

If your walls are yellow and
your bedspreads blue,
The winner of the decoration
contest may be you.
Close the windows, shut the
doors,

The Salemite

Leave on the lights, and vacate
the floors.
When Donald gives orders, you
just be meek,
'Cause honey, this is Fire Pre-
vention Week!

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Drama Group To Present French Play

Casting of the Pierrette Production's fall play has begun, and Diane Huntley was chosen to play the leading role of Monseieur Jourdain. The five act play by Moliere, "Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme", will be presented in early December by the drama group. Miss Elizabeth Riegner will direct and has cast the play.

Miss Ann Mixon, president of the Pierettes, disclosed the following as the tentative cast as selected by Miss Reigner. Madam Jourdain, Jane Brown; Lucille Jourdain, Ann Mixon; Cleonte, Toni Gill; Nicole, Lucille's maid, Julia Parker; Cleonte's valet, Covielle, Louise Fike; Dorante, a nobleman, Judy Graham; and Ginger Dysard as Dorimene, a lady.

The Music Master will be played by Freda Siler; the Music Master's pupil, Kay Williams; the Dancing Master, Sally Reiland; the Fencing Master, Emily Baker; a philosopher, Sandra Whitlock; the Master Tailor, Donald Caldwell; and Lackies, Sarah Eason and Martha Dunlap.

According to Miss Mixon, the plot is a complicated one. M. Jourdain, a middle class aspirant to the status of a gentleman engages instructors in the fine arts and attempts to break up the courtship between his daughter, Lucille, and Cleonte, a middle-class gentleman. Madam Jourdain, a very sensible woman, regards her husband's actions as absurd and concentrates on promoting the marriage of her daughter. To balance the courtship of their mistress and master, Nicole and Covielle are very much in love.

Production Manager will be Miss Mixon. The Modern Dance Club will present ballet interpretations of music written for the play by Strauss. Miss Nancy Florance will be in charge of the music.

"For the first time," Miss Mixon said, "the cast will be allowed three free days for six-weeks test; and we shall have eight weeks of rehearsal, rather than the usual six."

Hixson Reveals Summer Work

A report from the Academic Office proved that Salem students showed their versatility and industriousness by the varied ways in which they used their summer vacations. A poll conducted for all new and returning Salemites revealed that summer school headed the list of ways that Salemites utilized their time. Sixty-four returning students were enrolled either in summer school or business school. Five new students either attended college or high school summer sessions. Office work occupied thirty-eight old girls and seventeen new girls. Camp counseling was the third largest category under which summer jobs were classified. Fifteen were counselors and six were swimming instructors.

A total of four Salemites were working in summer stock. Eight were engaged in selling and three served on the college boards of department stores. Four were waitresses in a resort hotel in Canada. Two girls were choir directors and two taught dancing. Other jobs in which Salem girls were engaged included laboratory work, farming, nursing, factory work, hospital volunteer work, and church organist.



Shown wearing clothes they will model in the May Day Committee's fashion show next week are: Carolyn Miller, Sue Gregory, and Mrs. Louise Lowe.

Students And Faculty To Model Latest Styles; Fashion Show To Benefit May Day Pageant

By Mary Ann Raines

The new Dior styles set Paris talking, and now Salem students have a chance to add their comments to those of fashion experts. These styles and others will be featured at a fashion show sponsored by the May Day Committee at 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 13, in Old Chapel.

A prominent store in town is giving the fashion show to help raise money for the May Day pageant. The latest styles in winter clothes will be shown. The way

Lecture Group Presents Plans

A series of varied lecture programs presenting experts in their respective fields will soon be announced by the Salem College Lecture Committee for the 1954-55 season.

The speakers for this year's Lecture Series are in great demand and will present diverse ideas and experiences intended to educate as well as entertain the audience.

One such speaker is John Mason Brown who will appear this Spring. Mr. Brown is a noted author and critic, specializing in the field of drama. "Rare wit" is a noted quality in Mr. Brown's lectures; and due to his diligent preparation for the theatre, he has often been called "one of America's most stage-struck individuals."

The controlling committee in charge of selection and presentation of these artists is headed by Miss Jess Byrd. Aiding her are interested students, faculty, and townspeople who are as follows: Miss Edith Kirkland, Mrs. Kate Pyron, Miss Margaret Barrier, Miss Margaret Ann Collett, Mr. Warren Spencer, Mr. Edwin Shewmake, Mrs. Henry Blackwell of the Academy, Mrs. Richard Shore and Mrs. Burton Craige.

Salem students on the committee are: Betty Lynn Wilson, Salemite Editor; Rosanne Worthington, senior representative; Agnes Rennie, representative at large; Nancy Gilchrist, sophomore representative; Audrey Lindley, Day Student representative; Gayle Cooper, Academy representative; Mary Benton Royster, junior representative; and Miriam Quarles, freshman representative.

the weather has been recently, I know everyone is wondering if there is going to be a winter. However, if all prayers are answered, cold weather will soon be here, and Salem students and faculty will want to have the very latest styles.

In the above picture you can see a sample of the clothes which will be in the show. Mrs. Lowe, the assistant librarian, is wearing a cocktail dress based on the new Dior lines. It features the "H" shape which consists of the long torso and the raised, unemphasized bust.

