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SALEM DOORS REMAIN OPEN DESPITE WARS

Tuesday morning in Chapel, Dr. Rondthaler made an inspiring talk on the fact that Salem College has faced four wars without closing its doors a single day.

Dr. Rondthaler spoke briefly of the history of the Salem community since its establishment in 1766, and the history of Salem College through its one hundred and seventy-seven years of active service.

In 1781, during the Revolutionary War, four hundred troops of Cornwallis' army and two thousand camp followers came through Salem. They didn't harm the school, although they raided nearby Bethania during a Passion Week Service.

Salem was the only school in the South which kept its doors open during the Civil War. There were many refugees from all parts of the South here, and as Governor Zebulon Vance said in a letter authorizing the purchase of food for Salem, "It would be a public calamity if this institution ceased to operate."

During World War I, conditions were similar to those of today. The girls helped the war effort by rolling bandages, observing meatless, wheatless, and breadless days, and cooperating to meet the servant shortage by serving their own tables.

Dr. Rondthaler concluded his address by asking the students this question, "Are we worthy of what the men at the front are doing for us today?" He expressed the hope that the students today would meet the present war emergency as well as the students of the past have, and that Salem College would continue to be the college which has faced four wars without closing its doors.

OLD SALEMITES SEND DAUGHTERS

After Miss Marsh's announcement in assembly about the seven great-great-grandaughters, eighteen great-grand-daughters, thirteen granddaughters, and thirty-eight daughters of Salem alumnae, many have wondered who the illustrious girls were; so here they are:

Great-great granddaughters:

Mildred Avera, Ann Douthit, Bernice Bunn, Sarah Entwistle, Sara Haltiwanger, Normie Tomlin, Mary Ellen Bayley.

Great-granddaughters:

Mildred Avera, Mary Ellen Bayley, Frances Crowell, Jean Fulton, Julia Garrett, Pescud Hanes, Mamie Herring, Betty Jane Hill, Betty Jean Jones, Mary Jane Kelly, Doris Little, Senora Lindsay, Betty Moore, Nancy Ridenhour, Betty Hennessee, Frances Ann Law, Rosamund Putzel, Margaret Yount.

Granddaughters:

Mildred Avera, Bernice Bunn, Kathrine Fort, Betty Jane Hill, Anne Hobson, Janet Johnston, Betty Jean Jones, Mary Jane Kelly, Margaret Nichols, Helen Phillips, Nellie Seewald, Allene Taylor, Edith Hunt Vance.

Daughters:

Mildred Avera, Mary Lucy Baynes, Carol Beckwith, Elizabeth Beckwith, Peggy Bollin, Margaret Bullock, Eva Martin Bullock, Mary Lillian Campbell, Alice Carmichael, Mary Ellen Carrig, Betsy Casteen, Rebecca Clapp, Lillian Dalton, Jane Frazier, Sarah Entwistle, Jean Gattis, Betsy Hancock, Pescud Hanes, Mary Hunter Hackney, Emily Harris, Laura Hine, Anne Hobson, Anne Holton, Senora Lindsey, Mary Anne Linn, Treva Miller, Nancy Moss, Rosamund Putzel, Doris C. Schaum, Ticka Senter, Eugenia Shore, Angela Taylor, Louise Taylor, Allene Taylor, Edith Hunt Vance, Hazel Watts, Barbara Weir, Martha Berch Willack.

SENIORS WIN BOND DRIVE

With the Seniors purchasing $180.15 worth of war bonds and stamps, the Salem bond and stamp drive came to a close Wednesday night. Katherine Fort, secretary, and Phyllis Johnson, freshman, were the highest individual purchasers. Each received $2.50 in war stamps, and $5.00 in stamps was given to the Senior class.

The total amount sold during the drive, which lasted a week, was $2,085.15. This is a smaller amount than any previous year's results.

The freshman class had the honor of being second highest buyer with a total of $68.75; however the faculty beat all four classes with a total of $1,738 purchases.

WEEK'S NEWS IN REVIEW

On the Pacific Front—

Admiral Nimitz issued communiques on Monday and Tuesday of this week which carried news that delighted the hearing preceptors of the American people. Today the enemy is being heavily dosed with the prescription it fulfilled almost two years ago. Inch by inch and bomb by bomb the Allies are progressing. The Wake Island Jap installations were heavily bombarded at the beginning of the week. Many aerial assaults began as early as dawn.

In New Guinea the Allied forces gained approximately seven miles Tuesday.

And last minute reports last night announced the sinking of a big Jap liner. That an American sub caught unaware one of the huge passenger liners is almost certain. First reports estimated the Jap fatalities at nearly 550.

