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Dr. Rondthaler Resigns

Ruth Reviews Elections; Predicts Country's Future

by Ruth Lenkoski

Contrary to the predictions of the men who knew, Truman won the Presidential election. This unexpected Democratic landslide has astounded and baffled everyone, including the Democrats. Truman was the only one who believed in his victory, during the campaign. The big question being asked now is: how did President Truman get re-elected when the polls and all authority predicted a Republican victory?

There are several plausible reasons why the U. S. experienced this historically significant upset by the Democrats. It is believed that the Republicans were over-confident about their victory and did not all vote. Perhaps Mr. Truman's untiring and courageous efforts in sticking to his convictions won him more votes. Many people turned against the Republicans on the basis of the record of the "do nothing 80th Congress." This Congress won disfavor by passing the Taft-Hartley Law over Truman's veto, and by not taking necessary action on inflation and housing in this country. Then, for several reasons, many of the Wallace votes turned to Truman during the last week.

Citizens are questioning the inaccurate results of the many polls which were taken in past weeks. Men like Mr. Gallup claim that many voters were undecided until the last few days before they went to cast their ballots. One commentator claims that the poll-takers did not go out among the common people or else they would have seen how well Mr. Truman was being received. Some believe that it is impossible to formulate any accurate predictions from polls on such a changeable type of opinion.

The Democratic Presidency was accomplished by a shift to a Democratic stronghold in both houses of Congress. People are asking what does this control of the houses mean

in Truman's second term? First, it might mean the repeal of the Taft-Hartley Labor Law, because it is believed that Truman's Congress will go along with his policies for at least two years. Secondly, it might mean that certain wage and price controls will be enforced in this country, in an effort to curb inflation and stop depression. Then foreign policy will continue under the plans already set up, that is achieving the peace through aid to Europe and through retention of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements.

Salem Prediction

Only seventy-seven students and faculty members voted in the mock election which was held on the Salem campus last week. Those votes were cast as follows: Dewey 54, Truman 16, Thurmond 6, and Wallace 1.

Peyre Speaks In Chapel

Dr. Henri Peyre, the famous French critic, will speak in Chapel on next Tuesday. The topic of his speech will be "English Literature Seen Through French Eyes."

Peyre is a Sterling Professor at Yale and is recommended by the French embassy as one of the best speakers on France, in this country. He is a graduate of the Sorbonne and the Ecole Normale Supérieure, with a doctorate from Cambridge University. Peyre has taught at Bryn Mawr, Cairo and Lyons; and has been visiting professor at Chicago, Columbia, Buenos Aires, Cornell and California.

Dr. Singer Writes Book; Finds Salem Interesting



by Logan Vaught

In spite of the many classes and conferences that make Dr. C. Gregg Singer a very busy professor of history, I finally found him alone in his office.

Beginning with the usual "interview questions", I soon realized that I was talking and Dr. Singer was "interviewing". However, I found that Dr. Singer's "hometown" is Philadelphia, where he

went to high school. Dr. Singer received his A. B. from Haverford College in Pennsylvania, and his M. A. and Ph. D. from the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Singer has a Phi Beta Kappa key, and is a member of the American Historical Association and the Medieval Academy of America.

Before coming to Salem, Dr. Singer was head of the history department at Wheaton College in Illinois, and was Academic Dean at Penn Hall Junior College in Pennsylvania.

Dr. Singer's family is also here in Winston-Salem now. He has three children—one boy and two girls, and, as to family pets, "two goldfish!"

Dr. Singer enjoys research work, writing, and teaching, but he likes to balance them. "Writing helps in teaching," he said. Dr. Singer also likes horseback riding, mountain climbing—the White Mountains are his summer favorite, tennis, and music—especially the organ. When I asked him how he likes the Salem girls he smiled, "I like Salem girls very much. I think they're charming—I really do!"

My last question was the usual one, to which Dr. Singer replied, "My ambition? Well—just to turn out good, well-rounded students!"



Takes Post As Moravian Bible Teacher

Bishop Howard E. Rondthaler will retire as president of Salem College and Academy at the end of the present college year, June 30.

