

SALEM'S 169th YEAR PROGRESSES

SENIORS "TAKE" SENIOR

Louisa Wilson Bitting Building, commonly known as "Senior," was invaded by a new order of revered and respected seniors last week, those erstwhile juniors of Clewell and Lehman of last year. In anticipation of their arrival this fall, Bitting was dressed up a bit, the living room being completely renovated and painted a soft, shade of blue-green (if the constant ringing of the telephone in senior is any indication, many outsiders will be afforded the opportunity to see and admire the changes). This year for the first time all three floors are blessed with a telephone and first floor has a guest-room and bath across the hall from Miss Lawrence's apartment.

ADDITIONS TO FACULTY AND CURRICULUM

Salem College has acquired one new faculty member, Lawrence Kenyon, and has also added a new course, voice methods, to its curriculum.

Mr. Kenyon is the new art professor. He graduated from Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio, magna cum laude for his degree of Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy. At Kenyon he was a member of the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity, active in athletics, and a member of the Student Council. Then he studied in the University of Iowa under Grant Wood and assisted Dr. Lester Longman, head of the Art Department, to earn his masters degree.

The new course, voice methods, which is a study of speaking and singing, is taught by Mr. Bair. The students learn voice placement, enunciation and breathing as part of the course. A similar class had been offered previously for voice majors only, but this is open for all juniors and seniors.

Several other minor changes have been made in the curriculum for this year. By request of the student body the study Family Relationships, taught by Miss Covington, has been changed from a two hour to a three hour course.

Twelve lectures will be given in relation with this: The first six beginning October 1st, will be conducted by Mr. William Womble, member of Manly, Hendren and Womble law firm, on Parliamentary Law as it applies to civic problems. The last six will be conducted by Dr. Henley of Winston-Salem.

By request Dr. Ancombe is again offering the class Current Events with more emphasis on the contemporary material for this year. Then also, Mr. McEwen teaches his Children's Literature class very informally in the Recreation Room of the Louisa Bitting Building as a seminar study.

SALEMITES PROMINENT IN FESTIVAL

Once again Asheville, North Carolina furnished an appropriate setting for its fourth annual Mozart Festival, August 26-28, 1940. The festival was fashioned after those held annually for nearly a century at Salzburg, the birthplace of Mozart.

Salem College was well represented by students of the voice department who were presented in the gay and fanciful opera "School for Lovers," the climax of the festival.

The cast of "School for Lovers" included Kathryn Swain, as Isidora; Carolyn Creson as Dorabella; Lillian Stokes as Despina; E. C. Alexander as Ferrando; Ted Bodenheimer as Gratiano; and James Blair as Don Alfonso. Margaret Leinbach was accompanist for the Recitatives.

Mr. Thor Johnson, musical director of the Festivals, conducted the opera, and Mr. Clifford Bair was the producer. Both are authorities on Mozart.

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NINETY YEAR TRADITION TO CHANGE

Monday, October 7—Salem Day—has been set for the laying of the corner stone for the "Hattie M. Strong Building" named after its donor.

Construction of this building, which will be the new dining hall, to replace the present one which has been used for ninety years, is well under way. It is hoped that Mrs. Strong will be present at Salem to take part in the ceremonies.

In connection with the laying of the cornerstone there will be a meeting of the Executive Board of the Alumnae Association as well as a formal dinner for the students, faculty, and trustees.

Salem Day has been changed from midwinter to October 7, because it was on this date in 1803 that the cornerstone was laid for South Hall. The first building used as a dormitory at Salem. This date, it is felt, will be much more convenient than the former time of meeting in midwinter because of the weather conditions, which are likely to be more favorable in October.

SALEM JOINS MED. SCHOOL

The affiliation of Salem College with the Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest College was announced at last Commencement by Dr. Rondthaler. Through this affiliation, Salem will offer a degree course in technology (the first in North Carolina) and a pre-nursing course.

The academic work will be given as heretofore at Salem College, and the clinical and professional work will be given at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest College, and the North Carolina Baptist Hospital.

The medical technology course will cover a period of three years academic work and 14 months clinical training. A B. S. degree will be granted at the completion of this course. This course will meet the requirements of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists, and graduates will be eligible for the registry examination with this society. This will be the first degree course in medical technology to be offered in North Carolina.

Pre-nursing course will cover a period of two years' academic work, followed by three years of training at the Baptist Hospital. At the close of this period, a B. S. degree in nursing will be granted by the Bowman Gray School of Medicine.

PIERRETTES' PARTY

Today, Mrs. Bruce Williams, director of dramatics at Salem, entertained the Pierrette Players and other students interested in drama at her home on South Marshall Street for the first meeting of the combined dramatic clubs this year. Refreshments were served and plans for the coming year were discussed.

Previous to this meeting those girls who had not been connected with either one of the clubs met in the Old Chapel with Mrs. Williams who explained the purpose and activities of past Freshmen Dramatic Clubs. The girls decided to give several one-act plays in order to try out for the larger production to be presented later on in the year. Mrs. Williams suggested that they join the Little Theater of Winston-Salem but remain inactive members, simply attending the performances and observing technique.

CAMPUS HAS NEW FACE

SEASON'S PLANS ANNOUNCED

The Winston-Salem Civic Music Association is presenting an excellent and varied program this year which none should miss. A glance at the following list will no doubt convince you of that fact. One \$3.00 ticket will enable you to see all the concerts.

