

# Beyond the Square ...

## In The White House

We will be seeing a lot more of Ike in the coming months. Men around the President have convinced him that he will have to fight hard to have his plans approved by Congress. He plans to appeal directly to the people and count on his personal popularity and influence to get his ideas across. If he can sell the public on these ideas it will be no trick to sell Congress.

A major speech on TV will be coming up soon. A whole series of short TV talks is being planned. They will concentrate on the foreign program and mainly foreign aid. Mr. Eisenhower will appear more and more at luncheons and other gatherings, making off-the-cuff speeches, which will be picked up by radio and TV.

## In Congress

Let's see what people are saying to their Congressmen on the present issues. Government spending is the big issue. Many people are clamoring for economy. Foreign aid seems to be the chief complaint of those who want economy in Government. Some are demanding tax cuts, but most people want any budget savings applied first to a reduction in the public debt. The civil-rights question is hot in the South and some big cities of the North, but it is getting little attention elsewhere. Postal rates are rarely mentioned to Congressmen and school aid seems to be fading as an issue across the country.

## Abroad

Soviet engineers are quite concerned over the success of uranium prospecting in the U. S. They are telling their ministries that Russia should get busy producing cheap Geiger counters so that Soviet citizens can become amateur prospectors.

Unhappy Egyptian Army officers who recently left Egypt are reported to be seeking financial support for a military coup to get rid of President Nasser. These officers have tried to get aid for this campaign in Beirut, Lebanon and in various European capitals. It would be interesting to see this appeal proposed in the U. S.

## At Home

There is growing concern among U. S. military forces about the Communist build-up in North Korea. A supply of modern weapons is going to the forces there. We interpret the 1953 armistice as banning the most up-to-date weapons. As usual the Communists don't see things as anyone else.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the U. S., an important church body of the South, has taken a strong stand against racial segregation. This group approved a 4,000-word document that denounced racial discrimination in public schools, churches, public meeting places, and employment. Churchgoers were warned against joining the Ku Klux Klan or any councils engaging in violence.

Last week the 28,000 mile system of telephone lines for notifying U. S. communities of enemy attack went into operation. This network runs from the Continental Air Defense Command headquarters at Colorado Springs, Colo. to 200 key Colorado Springs, Colo., to 200 key From these points lines fan out to neighboring communities. This network is manned 24 hours a day, and Civil Defense officials say that an air raid alert could be flashed to the key warning points in about one minute.

Scott Crossfield, 35-year-old test pilot, has been chosen to fly the X-15. This is the rocket-powered research plane being built at the North American Aviation factory in California. The flight will probably be made next year—4,000 miles an hour and some 100 miles above the earth!

The highway program is going on schedule but there is trouble ahead. Officials are certain now that it will take far more than the 13 years and 28 billion dollars for the 41,000 miles of superhighways that were promised by this plan. Latest tax estimates show the Federal Government will need 15 years instead of 13 to raise the money. Construction costs are more than 12 per cent above costs estimated at the beginning of the program. The necessary steel is scarce and disputes over buying land for rights of way is slowing down building.

## The Americans

Next month New England Poet Robert Frost, 82, will be given honorary degrees by both Cambridge and Oxford. He is one of the few Americans to be so honored in recent times. Other Americans to receive this double distinction are Henry Wadsworth Longfellow in 1868 and James Russell Lowell in 1873.

This week one of the season's most widely discussed books is being published. It is "In the Court of Public Opinion" by Alger Hiss. In his book, Hiss repeats his contention that he is innocent and supports this with what he claims is new evidence.

Men, the "weaker sex" may have to start crying if they want to live longer, says Dr. James Bond of the Florida Board of Health. Men need to learn from women how to avoid emotional tension or to deal with it in less damaging ways than development of coronary artery disease.

—Sue Cooper

## Calendar

- Friday, May 10—
  - 8:30 Graduating Piano Recital, Mary Margaret Dzevaltauskas
  - Carolina: "Tarzan and the Lost Safari", starring Gordon Scott
  - Winston: "Smiley", a children's picture starring Ralph Richardson
- Saturday, May 11—
- Sunday, May 12—
  - 6:30 Vespers in Little Chapel
  - Carolina: "Shoot-out at Medicine Bend", starring Randolph Scott
  - Winston: "Man Afraid"
- Monday, May 13—
  - 1:30 Day Students
  - 5:00 Student Government
  - 6:00 Phi Alpha Theta Dinner Meeting, Corrin Refectory
  - 6:00 "Y" Cabinet
  - 6:30 Rehearsal for Hat Burning
  - 8:30 Graduating Piano Recital, Madeline Allen
- Tuesday, May 14—
  - 10:20 Closing Chapel (required)
  - 5:00 Music 114 Listening
  - 6:30 FTA
  - 6:45 Music 110 (Listening)
  - 9:00 Hat Burning
- Wednesday, May 15—
  - Reading Day
  - 9:00 p.m. Holy Communion in Little Chapel
- Thursday, May 16—Friday, May 24 EXAMS!

