

Atom Bomb Discussed; Nationalist Defeated

by Ruth Lenkoski

With the election over in the U. S., the United Nations General Assembly seems to have stepped up the pace of the session in Paris. It is dubious that the Assembly will finish all that is on the agenda before the close of the session on December 10—when the delegates will go home for Christmas. Hence, special session is probable because certain items cannot be postponed until the fall of '49, the date of the next session.

In most cases the holdup of decisions is caused by differences mainly between Russia and the United States. Last week a resolution was passed concerning the atomic bomb. Although the majority of the Political and Security Committee approved of the resolution, Russia still voted it down. Russia wanted two treaties to be signed simultaneously—one to outlaw the bomb and the other to set up controls. The U. S. wanted the establishment of a complete international system of control and inspection of atomic energy facilities, followed by the outlawing of the bomb. The following are the things which the resolution did: (1) approved the majority (American) plan for control of the atomic bomb; (2) expressed worry about the impasse in negotiations; (3) asked the Big Five and Canada to hold talks and see if there is any basis of agreement; (4) called on the Atomic Energy Commission to meet again and continue its work. Because of the Russian bloc this resolution has failed to settle the differences between the U. S. and Russia.

The problem in Palestine has not been settled yet either. The struggle between the Israeli and Egyptians for Negeb, the 3,000 square mile stretch of sand in Southern Palestine, continues without war. On October 19, the Security Council ordered a cease fire and withdrawal to original positions. Both agree to cease fire, but Israeli refused to withdraw from the position which they had gained. Recently Britain and China proposed that both sides withdraw to their original positions or face the possibility of economic and diplomatic sanctions. Due to

pressure from the U. S. the resolution was postponed. Now it has been passed and is being taken up in the Cabinet of Israeli Government.

In China, the Nationalists have been defeated by the Communists, who have succeeded in occupying Mukden. Many such victories as this have put the Communists in possession of lands rich in coal, iron and other natural resources. Those Nationalists, who are left in Manchuria, have a hopeless outlook which is developing a sense of indifference among them. They are tired of civil strife, extreme inflation and so forth. The attitude is: What difference does it all make? Living under Communism couldn't be much worse than life under the Nationalists. Meanwhile General Chiang Kaishek has appealed to America for help. A relief program for China is something too vast for this country to be able to afford it is believed, since we now have the ERP to finance.

Mrs. Strong Comes Home

Mother Strong will return to her beloved Salem campus sometime next week, after a summer spent at Keuka College.

Keuka College in Rochester, New York, has presented Mother Strong with an honorary degree of Humane Letters. The degree is a tribute to a great American and recognition of her generous service to education.

While in Rochester, Mother Strong, honorary president of the Rochester Y. W. C. A., led the ground-breaking for the new Y. W. C. A. building. Mother Strong gave the property which made possible the expanded site for the new building in 1942. Mother Strong used the same silver trowel that she used 35 years ago to break ground for the present Rochester Y. W. C. A. building, also a gift of the Strong family.

Mother Strong is coming to Salem from Washington, D. C., where she spent the last month visiting her son, Colonel Corrin Strong.

Lee Aspires To Pon's Fame; Just "Can't Help Singing"



by Lahoma Poindexter

"Can't help singing" . . . that is the motto of sixteen-year-old, vivacious Barbara (Bobbie) Lee. And you can hear her doing just that nearly anytime you go into the day students' center. A freshman, Bob-

bie is majoring in voice and hopes someday to have her name ranked with that of her ideal—Lily Pons.

Bobbie's most attractive charm is her ability to make you forget your worries and be gay. She is just bubbling over with vitality. Blonde curly hair, sparkling, blue eyes and a winning smile add to her personality just the right touch.

If you were interviewing Bobbie, and should happen to ask her how she likes Salem, you would probably hear something like this. "Gosh, I think it's simply wonderful, and I just love being a day student! All of the boarding students are so nice and friendly. Come to think of it, the last statement should be considered a compliment!).

Bobbie's activities outside of school vary from painting portraits to teaching a Sunday School class. As for the theatre, Katherine Hepburn and Van Heflin always give command performances in Bobbie's opinion. There is one fact I've omitted about Bobbie. One of her chief

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Peyre Charms Salemites



P. Evans and P. Aiken

Salem's academic appetite was tempted last Tuesday by an a-Peyre-tit in the form of Henri Peyre, outstanding authority on French, English and American literature. During the day he gave a chapel address and spoke informally to several classes and a group of students and faculty at lunch. With rapid-fire fluency and a French-British accent, Dr. Peyre left behind him a trail of open minds, strained ears and panting tongues. (We note—with secret glee, it must be confessed—that since his departure we haven't heard a single complaint about the Carolina drawl from our snappy-talking Northern comrades.)

Of literature, about which he spoke volumes and we could remember only snatches, Dr. Peyre said that the French like best those English books which are least like their own. For example, the French of the nineteenth century could not understand the lack of passion in the works of Jane Austin and George Eliot, but liked to read them for their "beautiful, restful and old-maidish quality". Personally he prefers the English Romances, especially Shelley, and finds the Neoclassicists, especially Dryden, dull. One of the morning's choice comments was that he had no quarrel with Robinson Crusoe, but—alas—"how much more interesting it would have been if Friday had been a girl!"

