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Editor Expresses Thanks To All "Salemite" Workers

The last word is any woman's prerogative. Mine are in the form of thanks to . . .

- . . . Gondemar for our only real scoop
- . . . the writers without whom there would be no paper
- . . . Sue and her management of the finances (with no help from an ignorant editor) which kept debtors and creditors happy
- . . . Alice for her trips uptown to get ads, her ad layouts, and her marvelous "Mr. Snavelly says . . ."
- . . . Miss Jess Byrd who let the Salemite be a student organization
- . . . Mr. Cashion, Bill, and Francis who patiently put up with our mistakes year after year and still keep their sense of humor
- . . . Ginger whose excellent handling of the copy is matched only by her humor which kept us from going crazy on Tuesday and Wednesday nights
- . . . the typists, proof-readers and rewriters who gave us a year of issues with relatively few typographical errors
- . . . Connie, Wanda, and Jean who risked their lives crossing the expressway at 8:00 in the morning to deliver the copy to the Sun
- . . . Anne for her little green notes that she faithfully stuck in dorm boxes and for her coverage of her "beat"
- . . . Kay for her green notes also and for the long walk up the stairs to the engravers every week
- . . . Wanda and Becky who got printer's ink under their nails and a Coke in return for an afternoon's work of cutting, rearranging, and leading
- . . . Susan Ray, Tish, and Marguerite who enhance the Salemite with their headlines
- . . . Sheila and Sandra who folded countless issues and walked many miles to deliver the paper to the students and faculty
- . . . Sally who made a weekly trip to the post office with arms full of Salemites for the advertisers and subscribers
- . . . Betsy, Mary Alice, and Mr. Griegg who provided us with wonderful pictures through thick and thin
- . . . the student body and faculty whose interest, cooperation, and comments made editing worthwhile
- . . . Becky to whom I express my heartfelt thanks for her lay-outs and her knowledge of newspaper publishing. To her I say, as Jan Puckett, editor of the University of Oklahoma Daily, said to the Daily's new editor:

"When you take over the editor's chair, you will be taking the world—or at least the campus—on your shoulders. The honor that you receive will be buried under the heap of criticisms which will be piled upon you.

"You will be encouraged to create controversy, if there is none available at the time. If you do not, you will be called 'wishy-washy'. If you do, you will be called 'sensational'. When you take a stand on anything, you will be called 'biased' . . .

"You will also be accused of deliberately changing the construction of letters by cutting out parts of them, when you do this merely because you have more type than space for it on your page. The writer of the letter will never know that, the same day you cut part of his letter, you had to cut five inches of what you considered your best editorial.

"You will be greeted at the breakfast table, in your classes, and in your office with complaints about the paper. And you will realize that there is no need to explain that you were not responsible for that particular page, or story. Because, to the majority of the campus, you ARE the paper . . .

"But you keep on working, because you realize that it is a rare privilege to be placed in that niche. You realize this when someone whom you criticized in your last editorial tells you that, though you were critical of him, you were fair.

"So you sit back down at your typewriter and pound out another editorial. You're laying yourself open to another avalanche of letters, another round of verbal criticism, but so what? You will willingly print the other side, but you make your stand clear. You advocate what you feel is best for the students at your university. And you thank the powers that be that you are editor, and have the chance to so express yourself."

Mesmerization Hits As Flu Leaves; ACC Draws Girls Over Weekend

By Betty Lou Creech

With election returns and unexpected March snow being the big news on campus the Square has been buzzing all week. Congratulations to all new officers, and good luck!

Looking for a new experience? I have just the solution—try being mesmerized. No one can explain the sensations; you must experience them. The idea started in Strong and has caught on in South. Applicants should see Kitty Whitty or Sheena Warren. Pete Patton, one of the initiated, recommends trying it.

The flu has about run its course, and runny noses are less prevalent. Welcome back to Jackie Baker, Gay Myers, Mary Jane Crowell, and all others who have been convalescing at home.

