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Betsy and Agnes are going Maybe they will become very

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Kirk Gives Lecture On Russian Life

Mrs. Alan G. Kirk, the last of the guest lecturers for this season, gave a vivid account of "Life in Russia Today" last Monday night. Mrs. Kirk is the wife of Admiral Alan G. Kirk, former ambassador to the Soviet Union.

Mrs. Kirk, who lived in Moscow between 1949 and 1951, spoke on various phases of life in the Kremlin. She first reminded the audience that Russia is around the world, so far away that it is practically another world.

Regarding the political aspect, she commented that Stalin's death left a vacancy that no one man has yet filled. Ten men, including Malenkov, Molotov, and the now extinguished Beria, have shared the spotlight. Who will finally triumph is anybody's guess.

Stalin Is Praised

Stalin was a god to most of the Russians. The children were taught to praise him. Each morning in kindergarten they repeated their prayer: "Thank you, Comrade Stalin, for a happy childhood."

The Communist Party consists of seven million people, a very small group considering the population of Russia is two hundred and ten million. The party is not for the masses and is being purged con-

Mrs. Kirk mentioned that Russia has a very stratified society. The intelligensia are able to receive ren have better schooling.

Only those in a large city can her questions. go to school. The children start at seven or eight years of age years. At the end of this time take Norwegian literature, Northose with the best political backgrounds and best marks go on to more schooling. Those weeded out go to trade schools. Some continue on into technical schools, while others become laborers. The top half of the better students enter universities. After graduation the students have to enter state service for three years.

At the time of the Russian Revolution there was a great movement toward liberation of women. Now laying railroad ties, or sweeping Charm Week, served. Seventy percent of the doctors in Russia are women.

Masses Are Strange

In speaking of the masses, Mrs. Kirk said, "They flow by just like a great muddy river. They are like a gray mass—no shape, no size, and silent. You think they are non-human."

They have a patience, a strange ous forms of etiquette. quality—this is the peasant mass. They're a very strange and perplexing lot for westerners to deal with. You never know what they're going to do.'

As an illustration of her last statement, Mrs. Kirk related an

incident pertaining to daily life. Several of the embassies had ordered together a thousand fresh eggs, practically a delicacy in this 27 land of few fresh foods. When the eggs were brought to the border, the Russians hard-boiled every one of them. (They were afraid they would bring in disease.)

Greek Orthodox Is Religion

The Greek Orthodox religion brought from Constantinople is the religion of the Russians. It has been altared and is now the Russian Orthodox religion. However, religion is not encouraged in Russia. On the wall entering Red Square is the inscription "Religion the opium of the people." Communists are not allowed to go to (Continued On Page Four)



Newly-elected officers of the Student Government are seen above. They are, left to right, Nancy Peterson, treasurer; Dottie Allen, off-campus vice-president; and Jane Little, on-campus vice-president.

Betsy Liles And Agnes Rennie Look Forward To Summer Of Profit, Fun, And Fellowship At Oslo

I found Agnes Rennie, sophomore winner of the scholarship to Norway, in the basement of Clewell courses she planned to take. better medical care and their child- playing a game of bridge. Since

"Besides the general culture surand continue in school for seven vey that is required, I am going to

Charm Week Is Held

Charm Week officially ended today with Ann Campbell elected as our "Miss Charm".

Tuesday, Carol Daniels spoke in chapel on hints for the bride-to-be. such as flowers, wedding music, number of bridesmaids and grooms-

LuLong Ogburn modeled a lovely wedding gown and Jean Shope, a the women are equal to the men, brides-maid dress. After dinner a so far as work is concerned. It is student-faculty coffee was held in not at all unusual to see a woman the Friendship Rooms of Strong. of fifty driving a garbage truck, Mary Anne Raines, as chairman of

A local store sponsored a fashion show held in the Day Student center Tuesday night. The May Court modeled clothes from sport dresses to evening dresses.

Thursday, a skit sponsored by the I. R. S. was given in chapel. Diane Huntley was narrator, with I. R. S. members illustrating vari-

Home Ec Club To Give Dance

The Hawaiian theme and a fourpiece combo will be featured at the responses. Gingham Tavern, Saturday, March

This dance, sponsored by the Home Economics club, will be in and the purpose and significance of the Day Students' Center from the most recent addition to the 8:30 p.m. to 12:00 midnight. floor show will be presented by Salem students and local talent.

Sarah Sue Tisdale and Temple Daniel are co-chairmen of the committees for the dance.

Barbara Berry and Carol Cooke; refreshments, Ann Lang and Francine Pitts; publicity, Carolyn Spaugh and Rachel Ray; and entertainment, Nellie Ann Barrow.

Admission is \$1.25 per couple and

wegian social and political institu- | lion things done at one time. tions, and human geography,"

When asked about what she courses. she was dummy, I began to ask planned to do during her spare who was here for International after school is over. Day if there was a chance for some that is out."

