



SALEM BEGINS 172ND YEAR

ORIENTATION COMPLETED; FRESHMEN BREATHE AGAIN

Registration, conferences with senior advisers, entrance tests, lemonade for relaxation, a skating party with "big sisters" and a tour of the campus all contributed to making real Salemites out of the 140 new students at Salem during the orientation period, September 13 through September 19.

Monday, September 13, was preliminary registration day for all new Salem students. Freshmen boarders registered in the morning from 10:00 till 1:00. Preliminary registration of off-campus freshmen and all transfer students took place in the afternoon from 2:00 to 6:00.

After dinner all new students were addressed by Dr. Rondthaler in the Old Chapel. The Student Government Association entertained at a bridge party in the game room of Alice Clewell building later in the evening.

Tuesday from 9:00 till 10:30 English tests were given in the Old Chapel, after which the Athletic Association served lemonade on the back campus. Spanish and French placement tests were given from 11:00 to 12:30. In the afternoon Psychological tests were in order, and Miss Covington talked on "Foundations of Good College Citizenship" at 5:00.

Wednesday morning at 8:30 the new students had assembled in the

Old Chapel with Dr. Rondthaler presiding. From 9:00 to 11:00 special tests in mathematics were given. At 11:00 Miss Hixon, academic dean, addressed the new students. The rest of the day was spent meeting with advisers and taking library training, and the boarding students heard Miss Lawrence speak on dormitory problems at 7:00.

Thursday at 9:00 the freshmen and transfers registered. At 11:00 all students were present at the opening chapel program of the year which was held in Memorial Hall. Classes started at 12:00 and continued on a half hour basis for the remainder of the day. In the evening there was a community sing in Memorial Hall for all old and new girls.

Classes were on regular schedule Friday. At 1:30 in the afternoon the old girls and the new girls had a soft ball game. And on Friday night the new boarders were given handbook exams.

Saturday afternoon the Junior class gave their little sisters a skating party.

Sunday the student body went en masse to the Home Moravian church.

Responsible for the full invitation program which transforms the newcomers into full-fledged Salemites are the members of the Student Government Association.

OUR APOLOGIES

If it seems to you that the paper is all ads this week, it's because the good merchants of Winston-Salem want to welcome you to the fair city and would like your patronage — and, because our ambitious staff was a little slow in soliciting their greetings.

In fact, advertisements are still pouring in — and the deadline was 24 hours ago. Already the make-up has been changed three times, but finally the Salemite is on its way to press — mostly full of ads!

Because of our improved status pecuniarily, you can look forward to next week's edition improved literarily.

—The Editor.

NEW CONTEST IN BOND DRIVE



To aid in the Third War Loan Drive is the purpose of the Athletic Association in sponsoring the selling of war bonds on the campus. Under the direction of Mary Ellen Carrig, the sale will begin in the dining room Monday.

This is the second war bond sale to be held at the college. Last year the results were very good and the Association expects even better results this year.

To give the sale a little excitement, prizes are to be awarded to the class buying the most bonds and also to the individual with the largest purchase. The students are looking forward to this sale with great pleasure so dig deep into that pocket and see if you can't buy at least one extra bond during this sale.

CONGRATULATIONS!

To Dr. and Mrs. Noble McEwen who were married July 31 in Atlanta. Mrs. McEwen was formerly Miss Helen Gambrell. They are at home in the Twin Castles.

To Mr. and Mrs. Weinland on the birth of John David, September 3.

To our next door neighbors, Rev. and Mrs. Spangh, on the birth of their second son, Robert William, September 17.

surrounded by four freshly painted and papered walls, rather than the traditionally dark and dismal enclosure!

Of special note is the playing up of the age of South Hall, which was built in 1802. The halls are covered in lovely-old-fashioned paper, but more interesting is the pewter lamp which was obtained from the Old Salem Tavern.

