

Elon Christians To Go A-Feudin' Gridmen Seek Revenge Over A. S. T. C. Squad

FACE TO FACE WITH ELON'S FIGHTING CHRISTIANS



The Elon College 1950 football squad, which goes to Boone this weekend to battle the vaunted Mountaineers of Appalachian, is shown above. The players (left to right), are as follows:
FRONT ROW: Reid, Rhye, Durso, Pond, Bragg, Christy, Ludwig, Wooten and Schrader.
SECOND ROW: Erickson, Braxton, Gibson, Dillon, S. Gero, Saunders, Parker, Lee, Tingley and Grayson.
THIRD ROW: Marshburn, Rochelli, Kelly, G. Farmer, E. Gero, Ellis, Moffo, Ward, Barber, Brigson and Rogers.
FOURTH ROW: Greenwood, H. Farmer, Biangardi, Snow, Lewis, Blackstone, Marshall, Watkins, Reece and Johnston.
BACK ROW: Coach Mallory, Coach Eanes, McGrath, Rutherford, Renn, Annas, Hodgson, Pope, McRae and Coach Mathis. Absent when the picture was taken were H. Johnson, DeSimone, McCracken and Burmeister.

Christians Stung With 33 To 12 Defeat In Battle With Virginians

By JOE SPIVEY

The Fighting Christians came away badly "stung" after the opening game with the Emory and Henry Wasps in Bristol, Va.-Tenn., on Saturday night, September 16. Nearly 5,000 people watched Coach Conley Snidow's "Wasp Nest" roll up an early lead, which was never relinquished, and the final outcome of 33 to 12 furnished a good indication of the work confronting Coach Jim Mallory in his desire to build a championship team.

Emory and Henry dominated the first half completely as the Wasps built up a 27-point lead. It all started when Marshburn fumbled the first time Elon had the ball. Barger had taken Miller's punt on his own five and returned it to the twelve. Then came the fumble, and Frei recovered for the Wasps. Miller drove for five, and Spurgeon carried to the Elon two for a first down. At this point the Elon defense, led by Gero, Snow, Watkins and Erickson, smacked the Wasps back three times, but the hosts took to the air on fourth down, with Davis passing to Miller for the tally. Cubine made the placement, and the score stood at 7-0 with the game barely under way.

Another Stinger

The Wasps landed another stinger ere the first quarter ended. Elon had taken the Emory and Henry kickoff and worked her way to the Emory and Henry

forty-five, but there the attack bogged down, and the Wasps came bounding back with a surging ground attack that moved to the Elon eight. Three times Elon held, but it was not enough. Wilson plunged over his own right guard from the one-yard marker for another six points. Cubine raced in again and booted squarely through the uprights to make the score read 14-0.

The Christians started rolling after the next kickoff, with Marshburn, Tingley and Grayson carrying from their own twenty to the forty. There bad luck reared its ugly head once more, and a second costly fumble lost Elon the ball. On the very next play Miller broke loose, picked up some fine blocking and raced all the way for another score as the partisan crowd roared approval. The scattering of loyal Elonites sat stunned. Was this the vaunted North State powerhouse? Cubine didn't seem to realize it as he booted another point to swell the Wasp lead to 21 to 0 as the second quarter got underway.

Wasps In The Air

The fourth Emory and Henry touchdown came late in the second quarter after an exchange of punts. Miller started the big punch when he returned Carroll Reid's punt to the Elon forty-two, and three line plays carried to the twenty-three. From there Davis unlimbered a pass to Hubbel for the score. A high pass from center spoiled Cubine's kick, and the scoreboard read: Emory and Henry 27, Elon 0. The half ended there.

It was almost the same story for the fifth touchdown in the

ELLIS IS PREXY OF "E" MEN CLUB

The "E" Men's Club, which is composed of all Elon men who have won letters in varsity athletics, has just elected its new officers for the 1950-51 term, with Raleigh Ellis, of Suffolk, Va., named as president of the group to succeed Pete Marshburn. Marshburn directed the group last year.

Other officers chosen at the same time include Hal Johnson, of Burlington, as vice-president; Sal Gero, of Hataboro, Pa., treasurer; Billy Rakes, of Fiedale, Va., as secretary; and Fred Biangardi, of Bay Shore, Long Island, N. Y., as sergeant at arms.

WHO GUIDE THE ...



COACH DOC MATHIS

Coach Doc Mathis, who coaches the football line and directs basketball at Elon, is a former three-sport star at Davidson. He came to Elon a year ago, and in his first season molded one of the toughest forward walls that ever wore Elon colors to the football wars.

ELON FOOTBALL ...