Liz Wilson and Jo Hiergersell invited the residents of Strong to an open house in their newly decorated, finally clean room. Accord-

ing to all reports, the party was a success and the refreshments were delicious.

Davidson's St. B's (an exclusive junior club) party was great fun according to Jane Kelly, Frannie McClain, Nancy Kizer, Sara Switzer, Nancy Umberger, and Virginia Anderson.

The Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament drew many Salemites

—Kay Kearns, Martha Still, Sally Glenn, Linda Wall, Anne Hutaff, and Mary Jane Crowell. Beth Norman went to Furman, while Hannah Gillam, Bartlette Smith, Martha Tallman, and Marsha Ray went to Chapel Hill.

With Spring Vacation only a week away, can warm weather and sun tans be far behind?

Beyond The Square

By Helen John

"We are going to win in Vietnam. We will remain until we do." These were the words of Attorney General Robert Kennedy during his stopover in Saigon. They reflect the policy of Washington's expanded aid program to South Vietnam. Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara explained the U. S. involvement in South Vietnam. The Army, Navy, and Air Force are training men to fight Communist "subversion and covert aggression" not with big weapons and large forces but with companies, squads, and individual soldiers. Furthermore, he said, the U. S. is providing similar training to nations threatened by Communist "wars of liberation."

Actually the U. S. has been involved in Vietnam since 1949, based on the fear that Communist control of this country would threaten all Southeast Asia. Aid was "escalated," until today \$2 billion has been spent in Vietnam, but it has not been enough. The expanded aid program to South Vietnam's government, launched several months ago, began with the appointment of U. S. General Paul Harkins as commanding general of the newly created U. S. Military Assistance Command. He described his mission as, "doing all we can to support the South Vietnamese efforts to eradicate the cancer of Communism." The program emphasizes the need to train and equip the government army for mobile counter guerrilla tactics, and to promote administrative and social reforms. The U. S. involvement falls somewhere between advice and outright alliance. President Ngo Dinh Diem remains firmly in charge, and U. S. personnel must be careful to make "suggestions," not give "orders" to the Vietnam army and administration in order to avoid offending national pride.

The U. S. role in South Vietnam carries with it the risk of increased Chinese Communist assistance to the Viet Cong. and of the "escalation" of aid on both sides to major proportions. Peiping broadcast a strong statement charging that the U. S. was "in an undeclared war in South Vietnam," that China's security was threatened, and that "this state of affairs cannot be allowed to continue." The Kennedy Administration, they declared, "is more reckless than its predecessor" and it "has openly declared Indochina as a springboard for U. S. aggression against (Red) China."

The Kennedy Administration seems convinced that Red China won't become actively and openly involved in South Vietnam, thus developing a full scale war. They dismissed the blasts against U. S. "aggression" as predictable propaganda reaction to intensified American aid. Communist China faces the certainty that the U. S. and other Western powers would react decisively against any open Chinese aggression. They realize that moving toward Southeast Asia would bring unfavorable reaction from neutralist India, Burma, and Indonesia, uniting them against Red China. Further grounds for optimism are based on the strained Moscow-Peking relations, in view of which the Russians seem unlikely to back the Chinese as they did in Korea. Also, the Chinese face the staggering problem of supplying any large body of troops over 20,000 miles of single track Chinese railroads and through hundreds of miles of jungle paths.

General Harkins reminds that the task will not be swift or easy. The Communists can prolong it for years; the lowest estimate of time required to eliminate the Reds being five years. However, our prestige has been committed. The deepening of U. S. involvement in the struggle and the determination to see it through was acknowledged in the words of General Robert Kennedy. We are going to win in Vietnam. We will remain until we do."

