

## Woodpeckers Vanish; Gracious Living Revives

"Freshmen, the sophomores are after you, tonight!" The long awaited day is past; the day of triumph for the thwarted sophomores, one of reckoning for the thoughtless Freshmen.

The campus was gay with little red woodpeckers attractively dressed in burlap bags; their beaks trembling with the effort to please their superiors, their tails rustling in a row as they dug for worms. "Oh, most honorable, most beautiful, most gracious..." they chanted as they lit a cigarette. Puffing and stumbling beneath the load of books they carried, they presented a pathetic picture of womanhood; no make-up, straight hair, and little jars hanging from their necks with bird-seed to stimulate their "birdie brains".

The digging party Wednesday night was the high-light of amusement. The most original freshman was Carol Storz, who with Susan Sherman, formed the Mason-Dixon Line. Beth Kittrell was probably responsible for making her put her head in the mouth of the octopus on Davy Jones wall. "Save me!" came from Davy Jones Wednesday afternoon when a suffering woodpecker caught her beak in a chair. Dotty Clemmer's frantic cries were answered by "Muggins" Bowman's, "I'm coming." The repetitious chorus brought a lot of laughs to the cynical sophomores.

After three days of writing love letters, the freshmen should be well versed in cupid's art. Mary Campbell Craig's letter to Hersh's "Tump" should have made him feel like a "blue-beard." Carrington's Albert is making a trip down to Salem soon. Wonder why? The Davidson boys had a monopoly on the U. S. mail with Scottie and Pleas as silent partners.

Rat Week is over now and the thoughtless freshmen have returned to their gracious living.

## Sara Clark Is Normal, Red-Blooded American Girl

by Lola Dawson

Energetic with a capital E describes my roommate Sarah Clark more fully than any adjective I can find.

Sarah loves athletics and is manager of the hockey team. Yet she uses her energy in many other ways.

You'll never go into Davy Jones that you won't see a brown-eyed, dark-haired gal that looks as if she has all her lessons done and hasn't a care in the world. If you don't see her there with a coca-cola in one hand and a Raleigh (ABC) in the other, she may be in a lab. She has four three hour labs a week and Sarah still has time to make friends, help people, and to just plain "live."

Sarah works hard, but she has mastered the art of, "Get all your lessons, but save plenty of time for play." She saves plenty of time to play and usually has a gang helping her.

I have only one criticism of my roommate. She sleeps as if she had had a week of light cuts before hitting the bed. One night she put the alarm clock under her pillow but this only resulted in a stiff neck. I usually end up in pulling her out of bed, pillow and all each morning. If you give her a washcloth and head her towards the



sink, she's started on another day. Sarah is from Wilmington, N. C. She loves horses and was riding counselor in Little Switzerland this summer. She plays a good game of golf and would be anyone's match in swimming. In case you haven't guessed already, Sarah is just a well rounded, happy-go-lucky gal. I should know. I live with her!

## Ruth Holds Mock Election Vote Now

by Ruth Lenkoski

The presidential campaign is drawing to a close this week, as the voters prepare to go to the polls next Tuesday. Dewey and Truman have continued their campaigns discussing various issues with a certain amount of mud-slinging.

In his speeches Dewey has advocated support of: (1) a farm price support program, (2) laws preventing business monopolies, and (3) an administration that fully believes in the welfare of labor by legislation preventing the "chaos of unbridled industrial strikes." Mr. Dewey took this stand in answer to Truman's discussion of big business, agriculture, and labor.

Mr. Truman has dwelled constantly on the "do nothing 80th Congress." He told the voters to vote Democratic if they want the following proposals, which Congress did not heed: to pass the Taft-Ellender-Wagner Housing Bill, to curb high prices, to provide Federal aid to schools and to raise the minimum wage. Truman also told voters not to heed the results of the polls which have predicted Dewey's victory. The President pointed out that similar polls conducted in past elections were proved inaccurate. He stated that the Republicans are using such polls to discourage people from voting. For, as Truman sees it, the Republicans know that if everyone votes, the Democrats will win.

We are going to have a mock election at Salem. The ballot boxes will be placed near the front entrance of Main Hall and the Dining Room. Faculty and students are urged to vote. Check one of the Presidential candidates on the ballot below. Cast your ballot before three p. m. on Monday afternoon.

DEWEY  
THOMAS  
THURMOND  
TRUMAN  
WALLACE  
OTHER

## Faculty Win State Posts

Three members of the Salem College faculty were elected divisional and departmental officers at a meeting of the Northwest Teachers Group last Friday.

