

The Pierrette's "Blithe Spirit"  
Will open next week.  
Windows will rattle  
And doors will squeak.

# The Salemite

The old staff is  
Worn out and through—  
Goodby to the old,  
Hello the new.

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## Pierrettes Will Present "Blithe Spirit" March 18, 19

"Blithe Spirit", the Pierrettes' spring production, will have a two-night run Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, March 18 and 19 in Old Chapel. Curtain time will be 8:30 p.m.

Featured in the play will be Dick Johnson from Winston-Salem; Virginia Millican, freshman from Lumberton and Betty Parks, senior from Durham, in the leading roles. Other members of the cast are

## Davidson Asks Salem Over

The Davidson Y. M. C. A. and the Salem Y. W. C. A. will jointly sponsor another Salem-Davidson Day on Saturday, April 5, at Davidson.

Davidson Y president, Bill Buckley has announced that a full day of activity will begin at 2:00 p.m. with a track meet between Davidson and Florida State University. From 3:00 p.m. to about 5:30 or 6:00 p.m. the military fraternity at Davidson, the "Scabbard and Blade", will sponsor a tea dance in the new gym.

Following this the girls will eat supper in the various fraternity houses with their dates. That night the Davidson senior class will sponsor a dance that will last from 8:00 p.m. to midnight, after which the girls will return to Salem.

In order to go the Salem girls may sign their names, ages and heights on the sheet provided in Clewell. This list must be completed by March 18 so that it can be sent to Davidson and posted there.

After the boys have been matched with dates, the list will be sent back to Salem before April 5. The girls who do not want blind dates, but who will arrange their own, will turn their names and the names of their dates to Y president Carol Stortz before March 18. There will be no expense except transportation. For further information the girls may see the members of the Y cabinet.

## International Day Planned

International Relations Day on Salem campus was set for Thursday, March 27 at an I. R. C. meeting held last Monday evening in the living room of Bitting.

The topic for the March meeting will be Foreign Opinions of the Coming Presidential Elections in the United States. Students from the major colleges and universities in North Carolina have been invited to Salem for the day.

Mr. Warren Spencer, club adviser, discussed the topic for International Relations Day. He named two important questions which arose from the topic: What do foreigners think of the candidates and how does the United States look in the eyes of other countries?

"Other countries fear us because they are economically dependent upon us. They realize our great power. Therefore nations are vitally interested in our presidential election because they want us to use our power to benefit them and to avoid war," said Mr. Spencer.

## Dr. And Mrs. Todd Have Third Baby Girl

Dr. and Mrs. William B. Todd are the parents of a daughter born March 13 at 4:00 a.m.

The Todds have named their third daughter Deborah Burton.

Both mother and daughter are doing nicely at Baptist Hospital.

Dr. Todd has been head of the English department at Salem for three years. The Todds live at 2311 Westover Drive.

Eleanor Johnson, Russell Chambers, Jane Brown and Ann Mixon.

Miss Elizabeth Riegner, head of the dramatics department, is directing the Noel Coward English drawing room farce, which had successful runs in England and the United States during the early part of World War II.

Lola Dawson, president of the Pierrettes, is serving as technical director of the play and is being assisted by Cris Crutchfield. Ann Mixon is stage manager for the production.

Heading the committees in charge of various phases of the production will be Anne Simpson, costumes; Betsy Liles and Emily Gunn, stage props; Fae Deaton, publicity; Nancy Ann Ramsey, tickets; Eleanor Fry, set props and Sally Reiland, lighting.

"This has been one of the hardest working and most cooperative casts I have ever had!" said Miss Riegner. "The stage crew has been highly conscientious and original, and has come across with something good despite a definite lack of experience. I think that the performance will match the new red stage curtains. It is keyed to that level."

## Forum Accepts Evans' Song

Ann Evan's composition has been accepted by the Arts Forum in Greensboro. It will be on the program of student compositions which will be part of the annual Arts Forum to be held at Woman's College in Greensboro.

Ann will sing her song on Saturday, March 15, and will be accompanied by Miss Margaret Vardell who teaches Ann composition. Students from 10 other North Carolina colleges have been selected for this honor.

Ann, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Evans of the Forsyth Country Club, is a voice major. She took the words for her song from "Poem I" of Chamber Music by James Joyce.

Ann will present her senior recital in April.

## Eleanor McGregor Elected New Editor

By Jane Watson

Mac walked to the door of the room in which she was having a music apprec. listening test. "Mac, you're the new editor."

"Gosh, I am?" Miss Sampson tapped her foot and waited to start the next record.

Later that day Mac could be more composed about her new job and stated that she "felt a little more confident now that I have a few staff members lined up." Her election climaxed three years of working on the newspaper.

When asked her plans for the future, Mac began with the Salemite, "I want a new etching for the top of Of All Things."

Has Many Plans

Not stopping there she went on to say that she hoped to use her English and French double major to get a fellowship or assistantship and go to France. "I'm sorta considering journalism too."

Still occupied with future plans Mac said that this summer she was going to Camp Pinnacle in Hendersonville for a month. Her duties there will consist of office work and keeping a cabin of girls quiet.



Pictured above are Eleanor McGregor (left) of Greenville, S. C., new editor of the Salemite and Jean Davenport (right) of Rocky Mount, recently elected head of Sights and Insights.

