

### Rats And Mice

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style, while scrubbing the walk; another had to imitate Mary Pickford while doing a hand stand.

Rat Court climaxed these "ratty" days. We were marched into the Old Chapel and made to sit on the floor with our backs to the stage so I really couldn't tell too much about the proceedings. However, I sneaked a peek at Marian Harris. She was prancing about the stage pulling her hair and screaming. No, she is not crazy; she was just mimicking life in a snake pit. Next thing I knew, the sophomores had three blindfolded girls up on a table telling them to jump on a floor supposedly covered with tacks. I can't imagine why they looked so scared. The rest of the program was taken up with such things as a dance from Rita Hayworth and a speech from Elizabeth Taylor. Exhausted, we were led on a mysterious hike through the May Dell.

Things are fine now that Rat Week is over. All the classes are happy, as the cokes and cookies given to the freshmen by the sophomores at a party made the rats and the rattlers friends again. It wasn't really hard to think of the sophomores again as a swell group of girls.

Writing all of this had made me realize how tired I am.

Love,

Your daughter

P. S. Don't worry about me in case of an air raid or a flood. I learned from experience that an air raid calls for lying face-down on the ground and a flood calls for standing on the highest object in sight.

### Of All Things

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work. An' as he look aroun' at all de big buildin's an' crowdedly streets, he sing a li' song, an' de words come floatin' back across de campus as he ride away:

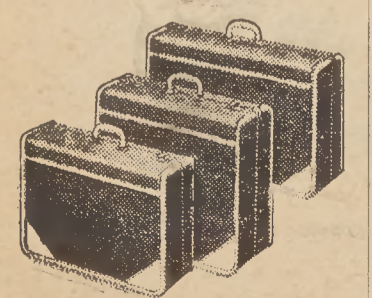
"Oh to drift back to de swamp-land  
Dat is my ole stompin' groun',  
Where de brooklet meets de bayou  
Wif a happy lappin' soun'  
Where de hyacinths float out a purple carpet to my throne—  
Dat's my ole moss-covered cypress dat to me is Home,  
Sweet Home."



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### News Briefs

New Lablings officers were elected at their first meeting this year which was held Tuesday, October 12, in the Science Building. The new officers are: vice-president, Edith Howell; secretary and reporter, Freda Siler; treasurer, Katherine Oglesby; refreshment committee, Sara Katherine Huff and Betty Sue Justice. Programs for this school term were discussed by Rosanne Worthington, president of the club.

Agnes Rennie will be the featured speaker at Vespers on Sunday night in Little Chapel. Vespers is sponsored each Sunday night by the Y. W. C. A.; the service begins at 5:00.

Dr. Hixson, Miss Marsh, and Dr. Gramley will meet with the Salem College Alumnae Club of Concord on Oct. 20. Dr. Hixson will also speak to the juniors and seniors at the high school in Concord.

The library test for freshmen and all new students will be given at 12:10 p.m., on Oct. 19 in the Library.

On Saturday, October 23, Salem

College will be hostess to the North Carolina Association of the Deans of Women. Dean Grafton of Mary Baldwin College, Staunton, Virginia, will be the speaker for the morning session. Her subject will be: Freedom and Responsibility on a College Campus. Following luncheon in the refectory, panel discussions will be conducted. Both morning and afternoon sessions will be held in the Day Students' Center.

Erlinda Abueg, Gull-Mari Lundberg, and Maria Ines Astorga have been asked to be on the program of the American Association of University Women at their meeting at the city Y. W. C. A. The topic of the program is International Relationships.

The R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company has invited all Salem students to tour their plant on October 21 and 22. The Scorpions are in charge of the transportation.

The Special Committee on Christmas Activities met Oct. 14 to decide about the programs on the calendar for December.

A meeting has been tentatively called for October 9, at 12:00 noon for the purpose of evaluating the 1954 Orientation Week. All girls who were active in Orientation Week will be present to make

criticisms and suggestions to the committee who will be in charge of the 1955 Orientation Week. Any student who has a recommendation, is asked to take it to Mrs. Heidbreder.

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