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Stevens, Symphony Soloist Plays Schumann Concerto

Salem College faculty member Willis Stevens, at present doing work towards a doctorate in piano and musicology at Eastman School of Music, will be guest soloist at the opening concert of the 1959

Winston-Salem Symphony Series.

Mr. Stevens will arrive in Winston-Salem on Sunday, October 10, well in advance of the Thursday night performance. Mrs. Stevens, the former Betty Reigner, will accompany him.

Mr. Stevens has chosen to play the Schumann **Piano Concerto in A Minor**, a work that presents considerable technical difficulties. The Schumann concerto is essentially a piano work which does not follow strictly classical concert form. The orchestral accompaniment is light, with the orchestra occasionally taking up cantabile melodies introduced in the piano.

Mr. Stevens joined the Salem College faculty in the fall of 1955. He received a B. A. Degree from Columbia College; an M. A., from Columbia University; an M. S., from Julliard School of Music. Before coming to Salem he did professional study at Eastman and with Gaston Dethier and Edward Steuermann.

In addition to accompanying Mr. Stevens, the orchestra will play Beethoven's **Egmont Overture**, written in 1810 as incidental music for a special performance of Goethe's **Egmont**, and Cesar Franck's **Symphony in D Minor**, one of the modern works considered by general agreement to be a classic.



Willis Stevens

Davidsonians Invade Salem On Saturday

This Saturday afternoon sixty-eight freshmen will wait anxiously for a Greyhound bus full of nervous Davidson freshmen to pull up in front of Clewell. While Mary Scott Best, Chairman of the Social Committee of the Y, and Melton Tankersly, Social Chairman of the Y at Davidson, introduce themselves, there will be giggles behind the windows in Clewell and loud guffaws from the bus. Then Mary Scott and Melton will introduce each Salemite to her date, and she and her Davidson-gentleman-for-the-afternoon-anyway, will stroll chatting to the Date Room of Clewell, where an informal mixer will be held.

At six o'clock a buffet supper will be served in the club dining room. The menu—designed to lure Davidsonians back to Salem for further meals—will include ham and turkey, baked potatoes with cheese, green peas with mushrooms, pecan tarts, and iced tea.

There'll be time for another chat before the dance in Babcock Terrace Room. About eight o'clock, though, couples will begin to stroll toward the newest dorm on campus as music played on the best hi fi the committee could borrow drifts up from the Terrace Room. The time between eight and twelve will be all too short for most of the girls. Those who have met that dreamboat will probably start the walk toward the bus a little early. And as they enter their dorms, these starry-eyed Salemites will murmur, "Wonder if he'll write . . ."

Correction

Our apologies go to Cile Judy, Ellen Rankin, and Ruth McDonald for unintentionally omitting their names in the article on the freshman scholarship winners in the last week's issue of the **Salemite**.

Cile Judy, from St. Petersburg, Florida, received one of the \$1250 scholarships. Ellen Rankin of Greensboro, and Ruth McDonald from Madison, Connecticut, hold competitive scholarships.

Spiritual Guidance Week Begins Sunday, October 12: Drs. Ford, Depp and Sawyer Guest Speakers

"Our Lord, Our Church, Our Life" is the theme for Spiritual Guidance Week, which begins this Sunday at 6:30. Sponsored by the YWCA, this week of religious emphasis and thought is the result of careful planning by the "Y" cabinet which dates from last spring.

This year three speakers for the

schedule of talks and discussions have been chosen. This was done in order to make available a wider range of ideas and subjects for student consideration. These speakers are here, not only to present formal talks, but also to lead discussions and advise in individual problems. The three men who have been chosen are Dr. Edwin A. Sawyer, Dr. Mark Depp, and Dr. Leighton Ford.

Leighton Ford has been associated with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Team since 1955. He was a successful minister with the "Tell Scotland" movement following the Billy Graham Crusade in Scotland. At the age of twenty-seven, Mr. Ford is already in great demand as a speaker throughout the North American continent.

Mr. Ford attended Wheaton College, Illinois, and graduated in 1952 with highest honors and a degree in philosophy. Then he attended Columbia Theological Seminary at Decatur, Georgia, where he was

president of the student body, did pastoral duty in several Presbyterian churches, and conducted his own evangelistic missions during the summer periods. Graduating from the Seminary in 1955, he was ordained as a Presbyterian minister.

Dr. Mark Depp came in October, 1945 to Centenary Methodist Church, Winston-Salem, where he serves as minister. Dr. Depp is a graduate of Allegheny College and Boston University School of Theology. Since his graduation from the School of Theology, he has served several churches in Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia; he also did duty as a chaplain in World War I. A member of the Baltimore Conference, Dr. Depp has spent time at St. Mark's in Baltimore, Calvary Church in Washington, and Christ Church in Pittsburgh. He was a member of the General Conference and Jurisdictional Conference, 1944, and for the ensuing four years a member of the Committee on the Crusade for Christ and the Commission on World Peace.

