

# Dr. A. A. Thaeler Charms Students In Assembly

Although Mary may have been a bit embarrassed by what her father said, the others of us in chapel on January 14 thoroughly enjoyed Dr. David Thaeler's address. For a topic he chose seven locks and seven keys as symbols of different situations and the women involved in them: each of us is a key of a certain shape that must be ground and filed to fit the complex lock that is life.

Nicaragua has been Dr. Thaeler's home for the past twenty-three years. He went there—after finishing theological and medical schools and serving for awhile as the late Bishop Rondthaler's secretary — to preside over the fifty-bed Moravian mission hospital at Bilwaskarma. Now he is head-surgeon as well; he and Mrs. Thaeler also run the nurses' training school.

The doctor was in the United States in January to buy supplies for a new twenty-five bed hospital to be located ninety miles from Bilwaskarma in Puerto Cabezas. Originally, the Moravian Church told him that, if he could raise half the money toward a new wing on the old hospital, they would provide the other half; but the Seventh Day Adventists wanted to sell their building in Puerto Cabezas. This would mean the Moravians would not have to build, so they bought it. Money had never been raised in that area for anything; Dr. Thaeler was afraid it might be impossible. But \$9000 was forthcoming—in American dollars, not the Indian cordova which has deflated in value from one dollar to fifteen cents.

The nurses at the training school and the hospital are Creole, descendants of early African slaves; the nurses' aides and the kitchen girls are Miskito, the natives of the area; the patients are mainly American and Canadian, though many Nicaraguans benefit from the hospital clinic.

Mrs. Thaeler is a nurse by profession. She was sent to Bilwaskarma after she finished her training at the Rochester Mayo Clinic. "She arrived on a Sunday morning and did she look good!"

By Wednesday — via meetings under a huge pine tree that stood halfway between the nurses' home and the hospital—the two were engaged. They were married six weeks later—"very happily, I might add."

When asked what he thought about the Wake Forest dance controversy, Dr. Thaeler said, "Well, you know—we have much the same situation in our little community."

It seems that the Indians have banned dancing in Bilwaskarma and for a rather logical reason: a dance usually means liquor, riots, and fights. The doctor commented that there was not much trouble with the nurses on this issue; they realize how any neglect of the ban would reflect on the hospital and the quality of the care it gives.

—Anne W. Howes

## Calendar

- Friday, January 31—  
 Movies:  
 Carolina "Tarnished Angels," with Rock Hudson  
 Winston "Eighteen and Anxious" and "Girl in the Woods," with Forrest Tucker
- Sunday, February 2—  
 Movies:  
 Winston "Peyton Place," with Lana Turner
- Monday, February 3—  
 1:15 Day Student Meeting  
 4:45 Basketball Practice  
 5:00 Student Government  
 6:30 "Y" Cabinet
- Tuesday, February 4—  
 1:45 The "Miss Student Teacher" Program  
 4:45 Basketball Practice
- Wednesday, February 5—  
 4:45 Basketball Practice  
 5:00 Faculty Meeting
- Thursday, February 6—  
 Movies: Carolina "Pal Joey"  
 1:45 Organ Program, Mr. Mueller. Old Chapel  
 4:45 Basketball Practice  
 6:30 Lablings
- Friday, February 7—  
 4:45 Basketball Practice

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will be marriage number five for greatest catchers in baseball, may Miss Hayworth!

Roy Campanella, one of the have ended his career this week. An automobile accident broke his neck and left him paralyzed. The operation may have been successful, but it is doubtful that he will play again.

—Sue Cooper

# Around the Square

Every Salemite is turning over a new leaf — and every professor is assigning another term paper.

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Barbara Cornwell is being congratulated for being SAE Sweetheart at Davidson College.

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Beth Taylor and Nyra Boyd are showing off their pins. Nyra is pinned to Bob Riddle, a Sigma Phi law student at Wake Forest College. Beth (after numerous false claims) is pinned to Curtis Siever, a Phi Gam at the University of North Carolina.

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Mary Jane Galloway is conducting chapel with added zest. She was recently pinned by David Quattlebaum, president of the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity at Duke University.

