

Britt comes soon to help Dr. Gramley; We're glad to welcome him to our family.

# The Salemite

Notice to witches: clean up your brooms!  
Notice to Salemites: lock up your rooms!  
Hallowe'en!!!

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## Melvin Is New Assistant In Language Department

Mrs. Mary Melvin has been promoted to the position of assistant professor of modern languages. This promotion was announced by the Board of Trustees on Thursday. Mrs. Melvin has served for four



Mrs. Mary Melvin

years on the faculty at Salem teaching French. She received her A. B. degree from Brown University, Providence, R. I. After she was graduated, she went abroad

## Educator Dies In New Jersey

Dr. Edwin Joseph Heath, former assistant to the president of Salem College, died this week at his home in Sea Girt, N. J., at the age of 72. In 1914 Dr. Heath returned to the United States from the British West Indies, to accept the position at Salem. He served in this capacity until 1926 when he became president of the Moravian Seminary and College for Women in Bethlehem, Pa. Dr. Heath is survived by many sons and daughters, among whom is Dr. George R. Heath of Winston-Salem.

## Boiled Fowl, Green Hair Mark Typical Practice Teaching Day

By Betty Lynn Wilson

I found Betsy Forrest sprawled on a friend's bed after a hectic day of practice teaching. She looked slightly limp and wilted, rather like a hot house plant that needs water. "Betsy, tell me about practice teaching," I fired. "Well, we roll out about ten of eight every morning. After stops at Gray, Union Cross and Glenn, my day begins at Kernersville. I'm teaching a child care course to high school girls. Two of them are married and four engaged. I stand and talk for two hours and if you think that is easy, you're crazy. My throat feels like sandpaper. My girls are sweet little devils, but one of them walked in with green hair this morning. I suggest you entitle this feature "The Land of Green-Haired Monsters". Really, though, they are nice girls; they're giving me a party Friday."

Buzzing and Writing

I buzzed around trying to get all these comments down and went in search of a few other victims of practice teaching. Anne Merritt was in the shower, so we screamed at each other 'til I got the necessary information. I don't know what connection this had with the sewing lab she is instructing, but I was informed that some student brought to class the other day a skinned bird that had been boiled and pickled in alcohol. Maybe it reminded the student of

and studied at the University of Paris, Berility School of Languages and at the Latin-American Institute.

Before coming to Salem, Mrs. Melvin taught English at the University of Paris and was a tutor and corrector at Clark University in Massachusetts. At Miss Colly's School at New Port, R. I., she taught French and for four years was an administrative assistant in the American Embassy in Paris.

Mrs. Melvin received her M. A. degree from the University of North Carolina.

## Queen, Court To Be Elected

Elections for the May Queen and May Court will be held Tuesday, Nov. 3 and Wednesday, Nov. 4. The nominations began on Tuesday, Oct. 27 and will continue through today.

The Queen and Maid of Honor are chosen from the Senior class. All classes are qualified for the court.

A member of the court is picked on her beauty, grace, charm and poise, with the qualities of beauty and poise stressed above the others.

The ballot boxes for nominations are located in Main Hall. These nominations will be counted this afternoon and a list of the nominees placed in the dining room on Monday morning. All petitions must be in by Monday night.

Elections take place for the Queen and Maid of Honor in Old Chapel, Tuesday, Nov. 3, at 8:45 p.m. and the Court on Wednesday, Nov. 4. The nominees will appear in formal dresses before the student body.

While the votes are being counted for the court, the A. A. will sponsor a pep rally in the basement of Bitting. The election results will be announced there.

the squeals the girls let out in lab when somebody opens the door while they are fitting their clothes.

Anne Moye teaches the first grade and her favorite tale concerns a funeral she conducted the other day. It seems that somebody brought a dead bird to school one day and the children thought it proper to give it a funeral. They stacked rocks over the grave and sang "Jesus Loves The Little Birds". Anne had to leave after this tidbit; she was on her way to the library to get a science book to use tomorrow.

Dot Loves First Graders

Dot Smothers teaches first graders, too, and she loves it. "Why they think I'm a goddess," she exclaimed. "They tell me that I have on the prettiest dress they ever saw, and then they come feel the material to see if it's real." Dot laughed when she told me about the comments she has to make up to discipline her children. She reminds them to be attentive by asking "Do you feel your mouth moving while I'm talking?" or by saying, "I see you watching, but your ears aren't listening."

I thought of Anne's bird funeral, Dot's clever questions, Betsy's married students and Anne's boiled fowl, and decided teaching wasn't such a terrible profession after all, and left the girls preparing the next day's lesson plans.

## Spaugh Speaks On Situation In West Germany

"You have given us help for such a long time without becoming tired," was the message sent by East German Moravian refugees back to their American brethren through Dr. Gordon Spaugh, Pastor of the Home Moravian Church. Dr. Spaugh spoke in chapel Thursday on the three months' trip he and his wife took in Europe this summer.

Dr. Spaugh, who went to Zeist, Holland to attend an executive board meeting of the world wide Moravian Church, also visited Moravian Churches throughout Europe. He told the students particularly of his and Mrs. Spaugh's visit to Berlin where they stayed with the Rev. and Mrs. Heinrich Myer, Moravian minister and his wife in charge of the church's refugee work.

Mr. Myer serves as pastor for the people and Dr. Spaugh told of a service of hymns and prayer held in a little shelter behind the bombed out church. There were 250 people at this service and all of them had lost all of their possessions. Half of the people had lost some of their loved ones and 15 had been in concentration camps.

