

GEORGE D. COLCLOUGH

George D. Colclough, for many years director of public relations and field secretary at Elon College, was recently appointed executive secretary of the Burlington Chamber of Commerce and Merchants' Association by the boards of directors in joint session.

Mr. Colclough is to succeed Thurston Cates, who has resigned to take a similar position in Macon, Ga., Colclough's appointment becoming effective January 1.

A native of Durham county, Mr. Colclough is an Elon graduate, class of 1926, and has been a resident of Alamance county for 26 years. In addition to his college duties, Colclough is at present mayor of Elon college, executive secretary of the General Alumni association, and editor of the Alumni News.

We will miss his smile on campus. But we know that in this responsible and strategic position, his interest in Elon will continue. One more alumnus in local big business can not but bring a benefit to our college, even though we shall not so often be cheered by his warm greetings and his happy faculty of knowing everyone. Our sincerest good will goes with Mr. Colclough and his family in this new venture. His years of service will not be forgotten; and we are happy to know that he will remain in our town as citizen and mayor.

POE TO LEAD ELON PLAYERS

Gene Poe was unanimously elected president of the Elon Players, the student dramatic club, at its first meeting of the year held in the Little Theater on November 25, 1944. The group will meet monthly to study dramatic expression its chief function of the year will be to aid in the production of the annual student three-act play, the members either acting in the play or working on one of the various committees.

Tom Horner was elected vice-president, and Frances Pegram, secretary-treasurer.

Campus Calendar

Saturday, December 9: Ministerial Association Banquet.

Sunday, December 10: Morning worship, 11 a. m. Dr. O. E. Croy of Liberty, N. C. 7 p. m.: Vespers.

Monday, December 11: 7 p. m.: Choir rehearsal.

Tuesday, December 12: Joint meeting of Executive Committees of the Southern Convention, Board of Trustees, and Alumni Association, 2 p. m. Joint meeting of S. C. A., 8 p. m.

December 15-January 2: Christmas vacation.

The foundation makes a small annual grant to associates in counselling, relying upon their judgment as to the way of using the sum to the advantage of the students. The purchase of helpful books, home entertainment, and week-end retreats and camping trips have been found to be useful. We are certain that this appointment has been made wisely, and that Elon students will receive from it the fullest advantages made possible by the foundation.

NINE ATTEND RALEIGH STUDENT LEGISLATURE

ROSSI ELECTED HOUSE PARLIAMENTARIAN

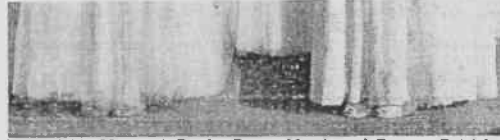
Nine Elon students were present at the Eighth Annual Student Legislative Assembly held in Raleigh on November 17-18. Their first bill, which called for a course in American government as a pre-requisite to college graduation, was passed. Although this was only a mock legislature, bills which were passed by both houses will be presented to the General Assembly of North Carolina for consideration when it convenes in January.

Delegates to the Senate were Earl Danieley, Martha Anne McDaniel, and Tom Horner; those assigned to the House of Representatives were Emerson Whatley, Gene Poe, Sarah Brewer, John Rossi, Ruth Webster, and Vivian Walker. Dr. C. R. McClure accompanied the group as faculty advisor.

A caucus was held in the Senate chamber early Friday afternoon to elect officers and the Elon delegation was successful in supporting John Rossi for parliamentarian of the House. After the caucus the "young legislators" heard talks by Governor Broughton and Secretary of State Thad Eure.

The bill sponsored by the Elon delegation would make the State Board of Education demand the adjustment of the curricular of all four-year colleges and universities within the state so as to require the completion of a course in AMERICAN GOVERNMENT as a pre-requisite to graduation. The passing of this resolution would help to develop a more intelligent citizenry—a citizenry with a more precise knowledge of the affair of the government. John Rossi originated the bill which passed in both houses. Earl Danieley introduced the resolution in the Senate and Tom Horner seconded it; Emerson Whatley presented it in the House, where the seconding speech was made by Gene Poe.

Schools represented were Carolina, Wake Forest, State, Elon, Lenoir-Rhyne, Meredith, St. Mary's ECTC, Brevard, Atlantic Christian, Lees-McRae, Campbell, and Woman's College.



Left to right: Margaret Rawls, Peggy Morris and Frances Detrick.

Messiah Sung By Brilliant Chorus

On Sunday evening, December 3, the Festival Chorus sang the "Messiah" in Whitley Auditorium. There was a capacity attendance despite war-time limitations upon travel. This is one of the traditional events of the college year, and many alumni were among those present.

To Miss Margaret H. Whittington as director, Irving D. Bartley, head of the Department of Music, and organist, Miss Ann McClenny, pianist, and to the entire chorus, the audience gave well-deserved commendation for a splendid interpretation of this great work of art. There is no finer way to open the Christmas season in a sincere religious atmosphere.

