

As I See It. . . .

by Martha Lou Heitman

"Beware the ideo of March," thus spoke the Soothsayer to Julius Caesar of the day he met his fate. And down through the ages people have been avoiding this ominous day. Some people even sleep through this day of dread, or turn their calendars up one day and ignore March 15. However, the latter seems a bit extreme, and it proves rather confusing during the remaining 291 days of the year. (I know, I tried it last year!) "Let us then be up and doing with a heart for any fate"—even Dr. Willoughby's mid-semester exams. Well—what happened to you today that was worse than that?

The "It Might As Well Be Spring as Winston-Salem" Department wishes to comment on the successful beginning the golfing classes have made this week. When the pro asked one aspiring golfer whether she had her spoon, she quipped, "No, but I have my knife and fork!" I'm not mentioning any names, but her initials are Ruth Hayes. Everytime anyone yelled, "Fore!", Meatball undaunted answered, "Five!"

Other sure signs of spring are the periwinkle, forsythia, sun-bathers, and jonquils blossoming on the "lower campus." And speaking of flowers—

Orchids to:

The business staff for their faithful work in obtaining bigger advertisements for a better Salemite.

Porter Evans' "Sea-sode"

Janet ("Itchy") Russell's performance

The lyrics in the Junior Stunt

Jayne Bell's characterization

And to all the other people, props, and whatnot that contributed to make this Stunt Night possible and the best ever!

Incidentally, congratulations! to all you lucky people whose names were drawn on WAIR's Sunkist program to receive a cash prize. For further information see Avis Weaver or Miss Byrd.

According to the Authorities:

(The following is a partial poll conducted among the students to ascertain their Favorite Faculty Remarks.)

Mr. Campbell—"Glass is used in the making of sand."

Dr. Willoughby—"Time is a convention indicating intervals."

Dr. Anscombe—"The reason that American men have no beards is that they know they can only get to heaven by a close shave!"

Miss Covington's clippings—"The law of economics, I understand, I'm the supply, she's the demand!"

Dr. Jordan—"C'est tout pour aujourd'hui."

See you at the International Relations Club forum Wednesday night.

Poet's Corner

Face the world, know that life is
fixed with unalterable despair.
A changless world in its entirety,
Still changing in a million senseless ways.
Accept the best of life!

Stand against the tide of humanity that clings
With feeble fingers to a single spark.
A world afraid of life can only face a certain death.
Accept the best of man!

Stalwart face an ageless world that suffers fresh with
every hated change,
A world that breeds a million agonies,
Yet stands upright through endless false decay.
Accept what now and still must be!

Face an age that no man knows yet turns to with a
hopeful eye.
Why fear that which is born of such as you?
I know not what is wrong, yet trust in right.
Accept your fate—then share your strength with me!
Lois Wooten

We Need Better Sportsmanship

Salem tries to maintain high ideals in sports as well as in other activities of college life—a kind of honor system in sports. In the opinion of some students, the younger players have not yet grasped this ideal.

Perhaps the fault of this lies in the training. In all sports at Salem, the basic rule is fair play. This should be thoroughly understood at the beginning, for without fair play, no sport exists. It is just a contest for victory. Honest understanding of the rules and respect for one's fellow players and opponents are necessary ingredients for good players.

During the basketball season just past, there have been evidences of a lapse in the use of the basic principles of sportsmanship. It is believed that with a gentle reminder of Salem's ideals in sportsmanship that the sports season following will improve.

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Russia Is Ominous Threat

International headlines this week have been far from encouraging. The Russian threat grows on all sides. In one of his rare interviews, Marshal Stalin called Winston Churchill a "warmonger" and charged him with asking for war on the U. S. S. R. His speech caused much interest in Washington where it was viewed as an indication of the weight the Russians gave Churchill's recent criticisms of them.

He further accused that Churchill and his friends in England and the United States are promoting a Hitlerite race theory of the world domination by English-speaking people.

Russian troops have been reported on the move in Iran, though not in as large numbers as first thought. The U. S. State Department is awaiting an answer to its note to Russia requesting information on reports that Soviet troops have been moving deeper into Iran instead of getting out as they were supposed to do March 2.

In speeches in Congress it has brought out that the U. S. is still sending lend-lease materials in large quantities to Russia, with the suggestion that these loans be used as a means of advancing American policies, and that a Moscow-directed Communist propaganda organization has been set up in Central America to act as a springboard for spreading Communist doctrines in the U. S.

