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Salem Sees Vast Change, Must Keep Present Pace

A survey of the past four years reveals many changes in life at Salem—particularly in the social life. When the class of '64 came here, girls still had to sign out during the day. Daytime signouts have been abolished as well as the "F" system. Last year, upperclassmen got unlimited evening engagements. In the past four years, we have gained permission to stay overnight in Winston-Salem and also to drink in Winston-Salem. Our hours have been lengthened and the freshmen have two additional overnights.

In the academic area, upperclassmen have been granted unlimited cuts and fewer assemblies. We no longer have chapel checkers. Many new courses and new faculty have been added. The curriculum is constantly changing. Money for the Fine Arts Building has been raised and construction has begun.

Salem changes through continual self-evaluation. The Salemite staff would like to recommend a few areas which need to be checked.

—The Symposium committee should be either all faculty or all students. Preferably, it should be students with a general faculty advisor and a financial advisor. We deem it detrimental to student-faculty relations that the two should be placed in such a position as to be working against each other. Furthermore, it is not necessary, even in a small college, for students to know the personal differences among the faculty.

—Student Government should take an active interest in the affairs on other campuses and should encourage students to participate in activities at different schools. Salem is almost 200 years old; it needs to go beyond N. C. borders. We recommend the student exchange program taking place at other colleges.

—More independent study for seniors or juniors should be encouraged. Students and faculty ought to consider the possibility of requiring independent study.

—In connection with independent research, a fund for books and periodicals in the library must be increased.

—House Councils should take over the responsibility of room checking in order to leave the IRS free to be a social organization rather than a police force. The whole function of IRS, including its name, needs re-evaluation.

—To alleviate higher costs and to redistribute money, more student jobs ought to be made available. The responsibility of a job would also give the student a greater sense of purpose. In particular, we feel a program of student waitresses could be initiated in the future.

—Students should continue the refugee program. This program is of great benefit to foreign students, and one in which we should all take pride.

—More students are needed on the Lecture Series Committee. Since the money for these lectures comes from the Student Government budget, students should be heavily represented on this Committee.

Opinions Differ About Waitresses: Several Question Service, Prestige; Others Support It Wholeheartedly

Opinions differ about the possibility of using student waitresses in the refectory. Of the 20 girls polled, many favor the idea in principle, but they say they wouldn't be able to participate themselves. Others question the need for it at the present time. Several who have seen it work at other colleges support it wholeheartedly.

The major points of the confusion about the program center on the details of the proposed system. Who would be eligible to serve, and it would be easy to get substitutes, and how long would the work take

per meal? It is generally recognized that switching from the present system to a new one would cause much confusion at first. Some students also wonder about the quality of service and the prestige of those who would serve.

Several girls opposed the idea because they said the dining room was at present a refuge from the scholastic atmosphere, and they didn't think it would continue to be if they or their friends had to "wait on" tables.

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Salem Entertains Parents, Visitors While Many Take Weekend Trips

By Linda Lyon

For the first weekend since their arrival at Salem College freshmen ignored their many dates to give a Saturday night to their special

Byers Opposes Latest Addition To Offense List

Dear Editor:

I have just read the notice on the Main Hall Bulletin Board about the changed statement of major offenses. I have decided reservations about the new 8th statement: "any offense deemed sufficiently serious by the Judicial Board" shall be considered a major offense.

In effect, the 8th statement makes the preceding statements about major violations unnecessary. The Judicial Board has been given a blank check to make any offense a major one, if the Board so chooses to regard it. This really makes a mockery of the rule of law, for the principle of rule of law is a defined code of behavior. According to the new wording, whether an act is a major offense or not is to be determined after the event. This I consider a very unwise principle. On such a principle have dictatorships relied in order to secure a monopoly of power; on such a principle, absolutist forms of government flourish. I expect neither to occur at Salem. But I do think that the legal code of Salem, should be in accord with democratic principles of limited government. This new statement is an unlimited grant of power to determine major offenses, a grant which I think is contrary to the principles of constitutional government under which Salem operates.

Inzer Byers

Salem Alumna Loses Raincoat At Dairy Barn

Dear Editor:

My visit to Salem the week-end of February 22 was an unfortunate one—it cost me a new "London Fog" raincoat! The coat was stolen from my car while parked across from the Dairy Barn. Since it was a new raincoat there was no identification within except a "MARY RICE OF HAMLET" label. If anyone knows the whereabouts of this coat, please contact me.

A Salem Alumna,
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most favorable. At Wheaton it is an honored position, and girls compete for the privilege. At Stevens it is one of the best paying positions on campus, and it is very successful at Centenary also. These girls pointed out that while providing more jobs for students it would save the college money which would then be used for other purposes such as faculty salaries.

