



by Lee Rosenbloom

Dr. Welch's Psychology classes will be a little surprised to know that she spent part of her Christmas vacation in Bellvue. Dr. Welch reported that unlike most of the inmates she had difficulty getting in Bellvue, but none at all in getting out. It seems that she was visiting a friend who is in charge of Physical Education at the institution. Dr. Welch saw eleven plays, three movies, and four radio shows while she was in New York. She was particularly impressed with **South Pacific**, **Death of a Salesman**, and **Mr. Roberts**. Surprisingly enough, she did not like **Kiss Me Kate**, which many people ranked with **South Pacific**. There were signs everywhere urging conservation of water, but Dr. Welch said there was no real hardship, and she got water whenever she asked for it.

Dr. Singer spent two days in Boston at the joint meetings of the Medieval Academy of America and the American Historical Association. There were some eight hundred historians attending the session. Dr. Singer said there were seven or eight different lecturers, round tables, and discussions scheduled each morning and afternoon.

Mr. Leach attended the Southern Historical Association in Boston, too. On his way back to New York, Mr. Leach was waiting for his train in the Boston railroad station when a young lady came in and said that she was driving down and asked if anyone would prefer to ride through the country. On the way down, a policeman stopped them for driving fifty-five miles an hour in a forty-five mile an hour zone. Mr. Leach was driving, but since the car was registered in the young lady's name, she did most of the talking. When the officer asked her who Mr. Leach was, she answered, "I have no idea". Incidentally, they did not get a ticket.

Miss Covington was in New York for the annual meeting of the American Economics Association. Economists from colleges and universities, industries and government agencies attended the conference. Discussions and papers on national and international economic affairs were featured at the meeting.

Mrs. Moran and her husband went goose-hunting at Lake Matamuskeet over the vacation. After hearing from one of her friends that they bagged the limit in 45 minutes on their trip, Mrs. Moran said she was a little disappointed when she did not even have an opportunity to fire her gun.

Since her family was sick over vacation, Miss Byrd said that she turned into a cook-nurse combination. However, by following directions in the cook-book, using concrete details, and avoiding generalities, she turned out a lovely turkey without one single comma fault. (Advanced composition students led by that so-and-so Norman Jarrard are the first to offer congratulations.)

Miss Baynes is a candidate for her M. D. after this Christmas. Santa Claus brought her niece a doctor's kit, and so Miss Baynes with the assistance of her 5 year-old niece extracted various and sundry doll's hearts, appendix, etc.

Reverend and Mrs. Sawyer were hosts to a young lady, Miss Marilyn Ruth Sawyer, over vacation. Miss Sawyer, who weighed seven pounds, arrived on December 30. She is planning an extended visit in Winston-Salem.

Dr. Todd spent several days in New York doing research at Columbia University and public libraries. He also had a leading article published in a journal of the University of Virginia over the holidays; the contents of this article we will explain in a future **Salemite**. Incidentally, that new red Dodge with the Pennsylvania license plates arrived at the Todds' two days before Salem reopened.

Students at Salem College went home and slept and ate and dreaded exams.

Editor's Note:

Publication of the **Salemite** will be suspended until February 10th. The next issue will be edited by Joan Carter Read.

Costume Chosen With Care For Reading Day Attire

by Sis Pooser

Where will you be on Reading Day? What will you be wearing? For the benefit of those who want to be in style on this, the most important day of this semester, I will give a brief inside glimpse at the typical Salemite and the clothes she has chosen for this memorable occasion. For the benefit of all new students unfamiliar with the term, I should like to point out that Reading Day is not a period dedicated to the appreciation of best-sellers. So you see, it's most important to be attired correctly.

Nancy Florence had decided after much deliberation, to wear her new blue cashmere sweater, while Laura Harvey and Louise Stacy have decided on the traditional blue jeans and plaid skirt.

Clara Justice will put on a raincoat over her pajamas long enough to dash down to the Club dining room for coffee and cake. Yes, that's Clara getting another piece of Sugarbread to take back to Sis Hines. Sis lost her raincoat at Chapel Hill last weekend.

Probably no one will see Carolyn Harris, Muggins Bowman, or Sarah Clark on Reading day. They are the temporary officers of the English Literary Society on Salem Campus. This group is particularly active at this season.

Betty Gwen Beck and Cammy Lovelace are looking for someone to go to the movies with them. Cammy will wear her Sadie Hawkins blue jeans while Betty Gwen will wear her new furs. Betty Gwen is planning to shop for a hat after the movie.

Notice to all music students: Julia Moore and Marilyn Moore will be selling cold drinks on the fourth floor of Memorial Hall. The proceeds will go towards buying extra blue-books for the Music Appreciation class.

We're afraid that Mary Ann Spillman won't be able to study properly for any of her exams. She has developed acute inflammation

of the left eye from looking too much at that new ring of hers.

Betty Jean Smith, Peggy Britt, and Carroll Johnstone have saved their Shmoo costumes to wear on reading day. They have kindly volunteered to supply the entire sophomore class with cigarettes during the coming ordeal.

Dale Smith may be located in the Salemite office getting out a twelve-page paper. This paper will be filled with clever crossword puzzles worked out by the staff and a questionnaire on world affairs. Dale will wear her dark purple robe.