Carolyn Miller is modeling one of the latest fads around college campuses. She is wearing red plaid kilts emphasized by white knee socks. Sue Gregory is wearing the kind of a dress which is basic to any wardrobe. It is made of oxford gray wool, finished off in a checked wool. It is the type of dress a student can wear to church, to a football game, to travel in, or for almost any other occasion which arises.

This is just a minute part of the many clothes which will be shown at the fashion show. There are going to be clothes for everyone to pick from, even the faculty. Yes, for the first time a fashion show is being given in which the faculty fashions will be modeled by members of the faculty and administration.

Those people who are modeling

Salem Fire Officials Conduct First Drill

The week October 3-10 is Fire Prevention Week throughout the United States. In accordance with this proclamation by President Eisenhower Salem is observing this annual week.

Donald Caldwell, Salem's fire chief, has appointed fire captains in each dormitory and fire lieutenants on each floor. The duties of these appointees is to give instructions to the girls and to see that these rules are enforced.

The first scheduled fire drill was Wednesday night. Officials of the city fire department were here to assist the students.

from the faculty and administration are Mrs. Heidbreder, Mrs. Lowe, and Miss Vardell. Those who are modeling from the student body are: Jean Currin, Kay Cunningham, Sue Jones, Ann Campbell, Susie Glaser, Peggy Horton, Carol Campbell, Barbara Durham, Toni Gill, Pat Greene, Carolyn Miller, Sue Gregory, Nollner Morrisett, Nancy Walker, and Marybelle Horton.

Not only will there be beautiful clothes but, there will also be door prizes which will be gift certificates to a store downtown. This store has been kind enough to come out to Salem and do this fashion show for the May Day Committee. We hope there will be a large crowd in Old Chapel on Wednesday night. Admission is fifty cents, and that money goes into producing a bigger and better May Day pageant than Salem has ever had. Everyone try to be there Wednesday night.

Pianists Return To Alma Mater To Present First Guest Recital

The Salem College School of Music will present Benjamin and Nancy Dunford in a duo-piano recital Oct. 11 at 8:30 p.m. in Memorial Hall. They will be the first guest recitalists this semester.

Dr. and Mrs. Dunford are members of the faculty of the School for the Blind, Spartanburg, S. C. He is director of music, and she is an instructor in voice and chorus. Both are graduates of Salem College; he, in 1937 and she, in 1946. They studied under Dr. Charles Vardell here.

Dr. Dunford served for four years in the Army and has done graduate work at University of Texas, where he earned his masters degree in composition, the University of Michigan and Eastman School of Music, where he received his Ph.D. degree in 1953.

He has had compositions performed by the Eastman-Rochester Symphony under Howard Hanson, Southwestern Symposium Symphony Orchestra under both Alexander von Kriesler and Victor Alessandro, and the Omaha Symphony Orchestra under Richard Duncan.

New Forum Is Organized By Officers

The Presidents' Forum, a new organization on campus, met for the first time on Monday, October 4, to approve its constitution. The purposes of the forum are: to coordinate the activity and to obtain the cooperation of all student organizations; to act as a clearing house for all campus extra-curricular activities; to avoid duplication and conflicts in meetings; to act as advisory council to organizations, Dean's office, and the handbook committee.

The suggestion for organizing this council was made last year by past campus leaders who felt that the activities of the clubs could be better organized if a member of each met in a group aimed for mutual benefit for the clubs and their members.

Sandra Whitlock, Ann Mixon, and Betty Lynn Wilson were appointed to draw up a tentative constitution. This committee decided that the meetings should be held monthly with the power to call emergency meetings if necessary.

The Presidents' Forum will include the heads of all organizations and the vice-presidents of the Student Government Association. Each of the latter members will serve as presiding officer for a four months' period. Faculty advice will be given by the Dean of Students, an elected adviser. Dr. Gramley will be an honorary adviser.

It was decided by the group on Monday night that meetings be held on the first Monday of each month. The Secretary of the Presidents' Forum, whose duty it is to coordinate the discussions and minutes, is to be elected by the group from any class except the freshman class. Rachel Ray was chosen to fill this office this year; and, Jane Little and Dottie Allen will preside as chairman.

Through such a medium as this, the organization, including — Student Government, International Relations Club, Young Women's Christian Association, Athletic Association, Pierettes Productions, Future Teachers of America, the Day Students' Organization, Lablings, Home Economics Club,—hope to be able to solve their problems and to create more student interest through constructive criticism and suggestions.

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Nancy Ridenhour Dunford did graduate study in New York City with Edwin Hughes. She returned to Salem in 1947 to join the School of Music faculty. She received her masters degree in composition from the University of Texas in 1950. She was chief cataloger of music, Sibley Music Library of the Eastman School of Music.

The following program will be presented Monday night:

Concerto Grosso in D Minor,
Op. 3, No. 11. Vivaldi-Dunford
Rondo Capriccioso, Op. 14.....
Mendelssohn-Bach
Introduction and Allegro appassionato,
Op. 92Schumann
Children's Suite
Nancy R. Dunford
Parade Abram Chasins
Excerpts from *Cherchez la
femme* (orchestral suite)
Benjamin Dunford
Dance Divertimento
Kent Kenan

After their arrival the Winston-Salem branch of the Salem College Alumnae Association will entertain at a reception in the Day Students Center.