COACH JET PIERCE

Coach Jet Pierce, a member of the Elon College athletic staff for almost a decade, plays a double role as Director of Athletics and as an assistant coach of football. Coach Pierce played his collegiate athletics at High Point College, where he played football, basketball and baseball.

Girls Sports Plans Made At Meeting

By JEANNE PITTMAN

The Women's Athletic Association, which sponsors girls' sports on the campus, held its first meeting of the new year on Monday night, September 18th, and outlined an ambitious program for the 1950-51 term.

The first activity for the organization came last Saturday night when the girls sold the football programs at the first home football game with A.C.C. They will continue to conduct the sales at home games, and they promise a smile with every sale. They point out that there will be many new features in the program for each game.

The Association also sponsored a party for the freshman girls at the home of Coach J. L. Pierce on Monday night of this week, giving the new girls a chance to get acquainted with each other and with the purposes of the organization.

Plans have also been formulated for a number of clubs this year, including a square dance club, the field hockey club, the archery club, the basketball club and others to sponsor the various sports in their season.

The WAA operates under the personal direction of Miss Ruby Adams, director of physical education for girls. The officers of the association for the year include Jeanne Pittman, president; Jean Thompson, vice-president; Louise Spence, secretary; and Sophie White, treasurer.

The executive board is composed of the officers, while the council includes all physical education majors and representatives of the various dormitories and sororities.

The Fighting Christian football boys, Just like the Martins and the Coys, Are Mountain bound, A-feudin' round, And they all vow That here and now They'll get at Boone revenge so sweet For last year's Mountaineer defeat.

That is exactly the spirit with which the Maroon and Gold football squad will embark this week for the Blue Ridge "Mountain stronghold" of the Appalachian State Mountaineers, and gridiron hostilities promise to be plenty hot when the two North State Conference grid rivals square off in their annual battle on Saturday night.

The Mountaineers came down out of "them thar hills" last September, aching and smarting from an upset defeat at the hands of Guilford, and proceeded to blast Elon's 1949 Conference titular hopes with a 14 to 0 defeat. The Christians want revenge for that defeat, and they certainly want no second straight Appalachian defeat to mar the Maroon and Gold hopes for this season.

With the two opening games of the season already out of the way, Coach Jim Mallory and his assistants started this week brewing the magic for the Saturday invasion of the mountains. The aim is to develop weapons of atomic power to combat the long squirrel rifles of the Mountain Men.

The Appalachian outfit packs a bit more weight than does Elon, when the average is figured from the probable starting offensive line-ups. The figures give the Mountaineers a line average of 202 pounds, compared with Elon's average of 195 pounds. However, the Elon backs average 175, compared with 170 for their rivals. The overall team average gives Appalachian 190 and Elon 188 pounds.

FIVE CONFERENCE TILTS ON ELON'S HOME FIELD

The Elon football squad, which is expected to bid high for the 1950 North State Conference grid title, will for the first time in many years have five Conference championship games on the home field, a fact which could play an important part in the final results of the North State titular race.

The Christians will meet each of the other eight teams in the Conference, with A.C.C., E.C.T.C., Catawba, Lenoir-Rhyne and Guilford carded in Burlington. Only Appalachian, High Point and Western Carolina will have to be met on foreign fields.

Appalachian and Lenoir-Rhyne are the only other teams in the Conference who play the other eight Conference teams. High Point, Guilford and E.C.T.C. each will battle seven of the eight Conference rivals, with High Point missing A.C.C. and Guilford passing up Western Carolina. The East Carolina Pirates do not meet Catawba.

The other three teams will play only five games within the North State ranks, a fact that could play a part in the championship re-

sults, since Western Carolina's limited schedule materially affected the result last fall. Catawba does not meet A.C.C.; Western Carolina nor E.C.T.C.; Western Carolina will pass up Catawba, Guilford and A. C. C.; and A. C. C. has no games with Catawba, High Point or Western Carolina.

DESTINIES ...



COACH JIM EANES

Coach Jim Eanes is the newest member of the Fighting Christian coaching staff. He is a native of Lexington, where he starred in high school football under Coach Tom Young. He later played at Catawba, where he was named to the Little All-American Team while playing guard and blocking back.

1950 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

- Elon 12, Emory and Henry 33.
- Elon 33, A. C. C. 6.
- Remaining Games
- Sept. 30—Appalachian, away.
- Oct. 7—E.C.T.C., home.
- Oct. 14—Newberry, away.
- Oct. 21—Catawba, home.
- Oct. 28—W.C.T.C., away.
- Nov. 2—High Point, away.
- Nov. 11—Lenoir-Rhyne, home.
- Nov. 23—Guilford, home.

