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Rudeness Invades D. B.

Cokes with ice, pound cake and ice cream, coffee breaks and good company—things that are associated with the Dairy Barn. Rudeness and bad manners, shouting and pushing—things that shouldn't be associated with the Dairy Barn, but, unfortunately, are.

The Dairy Barn is not the private snack bar of Salem students. It is an eating place open to the public and Salemites should conduct themselves accordingly. We are sure students don't place their orders first when other customers have been waiting, take other's seats when they go to the counter for food, or forget to pay their bills at other public eating places. Why then, do they act so rudely at the Dairy Barn?

Editor Opposes Petitions

In last week's Salemite a letter to the editor commented on an earlier editorial concerning the responsibility of an individual member of Legislative Board when voting on a measure. The writer of the letter seemed to think we overlooked the responsibility a Board member has to examine what effects a measure would have on students and on the college itself.

We suggest that the writer reread our comments and we want to re-emphasize what was said earlier—we do believe a Board member must consider what effect proposed legislation would have on student life and on the college.

We disagree with the writer, however, on what effects the particular measure mentioned—that of changing the drinking rule—would have on Salem students and on Salem College.

We grant that a change in the rule would present an ideal of student responsibility. The decision to drink or not to drink would give a student the responsibility for her own decisions and actions. Our question is do we uphold the responsibilities we have now? We have a responsibility to the regulations of Salem as they now stand. However they may limit our personal decisions in what we do, and we grant that they are limiting, we are responsible to uphold and to attempt to change the ones with which we disagree. How many students uphold all the regulations? How many comply with the present drinking rule? How many talk to a girl who has broken a rule as required by the Honor Tradition? Should the college grant the added responsibility of drinking in a lady-like manner to students who don't uphold the responsibilities they do have? We are behind the idea of student responsibility and feel Salem students should have more, but we also feel that students must demonstrate their capacity to accept responsibility.

We are not attempting to pass moral judgment on the subject of drinking. We are viewing drinking by Salem students in the light of what we feel it would do to the idea of the college. We feel such a change would lower the idea of Salem College. We don't want this to happen.

Cold War Victory Lies In American Attitudes

By Marsha Ray

Throughout the formation and development of the United States the climate of public opinion has been one of supreme optimism and faith in the future—an optimism and faith so long unthreatened and unchallenged that gradually, in the early twentieth century, it evolved into an almost complacent self-assurance. However, it can no longer be said that this alone is the prevailing attitude of the American citizenry. With the rise of the Communist threat, the somewhat innocent optimism and confidence of the American public has been rudely disillusioned. As the cold war progresses with its innumerable crisis, the risk that the American confidence may be transformed into belligerence or defeatism is perhaps the most formidable problem which faces us today.

In an article in the *New York Times Magazine* (November 5, 1961) adapted from a speech by Harlan Cleveland, the assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs, the writer presents as the greatest threat to national survival and the cause of freedom "a rising national mood of self-induced frustration."—a mood which would eventually provide only two exits: defeat or belligerency. Realizing the profundity of this problem, Cleveland reveals the prevalent American mood concerning the cold war: "There is a persistent, pervasive myth in the country that the story of the cold war is the story of one long, unbroken retreat by the West before the juggernaut of international Communism guided by the master minds of the Kremlin."

To avert the possibility of this self-defeat of the cause of freedom, a more objective and thorough appraisal of the total world situation, both from the Russian point of view and from the American view, is necessary. An objective and thorough look at the international picture reveals that the progress of Communism in the world is suffering much opposition. Despite the pomposity and the apparent confidence of Russian leaders, there are definite evidences of internal frustration and fear. The recent congress of the Communist Party in Moscow revealed distinct internal conflicts within the world wide Communist movement. Today, Russia is being faced with opposition from the Chinese leaders, with the refusal of neutral nations to be enticed by arms and technological aid, with the strength and stability of the Western alliance, with the success of capitalism, with the increasing rise of regional associations, with the stability of the United States in its internal and international affairs, and with the success of the United Nations in acting on the scale of a world community. These defeats, pressures, and difficulties with which the Communist leaders are faced are no small issues in the international Communist plan and movement. These problems reveal an internal frustration which has caused the leader, Khrushchev, to resort to terror as a policy—terror and inhumane blackmail through the immense nuclear "testing" program.

An appraisal of the recent difficulties within the Communist Party and program presents evidence that the champions of freedom pose a threat to the success of Communism—a threat equally formidable to the Russians as is the Communist threat to the free world. With the strength and stability of the Western world, the possibility of world wide Communist success lies not so much in the actual contest between the two powers as in the internal attitudes of the major powers. The potential for the greatest defeat of the United States and subsequently, the cause of freedom, lies within the boundaries of our own nation—in the minds, attitudes, and national mood of the citizens of this nation.

Around The Square

By Heather Peebles

The wind is blowing the autumn-colored leaves around the square. "Turkey time" is approaching. Many Salem girls have not had time to commune with nature. They have been busy answering the social psychology question, "What does it mean to be a woman?" Tests and overdue papers are flooding the teachers' desks.

Sophomore Susie Johnson walks around wearing a smile as large as her Kappa Sig pin. Charles Stovall at Wake Forest is the original owner of the pin.

Despite the large amount of work, happy Salem girls visited Carolina last weekend. Susan Purdie, Jackie Barker, Candy Chew, Hannah Gilham, Lisa Rankin, Jane Allen, and Dade Wall were a few of these weekend travelers. Anne Benson did not have an opportunity to truly appreciate the Carolina-Tennessee game. Anne and her date left a minute early and missed the exciting victory for Carolina, 22-21.

Many "old" Salem faces were seen at Carolina. Penny Bell and Judy Waddell were enjoying the activities. Beth Wallace, who is now pinned to Carolina Pika, Joe Craver, was another ex-Salemite we were happy to see.

Lynn Boyette, who was a member of the class of '63, was selected for the Yack Court at Carolina. This is quite an honor for Lynn.

The trips to State were not as numerous, but Beth Troy, Helen Miller and Marty Paisley found State interesting. Ex-Salemite Ann Miller visited Salem briefly on the way to State.

Ellen Hefflin and Dougie Heinrich traveled to Yankee land to Yale. Ellen had quite a bit of difficulty with the plane schedules, but arrived back on campus safely minus suitcase.

Tuesday was a busy day for Babcock. The "hully gully" was mastered after four laborious hours of practice. Jean Poe was Arthur Murray and instructed Lady Bugg, Anne B. Austin, and several other enthusiastic learners. Tuesday night Clewell enjoyed Anne Griffiths' Theta Chi serenade.

Strong Dormitory has added some very attractive work to their television room wall. Jo Phifer worked hard on amusing, clever caricatures of each girl. South Dorm has not had time to do charcoal work. They have been active ridding their interior of cockroaches.

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