

Bourquin Suggests Year Abroad

By Beecher Mathes

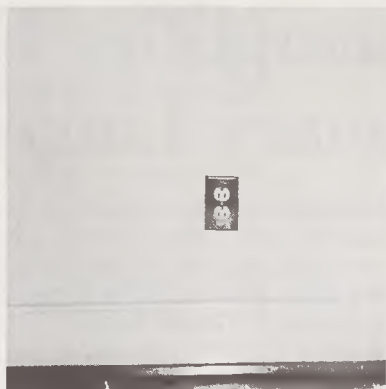
Last year our Napoleonic professor of French, Mr. Michel Bourquin, took leave of Salem to become mother hen to 25 American students at the University of Neuchatel in Neuchatel, Switzerland. The exchange program was sponsored by the Association of Mid-Florida Colleges, Stetson and Eckerd being the largest of five; Salem is also a paying member of this year-abroad program.

In the Seminars de Francais Moderne, the foreign exchange school of the University, there are about 25 nationalities. American students represent one of the nations but are limited to 50 in number. French and French literature are the subjects taught there although students can apply for courses in the regular University curriculum. Following a month of orientation in which the students informally learn the local culture, and the location of

important cities, classes begin in October. They continue until June with a six week break in February.

Neuchatel, Mr. Bourquin's hometown, is a city located in the exact center of Europe. Lake Neuchatel provides recreation as well as scenic beauty with the Alps always towering in the distance. The town offers skiing, swimming, theaters, movies and of course, the most important form of entertainment—cafes.

Lisa Godwin and Millie McLendon were two Salem students who accompanied Mr. Bourquin. Since the University did not furnish dormitory space for the exchange students, they were able to see an even more intimate side of Switzerland by living with French Swiss families. Not a teacher, not an official, Mr. Bourquin acted as resident director, a liaison between the University and his students. He found housing for them, handled rent



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and food costs, handed out aspirin, and was available for counseling and any two a.m. emergencies that might occur.

Along with all the fun and frolic this kind of program can give, the main purpose is academics. Mr. Bourquin recommends it for French majors or those fairly fluent in the language. He prefers the year-long study to that of only one semester, since a good adjustment to the different culture and surroundings takes that length of time.

"I would like to see students go to Neuchatel instead of somewhere else for three reasons," says Mr. Bourquin.

"It is a civilized and safe city, and since the number of American students is limited, students are sure to experience a foreign country, rather than their own. Although the program is not excitingly innovative, it is sound and worthwhile; the opportunities for learning of French Switzerland and its people are many.

Lecture To Be Held On American Art

A seminar on Frederic Edwin Church, known as the greatest mid-19th century landscape artist, will be held at Reynolda House Thursday and Friday, October 25 and 26. Morning and afternoon sessions will be held each day, beginning at 9:00 a.m., with a lecture Thursday night at 8:00 o'clock.

The sessions are open and free to the public, but registration is required and a charge will be made for lunch each day.

Lecturers and discussion leaders will be David Huntington and Richard Slavin, III. Huntington, professor of art history at the University of Michigan, is the author of the book "The Landscapes of Frederic Edwin Church." Slavin is the director of Olana Historic Site at Hudson, N. Y., the summer home and estate of Frederic and Isabel Church, now a museum operated under jurisdiction of the New York State Division of Historic Preservation. In addition, presentations on the artist will be made by Bill Hanner and Becky Sowers, of Winston-Salem, participants in this year's Reynolda House American Foundations Seminar.

In 1855, the artist completed the earliest and what is considered the finest panoramic scene he ever painted, "Andes of Ecuador." This painting is now a part of the Reynolda House Collection of American art.

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Nov. 20	8:00	"While the City Sleeps" & "The Thousand Eyes of Dr. Mabuse"	College Union
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Nov. 30	7 & 9	"Macbeth"	College Union
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NOTE

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NOV. 30-DEC. 2

Dec. 3	8:00	"The Scoundrel" & "Midnight"	College Union
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Dr. Francis Lazarus brings new ideas and enthusiasm to the Classics Department.

Classics Professor Enjoys Archeology

By Ginny Starr

Remember the Junior Class caterpillar that finished last on Founder's Day? Well, bringing up the rear of that caterpillar was our new Classics professor, Dr. Francis Lazarus! Those of you who have classes with Dr. Lazarus know that his participation in Founder's Day was only a small sample of his enthusiasm for Salem College and her students.

Dr. Lazarus graduated in 1966 from a small men's college in Buffalo, N. Y. called Canisius College. He then spent four years at Cornell University where he received his master's degree in 1968. In 1970 he went into the Army and served three years as an instructor and assistant professor of English at West Point. He completed his Ph.D. at West Point in 1972 and joined the Salem College faculty in September.

In his spare time Dr. Lazarus likes to "fish, dig up old cities, and read philosophy." He also says that he is on his way to becoming an archeologist! He has two little girls, ages 2 and 3, and a wife who is, to quote him, "an excellent teacher." She teaches math at Northwest Junior High School in Winston-Salem.

Dr. Lazarus is very pleased to be teaching Classics and finds the Salem students "bright, interesting and friendly." He is very optimistic about Salem and her future and finds it refreshing that Salem is successful in remaining a small, church-oriented, women's college.

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