Spying On Sports

by JOE SPIVEY



Football got off with a bang—for Emory and Henry—up Bristol way, but it is too early in the present Pigskin Parade to be pessimistic. Coach Jim Mallory has the material, and I believe the team has the spirit. We mustn't forget that the tussle with the Wasps was no pre-season warm-up. The Wasps haven't lost a regularly scheduled game during the past two seasons. Mallory had to find plugs for the two big holes left by Little All-American Arnold Melvin at tackle and his running-mate, Claude Gentry at end. Another loss was that of Paul Causey at the other end. Much credit should be given to Ed Watkins for his ability at tackle and to Bob Reece and Rob Lewis at end as they try to fill the shoes of their illustrious predecessors, for it is expected that the boys will give a good account of themselves this year. Big Sal Gero played his usual bang-up game at tackle before he was pulled from the Emory and Henry game with an injured hand.

Some sidelights on former Elon athletes are: Arnold Melvin is coaching over at Statesville. Claude Manzi, All-Time football great, is teaching history and coaching junior high football in Burlington. Claude also found time to get married this summer and is making his home in Burlington. Paul Causey, former football star, is coaching at La Grange, and his team has won one and lost one so far this season. Ed Drew, last year's basketball captain, is coaching up at Emporia, Va. Gene Hardy, regular guard on last year's football team, is at Siler City, teaching math and assisting with the football chores. Gene has received "salutations" from Uncle Sam, but that's all the news I have thus far.

Orchids and Onions Department: Orchids to the manager of the Bristol Stadium and all his cohorts for the wonderful cooperation received by the press at the Emory and Henry game. (They also expressed thanks for the advance publicity and our cooperation). Orchids also to Elmore Saunders, freshman tackle, for blocking a punt in his first collegiate game. This department can't quite decide what to give Hoot Gibson for his great display in broken-field running when he took a lateral and scampered goalward in the same game. Possible backfield material, Coach.

Onions to the person who threw the bottle out of the stands at the Emory and Henry game. Regardless of the quality of our teams, let's raise Elon's sportsmanship to an all-time high.

Attention, sports lovers! This column will have the services of a crystal gazer. An old friend of mine happened to be passing through Elon, and he dropped in the Maroon and Gold office with the prospect of a free meal in mind. You see, my friend has a soft spot in heart for dear 'ole Elon. This deep and sincere feeling was brought about when Dr. Smith presented him an honorary degree for scouting Catawba last year, and enabling us to defeat them.

Mr. Byrd, our faculty advisor, reminded him that everyone worked in this section of school, so he reluctantly agreed to lend a hand. Recalling his sparkling success, I asked him if he would help me with some scouting and predictions this year, and he agreed to do so for a square meal. So, Ersel G. Moleskin (that's his name, the "G" stands for Glutton, that former triple threat (stumble, fumble, and fall), of

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SPORTS COUNCIL PLANS TAG FOOTBALL BATTLES

By GEORGE ETHERIDGE

The Intramural Council, which governs all men's sports on the Elon campus, held its first meeting of the year on Tuesday, September 19th, with all two representatives in attendance, and those present proceeded to map plans for a lively tag-football campaign for the fall quarter.

AND THE MEN ...



COACH JIM MALLORY

Coach Jim Mallory, who starred in football and baseball at Carolina a decade ago, heads up the coaching staff for the Elon football squad. This is his third season at the helm of the Maroon and Gold gridiron machine, which he guided to a record of eight wins and two losses last season.

The first business on the agenda for the Intramural Council was the election of officers, which resulted in the choice of Len Fesmire as president, with Wally Burke as secretary. Worth Womble, Lacy Ganes, and Wally Burke were then named to membership on the rules committee.

The group then proceeded to work on the membership and tentative schedule for the tag-football loop, which was planned to consist of seven teams. The schedule was set to get underway sometime this week.

Five of the league teams were designated at once, including Oak Lodge - Carlton House, North Dorm, East Dorm, Vet's Court and ITK-Vet's Apartment. The other two teams were to be formed by two combinations to be worked out from the four remaining units, none of which have enough to field a team alone. These remaining groups include South Dorm, Club House, Sigma Phi Beta and Kappa Psi Nu.

1949 FOOTBALL RECORD

- Elon 80, Edenton Marines 0.
- Elon 33, A.C.C. 0.
- Elon 0, Appalachian 14.
- Elon 33, E.C.T.C. 12.
- Elon 26, Newberry 7.
- Elon 20, Catawba 14.
- Elon 41, Naval Apprentice 0.
- Elon 21, High Point 6.
- Elon 7, Lenoir-Rhyne 19.
- Elon 33, Guilford 0.