Beverly Johnson is going to sleep all day.

Emmy Rowland hopes to have her four term papers completed by then. If not she'll have her meals served in her room and won't really bother to dress up.

Betty Griffin has chosen a chic brown lace hat. She will wear a dark brown dress and suede shoes. Gordon may arrive at Salem on reading day and Betty doesn't want to be caught unawares.

Mary Lib Weaver has saved the lovely Christmas gift that her chums in South gave her. Maybe she'll treat us all to a glimpse of this creation on Reading Day.

Dee McCarter will be wearing her KA pin. Need we say more?

Sis Honeycutt will wear her new organ shoes all day as she is giving a concert from three o'clock on. This informal music hour is for all who become bored with themselves in the afternoon. Sis will be assisted by Roslyn Fogel who will wear her Salem jacket. A small admission will be charged—the Sisters' House ash tray fund.

Faye Stickney is planning to spend the day in the "Rec. Room" of Strong and will wear her bright blue gym suit.

Winkie Harris will conduct Hygiene Seminar in her room in Sister's. Winkie urges all girls who wish to attend not to bother to wear hose. Frances Morrison is in charge of the refreshments.

U. S. Debates Defense Aid For Formosa Nationalists

by Ruth Lenkoski

Last week China was highlighted in the news resulting in warm disputes over the best policy the United States should follow in her relations with China. President Truman, however, favored and acted upon the view advocating a hands-off policy in the question of Formosa.

Since the Communists succeeded late last month in gaining control of the last bit of China's mainland, Chiang Kai-shek and his Nationalist forces have moved to Formosa which is one hundred miles off the coast of China. Unless the Chiang Government receives help it seems inevitable that the Communists will seize the Island of Formosa also.

The question of aid to China again faced the United States where mainly two conflicting policies were advocated. The first view advocated by some outstanding Republicans pleaded to help Chiang and save Formosa. This group presented their reasons as being the strategic value of the island as a defense post. Some prominent business men with interests in China supported this position.

On the other side there was the group led by President Truman and Secretary of State Acheson. These advocated that the U. S. not try to save Formosa because the island is not highly strategic and also that such action might bring implications as serious as war.

Since Truman did support the latter view, the U. S. technically still has an alliance with Nationalists. This situation has served to make cool relations between the U. S. and Britain. For Britain last week recognized the Chinese Com-

munist Government of Peiping, in the interest of English business investments in China. The case stands with the U. S. threatening aid to Chiang or at least in alliance with that group, while Britain has turned to an alliance with the Communists.

Congress Reconvenes

Last week Congress reconvened for an election year struggle. Both the Democrats and Republicans are expected to keep in mind that the records made during this session will influence voters next November.

As Congress again opened, the Democrats were in the majority in both houses. In the House there are 261 Democrats, 169 Republicans, three vacancies, one Democrat-Liberal, and one Republican-Liberal. The count in the Senate is 54 Democrats and 42 Republicans.

President Truman opened this session of Congress on Wednesday, January 4, at 1 p.m. with his State of the Union message. The President asked for greater government spendings. He also advocated Federal aid to education, housing projects for the middle income group, and stand-by price controls. The President also set forth his second edition of his "Fair Deal" program. His first explosive "Fair Deal" program was presented last January in his annual message.

It is expected that most of the extreme Presidential proposals will be blocked. The combined forces of the Conservative Democrats and the Republicans will be responsible for most of the opposition.

A Hint From The Wise

"Study for exams should have begun September 25. If a student gets started then and puts in the last month reviewing and outlining, she will probably be Phi Beta Kappa or at least get a D!"

Miss Byrd

"Start in September—that's all."

Dr. Singer

"Approaching an exam with confidence and with a devil-may-care attitude will perhaps do more good than five hours study the night before."

Dr. Todd

"Start studying three weeks ahead of time, and not study the day before at all."

Miss Spangenburg

"It's too late now; you should have started September 25—go on to the movies!"

Miss Baynes

"1. Approach your study with calmness.
2. Attempt to understand thoroughly all the material you review.
Don't memorize anything unless it has meaning to you.

3. A wise combination of the factors study, sleep, and recreation will result in increasing (rather than decreasing) returns."

Miss Covington

"Each person has to find out for himself how to study. Experience is the best teacher—there's no easy way."

Miss Reed

1. Study all during the semester, unifying notes and reviewing after each class.
2. Maintain reasonably good physical health.
3. Establish good working conditions: time, place, and adjustment to study situation. Eliminate distractions. Concentrate while studying, but take breaks to refresh your mind and relax.
4. Accept the exam as a normal part of the learning process.
5. Do not " cram"—psychological experiments disprove the lasting value of this method unless "cramming" means reviewing materials already learned.
6. Attempt to preserve "emotional" balance—face (1) the reality of the exam and (2) your ability and preparation for it.
7. Realize that the exam is not an end in itself; it is a means to an end—a contribution to what college is for—the extension of knowledge and the broadening of understandings.

Dr. Welch

Editor's Note:

While you are frantically studying for that exam take a minute out and read the above. This is your faculty's advice to you.

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