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Sam Levering Urges World Government

by Peirano Aiken

Sam Levering stimulated smoke-house talk this week.

Mr. Levering, Chairman of the Administrative Committee of the World Federalists of North Carolina, led two open forums Tuesday, January 13, under the sponsorship of the International Relations Club. The topics under discussion were conscription and world government.

At least a few Salem faculty members and students, including an admirable number of enthusiastic coeds, had their thoughts roused from the limited concerns of college life when he made his appearance.

Supporting his anti-conscription stand, Mr. Levering debunked the usual arguments that pro-conscriptionists set forth. From the economic point of view he believed that, although universal military training might alleviate unemployment, it would eventually lower our living standard by placing large numbers of people at non-productive work.

However, he said, the real reason why UMT is urged is military-popularity, to prevent war and, actually, to help win war. A review of the history of conscription shows that it has done neither for those nations that have employed it. Furthermore, Mr. Levering continued, it would only stimulate distrust from other countries; and, in the event of war, we would do better to spend our money on highly developed mechanisms and a small specially trained force than on a large mediocre army.

Were manpower instead of scientific weapons the decisive factor, Russia would have the upper hand of us now; for estimates place her standing army at 4 1/2 millions and ours at barely a million. The important thing is that we now have enough atomic bombs to blast her cities. At the present rate of diplomatic failure, Levering estimated that the chances are 2 to 1 in favor of another war—probably to come shortly after Russia has the atomic bomb, which authorities think will antagonism with Russia, he admitted take her from 2 to 5 years to perfect.

In regard to the source of our religious, economic and governmental differences as hindrances, but discounted them as the prime cause. Instead he felt that the basic factor is insecurity and fear of equality of power.

The Federalist answer to dispelling this fear is a strong world government. This could be brought about by a United Nations charter revision which would do five things:

- (1) destroy the power of veto by one nation alone,
- (2) establish representation on a basis of population, education and economic development,
- (3) enable the U. N. to enforce international law on individuals rather than on nations,
- (4) augment the U. N. budget and
- (5) determine the limits of national armament programs.

Russia herself is against any stren-

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Alumnae Hear Dr. Anscombe

Dr. Anscombe, emeritus head of the history department, will speak on the topic "What About Russia" at a meeting of the Salem alumnae next Tuesday at 8 p. m. in the Day Student Center.

This is the first of a series of group discussions for alumnae, their husbands, families and friends who are, according to the news release, "eager to keep informed." Eleanor Willingham Johnson is program chairman for the group.



Samuel Levering

Salem Dons Crazy Hats

by Mary Elizabeth Weaver

"Hat Night" was celebrated at the December-January birthday dinner of the IRS Council. Lamp shades, scarfs, clothes racks, and flowers were the articles used most for the "hats".

The teachers, as well as the students, made their own hat creations. Electric fans, horns, bells, and electric lamps afforded them original designs. Miss Wilson borrowed the dining room chimes to make her hat.

The IRS Council presented prizes for the most original and most attractive hats. Lomie Lou Mills received the most original prize. Her hat was made from a lamp shade wrapped around by a towel. Jeweled pins were pinned on the towel, and a bed doll hung down the back. Two green lights in the front of the hat flashed on and off. A fur coat and jeweled ear bobs added to her "flirty" costume.

Margaret Fisher's hat received the prize for being the most attractive. It was an off-the-face black felt model trimmed with a coffee brown scarf. A black suit completed her outfit.

"Hat Night" gave the students

A. A. Sets Valentine Dance Date

The Valentine dance, given by the Athletic Association, will be Saturday night, February 7, from 8:30 until 12 o'clock. Harold Gale and his orchestra will furnish the music.

A new dance procedure, which allows a limited number of stag invitations, will be initiated. The card dance procedure will be followed, but there will only be fourteen dances to fill in, in place of the usual twenty. This is to avoid the rush between dances. The dance will be both girl and boy break.

Below is the new dance procedure set up by the administration:

Dance Rules

The administration suggests that we experiment at Salem College for the remainder of this year by having stag dances with a limited number of stags.

This experiment is to be talked over and reevaluated at the end of the term.

That the organization giving the dance appoint a responsible dance committee of dance marshals, whose duties will be to meet the stags at the door of the Gym, receive their cards, tag them, check their names off the dance list and direct them to the receiving line. During the dance, these marshals will do the introducing and see that the stags have a good time.

The number to be invited will be limited to 60, 15 for each class, the class president to work this out with the members of the class.

To each stag will be sent a formal invitation card with the name of the girl inviting him, with RSVP, with the statement "formal dress" and also "Present this card at the Gymnasium door."

There must be no decorations placed at the south end of the Gym, leaving all three doors free with the chaperon seats near the doors.

There should be at least three faculty men in the receiving line. Before the dance, the girls will sign in the dean's office the names of their dates and stags.

and faculty a good opportunity to show off their originality in hat designs, and the idea was enthusiastically received.

Miss Simpson, Mr. Leach, and Miss Sanford served as "Hat Night" judges.

Moravians Consecrate Bishop Rondthaler



Bishop Rondthaler

Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler, President of Salem College, was consecrated a Bishop of the Moravian Church in a special service Sunday, January 11, in the Home Moravian Church.

Bishop Rondthaler is the 246th Moravian Bishop to be consecrated since the beginning of the Moravian Church in Moravia in 1467. He is the ninth Bishop of North and South America.

