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## Sally Boswell Wins Election

### Dances For Senior Class Take Place

An atmosphere of excitement covers the campus, for in a few hours the highlight of the year for all juniors and seniors, their annual Prom, will be underway. The music will start at eight thirty "on the dot" and as an added flip, the "Serenaders", from Greensboro, will play, bringing back memories of bygone days when an orchestra was a "must" for a Salem dance. Many wild guesses as to the theme of the affair have been made, but it is still a secret among the juniors.

They have worked hard and long to make the dance a success, and the committee chairmen have proved to be both capable and efficient. The committees and their chairmen are as follows: Decoration, Julia Garrett and Helen MacMillan; Refreshments, Winfred Wall and Virginia Melver; Music, Grace Lane; and Invitations, Barbara Watkins.

In the receiving line will be Doris Little and her escort, Mayo Little, Dr. and Mrs. Rondthaler, Mr. and Mrs. Weinland, Miss Katherine Bonney, and Dr. Howard Jordan.

During the course of the evening, the officers of both classes will be presented with their escorts. They are: Doris Little with Mayo Little, Sara Hege and date, Elizabeth Willis with Bill Combs, Nancy Snyder with Joe Bear; Josephine McLaughlin with Charles Delaney, Mary Coops with David Brushingham, Luanne Davis with Jim Rhodes, and Genevieve Frasier with Joe Smith.

The tea dance will be at 4:30 in the Club Dining Room of Corrin Refectory.

### Harry S. Truman

by Hazel Watts

On April 12, 1945, Franklin Roosevelt died suddenly. A man that was virtually unknown to the people wanted to know something nation stepped into his shoes. The about this man whose name is Harry S. Truman. Over the campus, Salemites have been asking, "What's Truman like?" They also want to know just what we can expect from him. Here are the pertinent biographical facts.

Born in Lamar, Missouri, on May 8, 1884, Harry S. Truman entered the world as the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson Truman. His parents owned a small farm from which they gained their livelihood. President Truman attended the public schools through his high school graduation in 1902, at which time he secured employment as a drugstore clerk making three dollars a week.

In 1906, Truman returned to the family farm because the love of the land called him. He worked on the farm and did not attend college. In 1917 and 1918, Truman went to France with American troops. There he served first as a captain and later as a major of a field artillery group. It has been said that Truman took a personal interest in each of the men who served under him. Since the close of World War I, he has kept in touch with those men and helped them whenever they needed help.

Truman returned to the United States and in 1919 married Miss Bess Wallace, his childhood sweetheart. It was not until 1922 that he first

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KUMER GOSHAL

### Goshal Gives Talk Monday

Kumar Goshal, actor and author of *The People of India*, will speak Monday, April 23, in Memorial Hall at 8:00. He will have tea at Salem Academy Monday afternoon and dinner with the girls of Salem college prior to his lecture Monday evening. The following day Mr. Goshal will go to Greensboro where he will also lecture.

Born in Calcutta, India, he was educated at the University of Calcutta and studied music and theatre arts at the Sangit Parishad (Academy of Music). Goshal has spent half of his life in the United States and speaks English perfectly. During his years of orientation and while he was studying and writing his book, Mr. Goshal supported himself as actor and director in the theatre, as commentator on the radio, and by writing articles for magazines.

It was inevitable, however, that Mr. Goshal's work as a writer take precedence over his theatrical activities. Prior to the publication of his book *The People of India* he wrote, in collaboration with Kate Mitchell, a booklet for the Institute of Pacific Relation entitled *20th Century India* which has sold approximately 50,000 copies and is recommended reading in social sciences courses in high schools. Following this, the Institute asked Mr. Goshal to lecture. Recently Goshal was invited to Harvard University to address the Summer Conference of High School Teachers and give them an overall picture of India. Its history—religious, economic and political. After his Harvard lecture the conference outlined a plan to present the material on India to students throughout the entire United States.

### College Catalogs Are Distributed

The Salem College Catalogue for 1945-46 became available to students this week, announces Miss Jess Byrd, Chairman of the catalogue committee. The white cover bears printing and the Salem seal in maroon, and the catalogue has incorporated inside all information concerning such new items as next year's seminars, comprehensive examinations, and the tuition rise. All usual information appears, such as scholastic requirements and a roster of the students of 1944-45.

### Student Government Minor Offices Filled

### Noted Poet To Lecture

Tristram Coffin, American poet and novelist, will lecture in the Main Reading Room of the Salem College Library Tuesday night, April 24, at 8:00 P. M.

Mr. Coffin writes, "I am a New Englander by birth, by bringing up, by spirit—while I was living abroad and in New York—and now, again, by residence." He graduated from Bowdoin, Princeton, and Oxford universities and holds many honorary degrees, one of which is membership in Phi Beta Kappa fraternity.

