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SGA Elections Require Considerations, Decisions

The upcoming Student Government elections bring to mind several questions. First, "Whom do I vote for?" Secondly, "Why vote for her?" Everyone has her own idea of the qualities a leader needs. Generally, Salem students nominate well-qualified classmates for office. Students must make the decision now as to which girls to elect.

Now is when we need "Inner Directed Voting." If ever there were a time for you to be an individual, that time is now. Too many people vote for the same person their best friend votes for. Too often block voting occurs. Too little thought is given to the choice or to the responsibility the voter has to the school.

There must be more individualism. The girls elected must be individuals—ones who are not scared to stand up and say what they think. Indifference is our greatest enemy. Student apathy must be overcome. You must take an interest in the elections in order to ensure a progressive Student Government for next year.

Look into yourself. What kind of leader do you want? Do you want a girl who knows how to stand up to authority, who knows how to push the administration without alienating them, and who knows how to voice student opinion? Or, do you want a mere organizer, a worker without a cause, a mediocre public servant? Do you want a progressive person or would you prefer an uninterrupted continuance of the life at school? Think about it. Talk about it. But, make your own decision!

—H. G. N.

Students Voices Need For Re-Examination Of Rules

Dear Editor:

In view of the recent Honors Assembly, this seems a good time to voice an opinion on the condition of the rules at Salem. We students are here to become educated both academically and socially. Personality growth seems restricted, however, as our social behavior is entirely planned for us.

The Salem rules seem rather hypocritical to me; their main concern seems to lie in preserving an image. These regulations seem to minimize our maturity and to assume that we would automatically have unladylike behavior if the rules did not exist. I suggest, however, that we all should have enough responsibility to conform to decent standards without being restricted by many unnecessary regulations. College is a period during which one should be examining her opinions and deciding for herself the standards by which to govern the rest of her life. Upon graduation, we will be faced with the responsibility of making our own decisions completely, so we must begin to formulate our behavior patterns now. I am not criticizing Salem girls; it is only because I believe that Salem girls are so inherently decent and mature that they deserve the right for freedom from several ridiculous rules. With this freedom, our behavior would not

suddenly deteriorate and become immoral.

I suppose that examples of rules are in order here. Two immediate ones are the smoking on front campus and the apartment rules. These two seem only concerned with maintaining an image. I personally would much rather have the Salem reputation one of a progressive, challenging place of learning than a static, unrealistic situation. Freedom of decision does not lead to chaos, but to maturity and responsibility for one's own actions.

Thus I feel that for growth to occur among Salem students, serious re-examination and alteration of the rules is in order. The Honors Assembly was a good beginning, but continued open voicing of student opinion and active participation are the only means of improvement. The world is in a constant state of change, and Salem must face alteration also in order to be an effective educational institution.

Sincerely yours,
Pam Hoffman

MAY DAY TRYOUTS
Wednesday, March 1
6:30 p.m. in the gym
Dramatic and Dancing Parts

Around The Square By Hannah Nicholson

Well, girls, here it is! Another detailed, delicious chapter of the lives and loves in Salem City. Yes, it's your weekly report of "Salem Slime." Now that the campus has been opened to the outside world, the results have been juicy. Hemlines were the first to go and love is a year-round sport.

The Gramley Gracefuls welcomed back Mrs. Herndon. She's one of the necessary evils in their plan. Actually, she arrived just in time to break up a ring of destruction and terror which had gained control of the dorm. Lindsay Wheatley and Lee Harvey had become such experts in toilet-papering rooms around them that they couldn't stop at that. They put "Happy Birthday" on one door and each roommate thought it was the other's birthday.

The Lehman Lovelies have had quite a bit of disturbance recently. A large rat took several of Ann Haas' Oreos over the weekend. The tears and lamentations were so great when the theft was discovered that Monday night the girls found themselves a cat and slept peacefully for the first time since Sunday!

The Sisters Sweeties have been having a good time. Tina Johnson had a hard time getting to Carolina last weekend. She used six quarts of oil and it got to the point where she would stop at a filling station

Freshman Seek IRS Suggestion

Dear Salem Sabbey,

I am a freshman at Salem College and our big sock hop is coming up soon, and I'm scared chartreuse. It's important that I make a good impression my date, so please give me some helpful pointers on how to entertain him between Friday night's concert and Saturday night's big hop.

"Fraidy Frosh"

Dear "Frady Frosh,"

There are many things to do, but since you're just a naive and unknowing freshman, you'll have to wait until you get old enough to understand.

Having checked the Salem College facilities I've found that your school has an excellent Fine Arts Center and library. And what could be more romantic than having that special fellow help you type the term paper that's due the Monday after IRS? Why not take him over to Snavely's book store and let him laugh at the prices when you're through doing that?

