

News Briefs

Wednesday, May 19, will be Reading Day. All students should consult the handbook as final authority on Reading Day regulations.

Invitations to all alumnae for commencement activities were mailed this week from the president's office.

According to Dr. Dale H. Gramley, 180 students, the largest number in recent years, will be returning to Salem next fall. An unusually small number of freshmen are being admitted, however.

Bobbi Kuss, president, announces the following recently-elected officers of the IRS: vice-president, Ernestine Kapp; secretary, Eleanor Smith; treasurer, Denyse McLawhorn; and reporter, Nancy Cockfield. Sissie Allen will be in charge of revising the IRS Hints booklet for freshmen.

The dining room will be closed for the Summer after lunch on Tuesday, June 1.

Physical Education exams for freshmen will be given at 5:00 p.m.

on Tuesday, May 18, in Main Hall. These same exams will be given to upperclassmen at 6:30 p.m. on this same day.

A communion service will be held for all students at 9:00 p.m. on Reading Day night in the Little Chapel.

A student art exhibit will open tonight in Memorial Hall. This exhibit contains the works of 24 Salem students, and will be shown throughout the exam period.

Dr. Dale H. Gramley will speak in Bethlehem, Penn. on Monday, May 24, at an annual meeting of the Community Council. He will return to the campus on Wednesday, May 26, after which he will make the commencement address at Oak Ridge Military Institute on Friday, May 28.



Editor's Letters

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mental and physical training (with all the restrictions) to make better disciplined citizens.

One attribute which I find prevalent in most schools is that the majority is only interested in conforming to the educating system. One is guaranteed of two things if the prescribed courses are taken for graduation in a school: one is a diploma, the other is—not to have an education.

If the instructors are authorities on the subject, I would think it wise to get more than my money's worth from them. Anyone can conform to the system, but it takes one with greater interest to challenge the system and conform to it at the same time. We have too many conforming, especially to bad habits, in the world today. Probably bad habits are involved in the

60,000 new cases each year that enter mental institutions, the 30,000 suicides and the one half million that pass through our courts into jails each year.

One of the greatest handicaps to progress for us (the younger generation) is the bad habits of the older generation. These habits tend to be an iron curtain which we must forge through in order to progress. Our adopting these same habits and conforming to them will hinder the next.

I think many would agree with me that editorials are not necessarily to conform to the ideas of the majority as one who was recently seeking editorship of THE DAILY TAR HEEL put forth. So for reading which will make some think, keep the fine work up and I will be one of your regular readers always.

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