Along with his writing and teaching of poetry, Mr. Coffin is taking his poems and ideas to the various colleges in this country. In the past few years he has presented more than five hundred lectures. Mr. Coffin's most outstanding books include "Strange Holiness," for which he won the Pulitzer Poetry Prize in 1936; "Primer for America"; "Lost Paradise;" and "Maine Ballads."

At the present Mr. Coffin is Book and Poetry Editor for "Yankee."

### Library Looses Assistant

### Library Contest To Close Soon

All students who wish to enter the library contest must give their names to the librarian by April 23. Books and book lists are due May 1.

The Personal Library Contest is open to juniors and seniors. All books entered must be the property of the student entering the contest. For the best general collection of a cultural and practical nature there is a prize of \$25.00 for purchasing of books. For the second best collection there is a prize of \$15.00.

The contest for freshmen and sophomores is the Personal Library Booklist Contest. The student enters a typewritten list of books which she would like to own. The information to be given is the author, title, publisher, price, and notes stating reason for the choice. For the best general list, there is a \$10.00 prize, and for the second best list, there is a prize of \$5.00.

### Davidson Boys To Give Plays

The French Club of Davidson College, under the direction of Dr. George Watts, will present two one-act plays on Wednesday, April 25, at 7:30 in the Old Chapel. Summaries of the plays, "Cupidon, Denfiste" and "L'Anglais Tel Qu'on le Parle," will be written in English and given to the audience.

The cast includes twelve boys and two girls. Peggy McClelland, a former student at Salem will be in the second comedy. These plays are being sponsored by the French Club, the Pierrettes, and the Freshman Dramatic Club.

Mary Ann Linn is the newly elected Secretary of the Student Government and Sara Haltiwanger is Treasurer of the Student Government as a result of elections held for those offices Wednesday. Eva Martin Bullock, of Charlotte, and Connie Scoggin, of Reidsville, were the other candidates for Secretary; Emmie Lou James, of Winston-Salem, was the other nominee for Treasurer.

Mary Ann, who comes from Salisbury, is a member of the May Court for 1945. She is also a member of the I. R. S. and during her Freshman year was a representative on the judicial board of the Student Government.

Sara, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Haltiwanger of 1315 Horace Mann Avenue, Winston-Salem, was tennis champion last fall. A music major, she was vice-president of her Freshman class, and now serves as vice-president of the German club, publicity manager of the Choral Ensemble, and tennis manager.

Percentage of the student body voting in the joint elections was 62.4 per cent.

Sally Boswell was elected as Chairman of the War Activities Board for 1945-46, in an election held by the student body yesterday. Her opponent was Mollie Cameron.

Sally, a rising Junior, is from Roanoke, Virginia. This year she has served as a Red Cross supervisor and as Sophomore Representative on the War Activities Council. Sally has been a member of the Business Staff of the *Salemite* this year, and next year she is to be on the Business Staff of the *Sights and Insights*. As a freshman, Sally was a member of the riding club, and for the past two years she has been a member of the French Club.

### Students Pass Four Petitions

At a called meeting of the Legislative Body of Student Government Tuesday night four petitions were submitted and passed by the body. These petitions are: (1) that Salem girls be allowed to smoke in drug stores in town; (2) that a girl taking a light cut may spend the night with another girl who is also taking a light cut; (3) that the Secretary and Treasurer of Student Government be elected immediately following the election of the President of Student Government, thereby electing all minor offices of Student Government at the same time; and (4) that the duties of the Secretary and Treasurer of Student Government be increased so that they may help the Vice-Presidents in the publication of the handbook.

As the latter two petitions are amendments to the constitution, they were submitted to the Student Body at a required Student Activities Assembly on Thursday, at which time they were passed by the Student Body.

The petition "that girls attending dances at Rowmen Gray Medial School may spend the night in town as girls attending dances from out of town do" was deferred at the request of the Executive Committee of the Legislative Committee. Other petitions turned in were considered administrative matters and were referred to the administration. Junior-Senior

### Choral Ensemble Gives Pinocchio

The members of the Choral Ensemble are presenting this week and next a three-act operetta, "Adventures of Pinocchio". The production is sponsored by the Children's Theater of Winston-Salem and is directed by Clifford Bair. Helen Slye is student director and Sarah Haltiwanger, accompanist. Performances were given Monday at Hanes High School, Friday at Reynolds High School, and the final one will be given at Gray High School Monday at 2:15. Mary Wells Bunting leads the cast as Pinocchio; Frances Elam is Gepetto; Lib Price, Mr. Cricket; Hallie McLean, the Fire-Eater; and Gwen Mendenhall, the Blue Fairy. The members of the Choral Ensemble compose the supporting cast.

The percentages of voting in the Friday's election were as follows:

Seniors	76%
Juniors	67%
Sophomores	73%
Freshmen	41%
Total	60%

### Registration Plans

Miss Hixson announces that preliminary registration for the fall semester as well as approval for summer school plans will be made May 8-10. Freshmen are to register with the faculty member in whose department they expect to major.