Since there will be two hundred fall. other American students at the that she hoped that she wouldn't be "too lazy" to meet lots of Norwegians.

September 3 is the sailing date that Agnes has chosen for coming that summer school this year would home. She hopes to be able to do certainly be different from summer

finally found Betsy Liles junior scholarship winner, in the

Little Chapel Is Dedicated

The dedication services of the Little Chapel were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, March 21.

The program began with an organ prelude by Miss Margaret Vardell. After the singing of the for three years. A member of the congregational hymn, the Te Deum Laudamus was led by Rev. Edwin Sawyer and the congregation gave

Dr. Gramley spoke briefly concerning the benefactors of the Little Chapel, its approximate cost Salem campus. Jean Edwards, president of the Y. W. C. A., read the 24th Psalm.

The act of dedication was made by Bishop Howard Rondthaler.

In dedicating this chapel, he told The committees are: decorations, a story of the historic significance of the West Gate during the time of the Civil War. The prayer of dedication was also made by Bishop Rondthaler.

The dedication services were concluded by an organ postlude by Margaret Vardell.

Betsy hasn't definitely decided is sure that they will be fine arts

"The most fun of all is that time Agnes answered, "I hope to everyone in the dorm is helping have time to take some hikes in me plan what to take and where the mountains and maybe learn to to go." Betsy hopes to do lots of ski. I asked the Norwegian boy traveling on the weekends and

"I plan to keep a journal from swimming and he said sure if you the day I board the ship until the don't mind freezing. So I guess day I get home." Betsy added that all the Salemites could read it next

realize the responsibility that I of the opportunity and bring back to Salem an insight into Norway."

Betsy added as an afterthought some traveling after school is over school last year when she attended After searching all over campus, the University of North Carolina.

Six Juniors Win Offices For 1954-55

A full week of elections began Monday when the combined staffs of the annual named Betsy Liles Wadesboro editor-in-chief of the Sights and Insights.

In chapel Tuesday morning, Francine Pitts of Lydia, S. C., was elected president of the Athletic Association and Mary Anne Raines of Portsmouth, Va., was selected by the student body to head the 1955 May Day committee.

On the following day Sally Reiland of Bluefield, W. Va., was chosen editor-in-chief of the Salemite at a meeting of the present staffs.

Preceding Thursday's assembly, Bobbi Kuss of Allentown, Pennsylvania, was elected president of the I. R. S., and Sara Outland of Kinston, was chosen to head the campus Y. W. C. A.

The new Sights and Insights editor is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis E. Liles and was last week named a recipient of one of the summer scholarships to Norway. Betsy, an English major, has been copy editor of Sights and Insights, feature editor of the Salemite, treasurer of her sophomore class, F. T. A. scrapbook keeper, and a member of the Pierrettes.

Francine, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Pitts, has been active in Salem's athletic program Agnes replied when I asked what what courses she will take, but she since her freshman year when she began her three-year membership on the basketball varsity. She was on the A. A. Council last year, volleyball manager during the current year, class basketball captain, and, at a recent A. A. Conference in Chapel Hill, was chosen to edit a statewide A. A. newsletter during the coming year. A home economics major who plans to teach, Francine is a member of the F. T. A, and the Lablings and includes newswriting for the Salemite and working on Pierrette productions in her outside activities.

"I have a lot of reading to do Mrs G. N. Raines, are presently University this summer Agnes said before I go," Betsy said, "for I living in Portsmouth, Va., but are originally from Washington, D. C. have and I want to take advantage Mary Ann has been a member of the editorial staff of the Salemite since her freshman year and is this year on the Sights and Insights staff and secretary of the I. R. S. She joined the Pierrettes as a sophomore and during the current (Continued on page three)

junior scholarship winner, in the Salemite office trying to get a mil- Lu Long Ogburn Will Present Graduating Recital On Monday

cital at 8:30 p.m. on Monday, March 29 in Memorial Hall.

Lu Long, Salem's May Queen this year, has served on the May Court



The Salem College School of | Honor Society, she has served as Music will present Lu Long Og- president of her senior class, chief burn, pianist, in a graduating re- marshal, a member of the Lecture committee and the Scorpions.

> This past fall Lu Long was elected by the faculty to represent Salem in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

While at Salem, Lu Long has studiedounder Mrs. Margaret Merriman and Hans Heidemann.

Her program is as follows: Partita in B flat ... Bach-Bauer Capriccio, op. 76, No. 1.... Intermezzo, op. 118, No. 2 Rhapsody, op. 79, No. 1 Brahms Triana (from Iiberia Suite)

Andaluza (Playera) Granados

Danse Rituelle Du Feu De Falla

Concerto in F Allegro Gershwin (Hans Heidemann at the second