Kristen Thorborg — Contralto — October 25.

Ezio Pinza — Baritone — November 23.

Erica Harini — Violinist — December 3.

Alexander Bailowski — Pianist — January 21.

Helen Jepson — Soprano — February 17.

Cleveland Symphony — March 28.

All students who have paid their budget will also enjoy the Salem College lecture series. Speakers for the following year are: Madame Sigrid Undset, world famous novelist, lecturing on "A Novelist Looks At Literature" on October 15; Leland Stowe, foreign correspondent for the New York Herald Tribune, lecturing on phases of present European conditions, on October 31; Thomas Craven, well known art critic lecturing on "Hopes and Fears For American Art;" John Mason Brown, dramatic critic, making his fourth appearance before members of the Salem Lecture Series, will talk on "Broadway In Review."

Unfortunately the contemporary theatre group will not be able to function this year. Members of the association hope that interest displayed by college students and town audiences will warrant the return of the group plays in the future. Anyone interested in dramatics has the privilege of joining the Little Theatre Group. Inactive membership which enables one to see all plays presented during the year is only \$1.50.

CHAPEL CUTS NOW GRANTED

The new chapel system instigated this year seems to have met with approval on all sides. In case anyone does not have this new plan entirely straight, here is a brief explanation. Chapel attendance will be required of all students. Off-campus students may secure a permission for the semester to be excused from chapel on the days when she has no classes until eleven o'clock. This permission does not include Wednesday chapel. Nine cuts will be given to each student and she will be informed at intervals as to the number of cuts she has taken. Excuses may also be secured for practice teaching and department trips. Monitors from each class will check the students in chapel. All students will sit in alphabetical order according to classification.

Violation of any of these regulations is considered serious, and after a student has been warned by the Administration and Student Council a possible penalty may be the request to the student that she withdraw from the college.

It seems indeed that the campus has had a "shampoo, set, and manicure" during our summer recess.

The change probably noticed first is the new dining room now in construction. There isn't much of a building there yet, but the work being done shows signs that a beautiful new building will soon rise above the chaos of piled bricks, scattered lumber, and mounds of earth now cluttering the spot.

The change that is probably most appreciated by the students, especially the boarders, is the new Game Room. It is a grand place for after-dinner bridge sessions, ping-pong matches, song fests, and general relaxation.

The day students are pleased over the rugs and several new pieces of furniture that have been added to their social study rooms. And the piles and piles of comfy new cushions are just the thing for real relaxation, and in Clewell all those girls who frequent the "Y" Room are delighted to know that the old piano has been replaced by a much better one. The pedal actually works on this piano; so it should give much enjoyment this year.

The faculty and students living in the Sisters' House feel that no wintry blasts can make them shiver and sneeze this year, since a steam heating system has been installed. The beautiful old floors and other evidences of antiquity have been left as they were in 1802, but the rooms are certainly more comfortable and convenient now.

The library has continued to add new books to its store, thus increasing its efficiency.

The art students are delighted over the beautiful collection of paintings which Miss Sarah Vest has contributed to the department. We are deeply indebted to Miss Vest for her wonderful addition.

FAR AND WIDE WITH FACULTY

Salem faculty returns to the campus this year following vacations of travel and study.

Miss McNally and Miss Strafford spent some time during the vacation months at the University of North Carolina doing graduate work. Miss Knox, head of the business department, studied at Woman's College of the University of North Carolina during the first summer session and in Chapel Hill the last semester.

Mr. Owens spent the summer in New York City studying at the New York University where he was doing work towards his Ph.D. degree. Mr. McEwen taught at Duke University summer school in addition to finishing up work on his Ph.D.

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DEDICATION

To the Freshmen of three years ago and to the Freshmen of today this first issue of the Salemite is dedicated. May it be to the Seniors a reminder of all the things with which they have for long felt at home. May it be to the Freshmen a welcome to Salem and to its activities and may each publication be a reminder that this welcome is always present.

RONDTHALERS ENTERTAIN

Coming as the climax of social activities at Salem for all the new students—both boarders and day students—was the informal reception given by Dr. and Mrs. Rondthaler at their home on Thursday evening from seven until nine o'clock. In order that both the members of the faculty and administrative body might easily know the names of each new student and in turn the new student might know the name of the faculty members and administrative body, each person wore a name tag.

Miss Lawrence and Miss Turlington met the guests at the door and presented them to Dr. and Mrs. Rondthaler who received in the south living room with other members of the faculty and administration. From the south living room the guests went into the north living room where other faculty and administrative members were. In the dining room an ice course and nuts were served by the other faculty members. From the dining room the guests went into the library where goodbyes were said.

SCORPIONS "STING" SIX

Yesterday six new members were taken into the Order of the Scorpion. These were: Louise Early, Marvel Campbell, Margaret Patterson, Patty McNeely, Sue Forrest, and Sally Emerson. This increases the number in the organization to sixteen.

LET'S DANCE

The Juniors wish both you and me
To enjoy with them their jamboree
On Saturday night at eight-thirty o'clock
There'll be someone to welcome you when you knock.

Remember that Louisa Bitting's the place.
So bring your beau and we'll all race
To pay our dime and a half down quick
And then the floor — which will be quite slick —
Will be filled with dancing chatter and fun
Until to our rooms we are ordered to run.