If you're looking for exercise, lend him your roommate's leotard and go to the gym. While over there why not have a little fencing bout so he can practice advancing while you practice retreating for that night. I'm sure it's going to rain that day, so why not rent a surf board and hang ten all the way to the F. D. for Carmichael's IRS special? You can always buy a case and go to Tanglewood for a picnic. Things go better with Coke, you know. Take him to the Science building and show him your favorite pet, the Apisthorchus Sinensis you're so proud of.

When the time comes to show your date that beautiful room, why not stage a contest to see which couple can stay in the room longest before you hear Miss Robert's familiar knock?

If you don't like your date, take him to the refectory; he'll never come back.

Of course if none of these suggestions intrigues you or offers a challenge, I'm sure your Don Juan can come up with some fascinating ways to pass the time.

Have a good time!

Salem Sabbey

and say, "Fill it up with oil and check the gas!" If you think she had a hard time getting to Carolina, well, let me tell you that was nothing compared to the hard time she's had since she got back . . .!

Another juicy tid-bit from Sisters: Nancy Corbett, in a rage and furor, signed a pledge in blood. It seems she vowed she wouldn't ask a certain Wake Forest graduate student to IRS even if the ACC Tournament wasn't that weekend. Anybody taking bets on who she'll show up with now that we know the ACC Tournament is the next weekend?

Once again Lindsay Wheatley, one of the Gramley Gracefuls, made headlines. She received a chocolate pie for her birthday and proceeded to drop the whole thing in her lap! Salem City Sweeties Susan Craw-

ley, Bettie Henderson, Su Su Brien have provided more scandal. Susan a freshman Babcock Baby, she stole David Jones' Beta pin at UVA this past weekend. Su Su, a Dream Girl finally relented and accepted Wendel Williams' diamond ring. Wendel is a medical student at Bowman Gray.

Finally, Sisters Sweetie Betty got a phone call from Larry Luch. He had bought her a present—stereo! When he finally got home he took her out to the car to see the stereo and gave her a diamond instead! Larry still claims she can use the ring instead of buying a needle.

Well, girls, that's all of the Salem City Slime was was printable this week. Sorry, but even the Amendment to the Constitution doesn't allow me to tell all I know

News Media Give Views On NSA-CIA Involvement

By Lyn Davis

Exactly how does one get to the truth in a controversial situation? Can it be reached through statements by those people involved, magazine articles, or accounts in the newspapers?

The recent revelation of the association between the United States National Student Association and the Central Intelligence Agency by Ramparts magazine is a good case in point. Since 1952 the CIA has been secretly placing money in the USNSA treasury under the guise of several foundations, some of which have no required tax records on file, no telephone listing, no address. As much as eighty per cent of UNNSA's budget has depended on these funds which were earmarked for their international exchange programs.

Only the president, the vice president of international affairs and a few staff officers have known about the CIA's involvement in their organization. These people were asked to sign a National Security Agreement after being told that they would have access to important facts about their organization only after they had done so. The ink being dry on the paper, USNSA's officials learned of the CIA-USNSA relationship and the heavy penalty violation of the oath.

This procedure continued until 1965 when Philip Sherborne became president. He felt this practice was wrong and proceeded to successfully but quietly make arrangements for USNSA's financial independence from the CIA by the end of his one-year term. Through a close friend of his, however, the story of the last thirteen years reached Ramparts. After conducting an investigation for two months, the magazine decided to print the story despite the pleas of Sherborne and the new president, Rhodes Scholar Eugene Groves.

Since the story hit the news stands on April 14, three different, highly opiated accounts of the whole affair have emerged. The National Supervisory Board of UNNSA has published an eight-page statement of its investigation into the matter. In part, it said, "We are shocked at the ethical traps into which young men of great integrity have been placed by covert actions of the CIA."

. . . No NSACoordinators, Student Body Presidents, or Regional Officers of the Association knew of this (CIA-USNSA) relationship. . . the Agency did not exercise any direct control over the policies or personnel of NSA . . . the U. S. government owes an enormous apology to the National Student Association . . . for using NSA in this manner . . . The National Supervisory Board has unanimously ordered the complete severance of all ties with the CIA."

Time magazine takes another stand: ". . . CIA's funding of UNNSA . . . was not the agency's unilateral decision . . . Three Presidents—Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Johnson—knew all along about the CIA-NSA contract . . . A good deal of the protest over spies and scholars seemed less than realistic . . . the CIA-NSA alliance was based on any kind of abracadabra espionage."

The newspapers look to the President in this situation. The question why he authorized the payment of the money in the first place and ask what he's going to do about it now. Congressional committees are being called upon to clear up what the newspapers regard as an error on the part of the Administration. They neither defend nor attack USNSA, but they do neglect to mention that the international division of the American Newspaper Guild has received money from the CIA in the past.

Where is the truth, anyway?

Sources: Charlotte Observer—February 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 1967

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