

## Sophomore Slump Cure

Now that the FITS Day program is over, some of the sophomores are learning that the sophomore slump is not just something that the class above teased them about. It is all too real. The junior class has Little Sisters, the senior class has all the big jobs on campus and diamond rings besides, and of course the freshmen are getting all of the attention from everyone. The sophomores just feel neglected. Let's eavesdrop on two sophomores now.

"Betty, we've got to do something! I'm tired of sitting here in this dorm. I've got to do something else. Do you remember that announcement in chapel today: I think that I'll start working in some club. I don't know—I'd planned to work on a play, or the *Salemite* or try out for Dansalems last year, but I always seemed too busy or I didn't know what I could do."

"Oh, I know—No one asked me either! Well, anyway, I was talking to Alice today and she said that they really need us to help on this project, like they said in chapel. I think I'll help out—how about you?"

"You know, Bets, I think you are right. Let's both help Alice."

These two sophomores are not wise fools—they really know how to get over the sophomore slump. They are going to participate in some of the organization's projects. Wouldn't you like to help? Please contact someone working on an organization and volunteer. Before too long you'll forget all about the sophomore slump.

## Attend Lectures

The Lecture Series begins its new series next Thursday night with a lecture by Malcolm Muggeridge. Your ticket for this event has already been paid for, it's right on campus, and you can sit in the balcony without dressing up for the lecture. Salem has done all possible to see that the lectures will be convenient for the students to hear. The rest is up to you.

We urge all students to attend the lecture whether some professor requires it or not. A man of Mr. Muggeridge's experience will be able to help us look beyond the narrow limits of Salem's campus to a complex world that demands a well informed person. We don't expect our speaker to be able to solve all the world problems in an hour and a half, but he can make us realize that something is more important than who dated Jim Saturday night or how many scarab bracelets Mary owns.

We feel that the Lecture Series is one of those things on campus for which it is worth while to sit up later at night to study. We hope to see you in the audience on Thursday.

## Letter To The Editor

Dear Seniors,

Last week the *Salemite* referred to the Follies as a "Marji Production." If the space permitted, I'd list the names of all of those girls whose production it really was—you'd find each of your names included. The entertainment Wednesday night was the result of the combined efforts of each member of the Senior Class—whether it was selling tickets, learning lines, looking for props, painting posters, waving a banner, or shouting the final chorus of *Oklahoma*—everyone contributed her time, cooperation, and enthusiasm in order to make the show a success.

So to each of you I'd like to extend a big THANK YOU for helping me and for making your Follies what they were.

Marji Jammer



OF COURSE YOU'LL LIKE HIM— HE'S ADORABLE!

## Beyond The Square

By Dean Major

The world is today in more turmoil than ever before: Cuban planes buzz American subs and the island itself continues to rumble angrily; the United Nations, still rocking from the battle over admission of Red China, prepares to face the disarmament issue; Khrushchev continues his usual "angry antics." All of this on one globe!

In the midst of this turmoil stands the United States, disrupted by fierce election debates and lively political rallies. While our two honorable candidates swing through the United States and toss heavily barbed comments toward each other, the United States public tries desperately to wade through the political propaganda to the truth behind the issues.

Reflecting world unrest and the importance of our position in world affairs, many of the major issues of the election center around foreign policy. What do the two candidates have to say?

### Red China Issue:

While Kennedy accuses the GOP of a decline in the prestige of the U. S., a decline reflected in the narrow margin of the voting over Red China's admission to the U. N., Nixon, backed firmly by Eisenhower, continues to praise the work of the GOP in the midst of world tension. In his support of the GOP, Nixon quotes Sukarno's praise of the U. S. and points to the confidence which the neutrals place in her.

### Africa:

Senator Kennedy's program includes more aid to Africa in educational, technological, and governmental training, and in agricultural programs for that continent.

As these two candidates put forward their platforms, world attention focuses on our campaign. Khrushchev himself has entered U. S. politics, saying that the debates are of no importance, "mere words to be tossed in a garbage pail." The importance of the choice of a candidate is seen in Khrushchev's statement that he is prepared for a summit meeting with the new president, whoever he may be.

Our next President will find himself face to face with perhaps the most decisive four years in history. Who will lead us in these four years?

## Around The Square

By Susan Hughes

According to tradition, the rising senior class burns all frivolities on the night of Hat Burning during their junior year. But there's a fallacy here—namely, Senior Follies. Yes, the seniors had a gay time giving follies and proved that seniorhood is not at all a gloomy lot.

During the last week the campaign for President has reached a state of high excitement. Even on this campus one feels the pitch of excitement and the tension between the various Republican and Democratic factions. The sounds of "But Kennedy is just bowing to the Communists . . ." and "Nixon is about the wishy-washiest man in the world. He's blind, too!" have infiltrated even the most remote corners of the dorms; and if you listen carefully from the top of the stairs to the basement of Main Hall, you can hear the spirited discussions of the faculty members who gather there rather than at the D. B.

But even amidst all this political uproar the call of Davidson, UNC, State, etc., etc., etc. hasn't subsided. Sign out boxes are full every weekend. For instance, Jette Seear went to see her John at Columbia Med. School last weekend, and Ann Kearfoot made a little trip to Baltimore—you know, where Annapolis is. Course, lots of people went off. May I do a little pleading here? If you go off to a very interesting place for a very special weekend, if you get pinned or engaged or married, if anything cute happens, or if anybody makes one of those "priceless comments," don't just think "that ought to be in the *Salemite*." DO something—write it down and put it in my box (301 Biting Dorm), or tell us about it. We never mean to slight anyone, but we just don't have enough eyes and ears.

Sir Robert Hadow's visit to Salem was all too short. His insight into our relationships with Russia, with the UN, and with his country was timely and created some questions which should be discussed. It was good to hear an objective view of the United States' position in the world. We Americans tend to rationalize about our position and prestige in the world. Here was a bird's-eye-view from a Britisher that should cause each of us to re-evaluate. Hurry back, Sir Robert!

But Ann Forsyth Michie doesn't seem to have developed an awareness of the situations we are confronting—or is it all too much for her? She couldn't seem to adjust to a chapel program at Salem or to hearing her grandfather talk about colonial policy.

Mr. Snavelly, in case you've been wondering about the absence of his cheery face, has been on a fishing trip.

Oh! Have you seen the new lamp we have down at the New Catacombs? It is an authentic Carriage Lamp that has been around campus since 1772 I think. It was used on South Hall for a while, but lately it has been forgotten in some junk heap. With the new lamp and new screens and wire grillwork bars on the windows, we now feel safe in our office, even if we do feel a little caged in.

Fall is really in the air. On the days it didn't rain we had some real Indian summer weather. Soon we'll have to settle down to a winter of work.



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