

The Salemite

A total of \$121.59 was collected on campus for the Red Cross War Fund Drive.

Don't forget to vote in all elections. Support your candidate with your vote!

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Witherington Leads Stee Gee



Above are the winners of the Picture Contest which was sponsored by the SALEMITE. Top left is Pell Lea, "Salem Pin-Up Boy," top right is Phil Taylor, "Cutest;" lower left is Jimmy Lee Rhyne, "Man I'd like to Marry;" and lower right is Buddy Sexton, "Best Looking."

Students Pass Amendments

Two amendments to the constitution were passed by a vote of the Student Body on Thursday, March 1. They are (1) that the off campus vice-president be made vice-chairman of the chapel committee and (2) that both vice-presidents be elected immediately after the President is elected.

Molly Boseman presented the first petition which was that the off-campus vice-president be made vice-chairman of the chapel committee. She explained how a day student would be of advantage to the chapel committee in that she would have contact with people in town.

Senora Lindsay presented the pros and cons of the petition that both vice-presidents be elected immediately after the President of student government is elected. She stated that the on campus vice-president is the editor of the hand book and the girl chosen would have more time to work on it if elected early. Also, she stated that the vice-presidents must check up to the qualifications of the President. On the opposing side there is the fact that other offices are equally as important, and the hand book cannot be published until all officers have been elected.

After ballots and instructions had been given about the ballot boxes, Nell Denning, who presided, explained another important item which was about the election of the President of Student Government. (Continued on Page Three)

According to the results of today's election, the student body has voted Peggy Witherington president of Student Government for '45-'46. Doris Little of Robersville, N. C. was the other candidate for the position.

The new Stee Gee president, a member of the rising Senior Class, is from Mount Olive. Peggy is a math major and hopes after her graduation next year to get some sort of government job. The tall brunette with friendly blue eyes has been an outstanding Salemite since her freshman year. She began her career on this campus as president of the freshman class. During her Sophomore year, "Peg" was representative of her class to the Judicial board, basketball manager, and a member of the "Sights and Insights" business staff.

Major Talks On Aircraft

With vigor and enthusiasm, enhanced by an infectious smile, Major Bill Stuart of the Winston-Salem Office of Flying Safety talked to Salem girls in assembly Tuesday. His topic was "Military Aircraft," a subject which Major Stuart proved by his lecture is close to his heart.

Major Stuart described army planes by giving an account of his experiences with them. With "active illustrations" from the platform, Major Stuart took Salem girls with him on his first trip skyward when the attitude of his instructor was a little condescending. Then followed a flight to Cairo with experienced Pan-American Airlines pilots, a "minute's stop" in Cairo which resulted in a two-year stay, and a transfer to the China-Burma theater. At this point, Major Stuart was enthusiastic in telling the story of his friend Johnny Allison, one of the "liveliest little gnome-like pilots" he had ever seen.

This year Peggy holds the position of Student Government secretary. She is a Junior Marshal and again basketball manager. She is secretary of the Spanish Club and a member of the May Day Committee.

In college athletics, Peggy has made a record. She has been on the basketball varsity every year. This year she made the hockey sub-varsity.

More than the usual interest was shown in this first of the elections for next year. Qualifications of good leadership were concisely studied by the voters. Eighty-four percent of the student body voted. Last year 54 percent voted.

This year 82 per cent of the Seniors voted, 94 per cent of the Juniors, 91 per cent of the Sophomores and 72 per cent of Freshman.

Famous Violinist To Perform

Joseph Szigeti will appear as the fifth artist in the current Civic Music Association series Thursday night. Szigeti, who ranked among the three greatest living violinists of the world (Kreisler, Szigeti, and Heifetz), will be presented in Reynolds Auditorium March 8, at 8:30.

He was born in Budapest and made his American debut in America in 1925 with the Philadelphia Orchestra under the direction of Leopold Stokowski. He has achieved world fame on two round-the-world tours, 11 Soviet Union tours, and two decades of coast-to-coast American tours. Though virtually "at home with the classics," Szigeti has proved his versatility by playing a duet with Jack Benny in the Warner Brothers' picture, "Hollywood Canteen" and by recording music especially written for Benny Goodman and himself.

The next concert in the series will be the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra on March 24.

WHAT—WHEN—WHERE

- What: Senior dinner
- When: Saturday night, 7:30
- Where: President's House
- What: Debate by State College boys
- When: Tonight, 6:45
- Where: Bitting
- What: Jr.-Sr. basketball game
- When: Tonight, 8:00
- Where: Gymn
- What: Lablings meeting
- When: Tuesday night

Ace Reporter Mueller Captivates Audience

Entertained At Tea

by Maria Hicks

"Pour me a cup of tea, and let's get started. Ask me some questions," exclaimed Mr. Merrill "Red" Mueller as he raced into the basement of Bitting where the Modern European History classes entertained at a tea in his honor.