# Dr. Spencer Welcomed By Majors

May Day Weekend means the pageant, the Court, the dance, the re-unions. This year the happiest reunion occurred outside Dr. Africa's 10:20 U. S. and World Affairs class. The junior and senior history majors all dashed out, and there stood Dr. Warren Spencer. After the preliminary hand shakes and "how are you's" and after Dr. Lewis had joined us, Dr. Spencer suggested that we all go to the drug store for one of those famous coffee gatherings.

After stopping on second floor of Main Hall and greeting Mrs. Spencer, the five of us (Terry Harmon, also visiting; Anne Fordham, Mary Ann Hagwood, Celia Smith, and Kay Williams), the Spencers, Dr. Lewis, and Mr. Wendt moved our re-union over to the drug store. Over our coffee and cigarettes, we had a long talk with Dr. and Mrs. Spencer. They are living in Norfolk, Va., where Dr. Spencer is teaching at an extension of William and Mary College.

Dr. Spencer told us about forming a history society on campus; and how they meet at the students' homes for dinner and discussion. He also has plans for forming a chapter of Phi Alpha Theta.

Mrs. Spencer told us that Dr. Spencer is doing the things he has always wanted to do—write and lecture. He has been giving lectures and writing since they moved to Norfolk.

Dr. Spencer let us in on the best news, however, when he told us about Dr. Case, the foremost European historian in the U. S., asking him to collaborate on a book.

We not only caught up on all the news about the Spencers but we also got in on some of the Lewis-Spencer philosophy, which has been missed at Salem this year.

As we left the drug store Dr. and Mrs. Spencer agreed that they had missed Salem as much as Salem had missed them.

We all agreed not to wait so long again to see each other; even if we had to go to Norfolk.

—Mary Ann Hagwood

# Choir School Plans Made

Mr. Paul Peterson will be in charge and director of the Salem College Summer Choir School held here at the college.

The opening will be June 10, 1:00 p.m. (with a luncheon). Classes begin at 2:00 p.m. and closing luncheon will be on Saturday, June 15.

There will be special features, daily schedule for morning classes, afternoon classes, and evening. The total fee will be \$57.50 (Tuition \$25.00, music \$10.00, Board and Room \$22.50).

Bitting Dorm will be the "home" on Salem campus. Bed linen and blankets will be furnished. Students must furnish towels. Individual meal tickets are available for day students.

Registration fee will be \$10.00 (part of tuition). Remaining fees will be paid in the Business Office Monday morning, June 10. Applications will be given to anyone interested. Due before June 1.



The engagement of Miss Elizabeth Louise Hamner, daughter of William Hamner and the late Mrs. Hamner, to Wallace Deane Taylor, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Jacqueline Plummer Taylor is announced by her father. The wedding will be held at Centenary Methodist Church in August.

# Dean Receives Dedication

"To Dean Amy R. Heidbreder, for her guidance and unselfish help to all Salemites, we, the Class of 1957, dedicate the **Sights and Insights**. As Sissie Allen, editor, concluded the presentation of the 1957 annual with these words during Chapel on Tuesday, the entire Senior Class rose in honor of the dedicatee as she walked forward to the stage to accept her copy of the red-bound book.

Another completely new highlight is the appearance of the May Queen and her attendants pictured in the dresses actually worn in this year's Court. Previously, the dresses from the preceding May Day were worn in these pictures.

The introductions on the black pages at the beginning of each section were written by Jo Smitherman; the art work throughout the book was done by Anis Ira and Brenda Goerdel, Art Editors. Jane Wrike, Business Manager was in charge of selling ads to finance the publication, and Photography Editor, Jane Bridges, was responsible for taking the pictures or having them made.

Sissie's other assistants were Mary Walston, Assistant Editor; Shirley Redlack, Associate Editor; and Toni Gill, Linda Lou Chappell, Mickey Shuford, and Rosemary Laney, Class Editors.

The combined efforts of these people have produced the 1957 edition of the **Sights and Insights**, a word and picture record of all that has happened during the past year at Salem College.



Mrs. Heidbreder

Issued to the Student Body immediately after the close of Assembly, this year's edition of the **Sights and Insights** features several changes. For the first time in many years, colored pictures are used on some of the opening pages, although the general color theme is black and white.

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