New York Times
Time Magazine
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Strong Offers Oslo Grants

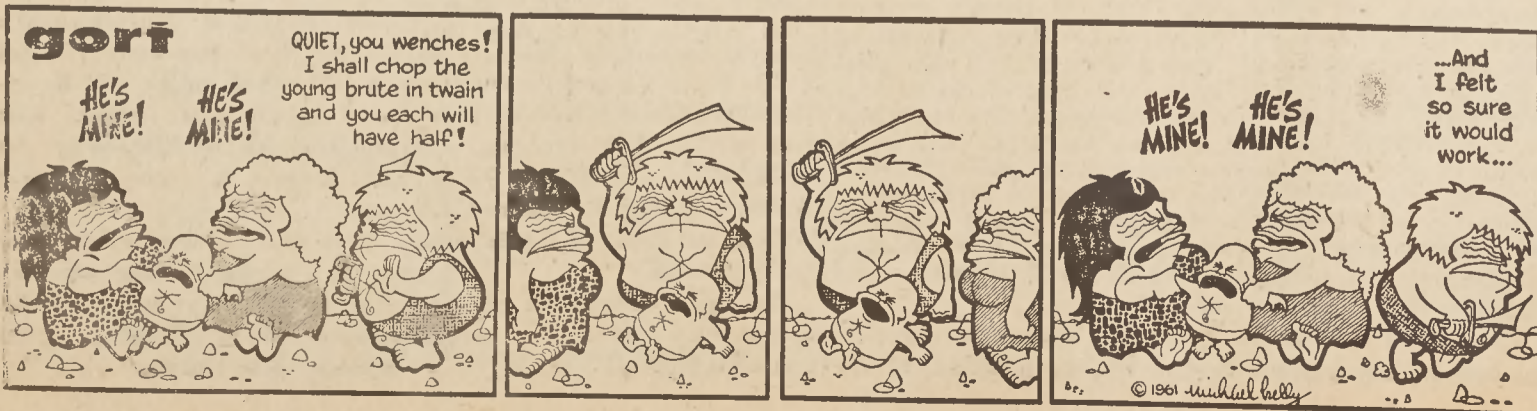
Attention all students who would like to study abroad. The Honorable L. Corrin Strong, former Ambassador to Norway, and former Trustee of Salem Academy and College will offer the opportunity for grants of \$800 each to two students of Salem College to provide travel and expenses for the summer session of the University of Oslo, June 30-August 10, 1962.

The application forms for the scholarship may be obtained in the Dean of Students office. The recipients of the scholarships, to be selected by a Faculty Committee, will include a rising junior and a rising senior for the year 1962-63. Members of the selection committee are: Dr. Gramley, Dr. Hixson, Mr. Sandresky, Mrs. Heidbreder, Dr. Denton, Mr. Jordon, Miss Samson, Mr. Sanders, and Miss Woodward.

Applications must be submitted before 5 p.m., Tuesday, March 27. Announcement of the winners will be made on Tuesday, April 3.

Fifteen years ago, Oslo University started the American School for students of the U. S. A. and Canada interested in learning about Norwegian culture. However, the English speaking students from other countries began to participate and in 1950 the name was changed to the International Summer School. The 1961 enrollment, biggest in the school's history, included 295 Americans and 11 Norwegians, plus 50 students from 24 different countries. The program includes daily lectures, orientation trips, guided weekend excursions, and evening concerts.

The Oslo Summer School has proved a valuable experience to many students. The News of Norway, January 11, 1962, printed a quote from a letter by one of the students who attended the 1961 Summer School session. The student is Dean Major, Salem College, Winston-Salem, N. C. She wrote: "A hearty thank you for the hospitality of your country and your people. I thoroughly enjoyed my six weeks in Oslo; there was only one flaw — the time was all too short. I think most of us from the International Summer School now share one common ambition: to return some day to Norway."



Method In Our Madness . . .
Pages 3 and 4 of Salemite will appear March 15, 8:30 p.m., Memorial Hall. Come! Get the rest of The Salemite.