The Japanese are also believed to be evacuating their principal air base in the Kelobargara Island sector of the Solomons. This action by the enemy is necessary because of a serious ammunition shortage and a serious lack of food.

On the Russian Front:

The victorious Russian forces, after rolling back the German war machine for an entire summer, has apparently come to a halt. The fighting Red Armies reached the Dnieper River at the beginning of the week and have stopped. Imminent observers believe the Russians are stopping only long enough to prepare bases and communications for a gigantic winter push.

On the English Front:

Last night the German air force made the longest and heaviest raid upon London it has made in two years. Many bombs fell in crowded residential areas, and some direct hits were made on homes.

On the Italian Front:

About the middle of the week, the Allied forces announced the occupation of about one-half dozen more towns around Naples and the Volturas River.

Yesterday, however, on the Adriatic end of the fighting line, the Al-

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JEANETTE McDONALD TO GIVE CONCERT

Jeanette MacDonald, star of radio, stage and screen, will be presented by Marvin McDonald in a concert Thursday, October 28, at 8:30 p.m. at Reynolds Auditorium.

The concert is one of seven to be given by Miss MacDonald this fall in the South. She has often set attendance records in her appearances.

Tickets for the concert are on sale in the dean's office and at Bland Music Store, 415 North Trade Street, dial 3-1723. Admission, including tax, is $2.83, $2.26, and $1.70.

LECTURE SERIES IS ANNOUNCED

MR. CHAMBERLAIN FIRST SPEAKER

Russia—what does it mean to us? Probably caviar, balalaika, sleigh bells, impossible names, communism, Italin with his pipe, and now speculation about Russia's part in coming world affairs. For those who have been working to settle points of discussion about this country, the announcement of the opener in the lecture serees should be particularly inviting. William Henry Chamberlain, who served in Russia for twelve years as correspondent for the **Christian Science Monitor,** will speak Tuesday night, October 26, with "Russia" as his topic.

During his stay there Chamberlain traveled extensively throughout nearly all parts of that country, even into Siberia, and visited new cities where huge industrial plants of the Five Year Plan have been built. His experience makes him a competent authority to discuss Russian affairs.

Other lecturers of the season will stress current world events and postwar planning. The lecture committee, under the chairmanship of Miss Marian Blair, had hoped to secure Codric Foster for the second lecture, but since he will not be available on the date desired, no definite decision has been made.

Another of our allies little understood by us will be discussed on February 4 when Mai-Mai Sze, one of China's ambassadors of good will in America will speak about "China."

Fourth in the series is Vera Dean

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NEW STUDENTS VISIT FORMER SALEMITES ON FOUNDER'S DAY

Wednesday afternoon, the members of the Salem Alumnae Association of Winston-Salem entertained the 105 new resident students at tea from 4 till 5:30 o'clock. The teas were held in the homes of four of the members of the association as a part of the celebration of Founder's Day half-holiday and were planned under the direction of Mrs. T. Holt Heywood, 2nd Vice-President of the association and officer in charge of relations between the alumnae and students. Mrs. Frank E. Dalton and Mrs. John V. Hunter, Jr. at the home of Mrs. Dalton, Mrs. R. F. Willingham, Mrs. James Gray, and Mrs. Agnew Bahnson were the hostesses.

The girls in groups of twenty-five were greeted by their respective hostess and other alumnae from Winston-Salem. Tea, sandwiches, and cakes were served.

The lower floor of each home was opened to the girls. Here they spent an enjoyable hour talking and getting acquainted with some of the "girls" that had spent their college days at Salem too.

DORIS SCHAUM WINS ELECTION

Doris C. Schaum was selected as chairman of the Defense Council in the election held on Thursday. Her opponent was Charlotte Richards, a day student.

Doris, a member of our Senior class, is from Wilson, North Carolina. She was a member of the Staff Assistance Corps of the Red Cross in her home town. Her previous experiences along defense lines makes her an able and efficient leader of all the campus war activities.

As Defense Council Chairman, Doris C. will be in charge of Red Cross, surgical dressings, black-outs, and the numerous other phases of war work here at Salem.

NOTES PLUS VARDELL EQUAL SPONTANEITY

Dean Vardell threw his "hat in the ring" Thursday morning at Assembly and devoted himself to a program of improvisation.

Admittedly "scared to death" Victim Vardell approached the organ. In the president's opinion, "We were in his power," and "he was at our suggestion."

With our permission a **Prelude** was first executed, the melody of which had a distinctly orinital flavor.

Improvisation followed with a passacoglia in C Minor, **Variations on a Theme Invented Beforehand,** with the base unvarying throughout. Quiet chords opened. In the scope of variation one speed and a complication of the theme gathered side by side. Clear reedy melody with chordal accompaniment comprised the solemn second variation.