Bishop Rondthaler will assume the post of Bible lecturer under the Department of Christian Education of the Moravian Southern Province, and director of lay-workers' training of the Moravian Church, South. He will, however, continue with his Episcopal service and his teaching of the Men's Bible Class of the Home Moravian Church.

Bishop Rondthaler is a son of the late Bishop and Mrs. Edward Rondthaler. His father served more than a half a century as bishop of the Southern Province of the Moravian Church.

Born in Brooklyn, N. Y., June 17, 1871, he came with his parents to Winston-Salem in 1877. At this time his father assumed the pastorate of the Salem Congregation.

He prepared for college in the Salem Boy's School and was graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1894 with the degree of Ph. B. He received his master of Arts degree from Moravian College, Bethlehem, Pa., and his Bachelor of Divinity from Moravian Theological Seminary in 1896. Honorary degrees of Doctor of Divinity and Learned Doctor of Laws were conferred upon him by his alma mater institutions.

In 1896, he was ordained a deacon of the Moravian Church and, in 1896, a Presbyterian. Both ordinations were performed by his father. Before becoming president of Salem College, he was a professor at Moravian College.

Bishop Rondthaler was married to Miss Katharine Genter Boring of Philadelphia on September 29, 1898. They have two sons, Theodore and Edward, and two daughters, Mrs. Henry Pfohl and Mrs. Clayton McFaden.

Dr. Rondthaler was elected a Bishop of the Moravian Church November 19, 1947.

A statement by the board of trustees said, "Bishop Howard Rondthaler's administration has been one of the outstanding periods in the long life of this Moravian institution, which dates its founding four years before the signing of the Declaration of Independence."

Progress

During his administration, Salem College and Academy have grown and developed rapidly. The campus has been greatly enlarged, and at present it consists of approximately 56 acres.

During this time 10 new buildings have been erected at the college. Also, a modern home was built for the academy consisting of three buildings. This institution has become one of the outstanding preparatory schools for girls in America. In addition to the 13 buildings erected, a number of earlier buildings have been restored. These include Main Hall, South Hall and the Office Building. The Annie Spencer Penn Alumnae House is in process of restoration.

Former Salem Teacher Has New York Exhibit

Faculty and students who were at Salem from 1944 to 1946 will be interested to know that Kenneth Evett, former head of the Art Department at Salem, is now holding his first one-man exhibition at the Kraushaar Galleries in New York. The show opened on October 25th and will be open until November 13th. Among the twenty paintings on display is *Carpenter*, for which Mr. Evett won a prize from the North Carolina State Art Society while he was at Salem.

The exhibition merited a review by Howard Devree in last Sunday's *New York Times*, from which we quote: "There is an almost primitive seeming simplicity about his work, but it is a very knowing and deceptive simplicity. He presents a quite individual vision of subways and night watchman, Hallowe'en masker, hunter and sun bather, by the use of large areas of simple color adroitly woven into an overall design in which the color planes are quite abstractly employed. . . . At times skirting luridness of color and stiffness of design dangerously, he brings off some very arresting effects with surprising overtones of mood."

After leaving Salem Mr. Evett went to Hot Springs, Virginia, to head an experimental artists' foundation. While there, he was appointed to fill a vacancy on the art staff of Cornell University, where he is employed at the present time.

It is a great honor to have a personal display at the Kraushaar Galleries, and Mr. Evett's friends at Salem congratulate him on his success.

Club Day Is Tuesday

A statement that Tuesday Assemblies will be student-planned and student-executed was made this week by the Chapel Committee. This decision is in response to a student request and has been favorably accepted by the College Administration Committee.

Class meetings will be scheduled on certain Tuesdays and major organizations will have meetings on other Tuesdays for programs that will be of value in campus life. Various campus groups will be in charge of devotionals.

Since these will be student assemblies, the usual procedure of Seniors marching in and standing first for the closing hymn will not be observed. The Chapel Committee requests that all announcements be made on Tuesdays, so as to leave Thursday free for visiting speakers. Only announcements of an emergency nature will be made on Thursdays. All announcements must be turned in by five p. m. Monday to Joan Hassler, Frances Reznick or the Dean of Students' Office.

The Chapel Committee stresses that the five assembly cuts shall be so distributed that no student cuts either Tuesday or Thursday Assembly more than three times during a semester.