Surely each of us has wondered who is responsible for these improvements. And right you are when you guess Mrs. Howard Rondthaler played a part; she served on the Trustee's Committee on Buildings and Grounds with Mrs. Robert Shore as chairman, and Miss Ada Allen, interior decorator.

NEW PERSONALITIES COLOR FACULTY LIST

Ten new faculty members and three secretaries have been added to the administration this year.

Probably all Salem students wondered whether we would get another assistant dean so well-liked as Miss Turlington. Miss Helen Rankin seems to be just that sort of person. She, in turn, is equally impressed with Salem, for she said, speaking of college, "It's the best one I've ever been in."

She attended Maryville College, received her M. A. at Peabody College and has studied at Vanderbilt College and the University of Tennessee.

The long flight of stairs to the art lab was worth climbing, to see and talk to the new art teacher, Miss Wilma Savacool. She is from Jamaica, N. Y. She attended Adelphi College in Garden City and then studied art at Cornell University. After teaching at Adelphi, she had her own studio for a year and a half, before coming to Salem. This summer, she worked in a defense plant on Long Island.

Smiling rather shyly, she commented on the neatness of the rooms. "They are very old and yet they are kept very clean." Like all the new faculty, she has noticed that Salem College and the South is very friendly, doing everything possible to make her feel welcome.

On asking for Miss Norma Denman, the new science teacher, Mr. Higgins pointed at one of the most attractive girls in the lab and said, "Oh yes, the one in the red skirt." Miss Denman, from New York City, attended Hunter College, and studied at the University of Michigan for the past two summers. She also taught at Hunter College high school.

Graciously taking time out from her lab work, she grinned, when asked about her impression of Salem and said it was a "wonderful place." She couldn't get over the Southern hospitality, this year being her first in the South.

Another young and pretty new faculty member is Miss Anne Hauser from Mt. Airy. Graduating from Woman's College last year, this is her first teaching position. She is assistant to Mrs. Rondthaler in the business department. Besides being an excellent business student, she is quite interested in dramatics. Commenting on Salem, she remarked that Salem made her feel as if she were back in school — "like one of the girls."

Miss Ruth Gilpin, who has taken Mrs. McEwen's place in the Sociology department, seems interesting also. Besides her teaching she has social work in town, for she is with the Family and Child Service Agency.

Born in Baltimore, she received her A. B. degree in Wilson College and her Masters from the University of Pittsburgh. Later she worked in Baltimore and Philadelphia in social work.

She likes the South very much, "it is so cordial," and, although she has been here only a month, intends to see much more of this part of the country.

Miss Evangeline Tubbs, of the music department, when asked where she lived, answered that Kingston, New York, might be called her home, although she travelled a lot, for that is one of her hobbies — to see as much of the world as possible.

Even her schooling was in different places, for she studied at the

University of Illinois, Oberlin, and the New England Conservatory. She then taught in New England and Southern Illinois.

Miss Tubbs is especially pleased with the library at Salem. She said that the material on music, which we have here, is comparable to that which she used in getting her Masters degree.

Probably the faculty member with the most unusual and interesting experiences is Dr. Vera Lachman, who is in Salem's language department. She was born in Germany, attended the University of Berlin and studied in Switzerland, then doing research in Icelandic History, until the revolution, spending a half year in Iceland.

After the revolution she founded her own private school, thus beginning a teaching career, which she loves. After seven years she had to discontinue that, so she worked on the German evacuation committee, helping to evacuate about six thousand German children.

In December of 1939, she came to the States and continued teaching, first substituting for three terms at Vassar, then teaching in an experimental country school in New Hampshire and finally teaching at Barclay College in New York.

Asked the difference between the European and American schools, she said that here the students are as interested in life as their studies and that she liked the attitude of college being considered a preparation for life.

Dr. Lachmann had always wanted to see the South and when she arrived at Salem was impressed by the European aspect of our campus. She also noticed and loved the relaxed, peaceful attitude of Salem. "And yet you seem to get as much done as when you rush," she said.

