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Salem Appreciates Efforts Of Unclaimed Supporters

The names of the nominees who will compete to fill the 1967-68 Student Government offices are appearing in today's Salemite. In next week's issue we will publish the candidates' platforms which include statements of their qualifications for office. If the girls who have been nominated are not already known to the entire student body, they soon will be. Following elections the prominence of the offices to which the winners are elected will insure public recognition and appreciation of their contributions.

An equal amount of acclaim is not in store for those, the majority, who act unassumingly in the background to complement the occupants of the foreground. Although they receive minimum publicity they nevertheless continue to contribute their maximum efforts and talents.

Prior to the exhilaration and accompanying tension of elections, a season when attention is fixed on the candidates themselves, take time out to appreciate the work done by all the P. B. T. S.'s on campus—they're the People Behind the Scenes who set the stage for the show.

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"The Cold War" Offers Solution To Misery; Advocates Invisisble Shields For Protection

By Sarah Lynne Cobb

Sitting here on my bed, miserable with a "common cold" and trying to study, it suddenly occurred to me that there would be many advantages to being "an island unto oneself." Not the least of these advantages being the reduction of or, at best, elimination of the "cold" itself. Especially in situations where many must live communally, such as colleges and universities, it would be of great benefit to be able to isolate oneself from mankind. This is not to imply that one would have

to run away from human life and take on a Throeaustic life by a Walden Pond. Rather, there should be some means of maintaining oneself within the framework of society and, at the same time, protecting oneself from other people and their germs.

As of now, the only means of isolation is administered too late, after the germ-exchange has taken place. And despite regular use of modern disinfectants in addition to long used hygiene methods such as covering sneezes with a tissue, the

germ-exchange continues. Feeling that there is no way to stop its continuance, communal institutions try to arrest germs after they've been exchanged by building infirmaries. Infirmaries are clean, anti-septic buildings with rows of big white beds and two or three starched white nurses. Their job: kill germs. It must be noted that infirmaries are very efficient at killing germs and thereby healing patients if one is fortunate enough to get inside.

This brings up a problem: getting inside the infirmary. One must meet the "illness requirements" before one is admitted. The average entrance interview goes something like this:

Nurse: What seems to be the trouble?

Patient: I habe a code.

N: Oh, I see. Sore throat?

P: Uh-huh.

N: Let's see. Throat is a little red. Have you tried salt?

At this point the patient receives a bag of salt with which to gargle. This is an indication that so far the patient is flunking the "illness requirements"—she has been given salt to take back to the dorm. But suddenly the interview continues:

N: Cough?

P: Uh-huh.

N: Nose running?

P: Yeth.

N: Seems you have a pretty bad cold. If you'd only come in sooner we could have stopped it . . . Better check that temperature.

She plows a thermometer into the mouth and leaves.

While she's gone, the patient makes quiet appeals to be admitted. She is miserable: chilled, with watery eyes, stopped up nose, cough, sore throat, headache . . . The patient wrings her hands, thinking, they have got to let me in. I can't stay sick in the dorm—I'll infect my roomie and maybe even the whole hall! Besides, I can't afford any more Kleenex.

The nurse returns. The patient, still wringing her hands, looks up

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Around The Square By

Hannah Nicholson

Wow! This place looks like a florist's! Wow! Look at all the roses and carnations! Wow-Wow! Look at the candy! Chocolate!

Freshmen Gain Later Hours, Lose Sleep

By Sarah Mitchell and Mimi Farrar
 And now no longer a sweet voice calls

At 11:30—"good night, you all!" So at last the freshmen have transgressed the golden mean, and now a light in every room can be seen.

No longer do they kill themselves to study all day, for now when night comes, they do nothing but play.

No more are they quick and alert in class, this semester sees many a sleepy lass.

One o'clock, two o'clock, three o'clock—Hark!

No longer do proctors sneak around in the dark.

The flashlights are shelved—soon to be sold

To next year's freshmen if they be so bold.

They begin their studying promptly at 10,

And when 12 comes, the games begin.

Late movies and bridge take their toll

Now that the class of '70 boasts they're one semester old.

Good-by face! Wow! Champagne! Wow! I love it! Valentine's Day! Wow! Wow!

Well, one thing is for sure—whoever sent all that stuff to Pam Hoffman, Kristi Scott, Julia Graham, Tuck Smith, Netta Newbold, Trisha Pollock, Anne Plyler, Carol Anderson, Edie Hofstead, Paula Pritchard, Carol Livingston, Greer Stout, Judy Stevens, and Barbie Barton (to name a few) sure didn't keep any money out of circulation! Boys, the girls thank you but, most of all, the government thanks you!

