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Opera to be Given As Commencement Activity

Mozart's "The Marriage of Figaro" To Be Presented

This year, the Salem School of music is presenting, as one of the commencement festivities, "The Marriage of Figaro," a comic opera by Mozart. It has been condensed to simplify and to present only the prominent features of the Beaumarchies plot that portrays the complicated schemes of eighteenth century court life. This two act version will prove to be an hour's entertainment of beautiful music and quick moving comedy.

Scenery for the production is being designed and painted by the art students under the supervision of Kathryn Davis Ogburn, while Van Horn and Sons, of Philadelphia, will furnish the costumes. Elizabeth Trotman, and an assisting staff under Mrs. Bruce William's supervision, will handle the make-up and other technical details. The entire production will be staged by Mr. Clifford Bair, who is head of the Voice Department at Salem.

A string ensemble, under the direction of Miss Hazel Read will provide the orchestral accompaniment, assisted at the piano and organ by Miss Virginia Thompson, Miss Sarah Linn, and Mrs. Anna Withers Bair. Mr. Charles G. Vardell, Jr., Dean of the School of Music will conduct the entire performances.

Those in "The Marriage of Figaro" have been chosen, with two exceptions from the Voice Department at Salem, and the cast is as follows.

Countess Almaira—Kathryn Swain
Susanna, her maid—Carolyn Creson,
and Jean Davis

Theodore Bodenheimer
Figaro, his servant—James Blair
Cherabino, a page—Lillian Stokes
Dr. Bartolo—Robert Jensen
Marcellina, housekeeper—
Margaret Welfare

Antonio, a gardener—
Hugh Houlthouser
Don Baselo—Clifford Bair.

Because of the limited capacity in the Old Chapel, two performances will be given; one, Saturday, June 3rd, and the other, Monday, June 5th. The first, on June 3rd, will be produced mainly for the visiting alumnae and for other out of town guests, and will be with invitation only. The second, on June 5th, will be for the general public. The two performances, June 3rd and June 5th are scheduled to begin promptly at 8:30 o'clock in the Old Chapel.

Math Club Holds Final Meeting of The Year

The Mu Alpha Theta held its final meeting of the year last Tuesday night in the Lecture Room of the Library. Anne Mewborne spoke on Flatland, a country of two-dimensional space. The story of this fantastic land, where the people are geometric plane figures, was taken from the book "Flatland" by "A Square." Sallie Emerson had charge of the refreshments, which were exceptionally good.

Baccalaureate Sermon June 4

Dr D. H. Stewart To Be This Year's Speaker

The Baccalaureate Sermon, an integral part of the Commencement exercises, is to take place this year on Sunday, June 4. Led by the marshals, the faculty and seniors, wearing caps and gowns, walk in procession to the Home Moravian Church. During the procession the hymn, "The Son of God," is sung. This year Reverend Donald H. Stewart will deliver the Baccalaureate Sermon.

Fulton-Lilly Wedding Plans Announced

First Senior Marriage To Be On Day of Graduation

Of all the graduation news and of all the happenings that the last of school always brings, the event which will in all our minds come as the climax is Bill Fulton's marriage to F. L. Lilly.

When the clock on the Home Moravian Church strikes four on Monday, June fifth, the wedding music will begin. The traditional ring ceremony will be used and Dr. Howard Rondthaler will officiate.

The bridesmaids are all sisters of the bride and will wear the dresses worn by Bill's attendants on May Day. The matron of honor, Mrs. B. J. Keating, of Boston, Massachusetts, the oldest sister will wear a yellow May dress of silk net and will carry a nosegay of mixed garden flowers in pastel colors. Mrs. W. W. Hufford, Jr., and Virginia "John" Fulton will be bridesmaids. Mrs. Hufford wearing pink, and Miss Fulton, blue. Their flowers will also be nosegays.

Before the ceremony Frances Watlington will sing "Calm As the Night" and "Consecration" and Edith McLean will play "Ave Maria."