So the questions started flying, and Mr. Mueller answered as many as he could but of course there were a few military secrets that he could not reveal. One of these was as to which part of Germany the United States would govern after the war—as outlined in the President's speech March 1.

Mr. Mueller in his numerous adventures has been very impressed by the work the United States Red Cross girls are doing. He said, "They are worshipped". There are only about 500 girls in England and France. Mr. Mueller stated that this was probably due to the hardships the girls have to endure and also to the age limit which is twenty-five. In regard to the later Mueller remarked, "You can always lie about your age." These Red Cross girls organize clubs and drive trucks. Some of these girls who go on these trucks are very talented and often go within four or five miles of the German lines to entertain the Allied soldiers.

In regard to the post-war world, Mr. Mueller expressed the belief that he thought an army of occupation would be maintained in Germany from three to five years after peace. This army of occupation will probably be composed of the young boys who are training now. "The gestapo will hang!!!", shouted Mr. Mueller. He believes also that the Allies will control the press in Germany. (Cont. on page three)

"I'm warning you girls—I'm going to talk pretty fast and throw plenty of facts at you," began Merrill "Red" Mueller, well-known Newsweek Reporter, in his lecture last night, March 1, in Memorial Hall. Mr. Mueller's talk, which proved to be one of the most interesting ones in the lecture series, was heard by a full house. He held the audience's rapt attention while he outlined the planning of the invasion, the carrying out of those plans, and finally, the progress of the Allies to the present day.

In preparing for the re-entering of Europe there were two plans which had to be carried out as preliminaries to the big attack. Step one was the elimination of Germany's air power, which was capably done by American pilots in cooperation with the RAF. Step two was a successful feint toward robot bomb stations and Germany troop installations in Northern France to divert as many enemy divisions as possible from Normandy. Calais, a seaport town, was picked as the target for this feint.

On June 6, 1944, American paratroopers led the Invasion of Europe by the Allied forces. An interesting fact given by Mr. Muller was that a division of dummy "paratroopers" was dropped into Le Havre to lure two German Panzer divisions there to be bombed out of existence.

Continuing, Mr. Mueller gave vivid descriptions of the most important battle that followed the Invasion. He told of walking with General Eisenhower over French fields littered with German dead; of the mass German retreat to the Siegfried lines; of the Allies racing to keep up with the retreating Germans; then, the Battle of Mons, in Belgium, which left the Allies free access through the Siegfried (Continued on Page Three)

Irwin Edman Directs Forum

The Second Annual Arts Forum was held last week at the Women's College of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

The Writing Forum Saturday morning was a panel discussion with Irwin Edman, the philosopher and writer, as guest speaker, Harry Russell of Chapel Hill, and three of the English faculty of W. C. Certain stories, essays and poems submitted by students of W. C. were criticized and evaluated.

Experiment versus tradition in writing was the main topic under discussion, with Mr. Edman favoring experiment (though not to the extreme of James Joyce), and noting the fact that all geniuses are hailed as mad in their times, because what they write is experimental. He spoke with sparkling wit of the difference between a "writer" and a "typewriter," of a writer's talent being perceptible by the cadence or rhythm of a paragraph. He expressed the belief that no "good" writing is done for an audience, or for money, and, again, that "nothing is good that is not experimental."

Miss Jess Byrd took two Salem students interested in composition, Sarah Hege and Marguerite Mullin, and others attending were Dr. Willoughby, Miss Hixson and Miss Marsh.

Pin-Ups Draw Money for Bond

Winners in the Picture Contest sponsored by the Salemite are Pell Lea, "Salem Pin-Up Boy," sponsored by Bernice Bunn; Phil Taylor, "cutest," sponsored by Julia Garrett; Jimmy Lee Rhyne, "Man I'd like to Marry" sponsored by Betty Harris; and Buddy Sexton, "Best-Looking," sponsored by Sally Boswell.

Proceeds from the contest, which was held in the club dining room on Monday and Tuesday, far exceeded expectations and the Salemite staff is able to present to the Athletic Association a fifty dollar war bond to add to the fund for an indoor swimming pool. The goal of the contest was a twenty-five dollar bond.

"Boaty" Boatwright, Coit Redfearn, and Janie Mulhollem, in charge of the contest, expressed their appreciation of the playful spirit in which Salem girls visited the "Sweetheart Gallery" and participated in the voting.

Choral Group Sponsors Drive

A total of \$38.93 was collected by the Choral Ensemble in a Tag Day drive on campus Wednesday for the Federation of Music Clubs' "Music for Hospital Ships" drive. The War Activities Committee contributed \$5.00, and \$33.93 was collected from the students.