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## Educational Department Receives National Accreditation

### Salem Is First Liberal Arts College In North Carolina To Get National Recognition

As a result of the meeting of the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education on April 11-12, Salem College has been fully accredited for the preparation of elementary and secondary school teachers, effective September, 1957. Salem, in meeting the standards for national accreditation, became the first liberal arts college in North Carolina to receive this recognition.

Such accreditation is important because of the prestige Salem will gain and because it will now be much easier for Salem students to

get out-of-state teaching jobs. As Dr. James Hillman of the State Department of Public Instruction in a letter of congratulation to Dr. Gramley, "This is a big step for the course of teacher education in North Carolina. Other colleges will now begin seeking accreditation."

In considering Salem's accreditation, the council reviewed a report prepared by a visitation team which was on Salem's campus last November. The team, composed of Dr. Roosevelt Basker of George Peabody College for Teachers, Dr. Charles G. Caldwell of Madison

College, Dr. Joe F. Wilkes of the University of Louisville, Dean Kenneth Kuehner of Coker College, and Dr. Hillman visited classes and talked to students and faculty. They were guided in their inquiry by a complete report on our program prepared by Dr. Elizabeth Welch, Miss White, Dean Hixson, and Dr. Gramley.

The National Council for Accreditation for Teacher Education was begun four years ago. At that time only teachers' colleges applied for accreditation. However, the program has been expanded to such an extent that Dr. Gramley feels that within the next ten years practically all liberal arts schools will find it necessary to have their teachers training programs accredited.

## McIlroy Places On Top In Regional Singing Meet

Geraldine McIlroy, talented sophomore voice major has been awarded first prize by the South-Eastern Regional Auditions of the National Association of Teachers of Singing. The contest was held in High Point, N. C., Saturday, April 19. This was the first contest held in this area which includes four states: North Carolina, South

Carolina, Virginia, Florida.

Gerry competed against four other contestants: a contralto from Miami University, a soprano from Converse College, a soprano from Meredith College, and a baritone from Lynchburg College. The fifteen judges included all the members of the association.

Gerry sang four numbers which were: "Art Thou Troubled", Handel; "Die Konige," Cornelius; "Sommi Dei," Handel; and "How Your True Love To Know," Diller. And, by the way, Gerry said that she was the only one who sang anything in English.

The runners-up were the representatives from Converse and Miami.

## Walker Will Play Franck This Monday

This year's May Queen, Nancy Walker, will give her graduation piano recital on Monday April 28 at 8:30 P.M. in Memorial Hall. Nancy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Walker of Kinston, North Carolina, is a student of Clemens Sandresky and a candidate for a Bachelor of Music degree. She has also studied with Mrs. James Hardy of Kinston, Mrs. James Christian Pfohl at Transylvania Music Camp, Brevard, N. C., during the summer of 1955, and with Mr. John Collin at the University of Michigan last summer.

While at Salem, Nancy has been active in many of the organizations on campus. She was president of the IRC her junior year, president of the Music Club and a member of the Lecture Series Committee this year. She is also a member of the Honor Society.

After graduation Nancy is considering studying at Columbia University, where she will take undergraduate courses toward a Bachelor of Arts Degree.

The program for Monday night is as follows:

- Prelude and Fugue in F sharp minor ..... Bach
- Sonata in A major, Opus No. 2 ..... Beethoven
- Three Preludes ..... Kent Kennan
- Variations Symphoniques ..... Franck

There will be a reception in the Friendship Rooms of Strong Dormitory immediately following the recital.

## W-F Chorus Featured In Concert

For their last performance of the season, the Winston-Salem Symphony will feature the Wake Forest College Chorus in a "Pops" Concert on April 29.

The orchestra will open the program with the "Gypsy Baron" by Strauss. The remainder of the program before intermission will consist of two movements of the Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 5 in E minor, "Pizzicato Polks" by Stix, "The Swan" by Saint-Saens featuring nine cellos and harp, and "American Salute" by Morton Gould. The "American Salute" is

## Hamrick Narrates "May On A Merry - Go - Round"

After tryouts Tuesday afternoon, Jane Bridges, May Day Chairman, announced that the narrator for the pageant, "May On A Merry-Go-Round", will be Lynne Hamrick, a senior from Winston-Salem.