These people spoke to Dr. Spaugh about the desperate conditions behind the Iron Curtain in which the people face possible starvation and have lost their freedom. They told also though of the encouraging work of the church there and said, "We are perplexed but not in despair; pray for us."

Paintings from Great Britain are on display at the Arts Center Oct. 18 through Nov. 8.

Twenty-five pictures are on exhibition. Among the leading British artists represented are Sir George Clausen, Philip Counard, John Constable and Duncan Grant.

The Arts Center is open daily until 5:00 p.m., and is located at 822 West Fifth Street.

The Home Economics Club will sponsor a Gingham Tavern on Nov. 21 in the Day Students' Center. The admission will be \$1. a couple and 75¢ for stags.

The Canterbury Club met Tuesday, Oct. 27 in the Friendship Rooms of Strong. Mr. Frazer, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, spoke on "Christian Marriage."

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, Nov. 18. At this time Henry Baker, Bishop Co-adjutor of the Diocese of North Carolina, will speak.

Mrs. Amy Heidbreder and Dr. Ivy Hixson will attend a vocational conference for placing of students in New York City. This conference will be held Nov. 5 and 6 at the Biltmore Hotel. While in New York they will be guests at a Salem Alumnae tea also held at the Biltmore. Dr. Hixson said, in reference to the number expected at the tea, that there had been 300 invitations sent to the alumnae of the New York area.

A Salem group of three faculty members and three students will go to Raleigh on Nov. 3rd to take part in two events planned by the alumnae club there.

A tea for prospective students will be given at the home of Mrs. Thomas Wilson in the afternoon and a dinner meeting for the alum-

## Britt Appointed To Assist In Administrative Duties

Donald E. Britt of Clinton has been named administrative assistant to President Gramley. This announcement was made following the Board of Trustees meeting on October 26.

Mr. Britt will assist Dr. Gramley in all phases of administrative activity including business management. His appointment will become effective on November 16.

He attended Wake Forest College from 1940 to 1942 and was graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1943 with an A. B.

degree in English. While at Carolina, he did extensive work with the Carolina Playmakers.

Mr. Britt comes to Salem from Pineland College and Edwards Military Institute in Salemburg, where he has been in charge of public relations for the last two

## Chatham Sees World Unity

United States Representative Thurmond Chatham was introduced in chapel last Tuesday by Dr. Dale H. Gramley as a Carolina, Yale and Salem man.

Congressman Chatham begins his sixth session with Congress in January. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and Yale University. He also supports a scholarship here at Salem.

The topic of Congressman Chatham's talk was international affairs. By way of experience in this field, Mr. Chatham is a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee and also served as an officer in the Navy during both world wars.

Congressman Chatham made a plea for active interest in international affairs by establishing that our relationship with other countries will determine our future. He compared the revival of the South after the Civil War to the revival of Europe after the world wars. The difference lies in the fact that now "the conqueror helps the conquered." Today, he cited, the cooperation of allies must work for peace as it did during the war.



Donald E. Britt

and a half years. He has made his home in Clinton where he is a member of the Baptist Church, the Clinton Rotary Club, the Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Little Theater. While in Clinton, Mr. Britt was one of the organizers and has served as president of both the Civic Music program and the Little Theater. He also joined WRRZ as program director.

Before going to Pineland College, Mr. Britt was an announcer and copy writer for WSJS of Winston-Salem; served for two years as a reporter and correspondent for the **Wilmington Morning Star** and the **Wilmington News**, and served as assistant leader of a Great Books discussion program.

A native of Benson, Mr. Britt is married to the former Suzanne Bagnal of Winston-Salem. The Britt's have four children and will make their home in Winston-Salem in the near future.

## Hockey Team Plays In Durham

The Salem hockey team visited Duke last Wednesday and came out on the short end of a 2-0 score at the hands of a very strong team. The game was close all the way, however, and Salem threatened several times although the girls failed to score.

The defense of both teams was strong, and for the Salemites Ann Mixon, Ann Crenshaw and Betty McLaughlin lead the way. In the forward line, Betty Morrison was outstanding.

Tournament Will Begin

The Salem intramural hockey games start next Tuesday at 4:50 p.m. on the athletic field. Three games will be played next week and three the following week. The sophomores are defending last year's title as hockey champions.

## News Briefs

nae at the Woman's Club building will follow.

Dr. Dale Gramley, Lelia Graham Marsh, Edith Kirkland, LuLong Ogburn, Alison Britt and Ella Ann Lee will be the Salem representatives.

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The Salem College School of Music has released the following schedule of recitals:

Nov. 16.....Clemens Sandresky, pianist  
Nov. 23.....Hans Heidemann, pianist  
Nov. 30.....James Hart, pianist  
Dec. 13.....Chorale Ensemble

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Miss Blandina Biggers' report to Dr. Gramley for the year 1952-53 shows that there were 1270 visits to the infirmary by college students. Of these, 539 were bed patients for periods ranging from four hours to more than a day. 32 students were sent for X-rays during the year.

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Helle Falk and Marianne Lederer will talk on the churches of their countries at Vespers this Sunday at 6:30 in the Day Students' Center.

## Conferences To Be Held

The North Carolina College Conference and the North Carolina Council of Church Related Colleges will be held at the Sedgefield Inn near Greensboro on Nov. 5 and 6. The Council of Church Related Colleges will be presided over by Dr. Dale Gramley, president of the organization.

The North Carolina Association of Registrars and Directors of Admissions will also be held at this time. Margaret Simpson, who is secretary and treasurer of the association, will represent Salem College.