Internal affairs have taken a turn for the better. Strikes against General Motors and General Electric have been settled, opening the way for 275,000 workers to get back to re-conversion tasks, U. A. W.—C. I. O. officials claimed the victory in the settlement, which involved an 18½ cent wage increase. The contract to be signed is to endure for two years.

Stabilization Director Chester Bowles has ordered higher margins on cotton exchanges to keep down the price of cotton, and the Civilian Production Administration has taken action to hurry scarce clothing to retail stores.

President Truman withdrew Edwin W. Pauley's nomination for Undersecretary of Navy, after a squabble of six weeks, with a final defense of Pauley's "integrity and ability."

Washington is being favored as the permanent site of the World Fund and Bank at the International Monetary Conference in Savannah. The conference membership committee has recommended that the time in which signatories of the Bretton Woods agreement can join the Fund and Bank be extended until December 31, 1946, thereby making it easier for Russia and other nations to come in.

CLAPP CHATS

Excitement, excitement . . . !! And besides that spring is here, the little tree on the square is in bloom, the birdies are twerping, and . . . ho hum . . . must be spring fever. Oh, yes, this is about music, and is the calendar full! — the whole bulletin board at Music Hall is calendar . . .

Taking things in chronological order, first comes the Arts Forum to be held in Greensboro the 14, 15, and 16. Guess you noticed the picture of Gershwin and Stravinsky in the SENTINEL t'other night—none other than our "Ride" and Hazel, who will be putting on the dog for big shot Howard Hanson, director of Eastman, next Saturday p. m. Ride is to play her own "Three Preludes" and two pieces by Hazel: "Dusk" and "Lanterns." Bravo, kiddoes—we'll be thinking of ya'!

Item two is a plug for Dr. Vardell and the Home Moravian Church choir (and me) . . . Sunday afternoon (March 17) at five, selections from Gounod's *St Cecilia Mass* and his *Gallia*. will be presented; we've been slaving away for a couple of months, and it's awfully purty music, if I do say so myself—hope you'll be there. Minor detail: the undersigned has a couple of solos—don't let that scare you away—PLEEZ!!

What's next??? Monday night and Alec Templeton—should be a treat! Betsy Thomas has a ticket to sell (25 cents adv. fee, Betsy!) . . . Mr. T. is one of the most versatile (my favorite word) and interesting musicians of our time . . . (read feature elsewhere in paper) . . . On second though, I really think Betsy should go—don't anyone dare buy that ticket!

Thursday seems to be the red letter day for us musicians—Music Hour will feature Dr. Vardell's illustrated lecture about the concert by the Cleveland Symphony, Friday, March 22. Incidentally, this is a lecture for ALL of you interested in the concert—I know from experience that after listening to his explanations of symphonic themes and so forth, one can enjoy the music with much greater appreciation and enthusiasm . . .

A lot of HARD and extensive work, has gone into the preparation for Miss Read's orchestra concert Thursday night. I know that some of us lack proper interest in this type of music—it takes, in my opinion, more concentration and insight to listen to . . . the more you listen, the better it gets—that's a fact! To hear string music at it's bestest best, I urge you not to miss Miss Read's orchestra. Such artistry as theirs deserves more support from the school than they have had in the past.

Vote In All Elections

The percentage of the student body voting in last year's elections was much lower than it should have been. Elections are just around the corner now, and it would be gratifying to see more students taking interest in them. Though we are never too busy to complain about things we don't like, somehow we always seem too rushed to cast the vote that might help change that situation. After all, it's our school and we are given the privilege of voting Salemites. Please keep up with this privilege. The officers of our major and minor organizations represent Salem, not only to us, but to everyone. It is up to us, the student body, to see that these officers are representative of our college.

A new system of voting is being tried this year in an attempt to raise the percentage of voting Salemites. Please keep up with election news. Make it your business to know the candidates for the various offices; discuss the qualifications for these offices; and above all—cast your vote.

To The Freshmen

(Ed. note. This poem is an echo of the quite successful Come-as-you-are party that the freshmen gave the sophomores last Friday night.)

Of all the things on land and sea
In organized society
What worse invention could there be
Than "Come as you were when caught"?

When Gabriel blows his final horn
And Doomsday rises with the morn
The shock of that is easier borne
Than "Come as you were when caught."

Wild witches ride on Halloween—
The worst old hag they've ever seen
Beside us would appear a queen
At "Come as you were when caught."

And yet, its all in fun, they say.
The freshmen will be bright and gay
Because they've got the Sophs at bay
In "Come as you were when caught."
by Catherine Gregory