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Why May Day, Anyway?

"Hey, what's that?"
"What? . . . Oh, that — the May Dell."
"What's a May Dell?"

Silly, you say? Maybe not. If students continue to think of May Day as they have in the past few years, there may not be a May Day in the future.

You're not griping again are you, Editor? Yes, I am. May Day is a tradition we've had for 37 years; it deserves more attention and consideration that it's received this year.

For one thing, contrary to popular opinion, May Day is not thrown together at the last minute. Planning begins in the spring the year before the pageant. Somehow, in spite of the careful programming, the work seems to end up piled on four or five people who'll do it all rather than not have it done. Participation is slim and most of that comes from underclassmen. And even when girls volunteers, they back out at the last minute.

Student spectators seem to be rare indeed. This year's different, you say; the weather . . . I know it was cold, but think of the May Court and the girls in the pageant. Townspeople, alumnae, and perspective students came in spite of the weather.

Some constructive suggestions are needed. One is that IRS and May Day co-operate to put on a really big weekend with dances, concert, pageant, tea — the works. Another idea is to make May Day weekend a closed weekend, one in which no overnights may be taken. Maybe an amphitheatre can be built in the May Dell.

The whole problem seems to rest on the question of the desirability of May Day. At any rate, we should all think seriously about May Day and whether we want to continue having one. Certainly an investigation is needed. We shouldn't want time, labor, and money spent for nothing.

Behind the Scenes

Students Comprise Group To Air Problems Arising From Drinking Regulation

By Mary Dameron

When the statement allowing Salemites to drink outside campus limits was issued several years ago, a standing committee was set up to evaluate any problems arising as a result of the new rule.

This committee continues to function, and it is known as the Social Standards Evaluation Committee. The co-chairmen are the president of Student Government and the Vice-chairman of Judicial Board. There are also representatives from each hall in Babcock and Clewell and one from each of the other dorms, all appointed by the Legislative Board at the end of each school year.

Meeting once a month, or more often if necessary, the committee discusses and evaluates standards of student behavior, particularly concerning the drinking regulation. Emphasis is placed on individualpliance with these standards.

The committee works jointly with the Legislative and Judicial Boards, recommending necessary changes, suggesting possible ways of coping with problems that arise, and explaining or clarifying the rule to both new and old students.

It is the responsibility of each representative on the committee to bring to the meetings any observations that she has made regarding conduct in relation to the drinking rule.

Mr. Booker Makes Suggestion That Salem Stop Using Apathy As An Apology

Mr. Marshall Booker

Apathy has been used so often lately at Salem that its meaning has almost become trite. It has become a shibboleth to explain or dismiss any feeling of guilt we may have. If by apathy, we simply indifference, then I do not believe that it applies generally to either students or faculty at Salem College.

If a faculty member were indifferent to the needs and wishes of others, then he would not remain a faculty member long, or at least, would cease to be a teacher in real terms. An effective teacher cannot exist in a complete shell or self-protection. I do not think that any faculty members at Salem is so self-absorbed that he is wholly impervious to the sensitivities of all who surround him.

Neither can a student exist long on a total diet of apathy, for if she tried, she would soon become no more than a particle imprisoned in a magnetic source field. If a student is indifferent to what appeals to

her emotions and interests she only has one feeling left — monotony. In my two years at Salem I have seen no evidence that would lead me to believe that apathy prevails among the student body.

I am not saying though, that apathy is non-existent at Salem either in student — student, faculty — faculty, or student — faculty relationships. Because we are constantly

pressed and surrounded by other social beings, at times it seems necessary for our psychological safety to withdraw into privacy. But like all things, this condition soon goes the way of time, and passes on.

So let's stop thinking negatively and using apathy as an apology. For one, see little, if anything, for which we at Salem College must apologize.

Moore Is Well Qualified; Plans Are Comprehensive

By Linda Lyon

Dan K. Moore, Democratic candidate for Governor, is known as a "dedicated Tarheel" in his service as an able jurist, lawyer, and Democratic party leader. He was graduated from Sylvia High School in 1923, after which he entered the University of North Carolina and graduated in 1927. He also attended UNC Law School and was admitted to the bar association in 1928. While at college he was president of his social fraternity and law class, Associate Editor of the Law Review, and a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

In later years, Moore practiced law in Jackson County, N. C., and in 1941 served as this county's representative to the General Assembly. In 1946 he was elected as Solicitor for the 20th Judicial District and was later named Judge of the Superior Court, where his judicial conduct earned him the respect of citizens of North Carolina.

Major parts of Dan K. Moore's plans include a wide, comprehensive program for public education as well as higher education through state supported institutions, including community colleges. He does not advocate or anticipate any increase in state taxes within the next four years, and he stresses the fact that "economy must be practiced, not just talked about." In this area he believes in "strong home rule by our county and local governments." He is opposed to the "growing trend to centralization and ever-expanding bureaucracy."