The bride will enter wearing the dress in which she was crowned Salem's Queen of the May. The dress is of white silk net over a slip of white silk with a large hoop skirt. Scattered over the net are dainty sprays of valley-lilies tied with tiny satin bows. There will also be a two-tier veil of illusion under a halo of orange blossoms and Bill will carry a prayer book on top of which will be placed a large white orchid.

She will enter on the arm of her father, Mr. William Benjamin Fulton, who will give her away. The groom's best man will be Sam Bragg Yancey of Kingsport, Tenn.

Bill is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Benjamin Fulton of Gate City, Virginia and has attended Salem College for four years. She is a major in the Department of Home Economics and has this year served as president of the Home Economics Club. During her four years here at Salem she has taken an important part in campus affairs, has been active in sports, and had been an attendant in the May Court for three years until this year when she was elected Queen.

The groom, F. L. Lilly, is the son of Mrs. Venice Lilly and the late Mr. Lilly of Kingsport. He attended Louisiana State University and now holds a position with the Tennessee Eastman Corporation.

The ushers for the wedding are all young men from Kingsport—Charles Keever, Sam Reams, and Justin Harris.

After the ceremony there will be a reception at the home of Dr. and

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'Bye Now

Maude Battle Wins Reed & Barton Silver

Announcement has recently been made that Maude Battle, Salem Senior, has been awarded one of the sterling silver prizes in the Reed & Barton Silver Chest Contest. Miss Battle's prize consists of a set of eight lovely Reed & Barton solid silver coffee spoons, with gold bowls and a different flower sculptured on each handle.

The contest was confined to Salem College and thirty-two other leading women's colleges in various parts of the country. Entrants were asked to choose their favorite pattern from ten Reed and Barton designs and give their reasons for the choice in a statement of not more than fifty words. The awards were made exclusively on the excellence of the reasons given.

The first prize, consisting of a 100-piece sterling service and a genuine mahogany silver chest, was won by Miss Meredith Stebbins of Simmons College, Boston, Mass. The Reed & Barton pattern that she chose as her favorite was cotillion, and the prize service was given in this design.

To each of the thirty-three winners was awarded a set of the Reed & Barton solid silver coffee spoons

RONDTHALERS TO ENTERTAIN SENIORS AT ANNUAL PICNIC

The Senior Picnic will take place on Sunday, June 4, at 5:30 P. M. on the lawn surrounding the President's house.

This outdoor supper is enjoyed annually by the Seniors and their immediate families. It always precedes immediately the senior vespers program, to be held this year in the Bowl beside Biting Building.

"Salem Day" at Montaldo's

Students Act As Salesgirls

Thursday, May 18, students of Salem College and Academy took over the management of Montaldo's for the day. A special invitation to visit the store any time, Thursday was extended by Miss Montaldo to all the students of both schools.

From the visitors, five girls were chosen to act as salesladies, and one was chosen to act as manager. Although their experiment was fundamentally a test of their salesmanship, the girls received a commission of three percent on everything that they sold.

During the afternoon while new summer dresses and resort wear were being shown, the visitors were served coca-colas and cookies.

A similar day was recently held at Montaldo's in Charlotte, N. C. according to Miss Montaldo and was enjoyed as much by the Queens girls as "Salem Day" was by the Salem students.

Student-Government Dance Tomorrow Night

Final Salem Dance of This Year

The following invitations have been issued:

"The Student Self-Government Association of Salem College requests the honor of your presence, Saturday evening, May twentieth, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, at eight-thirty o'clock, Honoring the New Council."

This is the last dance of the year, and judging by the preparations it promises to be one of the best. The music will be furnished by Jerry King and his orchestra from Chapel Hill. This band played for the Freshman-Junior dance — and as a result it is very popular on the campus.

The figure will be composed of the old and new council, with Miss Annette McNeely, retiring President, leading with Mr. Tom Thurston.

