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## DEAN VARDELL HONORED BY NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS OF MUSIC

HEAD OF SCHOOL OF MUSIC SURVEYS MUSIC CONVENTION IN EXPANDED CHAPEL

Dean Vardell Elected Member of Governing Board of Music Association

Dean Charles G. Vardell, head of the School of Music at Salem College, was elected a member of the executive committee of the National Association of Schools of Music at the Convention which he attended during the holidays.

Announcement of the honor which has been accorded Dean Vardell was made at chapel Wednesday by Dr. Rondthaler.

An entertaining and instructive survey of the convention of the National Association of Schools of Music, held in Philadelphia, was given by Dean Vardell in expanded chapel Wednesday. A recital of Bach, played as it should be played on a harpsichord, was one of the first musical programs of the convention. A harpsichord, which looks like a pastel green and gold piano, but which has a thin, tinkling tone makes you see vividly the hoop skirts and pompadors of the 18th Century.

Some instructive lectures were given by Mr. Edwin Hughes, who talked on "Theodore Leschetizky and his teachings" giving personal reminiscences of the great pedagogue and some of his famous pupils, and Mr. Brice Simonds of Yale, who talked on Tobias Matthay. The latter was of particular interest to Dean Vardell, as he practices Matthay's methods in his own work.

In the committee meeting of the National Association of Schools of Music the requirements of membership were discussed. These standards are very rigorous, and many schools are rejected.

On the third day of the session, the delegates visited the Theodore Presser Home for retired music teachers. Mr. Presser, founder and long time editor of the "Etude" left funds for a luxurious home for the fortunate music teachers who spend their years of retirement there.

Owen Downes showed the need for criticism in music, a sort of supreme court, free from outside influences.

Other highly instructive and interesting programs presented included a trip through the Victor factory; a lecture on "Rhythm in the Jungle" with pictures and sound recordings; a beautiful concert of old music given by a quartet of violins and harpsichords; the music of Emperor Frederick the Great; and the recitation of the "Man on the Stair."

The week following the convention was spent in New York where Dean Vardell saw Lynne Fontaine and Alfred Lunt in "The Taming of the Shrew," Jane Cowl in "First Lady," "Tannhauser," "Siegfried" (CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO)

## SALEM SCIENCE CLUB HOLDS MEETING

The Societas Scientiarum Salemensis held its meeting on January 7, in Park Hall. The Science Department in co-operation with the society presented a moving picture, "The Marine Parade," which Mr. Campbell showed.

After the business session Adelaide Trotter gave a paper on "Fifty Years of Aluminum," in which she discussed efficiently and interestingly, the history of the metal, aluminum. Erika Marx presented a paper on "Rubber Takes the Shocks of Industry."

## MARHTA SCHLEGEL IS SPEAKER AT VESPERS

Student Volunteer Movement For Foreign Missions Subject of Talk

Miss Martha Schlegel spoke at Vespers last Sunday evening on the subject of the Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions. She reviewed the history of the movement and then told of her experience at the last Quadrennial Convention held in Indianapolis, Indiana, from December 28, 1935 to January 1, 1936.

The movement started at Princeton University in 1883 with five students enrolled. In 1886 a conference was held at Mount Hermon, Massachusetts and during this meeting 100 more volunteers had offered themselves for foreign service.

The last Quadrennial Convention had speakers as John R. Mott, Toyohiko Kagawa, Robert E. Speer, The Archbishop of York, Jesse Wilson, T. Z. Koo, our own McNeill Poteat.

## PAGEANT CONTEST IS STILL OPEN TO SALEM STUDENTS

Five Dollars Offered As Prize

If you would like to win five dollars and also an enviable reputation as a pageant writer, why don't you enter the May Day Pageant Contest, which opened before Christmas and ends with the termination of the present semester.

The members of the Pageant Committee for May Day, Jane Rondthaler, Elizabeth Trotman, Naney Schallert, Anna Wray Fogle, Laura Bland, and Sara Ingram, are eager to receive any pageants or ideas for pageants which may come from members of the student body.

Pageants should be submitted to the judges not later than February 1, 1936.