The big rage for Salem girls to give their boyfriends for Valentine's Day is gaily decorated underwear. Nancy Corbett and Clare Givan gave Billy Poteat and Mac Tucker, respectively, T-shirts decorated with hearts while Sally Cargill, Sarah Ulmer, and Martha Gomer gave their boyfriends frilly, home-decorated boxer shorts!

Getting Valentine's (or something!) off to an early start was the anonymous donor of a lovely cake last week to Annette Wampler and Sissie Kincaid. "Memories Linger" was the inscription, but neither girl knows WHICH memories!

Louise Marsh has proved once and for all that "crime doesn't pay." It seems that Louise decided to cut her eight o'clock class last Friday and enjoy a leisurely breakfast when in walked Mr. Peck and the

rest of her class. They had decided to hold class over a cup of coffee in the refectory! I understand Louise did an excellent job of blending into the crowd!

Well, it finally came! Months and months of waiting finally came—and there was excitement for snowball fights and snow Friday night dates were bombarded from fortresses located above the main floor and overlooking the streets. Snowball fights were continuous. Take a tip from the NEVER pick a snowball fight with a boy unless you made the epic dodge-ball team!

Last Thursday night a bunch of Clewell idiots went out to play the snow—barefooted! Then, the nuts grabbed other unsuspecting victims from the Rec Room after disposing of the victims' shoes and socks, proceeded to carry them out bodily and deposit them in the middle of the lawn between Clewell and Babcock! Oh! Did toes get cold that night!

One last note before I leave: Beware of Henry's Ghost. He was found hanging in Patty Wampler's room, after having committed suicide. His ghost roams the corridors at night searching for an end to his constant torment. His only reprieve is the ghost of a Salem girl—so never go to the bathroom alone!

Piedmont Center Provides Study-Travel Programs For Salemites In Europe

By Sandy Kelley

Opportunities for student study and travel in Europe are increasing and expanding. A student may now travel for reasonable cost and the opportunities for study exist in almost every field.

Some students, including several from Salem, take part in the Junior Year Abroad program, but more often a student wishes to spend only a summer abroad in which she can both study and travel.

One of the most comprehensive and practical Summer Study Travel programs available to Salem students is that offered by the Piedmont University Center. Their two programs, which provide study at either Dijon, France, or Burgos, Spain, include four weeks of study in the language, culture and history of the country on weekend trips; and four and a half weeks of travel in Europe. Students wishing to apply must have completed study in French or Spanish through the intermediate year. They will then be placed on levels according to their knowledge of the language.

The cost of the Piedmont University Center programs is \$1,000 per person. This includes travel from New York to Europe, back, sleeping accommodations, meals, excursions and tours, tuition and university library privileges. Last summer Vicky Hanks, a junior, studied on the Spanish tour, and Ann Schaefer and Veronica Halward studied at Dijon, France. Anyone interested in these programs should talk to these girls about their experiences.

Since the application deadline is approaching, anyone interested in applying for programs should see Dean Hixson immediately for more details. Several universities offer study for a year or more not just in language study, but in many fields.

Loyola University of Chicago offers a year of study at its Center of Liberal Arts established in Rome in 1962. Classes are taught by Loyola professors along with several foreign professors. Weeks of Elizabeth City is presently in Rome under this program. She is studying history of Spain, Modern Drama, Art History, and Italian; and she will return to Salem in September.

Another Salem student, Suanne Brooks, spent her junior year abroad studying Spanish at the University of Madrid. She applied through New York University.

The Junior Year Abroad program for study in France is offered by Sweetbriar College. One of the most unique programs offered is that of Middlebury College in Middlebury, Vermont. This program is open to students who wish to work on a Masters Degree at a European University.

These are just a very few of the many programs available to Salem students. Anyone wishing information about a program sponsored by a college or university should write directly to that institution. However, pamphlets and books have been published with names, addresses, and information about many of these programs.

One of these, Undergraduate Study Abroad, is put out by the Institute of International Education which acts as a clearing house for exchange students and study programs. The February 1967 issue of the Saturday Review lists many books which are ordered containing information about study, work, or travel abroad.

Dean Hixson or the Vocational Office can open doors to more opportunities to Salem students who wish to explore the



(Character from Charles Schultz)