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## gort....

... is a college comic strip. It is aimed at the intelligence and awareness of the college student. It does not have, however, a college campus setting. The plots are not concerned with drunken students, beautiful co-eds, football games, and faculty members. Instead, Gort runs from philosophy to mythology, from history to politics. There is usually a "message" just under the surface.

Is Gort funny? We think so. We hope you will too.

We wish to commend both students and marshals for their excellent conduct during assembly periods. The new checking-in procedure of individual slips has eliminated the mass confusion in the aisles and has permitted chapel to start on time. The recession of classes really works for the first time in the three years we've been here—and everyone still gets to lunch. We, especially the seniors, thank you.

The Salemite places college newspapers in the main reading room of the library for the students to read. These are changed daily or weekly as the case may be. Students are urged to read these exchange issues but are requested to leave the papers on the rack. Anyone who wishes to have a particular issue, please see the editor.

## Salem Sings

### Senior Song

Tune: A-lo-ah-ay  
 You met her on the walk of the Salem Square  
 She was a girl that had that flair  
 She was a senior, a suave senior  
 She was a cutie, a real beauty  
 And there wasn't any need for much improvement  
 She had Salem in every movement  
 She said a-lo-ah; I got to go  
 The Salem way—a-la—  
 A-lo-ah-ay, we SENIORS say  
 We love you and  
 We hope that you'll remember  
 Each heart so true  
 The friendships too  
 Until we meet again . . .

### Junior Song

Tune: Camptown Races  
 We came to Salem our freshman year  
 Beans, Beans  
 Lots of luck and blind date fear  
 Good luck to '65  
 Chorus: So we sing to you  
 Spirit takes you through  
 You'll be here for 4 (3, 2, 1) more years  
 Good luck to '65  
 The second year found quite a change

Slump, Slump  
 Sophomore majors rearranged  
 Chin up '64  
 Big Sister time is here at last  
 Pseudo, Pseudo  
 We're supposed to work but what a blast  
 That's us '63  
 Quite a climb but there they are  
 Panic, Panic  
 Graduation's not too far  
 Best to '62

### Sophomore Song

Tune: Jingle Bells  
 We arrived last year, young freshmen scared and green  
 Through the year we learned, from what we've done and seen  
 Some of us got F's, we thought we'd never last  
 A few even made Dean's List, but most of us just passed!  
 Chorus: Oh Sophomore Class, Sophomore Class,  
 Salem we love so  
 Because this is our second year  
 It's the best we'll ever know!  
 Now we are sophomores, not scared as before  
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## HONOR QUOTES

(Editor's Note: The following are two of the many comments that resulted from the honor discussions Monday night and the Chapel program Tuesday.)

I am signing the Honor Pledge. Either I do or I don't and my choice to sign it is a personal evaluation of what I feel I am and what I want to be. To not sign it would certainly not permit me to be a neutral individual, void of standards and principles; but to sign it will give me the privilege of taking active measures to change what I believe is restricting the Salem community and me. I don't sign it to demonstrate that I am good, honorable, loyal, trustworthy. I am not; but I can give it the old college try and signing the pledge is a good step. Neither do I sign the pledge in my closet so no one will see. I hope honor becomes a very contagious thing—and it can—only by being passed from person to person.

By signing the pledge I can walk through the Square. I can say "Hi bricks! You and I are traditions." I can smile easier at the tourists because they know I'm a Salem girl and I am proud of the reputation. Who could feel this way if he hadn't signed the pledge. Only an imposter!

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I am a dishonorable person. I have broken rules at Salem, violating the pledge I signed two years ago—a pledge to uphold the Honor Tradition at Salem and obey the rules which I accepted when I decided to come to Salem. My conscience bothered me when I first started breaking rules; it no longer does.

I am not signing the Honor Pledge. Signing it would be a reaffirmation of the pledge I signed as a freshman, a pledge I no longer honor. I realize that I am violating my honor in breaking rules, but I am not violating it so much in this as I would be in signing the pledge and then continuing to break rules. I will petition for changes in rules at Salem; I will also sign petitions initiated by others. But until I condon and obey all of Salem's rules, in conscience I cannot repledge myself.

## Board Reports

Tuesday, October 3, the Legislative Board passed a petition requesting 12 o'clock permission on Friday night. The petition now goes to the Faculty Advisory Board for consideration.

Dean Heidbreder has reported that there has been some confusion resulting from students leaving campus during the day and returning unexpectedly after 7:30 at night. The office needs some record of students' whereabouts after 7:30 p.m.; therefore Legislative Board decided that if a student is coming in after 7:30 p.m. and she has not signed out, she should call the Dean of Students' Office and let them know where she is.

Nina Ann Stokes was elected chairman of the Honor Evaluation Committee. Other members of this committee will come from the Legislative and Judicial Boards and from the student body.

Student Government will have charge of Freshman Seminar on October 30, November 1 and 2.