The soloists were the finest assembled in recent years. They were Mrs. Amelia Hall Cardwell of Greensboro, soprano; Mrs. Ethel

Kalter of the San Carlo Opera Company, New York City; Sergeant John Sealy, O. R. D., Greensboro, tenor; and Walter Vassar, Greensboro, bass.

There were seventy-five voices in the chorus. Community co-operation made possible both the size and excellence of the production, which was recorded by the Burlington Broadcasting Company. Parts of the recording will be made available to the public by transcription.

The great oratio by Handel was composed in 1741, the text being taken entirely from the Scriptures. It was first presented in Dublin under the direction of Handel himself.

And now, after more than two hundred years, the inspiration of this work of art has ushered in another Christmas season.



MISS MARGARET WHITTINGTON, head of the Voice Department and chorus director.



PROFESSOR IRVING D. BARTLEY, head of the Music Department and organist for the Messiah presentation.

popular than we expected.

The purpose of the poll was to find out which features the students prefer and those columns which they would like to see appear in the forthcoming issues. We were surprised to find that the personality stories are rated so highly; there will be more of these "who's who" features in the future. Some students would like to have more poetry, others suggest more science news, and the day students clamor for more "doodlings." The staff is always willing to hear suggestions from students, but our space limits our desire to please.

HELEN NEWSOME HEADS NEWEST ORGANIZATION

The Art Club, consisting of thirty-one students of the Fine Arts department re-organized Friday morning, November 10, and elected the following officers:

President, Helen Newsome. Vice-president, Betty McLean. Secretary, Myrtle Shepard. Treasurer, Kathleen Young. Reporter, Dale Hensley.

The Club will meet monthly and plans are to visit other Art schools as well as attend any outstanding exhibits offered within convenient distance from Elon. Miss Lila Newman is the Professor of Fine Arts and is the sponsor of the club. The following are members:

Elizabeth Apple, Jennie Lee Barham, Marie Bryan, Ed Daniel, Myrtle Shepard, Willie Smith Crutchfield, Mary Ellen McCants, Don Miller, Rodney Southerland, Eliza Boyd, Lou Kerns, Anne Hardy, Walstein Snyder, Dorothy Sutton Schowe, Betty McLean, Kathleen Young, Kathleen Shoffner, Dale Hensley, Helen Newsome, Dot Holland, Lucy Allison, Joy Belle Stafford, Vivien Florence, Jessamine Oldham, Evelyn Paul, Nell Snyder, Dottie Lamm, Ruby Braxton, Verna Lee Kernodle, Sara Yarborough, Edna Reitzel, Pauline McCrimmon.

TWO STUDENTS ATTEND RACIAL CONFERENCE

Miss Florine Braxton and Miss Edna Reitzel represented Elon College at the Fifth Annual Applied Christianity Conference held on November 17-18 jointly at Greensboro College and Bennett College. The purpose of the assembly was to discuss ways to promote Christian fellowship throughout the state, especially between the various races. The delegates heard talks on the subject by several outstanding educators.

There were students attending from all colleges in the state, as well as Jewish, Negro, and Chinese representatives.

pany, of Greensboro; and secretary and treasurer, Thad Eure, of Raleigh, North Carolina Secretary of State.

Informal suggestion has been made that the purpose of this foundation is to raise \$1,000,000 for the support, development, and expansion of Elon College.

Board of directors of the foundation are named as follows: two by the college board of trustees; the college president is automatically a director; the president of the southern convention of the Congregational-Christian church is automatically a member; the chairman of the board of trustees for the college is a director; and four are to be alumni or former students of the college recommended by the alumni association.

In addition to these this board selects six directors from among persons regardless of residence or ties, or lack of ties, with the college or church that supports it.

By-laws as adopted provide that no director is to receive any salary and that no funds of the foundation can ever be invested with a director or a member of his family.

An unusual provision of the charter of incorporation is that as prescribed terms of office of the elected directors of the corporation expire, their successors are to be nominated by the governor of the state and the state treasurer. Following such nominations to the board, those nominated may be elected for six-year terms of office. Members of the board are eligible for re-election when a term of office expires.

Elon College has in recent years paid all indebtedness, and improved the faculty and the standing of the college with accrediting agencies. This timely and unusual forward step makes certain a rapid expansion of the entire program. President Smith, by his untiring efforts and intelligent leadership, has made the foundation a reality and earned the gratitude of our institution and all its constituency.

MINISTERIAL GROUP HOLDS BANQUET TONIGHT

The Ministerial Association will hold its annual banquet tonight at 7:30 in the Blue room of the Alamance Hotel in Burlington. Bob Graham, president of the association, will act as toastmaster, and George D. Colclough has been selected by the group to be the main speaker for the evening.

Elaborate plans have been laid for the event by all members, with Jack Sunburn acting as chairman of the finance committee and Tom Horner as chairman of the program committee.

Special guests for the occasion, which is the primary social function of the association for the year, will be Dr. and Mrs. L. E. Smith, Dr. and Mrs. D. J. Bowen and Dr. Merton B. French.