Bishop Edward Rondthaler, father of Bishop Howard E. Rondthaler and President of Salem College for four provinces for forty years.

Officiating at the special Service years, was a Bishop in the Southern of Episcopal Consecration were Bishop W. Vivian Moses from Ohio, Bishop Kenneth G. Hamilton from Pennsylvania, and Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl from Winston-Salem. All of the Bishops wore plain white surplices. The Moravian ministers gathered in a body at the front of the church. At the front were the officials of the governing boards of the Province.

The service, created especially for the Act of Consecration, was very simple. The music, presented by Mr. Peterson's choir, was written especially for the ritual of consecration. The Act of Consecration consisted of the laying of hands by the three officiating Bishops and repeating of the charge to the new Bishop.

The church was filled with people including students, faculty, members of the congregation of the Home Moravian Church, friends of the Winston-Salem community and state, and 24 of the Salem College colored employees with the longest tenure of service.

"Y" Plans Announced

The Y. W. C. A. has started off the New Year with a barrage of activities and projects for Salemites.

Heading the list is the sale of second-hand books which will take place in the basement of Clewell at the beginning of the second semester. Faculty members have been contacted and the Y sales-women will know which textbooks are to be used for each course.

During exam week the Y-filling station will again function for blue-book happy students. Refresher courses will be held between 3 and 4 o'clock each afternoon in the Day Student Center.

Y Self-service stores have been set up in each dorm for your convenience. Fruit, candy, and pies will be sold, but not for credit.

Services Held For Starr

Ernest Lorraine Starr, one-time head of the Salem College English Department, died Monday morning in a local hospital following injuries sustained when he was struck by an automobile on November 27.

Mr. Starr came to Salem as head of the Department of English in 1912, and during his final year here in 1916 organized and staged the Shakespeare tercentenary. He also directed what is believed to be the first Little Theatre in the South founded in this city.

In 1913 he married Miss Nell Brustingham, a present member of the music faculty, who was then head of the department of the School of music.

A graduate of Randolph Macon (Continued on Page Six)

Civic Orchestra Gives Concert

The Winston-Salem Civic Orchestra will present its second concert of the series Sunday afternoon, January 25, at 3 o'clock in Reynolds Auditorium. Under the direction of Mr. James Lerch of the Salem College Music Department, the orchestra will present an interesting and varied program.

Highlight of the program will be the Beethoven "C Minor Concerto," featuring fifteen-year-old Mildred Lewis from High Point as guest soloist. Shubert's Fifth Symphony will also be presented, as well as two novelty numbers in the modern idiom: "Revival," an arrangement of negro spirituals; and "Promenade," by Leroy Anderson.

Two Southerners Discover The North

by Peggy Davis

You can't tell people that you were in the Blizzard of '47 and didn't even know it. They just won't believe you. But I was.

You see, Santa Claus Davis sent his wife and child to New York for the Christmas holidays. They wanted to "see plays" (eight in four days, to be exact, and contrary to the News and Observer report of 8 in 2 days). Well, they went; and furthermore, they went prepared for Weather, because they had left the Sunny South before.

So, when the weather forecast in New York City for Christmas Night was "snow", they went blithely on seeing plays (Antony and Cleopatra that night; Medea with Judith Anderson and Man and Superman with Maurice Evans, the night before.)

Friday morning, December 26, 1947, dawned sombre and snowy. But Mrs. Davis and her daughter didn't know it, because they didn't arise until noon. They looked out of the 17th story window of the hotel, saw snow flurries and decided to dress accordingly—galoshes, a suit, a top-coat, a rain coat, fur-lined gloves and one of those little refrigerator-dish-cover hoods that keep off all precipitation and ob-

scure your view.

They tromped over to Fifth Avenue to see how to walk down the sidewalks, and trying to be natives about-the-whole-thing, decided to return to the theatre area. (Incidentally, they took the last cross-town bus that ran for two days, but it was a very uneventful bus ride.)

At 3 o'clock, the height of the storm according to reports they read in Time the next week, they were seeing Helen Hayes in Happy Birthday when the history-making sky-light fell in, snowed under a portion of the stage and cancelled the day's performance.

Elated at being able to get tickets for a later performance, the undaunted Southerners donned their galumphing galoshes and returned to the hotel through Shubert Alley (which was protected from the snow anyway.)

They went to A Streetcar Named Desire, Tennessee Williams' version of Freud in New Orleans which will probably win the Pulitzer Prize, Friday night (the theatre was still only one block from the hotel and could be reached through another very popular alley). Jessica Tandy, the star, led the cast in a round of applause after the performance for the "brave

and fearless audience" that braved the blizzard to pack the house. The Davises naively thought it was worth it and went back to the hotel to chew on the food for thought that the play had provided. Without hearing a radio or reading a newspaper.

They were surprised to hear accounts of the record 25.8 inch snowfall Saturday morning and went to Crime and Punishment and Command Decision as scheduled. Not being able to get a taxi, a bus or any cross-town transportation, they gladly stayed on the Great White Way, which did look a little whiter than usual, and sight-see between 41st and 46th Streets.

Again not being able to get a taxi to Penn Station on Sunday they shipped their luggage, took a subway and didn't see daylight until they woke up in a Baltimore hotel Monday morning. (There was very little snow in Baltimore.)

I left out some of the very intoxicating details and some of the excursions prior to the blizzard (one of the tamer was to see Harvey which is like Crime and Punishment but not so profoundly treated). Nevertheless, that's how two southerners discovered the North and didn't even know it.