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Judith Anderson is still talking about her spring trip with her fiance in Vermont. Judith and Bob Barrett have many things in common—besides being "only children", they both majored in Spanish. Bob

is now doing graduate work in the Russian language at Columbia.

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Harry is back in his "Hide-Away."

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The freshmen look like "little men in white coats". Their charcoal gray trimmed blazers were given out last Tuesday.

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When Dr. Gramley stated in chapel last Tuesday that every class cut cost us approximately one dollar, Cuka turned to Silvia and asked, "Well, why don't they pay us a dollar every time we cut class?"

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With mid-winters at Davidson and Wake Forest in the immediate future, telephones are ringing in every dormitory.

—Margaret Mac Queen

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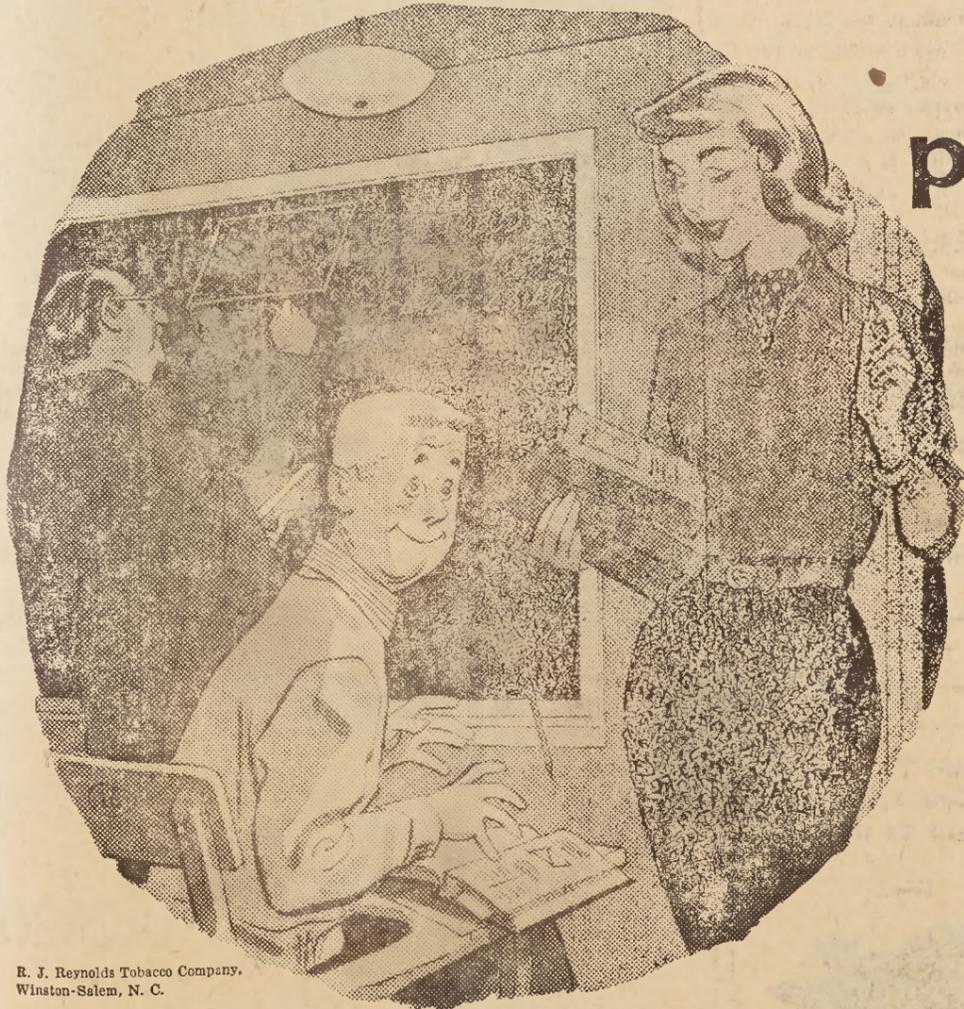
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3. Do you call off a movie date with the campus doll because somebody tells you the film got bad reviews?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Do you think anything beats rich tobacco flavor and smooth mildness in a cigarette?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Do you believe two coeds in your brother's class are worth one in yours?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Do you feel that your college's dating rules are too lenient?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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