The part of the narrator, classified as one of the leading roles in the pageant, consists of interpreting the script and introducing the May Court and Queen. Lynn's experience as a voice major and actress in the Pierrette productions of "The Grass Harp", and "The House of Bernarda Alba", were factors in her selection.

Last spring, she was elected to head the Pierrettes, and received the Pierrette Award for the best

actress of the year.

Lynne, who was presented in her graduating voice recital two weeks ago, spent one summer in Cherokee, N. C., as a singer and dancer in the outdoor drama "Unto These Hills". This past summer she studied in Oslo, Norway, as a recipient of the L. Corrin Strong Scholarship for summer study.

## IRS Council Issues Plans For May Day

The May Day Weekend festivities will begin Friday, May 2 at 8:30 p.m. with a combo party on the lawn of back campus. The dress may be very informal.

The May Day Dance Saturday night from 9:00 'til 12:00 will be centered around a Carrousel theme. Music will be provided by an orchestra from Gastonia, The Statesmen. Admission per couple is \$3.

The overall co-chairmen of the dance are Skippy Stone and Jerome Moore. The refreshments will be handled by Evelyn Vincent, the dance bids by Marilyn Fishel and Lynn Ligon, publicity by Jane Irby, and figure by Betsy Gilmore.

The I. R. S. Council members will be calling on the student body to help decorate the gym and work on various committees.

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a variation on "When Johnny Comes Marching Home."

After intermission the Wake Forest Chorus under the direction of Dr. Thane McDonald, head of the school of music at Wake Forest, will present "The Magic Moments" by Bacharach, "Catch A Falling Star," and "Sourwood Mountain." With the orchestra the chorus will perform "Gloria" by Rimsky-Korsakov, a medley of Romberg's music entitled "Tribute to Romberg," and "Triumphal March" from Verdi.

*"when the world is puddle-wonderful"*



Spring . . . the first wild violets peep up between the bricks . . . a cool breeze with a hint of chill makes the infant budding leaves look premature in the sunlight . . . daydreams in the classroom . . . "My heart leaps up when I" . . . swishing petticoats and newly-tanned legs . . . window washers and Mr. Yarborough cleaning the pool . . . iced tea and deserted bridge tables . . .

Awkward feet in the May Dell . . . seniors' half-smiles . . . juniors looking important . . . sophomores looking harried and freshmen, wishful . . . dance music from the sunbather's portable . . . "Hail to thee, blithe spirit" . . . open door at Harry's . . . chill in the enveloping shadows . . . woolens sent home; replaced by frothy formals . . . an empty tennis press by a golf bag in readiness . . . supper by dying sunlight . . .

Tinkling china from the open dining hall windows . . . the new-mown grass after the whirr of the lawnmower . . . Tanglewood . . . classes by the lily pond . . . professors out of hibernation, smiling on the world again . . . and the eternal rain . . . "A thing of beauty . . ."



## W. R. A. Plans Banquet For Sports Fans

The Women's Recreation Association will have its annual banquet on Thursday, May 1, in the Club Dining Room.

Awards will be presented by Martha McClure, the newly elected president, to those who have earned the required number of points. Awards will be given to ten varsity basketball players, ten varsity volleyball players, and an award to the badminton, tennis, and archery finalists respectively. Five letters will be presented to girls having earned 30 points, two stars for 45 points, and four blazers for 55 points.

As guest speaker, Dr. Robert Helm, associate professor of philosophy and psychology at Wake Forest, will speak on "Our Values and the Choices We Make."

Overall chairman of the banquet is Gray Duncan. Serving on her committee is Jane Rostan in charge of food, Mary Scott Best, programs, Hila Moore, invitations, Marian Neamand, favors, Lynn Warren, flowers, and Frankie Cunningham and Gail Landers music.