

ALUMNI URGED TO ATTEND MID-YEAR MEETING

Dr. D. W. Jones Calls Meeting East Va. Group

Pres. Smith To Deliver Address; College Glee Club Will Furnish Music

The Eastern Virginia Elon Alumni Association will hold its annual banquet on February 23, in Fellowship Hall, Suffolk Christian church, Suffolk, Va.

We are desirous of having the best Fellowship Meeting ever held in Eastern Virginia, and from all indications we assure you that it will be.

In order that the Alumni may get some idea of what will take place, this is our outlined program: Short business meeting will be in order; then we will be favored by music, reading, speeches, and a short representative program from Elon College Student Body; and last, but not least, a fine turkey dinner, and a short address by our College President.

We wish to extend an invitation to all of you Alumni who would like to join us on this occasion. There will be old friends, college chums, classmates and so forth that probably you have not seen for years. Let this year 1936, be a "Get-together" year for Elon and her Alumni.

If you are interested in our banquet, please let Mrs. Annie Staley Calhoun, Secretary of the Eastern Elon Alumni Association, Suffolk, Va., know and she will see that there will be a plate waiting for you, and maybe a place by your old sweetheart. Please join us, we will be most delighted to have you.

WINSTON-SALEM ALUMNI MEETS FRIDAY NIGHT

Word has just been received that the Winston-Salem local unit of the Alumni Association will hold its regular Spring meeting Friday night, February 7th. Dr. Fred Garvey is the president of the group and Miss Foy Matlock secretary-treasurer.

The Winston-Salem group is looked up as the most wide awake group of the entire alumni-association. They will have an interesting program and Dr. L. E. Smith will be the speaker for the occasion.

ALUMNI GROUP HAS SESSION

Prof. M. Z. Rhodes has called a meeting of the local unit of the Elon Alumni to meet in Burlington, Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock at the Christian church. This is the largest local unit of the Alumni Association and a large attendance is expected.

Mr. Rhodes states that the meal will be served for 50 cents each, and an interesting program will be provided. Anyone who attended Elon College is eligible for membership in the association and is invited to this banquet. Do not fail to be present whether you get a special invitation or not.

If you plan to attend, please notify Prof. Rhodes or Miss Dorothy Miller, Sec. and Treas. of the association, in order that provision may be made for you.

Program
M. Z. Rhodes, toastmaster; Amosca; Invocation, Dr. G. O. Lankford; Greetings, M. Z. Rhodes; Solo, Miss Mary Lee Foster; Address, "Loyalty to One's Alma Mater", Dr. J. H. Lightbourne; Impromptu Quartette, Messrs. Talbert King, E. F. Rhodes, Willis Boland and E. N. Pearce; "Here's to Dear Old Elon".

Dr. L. E. Smith Welcomes Alumni To Annual Session; Outlines Campaign Plans

Students in American colleges according to careful analysis pay only about fifty-one per cent of the annual cost of their education. Students in privately endowed or church related schools pay a little larger percentage of the actual cost of their education than do students in state or tax supported schools. In church related colleges where income from endowment or invested funds is small, churches and alumni are constantly contributing to augment natural income of their institutions in order that there may be a balanced budget when the year is closed.

The alumni of Elon College are loyal. They have an abiding interest in the institution and as a rule are ready at any time to come to the assistance of their alma mater. Unfortunately for the past few years the debts of Elon have been so enormous that few have felt like contributing until the finances of the institution were in better shape. On different occasions interested and loyal alumni have said to me, if and when the financial obligations of Elon College are improved to such an extent that there is a possibility of clearing the college of its debts and more nearly insuring its future they would be glad to give what they could to help. Our Alumni everywhere will rejoice in the fact that the debts of Elon College now total \$146,704.

This indicates the settling of more than \$500,000 of the college's indebtedness.

The present financial responsibilities of Elon College are within the realm of possibility. The debt now stands at a figure within the reach of the generosity of the church, alumni, and friends of the college. An effort will be made beginning next month to place the actual financial condition of Elon College in the hands of every one interested in the institution with an earnest appeal to every one to come to the assistance of the college at this time. Our alma mater naturally looks to her sons and daughters for help. During our college days she did the best she could for us it is now our turn to express our appreciation in a substantial way. It is the hope of the MAROON and GOLD that among the alumni of Elon College no one will be found irresponsive to the college's need at this time.

On February 15 at two o'clock in the Literary Society Hall, Alumniance Building, the Alumni Association will meet in mid-session. This will not only be an important gathering but one of joy and optimism. The program for this meeting appears in this issue of the MAROON AND GOLD. This is an earnest invitation from the college for every one who possibly can to attend this meeting.

Alumni Urged Banquet And To Pay Fees Game Tickets

This week the first installment of letters to the alumni for their association fee went out. M. L. Patrick, of High Point, who is serving as part-time secretary to the general association has stated that this year the drive is aimed for 500 as the minimum and he expects it to move much nearer one thousand.

In explaining his method and purpose for mailing the letter at this time, Mr. Patrick stated that it is the wish of the Executive Committee and J. O. Atkinson, Jr. president of the association, that an early solicitation, that an early solicitation will not only afford more ample opportunity to increase the actual number of memberships, but it will at the same time dissipate the idea that the association annually resorts to a hurried plea for funds just before commencement each year in order to meet a few bills.

As an added attraction to the annual meeting, Elon will play Appalachian State Teachers College in a conference game. Combination tickets can be had for the price of \$1.75 for those who wish to attend both the banquet and the basketball game. Such tickets must be bought in advance. If bought separately, the price will be 50 cents per plate for the banquet and 40 cents for the game.

