, president of the Van Dyke Art Club, was the next speaker of the morning. "We shall," she declared, "ever with appreciative hearts remember the love of those who have left us. The character of the one for whom this magnificent library is a memorial is altogether fitting for such a stately building. He lived a life of earnestness and was for ten years valuable as a teacher, adviser, and friend to the students of Salem College. I present not only to those now in the college but also to those pupils who will come in the future the portrait of Edwin J. Heath."

Marion Bloor concluded the program with an address of appreciation for the gift of the Van Dyke Club. "He shall be among the things he loved best—books." Mr. Heath was an inspiration to those who knew him. This is such a time when hearts are most stirred and we are left helplessly groping for words. This stately building is the fulfillment of a long, long dream."

The clever impersonations and well-delivered speeches made this program one of the most interesting of the year, and the Freshman oral English class is to be complimented on its success in the field of public speeches.

## French Club Holds Its Regular Meeting

Subject of Program is Moliere; One of His Comedies is Presented.

The Cercle Francais held its regular monthly meeting in the living room of the Alice Jewell Building Wednesday, April 21. The subject for discussion was Moliere and his works. In response to the roll call each member answered with a quotation from Moliere.

After the old business was transacted, Mlle. Southland appointed a committee composed of six members who are to propose candidates for the officers for next year.

A very attractive program was presented. Mlle. Sadie Holleman gave an interesting account of Moliere, the man and his life. She reviewed his work as an actor, author and director of the "Illustre Theatre". She showed how his works not only reflect the life and manners of his time during the seventeenth century, but also spoke of his universality.

Mlle. Margaret Schwarze spoke of "Les Precieuses Ridicules," tracing the influence of the Marquis de Rambouillet and her salon on the French language and showing how Moliere through his ridicule checked the extravagant expressions of the time.

Mlle. Ophelia Conrad in reviewing "Le Tartuffe" discussed the "hypocrisy" of the age and showed how Moliere in this play ridiculed the hypocrite in his religious worship.

Mlle. Ruth Clark Brown discussed "Le Misanthrope" a master piece of world comedy. In this play, the misanthropist condemns the lack of sincerity in the society of his time and in his famous scene of gossip furnishes the background for Sheridan's "School for Scandal".

This play was not only his greatest and most original, but furnishes many glimpses of the author's private life.

Mlle. Anna Southland discussed "Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme" in detail. She dwelt on

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## Rachel Phillips President Of Athletic Association

Others Officers and Heads of Sports Elected Last Monday

Elections for the officers of the Athletic Association and for the heads of sports for the year 1926-27, were held on Monday, April the nineteenth at one-thirty, in the recreation room. The following officers were elected: President, Rachel Phillips; Vice President, Sara Bell; Secretary, Susan Luckenbach; Treasurer, Elizabeth Rountree. The heads of sports for the fall are: Basket ball, Charlotte Sell; walking, Henrietta Underwood; volley ball, Dorothy Ragan; tennis, Margery Biles; and swimming, Jane Little. Other heads of sports will be elected at the beginning of the new term.