Home Economics Fashion Show This Afternoon

Sewing Classes Model Work

On Friday afternoon at four o'clock the members of the Home Economics Department presented a Fashion Show in front of the Lizon Fortune Hanes Building. It was an exhibit of all the clothing made by the Freshman, Sophomore, and advanced classes in the department during the entire year and included: cotton smocks, silk and wool dresses, wool suits, cotton and silk evening dresses. Sarah Linn played semi-classical numbers throughout the exhibit.

Junior-Freshman Dance Last Saturday

Frances Walker Sang with Orchestra

A lovely garden furnished the background for the Junior-Freshman dance in the gymnasium last Saturday night, May 13. Jerry King and his orchestra from Carolina provided the music for the evening. Everyone was delighted when our own Frances Walker assisted the orchestra by singing "I'm Getting Sentimental Over You" and "Taint What You Do." During the evening there were three no-break dances, and the officers of both classes were recognized by a no break dance immediately before intermission.

Throughout the evening Miss Jo Whitehead and Miss Jane Crow served punch. Everyone had a "swell-gant" time, and the Junior-Freshman was one of the best dances of the season!

PIERETTES ELECT OFFICERS

The Pierrette Players elected their officers for next year in a meeting this week. They are: Lizzie Trotman, president; Katharine King, vice-president, Elizabeth Tuten, secretary, and Elizabeth Weldon, treasurer.

Transfer of Caps and Gowns to be Held in Bowl

Hat-Burning Ceremony Scheduled For May 31

Each year during Graduation Week Salem has a ceremony for the traditional transfer of caps and gowns from the Senior to the Junior class. This year this beautiful and dignified service will be held in the bowl beside Louisa Biting Building at nine o'clock on the night of Wednesday, May 31. Because the regular marshalls are all juniors, special ushers are to be selected for this occasion. In the center of the Bowl will be a blazing fire and around it stand all of the spectators and the two participating classes.

The Juniors will form their line in front of Clewell Building, the seniors in front of Biting Building. In double line with Evelyn McCarty (present Senior President) and Vernon Lassiter (mascot), and Annette McNeely (retiring student government president), at their head, the seniors will lead the procession around the flagstaff, down the board walk, and into the bowl. The juniors, led by Agnes Lee Carmichael (incoming Senior Class President) and Elizabeth Hendrick (incoming Student Government President), will follow and take their place around the fire. Marching to "Stand Up and Cheer" as soon as all are in their places at the fire, the group will sing that song through.

Miss Carmichael will then come forward and make her explanation of the burning of hats. She will lead the juniors around the fire for them to throw in their hats and then into position again. Miss McCarty will then come forward, with the mascot beside her, and give her ultimatum on the Blue Books. She will throw her own Blue Book into the fire and lead the seniors around to throw in theirs before they return to their original position. The junior line will then turn on itself and line up facing the seniors, until every junior is standing in front of a senior in a double line around the Bowl. The present and incoming senior president will step forward, and Miss McCarty will place her robe and cap on Miss Carmichael, who will make her speech of acceptance, while all of the seniors put their caps and gowns on the juniors in front of them. Then Miss McCarty will stand just behind the fire to deliver her valedictory. Following this all of the seniors will mass around the piano and sing their class song. When that is finished, the seniors will remain around the piano and every one will join in to sing the Alma Mater while the Juniors move off up the hill in caps and gowns. The seniors are to follow, led by their president and mascot, and the whole procession will break up at the flagstaff.

ANNUAL ALUMNAE LUNCHEON TO BE NEXT WEEK

On Saturday, June 3, at 1:30 P. M., the Alumnae Luncheon will be held. This will follow the meeting of the General Alumnae Association.

The President of the General Alumnae Association, Mrs. Deryl Hart of Durham will greet the Senior class; Miss Evelyn McCarty will respond.

Among the 300 people who are expected to be present at the luncheon are members of the classes of 1939, 1938, 1937, 1936; 1920, 1919, 1917; 1901, 1900, 1899, 1898; 1882, 1881, 1880, 1879, and 1889 (50th year).