Judges for the May Day Pageant Contest are:

Miss Elizabeth Lilly  
Miss Eloise Vaughn  
Mr. Albert Oerter.

## I. R. S. SPONSORS SALEM MOVIES

Saturday night, January 11th the I. R. S. Council sponsored a showing of Salem College and Academy movies in the recreation room of Louisa Wilson Bitting Building. Miss Mary Louise Mickey operated the machine and told interesting facts about the pictures:

The "prize" reel, as Miss Mickey called it, was a beautiful color reel of campus scenes. This is the one that is shown at high schools and at lectures on the College. It showed May Day, Commencement, Sports, Scenes at Camp Hanes, Dr. and Mrs. Rondthaler and much to the enjoyment of all — Mr. and Mrs. Schofield and Dean and Mrs. Vardell in reverse. Mr. Schofield made motions of the music going round and round — (wonder if he's responsible for the popularity of that song at Salem.)

Next a short reel showed the colossal event of the pulling down of "ye old smokestack" preparatory to erecting a new one. This picture was especially taken for Dr. and Mrs. Rondthaler who missed said event.

## SALEM REPRESENTED AT STUDENT VOLUNTEER QUADRENNIAL CONVENTION

3,000 Students Gather In Indianapolis

Almost three thousand young men and women, representatives of the colleges and universities in Canada and the United States, met together for the Twelfth Quadrennial Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement which was held at Indianapolis, Indiana during the Christmas Holidays from December 28, 1935, to January 1, 1936. Representatives of nearly every foreign country on the globe were present, as guests of the Convention, as well as missionaries home on furlough.

Representatives from Salem College at the Convention were Erika Marx and Martha Schlegel.

The convention provided a well-balanced program, combining intellectual, spiritual and recreational opportunities. The speakers, outstanding Christian men and women of ability, with a knowledge of the world issues and problems of today, gave inspiration and guidance to the conference. No one speaker could be placed first, each had a definite message to give, and a definite challenge.

Seminar groups met together for study and discussion of world problems as well as individual problems. There was a wide range of interests, including the Christian Fellowship and World Peace; the Race Situation; Political Trends; Industrial Problems; Choosing a Life Work; all aspects of Foreign Missions; the Church and Missions; and the Christian World Community. The closer fellowship in these seminars with the strong leaders, who possess depth of character and warmth of personality, heightened the experience of the convention, and set loose many creative ideas.

To give in summary the context of all the addresses of the convention would be too big a task, but to mention the challenging statements of some of the speakers will provoke thought, and will give the true spirit of the convention.

"What could be bigger than a fel-  
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## LIBRARY GIVEN SOURCE BOOKS AND SUBSCRIPTION TO "FORTUNE"

Mr. Cohen and Mr. Shaffner Make Gifts to Library

The Salem library has recently been presented with two valuable gifts, a subscription to "Fortune" given by Mr. Monte Cohen and a set of twelve history source books, entitled "America" given by Mr. H. F. Shaffner.

This is the second year that Mr. Cohen has given "Fortune" to the college, and the school very grateful for this educational magazine. If a Salem girl does not read "Fortune" she should become acquainted with it. If she were to peep into our library copy this month she could find much information on education, politics, travel, schools, and clothes.

The books presented by Mr. Shaffner are excellent source books on the history of America from the pre-Columbian voyages to 1925. History students in particular should be thankful for this gift because it contains detailed information on American colonization, industry, politics, literature, sciences, and, in fact, almost every phase of American history.

## GERTRUDE SCHWALBE REPRESENTS COLLEGE AT N. S. F. A. CONFERENCE

### A. A. A. DECISION IS DISCUSSED IN CHAPEL

Dr. Rondthaler Explains Changes In Government Program

Dr. Rondthaler's subject for Thursday morning chapel was one on which he has been asked to speak — an interpretation of government plans resulting from the A.A.A. decision.

Not long ago the A.A.A. was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court because it extended privileges to a favored class — the farmers. The question has been asked: Must all the marvelous movements which so favorably affected millions of farmers be lost?