Elon College athletic teams have made rapid progress in the last few years under the astute coaching of D. E. Walker. A large number of alumni are expected to take advantage of the opportunity to see the 1936 basketball team in action against Appalachian following the meeting and banquet.

BE SURE YOU ATTEND THE MID-YEAR MEETING OF THE ALUMNI AT 2:00, SOCIETY HALL, FEBRUARY 15TH.



M. Z. RHODES

Above is Prof. M. Z. Rhodes '23. Mr. Rhodes is president of the Burlington Unit of the Elon Alumni and will preside over the meeting Tuesday night, Feb. 11 1936.

Mr. Rhodes finished his college at Elon within three years and took his major in science. He is now teaching science in the Burlington High School, head of the Music Department of the Burlington High School and Director of the Choir at the First Christian church, Burlington. While a student at Elon, Mr. Rhodes was a member of the Clio Literary Society and of the Kappa Psi Nu Fraternity. Mr. Rhodes is somewhat of an Iron Man, having done four years work in three (and science courses counted only six semester hours then) director of the College Bank, took an active part in all college activities while a student here. All his graduate work has been done at the University of N. C. Mr. Rhodes married Miss Mildred Kirkland, '23.

DR. J. D. MESSICK SUNDAY SCHOOL SPEAKER

On Thursday, February 6, Dr. J. D. Messick met with the young people of the Sunday Schools of Alamance county in a county-wide assembly at the First Reformed church in Burlington.

Dr. Messick was the principle speaker at a banquet given in honor of young people of the Alamance Sunday Schools. He used for his subject "The Christian Youth Building a New World." All who heard Dr. Messick speak agreed that it was in keeping with former good work.

Dr. Messick will speak on this subject at the assembly next Thursday evening.

Freshman-Soph. Party Is Held

Annual Reception Is Given For Sophomores By First-Year Class Members

The Freshman class entertained for the Sophomore class, Wednesday as the annual Freshman-Sophomore reception was held on the campus.

The annual event, coming each year at the early part of the spring semester, proved a delightful affair in the reception, Wednesday night. A well organized and interesting program was given as the Freshman class entertained in return for the reception given for the Freshmen at the opening of school in the fall.

Entering the reception room the guests were met by a receiving line composed of Donald Hamilton, president of freshman class; Joe Pointer, president of Sophomore class; Dean French Haynes; Dean Messick; Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Snuggs; Alma Staunton; Ruth Page Clarke; and Pearl Paris.

Donald Hamilton paid appreciation on behalf of the freshman class to the Sophomores and Joe Pointer expressed appreciation on behalf of the Sophomores to Freshmen in return.

Games and dancing followed with refreshments bringing the evening to a close.

Pres. Atkinson Appeals To Fellow Alumni

Meeting Is To Be Held Here At Two O'clock February 15.

The midyear meeting of the Elon College Alumni Association will be held at Elon College on Saturday February 15, at two o'clock P. M. As you probably know, the meeting of the Alumni Association held during Commencement in the year 1934 authorized a midyear session of the Alumni Association with full power and authority to act upon any and all questions. The first of such meetings was held February, 1935, and it was acclaimed by all Alumni present that it was indeed a successful meeting.

In view of the many important questions confronting the Association at the present time I am urging and pleading with you to attend this meeting. Such important matters as the coming campaign of the College, the employing of a full-time secretary of the Association, and many others will be brought up for discussion and attention.

I am asking all local units. This does not mean that the delegates will have the sole power to vote but, to the contrary, all Alumni present will be entitled to vote.

The Executive Committee is trying to work out a program that will be interesting to all concerned. As previously stated, the meeting will convene at two and upon an abundant dinner will be served in the College dining hall. After dinner we will have the opportunity of attending Appalachian State College.

Reiterating, I urge—I plead—for your presence and cooperation.

ALUMNI PROUD ALMA MATER

It was the privilege of the undersigned alumni of Elon College to meet during the recent mid-winter sessions of the Commission on Missions, the Prudential Committee and the Home Boards of the Congregational and Christian Churches at Evanston, Illinois. The opportunities and responsibilities of the church of our day are revealed in such gatherings and prove that provision for the Christian College must be made. The interest expressed in Elon College and the response to the announcements of the program which will provide funds for present indebtedness and the immediate needs of the future, gave to each of us an increased pride in our own College, and deepened the conviction that the plans for the coming months will make possible a greater Elon which is needed.

We believe in Elon College. We see every reason for confidence in her future. We acknowledge the debt of those whose student days were spent on Elon campus. We pledge our own cooperation and loyalty with high hope and enthusiasm. We call upon others to share in this campaign in such a way that the spirit and contribution of the Alumni may be a positive factor in its success.

Pattie Lee Coghill, '23, Jacksonville, Fla.; Lucy M. Eldredge, '21, Dayton, Ohio; F. C. Lester, '18, Norfolk, Va.; W. T. Scott, '24 Winston-Salem, N. C.; H. Shelton Smith, '17, Durham, N. C.; L. E. Smith, Elon College, N. C.

ELON COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, MID-YEAR MEETING, FEBRUARY 15, 1936, AT 2 P. M.

PROGRAM

1. Call to order J. O. Atkinson, Jr. President
2. Prayer A. L. Hoel
3. Reading of Minutes M. L. Patrick, Secretary
4. Unfinished Business
5. New business
 - a. What voice if any should the alumni have in selecting nominees for the board of Trustees? W. T. Scott
 - b. Program for alumni day in connection with commencement, May 26. Miss Margaret Rowland
6. Report of secretary M. L. Patrick
7. Statement of the condition of the college and plans for the campaign President L. E. Smith
8. The alumni's share in the payment of the debts of the college D. R. Fonville
9. Approach to World War Veterans W. G. Stone
10. Should alumni contributions to the debts of Elon College be kept separate? W. F. Warren