If presented in the right tone and enthusiastically supported by the entire student body, the idea of having student waitresses in the refectory could be a success.

beaux—their Dads. Among those girls who showed their parents "the Freshman Side of the Story" were Carrie Newman, Boodie Crow, Barbie Hooten, Jill Stewart, Finley Stith, Catherine Davis, Edna Harvey, Becky Tatum, Mary Vincent, Sharyn Deitwiler, Sherry Hobbs, Beth Rose, Karen Viall, and many others.

Observed on the upperclassmen front were . . . Babs Bodine and "BANANA" who journeyed to UVA! . . . out-of-town visitors for Betty Clark Gray, Betsy Patterson, and Pat Wilson.

. . . pajama-clad juniors with towels outside South Dorm at 4 a.m. . . a flight to New York over the weekend for Carolyn Crouch.

. . . a newly elected Stee Gee slate. Congratulations, girls!

. . . a sunny springtime day at last! . . . Tish Johnston, Sandi Kimbrell, Susanne Boone, Doris Cooper, Anne Kendrick, Harriet Haywood, Pat Thompson, and Pat Redfern headed homeward for the weekend.

. . . three upperclassmen stranded in a Virginia snowstorm while in

route to an IRC convention in Fredricksburg.

. . . a group of "sisters" in a frantic clean up campaign!

. . . fourteen Salemites who returned "enlightened" from a State Student Legislature Convention.

. . . a steady stream of polio-free victims emerging from the gym.

. . . a crutch-filled campus as the skiing season draws to a close!

. . . strange men wandering through the freshman-sophomore dorms last Saturday afternoon!

. . . Mary Ellen Emory and Gee Gee Sapp at a "Roaring Twenties Party" in Durham.

. . . Knox Bramlette, Judy Davis, and Belinda Burke at Aurelia Robertson's wedding last weekend.

. . . an unusually crowded dining room on Saturday night.

. . . Donna Raper headed toward Wake Forest with her new diamond.

. . . Elaine Tayloe orbiting on her diamond ring.

. . . a lopsided Duke-Carolina basketball match!

. . . calendars which show only 14 more days until Spring Vacation. Hurrah!

Nixon Implies Availability For Upcoming Nomination

By Marty Plummer

The nineteen sixty-four elections are nearing and the Republicans are frantically attempting to choose among their four most prominent leaders. For the second time in four years the name of Richard Nixon comes to the foreground. Although formally retired from politics after his disappointing loss of the governorship of California, Nixon has been active over the last four years, speaking to various groups, and writing his book, *Six Crises*. His valuable experience in politics remains to be a key issue in the nineteen sixty-four campaign.

Richard Milhous Nixon was born on January 9, 1913, in Yorba Linda, California, where he grew up. In 1930, Nixon entered Whittier College, Whittier, California, where he majored in history. During his college career, he won the intercollegiate Championship of Southern California in extemporaneous speaking. He was graduated in 1934 with the second highest average. Upon graduation he received a scholarship to the Duke University Law School, where he graduated third in his class. He worked with a law firm in California until the war, when he entered the Navy. He left the Navy in 1943 with the rank of Lieutenant Commander.

Nixon first became actively involved in politics in 1946 when he won election to the House of Representatives from California's twelfth district. In 1948 he was overwhelmingly re-elected. During his six years in Congress he was a member of the House Committee on Un-American Activities. His work on the Hiss case was one of his greatest achievements during this period. His voting record, which came under attack in the 1960 campaign, was conservative; however, he was a strong internationalist. In 1950, Nixon was elected to the Senate, where he remained until 1952, which was the year of his election to the vice-presidency, with Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Richard Nixon was one of the most active vice-presidents in history, and worked closely with President Eisenhower until their re-election in 1956. During the last four years of the Eisenhower administration, Nixon traveled all over the world. It was during his trip to South America that his car and its occupants were spat upon. This incident later became one of his six crises. In July, 1959, he held his famous kitchen debate with Nikita Khrushchev.

In 1960 at the Republican National Convention, he was unanimously nominated to run for the Presidency. From this time until November, 1960, Nixon carried on a vigorous campaign which ended disappointingly. He based his campaign less on ideological differences with Kennedy, than on personal qualifications. The experts agree that he might have had a chance had he used President Eisenhower more in the beginning of his campaign. The popular vote was close, with Kennedy carrying the important states, which gave him the electoral votes. In 1961, Nixon surprised everyone by losing the governorship in his own home state.

Although he has not formally announced his candidacy, Nixon has implied that he is available, should his party need him, and his experience will be valuable in the upcoming election.

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