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COMMENCEMENT ISSUE.

It has not been the custom of the Weekly to bring out an issue after Commencement, but feeling that our subscribers would appreciate it and especially that those prospective students who by the courtesy of the President of the College have been receiving it would be glad of a concluding word for the year, we have decided to incur the extra expense and send forth this final issue till the opening of the Fall Term, Sept. 4, 1912.

We say it without flattery, but as the plain statement of the truth, that the Commencement, account of which is herein contained, was the largest, best, most enjoyed of all Elon's history. From the opening exercise on Saturday evening, June 1, to the concluding exercise on the evening of June 5, the attendance taxed the capacity of the spacious auditorium and was as appreciative and as responsive as it was large. The good influences set in motion by such a series of high-class exercises cannot be computed. Commencement is a severe tax on those who make it possible, but it is certainly worth far more than it costs. Here is our appreciation-to those who came to see us, everv one of the grand throng, and to those whose commendable efforts made the twenty-second the best Commencement yet held at this sacred center of learning and culture.

ADVANTAGES OFFERED AT ELON.

We feel, and justly so, that Elon has advantages that cannot be surpassed by any college in the land, and we are proud, pardonably so, to see the recognition that is accorded her by a growing constituency, by the press, and by the educational world at large. Elon's graduates fill successfully every walk in life and are honored everywhere they are known. We have never heard of one who committed a crime after leaving here. This is attributable to the great care with which the moral training of the student body is cared for by a consecrated Faculty, and to the fact that Elon is distinctly a College town.

In view of the prestige to which the College has come and of the growing confidence and esteem it is receiving, we append here ten of the great advantages which it seems to us have made Elon the synonym of the best and finest in education and life-preparation:

1st. High moral tone, no hazing, clean athletics.

2nd Thorough scholarship under seventeen specialists, representing the very best training in this country and Europe.

3rd. An equipment that is modern in every respect, upon which recently \$55,-000 has been expended, including steam heat, electric light, bath and sewer systems, a modern gymnasium, and located in one of the most healthful sections of the North Carolina Hill Country. "I will look to the hills, whence cometh my strength."

4th. Healthfulness that is remarkable. In twenty-two years there has never been an instance of serious sickness. For several years there has not been a death in the student body, and those who come to Elon debilitated soon regain their vigor and develop a virile man- and womanhood. Elon has no medical fee, because it is unnecessary.

5th. An absolutely pure water supply from a deep well "that faileth not."

6th. Instruction of the most competent type in Piano, Voice, Art, and Expression. 7th. A Business Department that costs nothing when entered while a student in the Literary Department and that has equipped more men and women for suc-

cessful careers in the business world than any so-called Business College, and has kept silent about its successes Sth. Special attention to preparatory

students in our excellent Preparatory Department and to those who are deficient in a study or two, making it possible to save at least a year in life-preparation.

9th. Free intercourse between professors and students, contributing tremendously to character growth, which we regard as the highest good of College education

10th. The lowest rates, advantages considered, in the entire South.

Finally, if you feel inclined to patronize an institution of these ideals and advantages, the editor would suggest that you drop a line to Elon's President, who is always, we assure you, glad to help talented young people to self-realization. Write him at once!

ELON'S 23RD FALL TERM OPENS ON SEPT. 4. YOUR PRESENCE IS DE-SIRED THEN.

THE NEW GYMNASIUM.

The Weekly rejoices that the Board of Trustees of the College have decided to erect during the vacation season a modern gymnasium and also to equip the gymnasium room in the West Dormitory for young ladies. These improvements are needed and will add materially to the value of the College plant and we herald their approach with peculiar pleasure. And we rejoice the more when we learn that this gymnasium is to be the finest in the State. The building committee 15 President Harper, Dr. W. W. Staley, and Kemp B. Johnson.

Ray! Ray! Rah! Rah! Elon! Elon!

WELCOME, MISS LONG.

We tell in_another column of the marriage of Miss Bryan to Mr. J. T. Hobby. This made a vacancy in the directorship of the Department of Fine Arts. The Board of Trustees, after careful consideration, elected 'Miss Eula Virginia Long to the position. Miss Long began her Art preparation here, taught with success in several places, and for the past four years has been pursuing graduate work under specialists in Cooper Union, New York City. We regard Miss Long as highly competent and welcome her cordially into the Faculty of our great and good Elon.

Begun on page one. starved factory children, who must find their recreation on the street! Then too. already the "inquiet sex" has entered the field of college professorship and held its own. Man's tender years in which he builds character, and stores knowledge, are entrusted to women. Still, there are men, who are so devoid of knowledge, so narrow-minded, so near-sighted as to assert. Pater-like, that woman hasn't the ability to understand, to be mentally developed. How long it does take man to open his eyes! When will he ever wake up enough to realize that he is already being left in the shade, that woman is forging ahead; reaching out for the laurel of victory, victory over the prejudice of man!"

One would have supposed from Miss Fogleman's essay that the American Infamy was the failure to give women their much clamored for rights, but the next speaker seemed to find it in the summary manner in which the mob metes out justice seasoned with rage and blinded prejudice. Mr. F. F. Myrick spoke in part as follows:

"According to statistics, more than sixteen hundred illegal hangings were engaged in during the last fifteen years. Not only do helpless cries of the victims come from the cotton fields and cane brakes of the whole South, they also come from the iron fields of Pennsylvania and throughout the United States. "There is only one solution for this problem, and that is an awakening national sentiment. The majority, both North and South, know that lynching is an evil, but this must be heated into action, which shall restrain the less thoughtful majority."

"Christianity and Peace" was the subject of the eloquent oration delivered by Mr. J. F. Morgan. Mr. Morgan is a ministerial student and treated this theme with a personal relish and enthusiasm that gave it peculiar aptness, the burden of his message being to show that "Christianity is not a creed, not a dogma, not a system of theology. It is an essential spiritual reality, the most real history development of the human race. It stands infinitely beyond and above everv other religion. Judaism and Heathenism have been overthrown by its truths and its great doctrines have mounted upon thrones to rule the world.

Behold what geniuses Christianity has moulded and how the greatest poets, historians, statesmen and orators have for have for centuries been its debtors.

"Christianity and peace are inseparable, the author of Christianity is the

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Prince of Peace, the glorious army under this mighty Prince is going on conquering and to conquer."

"We hear a great deal about conservation in these days," said Mr. A. T. Banks, in the concluding oration of the evening, but the kind of conservation that appeals to me more than any other is the Conservation of Manhood. In the conservation and development of manhood there are three important ideas for consideration; these are the body, the mind, and the spirit.

"The greatest need of the age is strong manhood. All the requisites for perfect manhood and qualifications for all the vocations of life are accessible and we are invited by thousands of incentives to fit ourselves for the highest service. Enduring service is the supreme call from all the vocations of life, country, home and God."

Fourth Day-The Alumni.

The afternoon of the fourth day was taken up in the business session of the Alumni Association and in the Annual Recital of the Department of Expression. The Alumni Association is meditating large things for Alma Mater, which did not materialize this year. It is hoped however that soon something definite can he announced.