Dr. Depp is an old hand at addressing college audiences. He has also served as chaplain at Lake Chautauqua, New York, and Lakeside, Ohio. Dr. Depp is much in demand for pastors' schools, preaching missions, and summer assemblies, including those at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina and Massanetta Springs, Virginia. Also active in civic affairs, Dr. Depp is a member of the Rotary and Torch Clubs and the Winston-Salem Housing Authority.

A native of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, Dr. Edwin Sawyer, is returning to Winston-Salem for the first time since 1957. From 1949 until 1957 he was chaplain to the college and head of the religion department. During his years here he saw Salem add a major in religion as well as a second staff member, and Little Chapel was built to promote further religious life for the students.

All the speakers for the week will be presented in the Day Student Center. After each speech there will be an informal coffee hour with discussion and opportunity for students to get acquainted with the speakers. There will be special religious music for every evening service supplied by the music department.

Monday morning from 7:45 until 8:00 the usual morning devotion will be led by students. The devotions will be held as usual in Little Chapel. The rest of the schedule for Spiritual Guidance Week, as announced by Reverend John Johansen is as follows:

- Sunday, October 12—Vespers
 - 6:30 Dr. Depp
- Monday, October 13—Assembly
 - 1:30 Dr. Sawyer
- Tuesday, October 14—
 - 6:45 Dr. Sawyer
- Wednesday, October 15—
 - 6:45 Dr. Depp
- Thursday, October 16—Assembly
 - 1:30 Dr. Ford

Vespers on Sunday evening will be held in the Day Student Center. "The really important thing about Spiritual Guidance Week", said Mary Jane Mayhew, president of the YWCA, "is that through the messages of these outstanding men Salem girls may think more seriously about their personal religious beliefs."



Dr. Edwin Sawyer



Dr. Leighton Ford

Publisher Of College Study Asks Opinions

Professor George Williams of the Rice Institute, Texas, has written a critical commentary on higher education in America; **Some of My Best Friends Are Professors**, published October 24.

Last week the **Salemite** published, through the courtesy of Abelard-Schuman, a feature on the book entitled "How Do You Rate Your Professors?"

As a method of uncovering undergraduate opinions on the views held by the author of this book, the publishers are sponsoring a contest open to all upperclassmen (freshmen, though welcome to read this book, are ineligible because of their insufficient time experience in college), inviting an appraisal of **Some of My Best Friends Are Professors**.

There will be a prize of \$500 given for the best essay; all manuscripts are to be no fewer than 3000 words and no more than 10,000 words; manuscripts are to be received in the publisher's office by February 1, 1959; the prize-winner will be announced on March 15, 1959.

Write for entry blanks to Professors Contest, Abelard-Schuman Limited, 404 Fourth Avenue, New York 16, N. Y.

Battle Gives Suggestions For Future Rat Weeks

At the Student Council meeting held Monday, October 6, Miss Barbara Battle spoke to the members about Rat Week. Miss Battle, new English and drama teacher at Salem, was as surprised as the freshmen were supposed to be at the beginning of Rat Week. She stated that she doesn't want to do away with the purpose of making the freshman and sophomore classes better acquainted, but she wished the emphasis could be changed from "Rat, you're the lowest creature there is" to "Welcome freshmen, we're happy to help you in this job of getting an education." Describing a Black Cat idea which consisted of games, singing, and a talent show, she said this was for

the same purpose as Rat Week. It brought the students closer together without leaving the freshmen with hurt feelings, unfinished homework, and other things characteristic of Rat Week. She felt some similar idea could be adopted to Salem.

Student Council members agreed that Rat Week could be improved by changing its emphasis. A committee composed of four Student Council members and four members selected from the student body was chosen to study Rat Week. This group will discuss changes that could be made and work on suggestions to help improve Rat Week. Mary Scott Best is chairman of this committee.

The Student Council also decided to post a list of cases discussed and their penalties on the Main Hall bulletin board. The name of the person involved will be omitted, and only cases which are pertinent will be posted. This will be done to inform the Student Body of what goes on in Student Council meetings and also to help them understand the decisions of Stee Gee.

Critic Lauds M. Mueller's Performance

Margaret Mueller's organ recital on October 6 charmed a curious audience with its clarity of tone and thought. The program of Baroque and contrapuntal twentieth century music was complimented by the Flentrop organ, which enunciates each polyphonic line clearly.

Mrs. Mueller selected pieces that displayed her ability as a virtuoso and also indicated her finesse as a sensitive musician. The opening cadenzas of the Bach Toccata, first on keyboard and then in the pedal, were accurate and brilliant. The Nativity, by the contemporary Olivier Messiaen, made great demands on her interpretive ability.

The entire program was an interesting one, made more so by the absence of breaks and intermission. Because of this the kinesthetic response was kept at a peak.

—Harriet Herring

Depp Speaks At Moravian Love Feast

Dr. Mark Depp will be the speaker for the Missionary Love Feast this Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. in the Home Moravian Church.

Geraldine McElroy will be the soloist. Thirty-two members of our Choral Ensemble will join with the young people's summer camp choir to present other music for the service. The choir will sing several Moravian anthems.

Salem College students are cordially invited to attend. Coffee and