

# Leppert Rewards Virtue Of Richardson's Pamela

by Betty Leppert

Attention young women of Salem College! Here is a book that you all should read; for not only is it instructive as to how to preserve one's innocence, but is also a regular thesaurus of information on the other matters, most important being the capturing of a suitable husband (1). Pamela, whose subtitle is "virtue rewarded," subtly insinuates through out that if one is virtuous, one will surely be rewarded. But enough of commentary and on with the story!

Pamela Andrews, a beautiful, charming, refined, enticing, appealing, virtuous young woman of fifteen, is employed by an elderly lady who cherishes her as her own daughter. When she dies, Pamela remains a part of the house hold, as she is capable, industrious and versatile (being particularly adept at embroidery and other forms of needlework.) Lady B— (for that was the kind creature's name) has a son, who is a handsome young devil and apparently has certain ideas concerning the pretty little housemaid. B. is one of those people who just can't curb those naughty passions, and frequently endeavors to

use the girl in a "most unscemly manner." Needless to say, our harassed heroine, stems from poor but honest people, resists the young rogue's advances with firmness of iron (or steel.) Occasionally, however, her feminine strength falters and she is reduced to fits and prostration. It is probably this fact which finally brings out the squire's better self, when he proposes marriage to her in the most lovable, honorable and sincere terms. She, with little persuasion, finally agrees, and after all superfluous details are worked out (the settlement of her happy parents on a small estate of their own, decision concerning the future of the squire's illegitimate daughter, (2) and other incidents) the knot is tied and we may all assume that the couple will live in the purest and surest conjugal felicity for the rest of their natural lives.

The story, which is related in the form of letters (3) is enlightening to readers of any age, although its setting is 18th century England. Young people, (boys and girls alike) may draw invaluable wisdom from its pages, for it has a very definite moral, which may be condensed into

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## Dr. Fries

Quarterly of London.

Aside from her accomplishments receiving high recognition, she participated in many less glorified but nevertheless worth while activities. For many years she initiated and supervised Christmas gifts from the Sunday School classes of her church for missionaries in South Africa. She was willing to help all who called upon her. She was in constant demand as a public speaker and often approached her minister with these words, "I won't be at church Sunday—I'm preaching."

The loss of such a great Christian scholar and lady will be felt through Salem, the Moravian church and our whole state. It might be said that Dr. Adelaide Fries was the outstanding woman in North Carolina today and one of Salem's Alumnae of which it is deeply proud.

## Miss Hixon

"Pedagogy of Self Forgiveness." Trends and admission practices was the general subject of the registrar's meetings. Academic freedom and a variety of administrative problems were discussed at the meetings of the academic deans. Another interesting topic discussed was "The Place of The Church College In American Life Today and Tomorrow."

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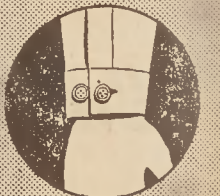
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