In answer to this question the Grange, a national farm organization, has made a proposal similar to the A.A.A. for the relief of the farmers. There are two main points in the proposition: First, the preservation of soil against erosion; second, rehabilitation of soil for future products in years to come. The farmer is to receive reimbursement equal to the price of his crop provided he agrees to reduce the acreage of that crop. He must also reserve the soil and enrich it for future production. If this plan of enrichment is followed we may reach a day as in pioneer days when the land lay waiting to be tilled.

The program is a very new one and should be kept free from political bias, for through politics many originally fine programs are ruined. The principal originators of the program are not known.

### "GUIDES TO HIGHWAY SAFETY" DISTRIBUTED BY "SALEMITE"

Pamphlets on Highway Accidents Published By "Popular Government"

"Guides to Highway Safety," pamphlets published by "Popular Government" in an attempt to reduce highway accidents, have been distributed with the Salemites this week.

The Daily Tar Heel and the University of North Carolina student government have sent these pamphlets to us for distribution on our campus because "they believe that, as North Carolinians, we are interested in the state's efforts to foil the worst of all modern destroyers of life, and the most common: Highway Accidents."

We are asking you to read this booklet and to earnestly study the alarming statistics contained in it because we believe that by doing so you will do more to help reduce accidents than you have ever done before.

### MRS. GRIMSLY IMPROVING

Salem students and a number of Winston-Salem people were very sorry to hear that Mrs. Harry Grimsley broke her ankle while riding down Summit Street on a sled with her daughter during the holiday season. Friends will be glad to hear that Mrs. Grimsley, who is President of the Salem College Alumnae Association of this city, has been improving nicely.

"YOUTH IN A CHANGING WORLD" THEME OF MEETING ATTENDED BY STUDENT GOVERNMENT PRESIDENT

Secretariat of League of Nations Addresses Student Leaders

Gertrude Schwalbe, who represented Salem College at the meeting of the National Student Federation of America in Kansas City, Mo., during the Christmas holidays, has given us a most interesting report on her attendance at the conference.

All the meetings, with the exception of one day, were held at the Muehlback Hotel in Kansas City, "and I want to say now that one of the nicest things about the whole conference was that all the addresses were after dinner or luncheon talks," Miss Schwalbe added.

The delegates were greeted by Tom Nehlett, president of the NSFA; by Dr. E. H. Lindley, Chancellor of the University of Kansas, the host university; and by Col. Ruby D. Garrett, who brought greetings from the city.

The Honorable John W. Studebaker, the United States Commissioner of Education, was the speaker at the first evening session. "He practically identified democracy with education, for he said that democracy was a race between education and ignorance. Since, he said, the American public is on the whole poorly informed, or at least is unwilling to think about public and national matters, he suggested that public forums be established in the larger towns. These forums would be financed by educational funds. This, if directed properly, would not lead to riotous meetings, but would afford an opportunity for the learner to learn and not for the teacher to preach."

Perhaps the most distinguished speakers were Dr. Gustav Kullman, Secretariat of the League of Nations, and the Honorable Agnes McPhail, member of Parliament, Canada. Dr. Kullman naturally spoke of the League, emphasizing that a solidarity, a unity of nations is absolutely necessary before world peace can be established. He believes that America could contribute much to world peace by joining the League.

The Honorable Agnes McPhail "Championed peace, social consciousness, adult education, and said that the constant practice of intellectual integrity leads to intellectual integrity."

There were other speakers, among whom perhaps the most interesting were the Honorable Henry T. Allen, former United States Senator, who described his visits with Mussolini, and Arthur Greenwood, a very intelligent British boy who urged the (CONTINUED ON PAGE FOUR)

### DR. POTEAT TO SPEAK AT CITY Y. W. C. A. TUESDAY NIGHT

Dr. McNeill Poteat, of Raleigh, will speak on Tuesday night, January 21, at 7:00 o'clock at the Annual Y. W. C. A. dinner to be held in the city "Y. W." building on Church Street.

This organization in asking members of the Salem Y. W. C. A. who can, to attend the lecture. If any members of the Salem organization would like to go in time for the dinner at 6:30 P. M., they are cordially invited to do so, but are asked to make reservations ahead of time.