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Young Democratic Club  
Forms Organization HereMiss Ferguson Draws  
Interest in PoliticsWill Bring Prominent Speaker  
To Campus

The movement of the Young Democratic Club was launched at Salem College Tuesday morning, September 27, when Miss Isabel Ferguson talked to the students about this political organization. Miss Ferguson is a member of this History Department of Salem College and Secretary of the North Carolina Division of Young Democratic Clubs of America.

At a Democratic convention in 1908, she stated, Governor O. Max Gardner asked to be made a leader of this movement in the state of North Carolina. In 1916 the movement started in Oklahoma and soon was taken up by other states, not being made national, however, until June 13, 1932.

In order to decide whether or not a Young Democratic Club should be organized at Salem College, Miss Ferguson called a meeting which was held at 6:45 o'clock Tuesday evening.

With unusual enthusiasm it was unanimously voted that a Young Democratic Club be formed. Patsy McMullan was elected chairman of the meeting until a president should be elected.

At the request of the members, Miss Isabel Ferguson explained the purposes and organization of national, state, and local clubs. The whole organization is guided by a national executive committee which issues a publication dealing with the fundamentals of political education and the current activities of the Democratic party.

North Carolina is divided into eleven districts, bound together by a chairman and a vice-chairman. Because of the desire to get at the root of political discord and local issues, each county has its local club which deals, primarily, with local situations, not only political but any that concern public welfare. This organization, in order to be entirely independent, is not supported by donations from Democratic supporters but by the voluntary gifts of the members themselves. Within the county there may be college clubs whose members may be drawn from the organization, and interested townspersons. Because of the freedom enjoyed by the clubs, local problems may be discussed by any who care to, since the club aims at non-partisanship before the primaries.

The college clubs are allowed to send delegates to the various conventions where the general outlines of (Continued on Page Three)

Entire School Will Participate  
In May FestivalOrganizers of New Plan  
Appoint Committees

Since May Day is the largest public occasion sponsored by the college during the year, it is fitting that the entire student body participate in it. For this reason the plan has been formulated which will enlarge the scope of the May Day activities and greatly increase the number of those who work for its presentation.

The event this year will be planned by eight committees working under one general chairman and vice-chairman. Girls who have had previous experience will be heads of each of the committees, in order that the performance may lose none of the valuable information which has been gained by workers in previous years.

Working with the chairman will be (Continued on Page Four)

Inspirational Talk At  
Y. W. C. A. VespersMiss Lilly Discusses "Our  
Sense of Values"

At Vespers on Sunday evening George Dickison played a violin solo, "Deep River", a negro spiritual. After the Scripture reading by Margaret Johnson, Miss Elizabeth Lilly gave a splendid talk on "Our Sense of Values."

At the present time the world's sense of values are changing, partly due to the depression. Girls going off to school for the first time are finding that their values must change. Some people, finding things they thought valuable not valuable at all become cynical, "who know the price of everything and the value of nothing." To be happy one must feel that there are things which matter.

Girls, new at school, meet many strange girls and must decide who they want for friends. Most of us want to be loved far more than people who can help us. Popularity and frivolity are not lasting enough to bring any great happiness.

In reading we must decide whether we want any amusement or whether there is something better in literature which will stay with us and help us.

In spending leisure time and working time we need a bigger point of view than most of us have. We must look toward the future and what it can hold for us. A bridge game played now will not matter five years from now, but the friends (Continued on Page Four)

Academy Faculty Black  
Faces In Minstrel

## Kingfish Presides Over Show

The faculty of Salem Academy presented, on last Saturday night, a black faced minstrel, and quoting one of the cast, in which "the faculty made an utter fool of itself."

The show was an imitation of a negro social meeting and was divided into two parts, the business and the "entertainment." The show was presided over by the Kingfish who was Miss Margaret Murray with music furnished by a four-piece orchestra in which Miss Georgia Watson played the washboard. Miss Mary Weaver the guitar, Miss Elizabeth Gillespie the cymbals and Miss Virginia Wilson the jug.

After the business had been completed, a short play was given for the amusement of the audience. This was a farce in which the actors announced their own stage directions, and then said their parts. The rising young players who demonstrated their ability in this show were: Dorothy Knox, the king; Mary Weaver, the devoted queen; Virginia Wilson, the lovely princess; Elizabeth Gillespie, the handsome duke; Georgia Watson, the hell finger; and Helen Vogler and Louise Sommer each one-half the curtain.

The entire performance was well done and the faculty were successively foolish.

STUDENT BODY ELECTS  
TWO JUNIOR STEE-GEES

Two representatives to the Student Self-Government Association from the Junior Class were elected on Wednesday morning. At the close of the chapel period President Thorpe called a meeting of the student body and conducted the election. The new Stee Gees are Betty Stough, representative from the boarding students, and Maig et Ashburn, day student.

Ex-Service Men Interest  
Students Economy PlanY. P. M. SPEAKERS URGE  
LOWER TAXATIONMr. Chatham and Mr. Montague  
Address Chapel

Mr. Thurmond Chatham and Mr. Paul Montague spoke at Y. P. M., Wednesday, September 28, on the National Economy League. Both are ex-service men, Mr. Chatham having been in the naval department during the world war and Mr. Montague in the air corps.