In the field of modern literature he told us that everything American—good and bad alike—is being avidly translated, bought and praised in France. It is a fad which will die out, but the good realistic writers like Hemingway, Faulkner and Steinbeck have exerted a lasting influence on the French. William Faulkner he believes is the best prose writer in English today. The most enlightened field of French literature at present, he said, is the drama, which is experiencing a renaissance such as it hasn't known for a century. Such men as Gide, Sartre and Camus are writing philosophical plays for the stage, and (putting our own theatre to shame) the most literary productions are taking in the best returns.

After lunch we adjourned to the Campus Living Room, where Cheerleaders Byrd and Hulme led the faculty in loud ovations at Dr. Peyre's tenets on education. He believes in a broad background in the humanities before any specialized training and emphasized the study of classical culture and foreign languages for future statesmen, scientists, writers, musicians—everybody. Such a program sounds idealistic; yet we couldn't help thinking that with educators of the stature and dynamic of Henri Peyre it would be, not only possible, but immensely enjoyable.

Night Club Features Smokes, Jokes, Folks

Seniors Plant Annual Ivy

This year Senior Tree Planting will be held on November the 18th. The Senior Class has voted to plant a pink dogwood in the square and the ivy is to be planted on the wall of Biting that faces the dining hall. Dr. Rondthaler will make a speech and Patsy Moser, the president of the Senior Class, will dedicate the tree and the ivy to the school in the name of the class of '49.

The seniors also voted in favor of each member of the class throwing a penny in when the tree is planted. For the past two years only the class officers have thrown pennies around the tree. In 1915 the senior class planted the magnolia in front of Park Hall and each member donated a lucky penny. The tree has grown so enormous that the present senior class has decided to do the same for their pink dogwood.

Town Girls Have Tea

Day students' mothers and the faculty will be honored at a tea next Wednesday afternoon.

Decorations in the Center will carry out a fall motif. Polly Hartle, chairman of the decoration committee for the tea, has announced plans for decorations to include brightly colored leaves, ivy twisted around the white posts in the center, and paper figures representing characters concerned with Thanksgiving.

Carol Ann Daniels is chairman of the invitations group, which has prepared invitations bearing a picture of a turkey.

The refreshment committee has decided to serve Russian tea, cake, and nuts. Jean Padgett, chairman of the committee, is working with Bonnie Sue Stonestreet, Julia Davis, Sara Ann Slawter, and Joan Williams.

Marshall Comes South; Leads Active Life Here



by Helen Creamer

Pleasantville, New York — the home of Reader's Digest is also the home of that Yankee gal, Marilyn (better known as Lyn) Marshall. Lyn loves the South and would not mind being a part of it; but her heart nevertheless, is planted quite

* Gingham Tavern, the Salem Night Club, will be held Saturday night in the basement of Biting Dormitory from 8 until 11 p. m.

Joan Hassler will be the mistress of ceremonies, leading a floor show featuring Lizzie Hancock, "D" McCarter and "Roz" Fogel as vocalists. The traditional Can-Can will include Jean Epps, Beth Coursey, Emily Warden, Myrtle Wiley and Sally Senter. Other skits will be included in the show which promises to be a big evening in entertainment.

When the floor show is over, there will be dancing to your favorite tunes played by your favorite pianist, Sis Honeycutt.

The checked tables have turned and you will be able to give orders to Drs. Hulme and Singer, who are to be head waiters. Assisting these distinguished gentlemen will be Anne Speas, Betty Connor, Betsy Farmer, Mimi Weil and Margaret Thomas as waitresses.

The menu will include the following drinks: Cokes, pink ladies, purple passion. Potato chips and pretzels will also be served.

Come one, come all! For twenty-five cents you can stay at "The Club" from 8 until 11 o'clock.

Men Hold Smoker

The Men's Association held its first social of the new school year, a smoker in the Club Dining Room, last Friday night at 8 p. m.

Male faculty members and former male Salemites were invited as guests of the Association for this event. Among those attending were Bishop Rondthaler, Doctors Jordan and Vardell, Messers Leach, Selbridge, Bromberg and Campbell.

Dr. Anscombe was the guest speaker of the evening. His topic was "One hundred, thousand, million, billion, trillion miles in thirty minutes" or "A Short Introduction to Astronomy". Although Dr. Anscombe is known to most of us as Professor of History and Philosophy, he demonstrated his ability as an astronomer of no little accomplishment. His talk was well received by the entire group.

firmly in the soil of the North.

Lyn is a member of the Junior Class and has an interest in many activities. At the present she is on the I. R. S. Council, is an irreplaceable member of the Junior Class Hockey team and is showing her talents in other fields, such as dramatics. She will soon be seen in the current Salem hit "Stage Door", with an all star cast.

"Old Sal" has nothing on Lyn with her sunny disposition and friendly manner. Nothing ever seems to get her easy way ruffled. To this tall, blue-eyed New Yorker, life represents joyous living.

Lyn's likes are many and dislikes few. Seafoods definitely fall in the latter category, with the exception of scallops which she dearly loves. Along the same line of food likes comes potatoes—Lyn can never get her fill of these. Also, her happiest days at Salem are the "hot dog days" in the dining hall. "Nothing like them", she says.

Will power is something Lyn has, but likes to hide when it comes to cigarettes. Her ever-recurring words are, "I hate cigarettes. I'm going to stop smoking." As a result of this statement, while she is indulging

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