Salem has what might be termed "new-old faculty members"—in other words, those whom we have known before, but who are here in new capacities.

Miss Ivy Hixon is one of these. She left a year ago to do graduate work at Duke, and is now here as our Academic dean, a position new to Salem. She is very enthusiastic over this work and its possibilities, discovering new needs for her position every day.

Another member of the "new-old" faculty is Elizabeth Johnston, our accompanist. All old students remember her as the popular Student Government president of the Day Students last year and as one of the best piano majors. She says it's still hard to remember that she is no longer a student.

Geraldine Baynes, the new library assistant is also a former Salemite. She was quite active while here in extra-curricular activities, being Treasurer of Student Government and President of A. A.

The three new secretaries are also familiar to Salem girls. Daphne Reich, secretary to Miss McNeely, and Miss Hixson, was at Salem for two years. She "loves it better than anything" and rather wishes she had stayed on to graduate this year.

Marie Van Hoy, secretary to Miss Perryman, graduated with the class of '42, and Mrs. Fulp, secretary to Miss Kirkland, took courses here last year. Before that she stayed at home, for she has two daughters and a husband who is now in the South Pacific.

X-Faculty Aids In War Effort

Eight members of the Salem College faculty and staff are now "all out for defense," the navy claiming four and civilian war work four.

Lt. (j. g.) John A. Downs, U. S. N., is stationed in Charleston as supervisor of educational services for the sixth naval district. Mrs. Downs, also a faculty member, and John, Jr., are with him.

Lt. (j. g.) Lawrence H. Kenyon, at present serving on an aircraft carrier somewhere in the Pacific, recently designed a special insignia which won praise from officials.

Though not in uniform, Miss Sarah Turlington is working in the navy department in Washington. She was one of three women sent to Philadelphia on a special job a few weeks ago. Miss Agnes Brown, who was on the faculty several years ago and who is also holding a defense job in Washington, shares an apartment with Miss Turlington at the Chatham.

Mr. Roy Ellis, former superintendent of buildings and grounds, has enlisted in the navy.

Miss Laura Emily Pitts reported to Washington last week as a volunteer for the American Red Cross.

Serving as a camp librarian, Miss Mary Duncan McAnally is now at Fort Eustice, Va., where she has just been transferred from the Shannago Valley Replacement Center at Transfer, Pa.

Miss Marguerite Dolch, who took Lt. Kenyon's place in the art department last semester, is working in a defense plant in New Jersey.

"Frozen" on a special chemical research job, Mrs. Carlotta Ogburn Patterson is working at the National Carbon Company here in Winston-Salem.

Salem Gets Dressed Up.

Of course old Salemites couldn't have missed the changes in the "old Salem; nor could the new students have failed to be impressed by our "new" Salem. New! No, Salem's hundred and seventy years are what make Salem. The social rooms in Lehman and Sisters' House, however, are new, and the re-decorated one in Clewell seems new, and so do the Day Students' Center, South Hall, and first-floor Main Hall seem new.

Probably the first change noticed by each boarder was the inviting social room in her dormitory. The back campus living-room of Alice Clewell is notably changed. The newly-painted white furniture, drapes and gaily-covered chairs, etc., add up to a cheerful room where we can really enjoy our social hours.

For the first time, an individual smoke room has been provided for Lehman Hall and for Sisters' House. The room in Lehman is equipped with furniture appropriate to her age. This furniture and the yellow and green motif lend themselves to the charming atmosphere of olden Salem.

Perhaps the most exciting of the new improvements is the reconstruction of the Day Student Center — exciting because this change provides an ideal parlor for non-smoking dates. The one extremely large room which used to be, has been partitioned into a big parlor and two small rooms—one, a locker room, and the other a rest room. Also, new furniture, coverings, drapes, and lamps in rose and green made for the attractive and comfortable appearance of the renovated Day Students' Center.

A welcome improvement has been made in the classrooms of South Hall and of the first floor of Main Hall. How encouraging it is to be