In the way of introduction, Mr. Chatham, the first speaker, told of the conditions during the world war as a means of comparison for the war of "Helplessness" prevalent for the past three years. Instead of the patriotic cooperation, however, which was shown in time of the former war, there has been until now a lack of organization and initiative. Recently, rising cost of all types of government, due to many factors in determining the length of the present depression, has caused a general concern throughout the United States. After a number of inferior types of organizations had failed the United Economy League has started a powerful campaign to meet this enormous governmental cost. Such men as Coolidge, former Gov. Alfred E. Smith, Newton Baker, Woodrow Wilson, and the Sills are head of the league. The two aims are (1) to revive and restore the American principle of representative government for the common good, and (2) to secure the elimination of wasteful or unjustifiable governmental expenditures. One of their first actions will be to secure the elimination of the bonus paid to ex-service men of the Spanish American and World War, who are able to care for themselves.

In conclusion Mr. Chatham urged that all women, in their new responsibilities of vote, take an interest in this non-partisan league and promote its efforts.

Mr. Paul Montague, secretary of the state branch of the League, continued the line of thought by reiterating that the aim of the League was to help not hinder. He proposed to give the example of an ex-service man, who had not served over seas, yet who had been covered with glory and given a generous bonus, although not disabled in the (Continued on Page Three)

Salemite Editorial Staff  
Selects New ReportersMany Changes in Editors  
Follow Try-Outs

Eight new editors and reporters have joined the ranks of the Salemite editorial staff, following try-outs this past week. Before a group of bewildered editors there were many new stories and features, all of them showing merit and ability. By which these editors had to select a few new members of the staff. The task was difficult.

The following girls, because of their ability to write and their interest in journalism, secured places on the staff. Patsy McMullan, associate editor; Rosalie Smith, Music editor; Cora Emaline Henderson, Lucy James, Louis Torrence, Celeste McClure, Gertrude Schwabe, and Virginia Nell, reporters.

Mary Ollie Biles, former sports editor, returns to the staff in the same position. Because of the unusually heavy schedule of classes which Margaret Johnson is carrying, she had to resign her place as associate editor, much to the regret of the staff. Dorothy Heidenreich gave up her place as associate editor to become managing editor. The associate editorships were given to Elinor Phillips and Patsy McMullan. Several other changes will be noted in the staff list.

Faculty Recital Opens  
College Music SeasonSeniors Hold Hat-  
Burning CeremonyThirty-Eight Seniors Don  
Caps and Gowns

On Friday evening at 6:45, in the quadrangle between the Louisa Van Biting Building and Society Hall, the Senior Class celebrated the annual ceremony of Hat Burning. According to the time honored tradition the Seniors, with the marshals and pages, approached the fire singing the customary professional, "Honored in Song and Story." After forming a circle around the fire the Seniors, while singing, threw in to the fire appropriate emblems commemorating their days as "soon young freshmen," "bold, bad, broken juniors," "lovesick juniors," and then finally "stately Seniors."

Before the Seniors were given their caps and gowns, Dr. Rond Duizer explained the significance of them. From the middle ages rich and poor, aristocratic and bourgeois were brought together in one common rank because of their culture and learning. All of them wore similar dress, the only distinction being made for greater knowledge. This custom has existed until now, and today students all over the world don this black costume to show that social classes are put aside in recognition of wisdom. After each page put the cap and gown on the Senior, the Seniors formed the letters S. C. A., in which formation they sang the Alma Mater.

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Ten-Piece Orchestra  
At Old Maids' Party

The Junior Class entertained as many of their little sister class as felt they were eligible, at an Old Maids' Anti-Saloon Party, Saturday night in the hut.

The hut was decorated with ferns and colored streamers, and there was for the occasion, a ten-piece orchestra. The "Old Maids" suddenly became quite modern and spent the evening dancing. At the close of the party tempting all night suckers were served as refreshments, and the sticks were kept as souvenirs of the delightful occasion.

## Popular Senior Escapes Accident

Mary B. Williams, popular senior student of Salem College escaped serious injuries last Wednesday. If the ceiling in the dining room had not mistaken the ten o'clock bell for the one o'clock bell Miss Williams would now have been a very dilapidated looking table hostess. What is more, if Margaret the waitress had not been sent after flowers at exactly ten o'clock, it is expected in about five days, fro with plenty of food. As it was, only a table cloth, five glasses, four plates, and a perfectly good ceiling are suffering. Mr. Kniff and Mrs. Fork and all the little Spoons escaped uninjured.

The accident did not occur, as has been rumored, because many girls were studying in the library. The catastrophe is explained thus: Weather turns cold; cold requires heat; heat requires plaster; then plaster falls; Bang! An apparatus is now being performed upon the ceiling, and its complete recovery is expected in about five days. Until this time meals will be served in the Wee Blue Inn and the hall of the day students' building. There will be no cafeteria breakfast for a while, but breakfast will be served at seven forty-five every morning in the little dining room. All students will co-operate in the new plan for after all, a change of eating place is very good for the digestion.