In the controversy over civil rights, Moore advocates the inalienable right that every person has to develop his own potential to the maximum and, to that end, is in favor of equality of opportunity for Negroes. He says that this will not come through violence or by additional federal laws which take away private property rights in the name of civil rights, and that North Carolina should be allowed to work out its own problems.

Among advances for education, agriculture, and industry, Moore advocates the construction of highways, roads and streets to keep pace with the transportation needs of our people. He actively supports court improvement, expansion of port facilities at Wilmington and Morehead City, industrial research, an improved state personnel system, accelerated health and medical care, greater emphasis in agriculture "upon diversification of crops, food processing, livestock and poultry, improved marketing, packaging, and better planning."

Moore also supports a state program of industrial development that should properly include promotion of all industrial, commercial and business activities which create income and jobs. He sees the need to encourage the sound development of small businesses and home industries, especially those that utilize local manpower and local raw materials.

IRC Stimulates Interest, Ideas Amid Students

The purpose of International Relations Club is to foster interest in international relations and the exchange of ideas between faculty and students. Through membership in the national program, the Association of International Relations Clubs, contact with other schools is available and an exchange of varied ideas is possible.

Most Salemites confess that they aren't as well informed in world affairs as they should be. IRC provides an interesting way to learn on an informal basis. The programs are varied, as can be seen by two outstanding programs of this past year: Dr. B. G. Gokhale, on "The Situation in Viet Nam" and Judy Summerell, Salem alumna, on the experience in Chile with the Experiment in International Living.

President Bitsie Richheimer and Mr. Errol Clauss look forward to an especially active year because of national elections. In the fall IRC will concentrate on the foreign issues connected with the election.

Because of its interest in current affairs, complete program plans can not be made, but IRC does look forward to an exciting and productive year.

Committee Selects Gray High As Site Of Performing Arts Center

Winston-Salem's Gray High School has been chosen as the site for the North Carolina School for the Performing Arts. A committee set up by Winston-Salem mayor M. C. Benton is conducting a "Dial-for-Dollars" drive to raise \$900,000 to build a dormitory on the 22 acre site.

Winston-Salem was chosen in a race with Greensboro, Durham, Raleigh, and Hillsboro after a meeting here Tuesday, April 28 of Governor Terry Sanford's advisory

board of artists to select the site. Touring the Twin City to inspect its cultural advantages were dancer Agnes DeMille, composer Vittorio Giannini, playwright Paul Green, musical comedy writer Richard Adler, dancer Jose Limon, and conductors James Christian Pfhol and Julius Rudel. They visited Salem, the Arts Council Building, Reynolds Auditorium, the Gray High School site, and Wake Forest.

It is expected that this new state school will contribute much to the

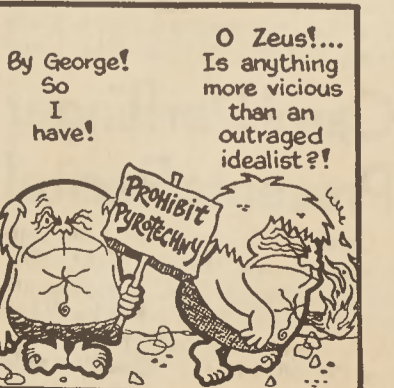
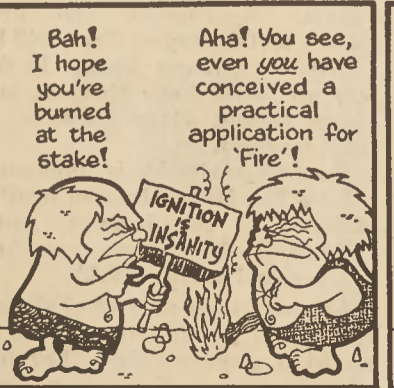
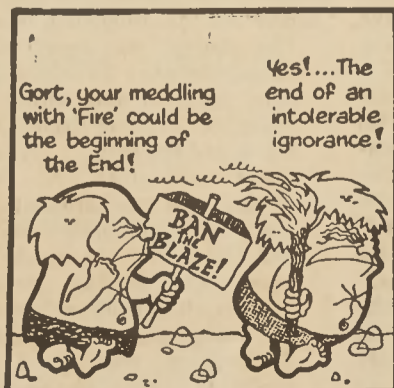
cultural development of Salem and Winston-Salem as a whole. Speaking at a luncheon for the visiting artists both President Dale Gramley and President Harold Tribble of Wake Forest mentioned the blending of cultural, educational, and industrial life in Winston-Salem.



Come to the May Dell next Thursday, May 14, at 10 p.m. for a bonfire vespers service; but bring your own coat hanger with which to toast marshmallows afterwards. The Rev. Jack Nofsinger of Knollwood Baptist Church will lead an informal service.

Take that break at noisy hour and spend an enjoyable half hour in the May Dell — pajamas and raincoats are acceptable!

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O Zeus!... Is anything more vicious than an outraged idealist?!