## Beyond The Square

By Betsy Hicks and Colquitt Meacham

Sceptically expecting to see the Mrs. F. D. Roosevelt of the "McCalls Magazine" question and answer column, we instead found ourselves, like most of the capacity audience at Wait Chapel, filled with admiration for an American symbol. Mrs. Roosevelt's plea for international understanding was not one we had not heard before, but her wide experience and her undoubted sincerity gave an added impact to the message.

Salem's Dr. Inzer Byers, in a speech on the same Thursday morning, was equally sincere but strikingly different in her approach to the same subject. Dr. Byers urged America to prepare to take a more militant stand in facing Communist aggression, criticizing the attitude "Better Red than Dead" current among some Americans. Ideally, coupling the two points of view, there is apparent need in the present Cold War situation for a blending of courageous national assertion and intelligent international understanding.

More practically, we wonder whether America has awakened too late to the need for humility and understanding. Jolted five years ago by the Sputnik, America has given only token attention to the needs expressed by Mrs. Roosevelt. We are still far from destroying the unattractive image of America which is held abroad. Instead, we continue to pour more money into technology, defense, and indiscriminate foreign aid. Concern for individual self-preservation is overshadowing national unity. Assuming that we will safely pass the Berlin Crisis, what next?

The Cold War will continue. It is harder for a democratic country to win this war, for it depends on the willingness of the people to make sacrifices economically, educationally, and spiritually. While totalitarian leaders can demand, democratic leaders can only plead. In the past, Americans have been willing to sacrifice in time of war. Our factories produced war materials instead of consumer goods; we rationed commodities; we supported our leaders. No less support is needed in the waging of a Cold War, yet Americans are failing to meet this challenge. A change in American attitudes toward other nations is obviously needed if we hope to strengthen the free world against Communism. This change will be a long process, as the past five years have indicated. A more immediate need, in the face of persistent Communist encroachment, is a firm assertion of our policy. Our leaders can not take such a stand without the support of public opinion, and only well-informed people can give effective impetus to their government's policy. We can not go back to 1945 and the partition of Germany, or to 1955 and the Hungarian revolt, or even to 1960 and the loss of Cuba. It is indeed too late to rectify these past mistakes, but it is not too late for America to defend her integrity—and that of the entire free world, in Berlin, Geneva, the Congo, and the United Nations.

## Around The Square

By Kit Foard and Ginger Ward

Drippy weather hasn't slowed down Salem girls or ex-Salem girls at all.

Sis Gillam and Sheena Warren made a big hit as they greeted visitors to South last Tuesday. They were dressed in men's costumes from the 18th century.

Donnis Mauney Sills and Carol Cross Browning have each had a baby boy; Mary DeNeale Long-Gilbert had a girl.

Sisters announces that the Open House they had scheduled for this Sunday has been closed.

Julia Johns had just a little bit of trouble with a black cat in South. Superstitious, anyone?

Marcella Sears visited Salem last weekend. She's working at the Telephone Company here in Winston-Salem.

Signs have been popping up all over. We like the one Strong Dorm has up for the edification of her male visitors—"Don't yell, ring bell." First-floor Clewell freshmen not only had a welcome-back sign on the reception room door for returning sophomores last weekend, but also put one on each individual door! We wish that whoever "borrowed" South's reception room sign would return it.

We were disappointed that the Sigma Chi serenade to the freshmen which was rumored for last Monday didn't come off. What happen'?

The Choral Ensemble performed

twice last Monday. First at the Robert E. Lee Hotel and second in the bus coming home where Susie Robinson's "Would You Like Me Any Better?" was heartily approved of—even by Mr. Pete.

Brandy Hughes got a letter from the University of Aix-Marseilles. Talk of independence!

Salem girls are making a hit in Carolina sororities: Page Bradham, Letty MacDonald, and Grace Townsend are in Chi Omega; Beth Wallace, Lynn Boyette, and Gayle Venters went Pi Phi.

Few can tell a spooky story as well as Marie—look for her in Strong Dorm.

Barbara Dawson Best, now in Indiana, is expecting her baby this month.

Suzanne "Gomez" Edwards is a school in Patricia Stevens School in Atlanta, where she is learning to be a secretary.

Gayle Venters has been named sweetheart of the Phi Gams at Carolina. Congratulations!

Salem has a celebrity on campus—Kenny McArver is Miss Charlotte! We're proud of you, Kenny, and hope you do well in other contests. We really have two celebrities—freshman Susan Leigh is Miss Gastonia.

Three freshmen making names for themselves on campus are Janet Wales, chairman of the freshman class; Sandra Morgan, vice-chairman; and Diane Shull, secretary-treasurer.

Julia Jones spent an afternoon with Ingles Fletcher, North Carolina historian, in her home in Edenton this weekend.

Kate Caswell will be on campus this weekend; she will be in Babcock Dorm.

Welcome to Lis Jensen, our second foreign student. Lis is from Copenhagen, Denmark.

Tate Graham Blake plans to return to Salem next year while her husband goes to Wake Forest.

Yes, the "monsoon season" has set in—but it doesn't seem to be slowing Salem girls down at all!