Dr. Elizabeth Welch was elected president of the division of higher education. Miss Dorothy Gueth was elected secretary of the department of physical education. Mr. Manuel Bromberg was chosen as the head of the art teachers.

Dr. Elizabeth Welch gave a lecture on teen-age problems to the Community Council of Winston-Salem last Monday.

Her lecture concerned her work with Winston-Salem teen-agers in a five-week's conference last spring. Through this lecture, Dr. Welch hopes to stimulate interest in youth work in Winston-Salem.

## Salemite Has Contest Open To All Classes

### Faculty Has Blow Out

by Polly Harrop

"And the goblins will get you if you don't watch out!"

Halloween, that season of witches and eerie jack-o-lanterns, is here, and the faculty and staff have decided to celebrate with an informal costume party tonight. The "festivities" will begin at 8:00 in the gym, and a big turnout from both the College and the Academy is expected.

Mr. Peterson and Miss Margaret Vardell are in charge of entertainment, and they promise to have every minute filled. The faculty will cavort to the Virginia Reel and chase each other up and down the gym in various games and contests. It will be well worth suspending oneself in a slightly horizontal position over the ditch next to the gym to catch a glimpse of exalted professors by day turned into romping "chillun" at night. What a revelation!

Mrs. Rondthaler and Miss Covington are in charge of judging the costumes and what a job they will have. (If they can recognize the contestants). A prize will be given to the "best-dressed" man and woman—something useful like a piece of soap to wash off the make-up or a brick to hit the first unsuspecting soul who asks about the party in class tomorrow!

Miss Lytch is planning the refreshments and promises lots of traditional "goblin goodies!" With such a lot of surprises in store who can blame the faculty for being excited?! It's their night to howl—that's right, "Howlween!"

Do you yen to express yourself? Or, do you yen for the feel of a crisp five dollar bill between your fingers? Whether you're a disciple of Mammon or the Muses, this announcement will appeal to you. The Salemite, in the interest of fostering the arts and detecting the campus literati for its staff, is sponsoring a creative writing contest in which all students are invited to enter.

The contest will be divided into three sections: short stories or sketches, essays and poems. For the best contribution in each group a prize of \$5.00 is offered. However, no prizes can be awarded unless there are at least ten entries in the first two groups and five in the latter. There is no limit to the entries that can be made by one person.

The subjects of the compositions may be freely determined by the writer. They may be local or universal in interest, formal or informal in style; but they must be original. The judges, Dr. Jordan, Mrs. Pyron and Margaret Raynal, will make their selections on the basis of content and composition without any knowledge of the author's identity.

Freshmen, who are particularly encouraged to enter, should have no qualms about competing with upperclassmen. The last time the Salemite sponsored a writing contest, one freshman won the sketch prize and another won honorable mention for her essay. In the event, however, that no freshman wins first prize in the three stated groups a special prize will be awarded for the best freshman contribution.

Therefore, assemble your thoughts and put them on paper, ye aspiring penmen. All manuscripts must be given to Peirano Aiken or placed in the basket in the Salemite office by six o'clock, Friday, December 3. The winner's names will be revealed and their works published in the December 10th issue of the paper.

## Fish, Antiques, And Politics Interest Mrs. Karnes



by Clara Belle LeGrande

Mrs. Karnes is one of the most enthusiastic people I've ever met; especially concerning tropical fish, antiques, and politics!

She is the new education teacher and has charge of all the practice teachers but Salem is not new to her. Last year, her first year in Winston-Salem, she was librarian at the Academy and, though she liked it very much and is there part of the time this year, she is very pleased to be here at the college.

She is one of these rare people who really like schools, perhaps be-

cause she enjoyed going to Georgia State College for Women for four years. She received her A. B. in primary education there (she was editor of the college paper), and did graduate work at Emory University in Atlanta. The love of her life, with the exception of her husband, seems to be her experience in Georgia politics. The summer she got out of school she was actively engaged in all the fascinating behind the scenes work in the Ellis-Arnall campaign. She worked particularly with youth rallies and caravans made up of students from Agnes Scott, the University of Georgia and numerous other colleges. She also wrote for the Atlanta Constitution. In addition to all this she found time to go to law school one summer and has secret aspirations in the direction of this profession.

She and her husband now live in an apartment here in town and keep four or five tanks of tropical fish, "the small variety", she was careful to explain. They are also antique enthusiasts and make frequent trips to surrounding places to look, and to purchase a few pieces. They love to acquire and work over old furniture of any kind.

She is a most effervescent personality and has done more interesting and varied things thus far than most people are able to cram into a lifetime.