Well-applauded for his more serious numbers, Dean Vardell turned his fingers to a gay tune suggestive of a Scotch mountain air. Next, calling on different members of the senior class for notes as the them for improvisation, the Dean was only at liberty to change "accidentals." There was brilliance in the swiftly moving theme, and the **Inversion** that followed.

"Anchors Aweigh" requested by the junior class was a spirited and vigorous arrangement.

Although in highly original style the Postlude proved to be the Field Artillery.

Voicing our opinion were the words of Dr. Rondthaler: "a miraculorus performance!"

'41-'42 ALUMNAE WELL OCCUPIED

A check on the alumnae of the classes of '41 and '42 shows that these Salemites are scattered all over the United States, occupied in a varity of ways.

Like any other school now, many of the Salem alumnae of '41 are either in the Waes or Waves. Elizabeth Dobbins is a lieutenant in the Waes and is in charge of recruiting at Asheville. Florence Harris joined the Waves and is now as the North Hampton midshipman training school. Elizabeth Nelson is also a Wave and is stationed at Key West, Florida.

Katherine King Bahnson, May Queen and editor of the Salemite, and Patty McNeely Redfern have daughters, born this fall.

Margaret Patterson Wade, former Student Government president, is back in Alexandria with her husband.

"Y" president for '41, Ruth Schned will be married on the 26th of this month.

Lee Rice, editor of the '41 **Sights and Insights,** has received her master's degree in speech from Columbia, one is now tutoring and living at the Waldorf in New York.

Eleanor Welch or Harpy is still studying at Curtis under Salzedo. All of you heard Sara Linn in chapel and know she is at Julliard.

The members class of '42 are equally scattered. Flora Avers after studying in Chicago, is now visiting her home, here, and trying to decide what she wants to do. Imagine you also saw Polly Herman whisking around the campus, the last few days. She's gone back to her job now. Eugenia Baynes is studying at Carolina,—and unofficially engaged. Johnsie Bason is receptionist for C. B. S. and is studying voice with Grahame Reid. Mary Jane Copenhaven has just received a fellowship to study aeronautical engineering. Lelia Johnson, '42 Y president, is now a Wave, having joined when Florence Harris did. Peggy Garth is studying designing ine New City. The May Queen of '42, Martha Bowman, is secretary to two doctors in Richmond. Margery McMullan, class president, has married Captain John Moran and Dot Sisk is now Mrs. King. Doris Shore left for New York this fall to study music; and from all reports, Margaret Vardell is living up to her name in Rochester at Eastman.

RATION CUTS BY CALENDAR

Here it is at last, the calendar we have all been awaiting! Usually this information is printed in the handbook and catalogue at the opening of the year. This year, however, due to war-time conditions, there was a great deal of investigation of transportation and holidays of other schools which delayed the planning of the calendar beyond October 6, Founder's Day. Here, however, is the calendar complete through the first semester. Now we can ration our week-ends, and plan holidays according to fact.

November 24—Wednesday, 5:00 P. M. Thanksgiving recess begins.

November 26—Friday, 8:30 A. M. classes resume.

December 15—Wednesday, 5:00 P. M. Christmas vacation begins.

January 6—Thursday, 9:25 A. M. classes resume.

January 20—Thursday, Reading Day.

January 21—Friday, through January 29, Saturday, first semester exams.

January 31—Monday, Registration 2:00 - 5:00 P. M.

February 1—Tuesday, second semester begins at 8:30 A. M.

The calendar for the second semester will be made known as soon as it becomes definite. The committee, Miss Covington, chairman, Dean Vardell, Miss McNeely, Miss Lawrence, and Mr. Weinland, hope that a report can be made before Christmas.

NEW FIRE DRILL SYSTEM INSTITUTED BY CHIEF

Tuesday night Fire Chief Adele Chase met with the lieutenants and captains of the Fire Drill Squad to talk over plans for drills this year.

The Squad is made up of a captain from each dormitory and a lieutenant from each floor of the dormitories. The duties of a lieutenant are: see that everyone is out of her hall, check attendance, and report absences to her captain. The captain, who is the last person off the hall, makes a last check to see that the hall is vacant, that all windows are closed, lights on, doors open, and transoms closed. The captain turns in lists of absences to Chief Chase.

The procedure for emptying the building is for each floor to leave consecutively, girls from first floor leaving first, followed by second and third. To avoid confusion, girls are asked to leave their rooms two by two and as quietly as possible. Each girl should carry a coat or blanket and wear shoes. The object of a fire drill is to evacuate all buildings, check attendance and return to rooms within ten minutes or less.