## Alumnae Offer Parents To Be Annual Award Salem Guests

The Katherine B. Rondthaler Award, established by the Salem College Alumnae Association in honor of Mrs. Rondthaler, was awarded in 1951, to Bryan Balfour for his original and creative work in scenic designs for Pierrette Players.

Each year the contest is open to every student in whatever field of creative endeavor he or she is interested. The winner is announced at commencement and presented with an appropriate gift.

The requirement is an entry of "outstanding creative work in the form of a musical composition, a poem, essay, story, play or research paper, a painting, photograph, sculpture or a piece of group-construction work."

Entries should be submitted to Miss Lelia Graham Marsh, in the Alumnae House by May 15 for consideration by the judges.

It is suggested that the work be "inspired by Salem", but it need not be limited to this theme.

Faculty are asked to recommend students' work of suitable calibre and to encourage students to produce original achievements, both in and out of classroom requirements, for this contest.

The Freshman class is now completing plans for the Freshman Parent's Weekend, March 22-23. On Saturday and Sunday of this weekend the freshmen will entertain their parents in an effort to present an insight to Salem campus life.

Parents have received invitations from Dr. Gramley. These letters outlined the Saturday program beginning with registration in Clewell between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m., an informal tea in the Friendship Room of Strong between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m., a dinner in the Club Dining Room at 6:00 p.m. and an after-dinner coffee in the president's house.

After the coffee the parents will be entertained by their daughters with a talent show in Davy Jones. Dr. Gramley has suggested that the weekend be concluded with attendance of Sunday morning church services by daughters and their parents.

In order to make the weekend successful, freshmen are urged to re-issue invitations for the weekend. Besides observing campus life, parents will also meet faculty members who teach freshmen.



Eleanor McGregor

Mac wouldn't stop. More summer plans were listed as a trip to Michigan and a session at Furman summer school in Greenville, S. C.

In the meantime Mac will spend her time "gabbing, eating, sleeping, playing bridge and drinking cokes." She failed to mention the Monday

afternoons, Tuesday and Wednesday nights spent in the Salemite office and the Thursday stretches at the Sun.

In addition Mac writes an occasional short story for advanced comp. class, is ping pong and archery manager, on the A. A. Council, a Scorpion, on the lecture committee and a marshal.

She is also literary editor for the Sights and Insights and former Westminster Fellowship president. She taught a French course at the Academy first semester and last year won the Gordon Gray award for the highest academic average in her class.

Always Has Time

And the funny thing is that Mac always does have time to "talk, drink a coke or have a smoke."

A native of South Carolina, Mac decided to come to Salem because it is her mother's Alma Mater. She likes North Carolina except when she wants to eat seafood, her favorite dish. "Then I'll take South Carolina."

With that the interview closed, much against Mac's desire. "Keep on asking questions. I'll have to start writing headlines if you stop."

## Six Officers Chosen As New Leaders

Six of the major organizations have new leaders as Spring elections are almost concluded.

Jean Davenport, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Davenport of Rocky Mount, was elected editor of the Sights and Insights by the annual staff last Monday. She has been a member of the staff two years. She is also on the Salemite staff, I. R. S. Council and Dean's List.

Emma Sue Larkins was elected president of the A. A. and Jo Bell was chosen to head May Day Committee in student body elections in chapel last Tuesday.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Larkins of Trenton, Emma Sue served as A. A. treasurer this year. She has been on basketball varsity for two years and on hockey varsity one year. An English major, she has worked on the Salemite and the Pierrettes. Next year she hopes to sponsor more inter-collegiate events.

Jo Bell, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Eric Bell of Wilson, transferred to Salem from St. Mary's last year. She has served as a marshal, treasurer of I. R. S. Council and Junior class secretary. An English major, she has worked on both advertising and editorial staffs of the Salemite.

Eleanor McGregor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garland McGregor of Greenville, S. C., was chosen Salemite editor in a staff election last Wednesday. She has been on the staff three years, having served as managing editor this year. She has also worked two years on Sights and Insights and the A. A. Council. She is a Scorpion and a marshal.

Marilyn Summey was elected  
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## Class To Go To Arts Forum

The annual Arts Forum will be held at Women's College of the University of North Carolina, March 15. This forum will include art, dance, music, theater and letters.

Miss Jess Byrd's advanced composition class will attend the forum on writing and a lecture discussion led by Katherine Anne Porter on Saturday.

Miss Porter is a short story writer and the author of Noon Wine, Pale Horse, Pale Rider, The Leaning Tower, Flowering Judas and Hacienda. Jean Calhoun and Joanne Bell are planning to attend the Forum with the composition class.

In addition to the forum there will be exhibitions of painting, sculpture, mono-cuts and student work in the arts.

## Sophs Have Tests, Audition

The comprehensive testing program for sophomores began yesterday and will continue for two weeks. These tests are to give an all round picture of each sophomore and to show her what she is best fitted to do.

The program includes tests on personality, vocations, general culture and contemporary affairs. In addition to these, each sophomore will have a speech audition in which she will read a short paragraph and give a minute speech.

The schedule for the tests is:  
March 13 ..... Personality  
March 20 ..... Vocational  
March 25 ..... General culture  
March 27. Contemporary affairs