

Elon's Power Is Winner Over E.C.T.C. Passing

By JOE SPIVEY

Air power has never won a war, but it has won football games—

The night of October 7th, however, was not one of air power's nights, and the Fighting Christians downed the invading Pirates of E.C.T.C. by a 21-16 margin. It seems that the man on foot plays the deciding role in shootin' wars, and that's how it was in the gridiron battle between the air-minded Pirates and the ground-gaining Christians.

Spearheading the Elon blitzkrieg were R. K. Grayson, Fred Biangardi, Frank Tingley, Archie Brigman and Pete Marshburn, who rolled to a total of 235 yards on the ground. Roger Thrift headed a one-man aerial circus for the Pirates and cut loose with 48 passes and 21 completions that gained 324 yards.

Statistics prove nothing, however, for the great defensive team of the fighting Christians rose to the occasion and stopped the Pirates when it counted most. As a matter of fact, one interception of Thrift's passes by Bill Barger was turned into a score by the Christians, and Frank Tingley put a quick halt to a couple of ECTC drives by hauling in enemy passes.

A bright side of the picture was the way the defense held the Pirates five times inside their own 15-yard line during the first half. Led by Gero, Watkins, Ericson, Snow and Farmer, the Christians said, "Whoa, now! Not tonight!" Hank Desimone was also a thorn in the side of the Pirates as he threw Thrift for several losses.

In gaining the important North State Conference win, the Christians started the lights flashing on the scoreboard early in the first quarter. After an exchange of punts, E.C.T.C. had the ball on her own 8-yard line, and Thrift dropped back to pass. He tossed, Barger intercepted on the Pirate twenty-seven and lugged it back to the six. Grayson took it over from there in one try, and Sal Gero dropped back to boot the point that put Elon ahead 7 to 0.

The rest of the first half was a see-saw struggle, with E.C.T.C. threatening constantly. Four times the Pirates were inside the Elon fifteen before one of three pass interference penalties placed E.C.T.C. in scoring position again. This time Tom Swain crossed up the defense and ripped around left end for a score. Hardee kicked point to tie the game at 7-all.

Late in the second quarter, with E.C.T.C. on the Elon nine and just seconds left, George Hardee booted a field goal to put his team ahead 10-7 at the half.

Coach Mallory must have given the Christians a shot in the arm at the half, for they loosed a display of tremendous power in marching 56 yards to a touchdown to regain the lead. Frank Tingley intercepted on the Elon forty-four, and Fred Biangardi sparked the drive that scored. It was Biangardi nine, Grayson two, Biangardi four, Grayson two, Rochelli to Biangardi twelve. Tingley four, Biangardi five, Grayson four, Biangardi four, Biangardi one and then Biangardi for a touchdown. Gero kicked, and Elon led 14-10.

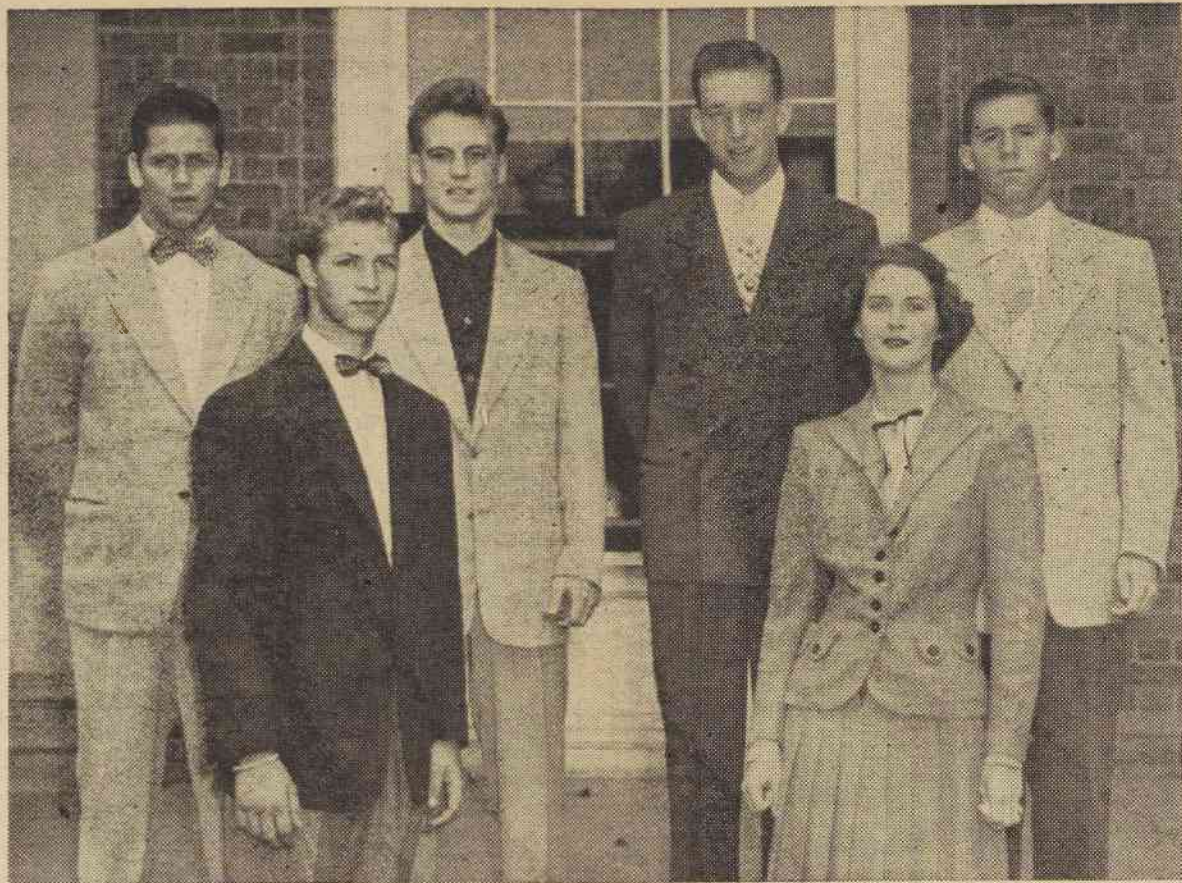
Maybe Coach Mallory put Hadacol in the water at the third quarter rest period, for the Christians marched again in the fourth period. Tingley, Grayson and Biangardi all joined in lugging leather as their team moved 78 yards for the final Elon score. Top run of the drive was a scampering dash by Grayson from the forty-two to the seventeen, and six plays later the little speedster went around right end for the score. Gero DOOD it again, and Elon led 21 to 10.

There was no wild elation, however, for just a week before Appalachian had erased a 14-point lead in the final minutes, and Elon settled to serious work. Brother Thrift was not to be denied though, and it seemed to literally rain footballs as the Carrboro Comet filled the murky night with tremendous passes. Elon halted one drive on the twenty, but moments later Thrift ran to the Elon twenty again and, on the next play tossed to Maennle in the end zone. Maennle caught the ball while falling, and the score was 21-16.

The game was over a second later as Elon held on to the ball, and the fans started for the exits, recasting the thrills in their minds. Perhaps, they remembered that the longest and prettiest run of the game was Archie Brigman's 71-yard dash for touchdown in the first quarter, a dash which was called back by a penalty.

The name of Ed Gray should have been included in the story on the Dean's List, which ran in last issue of the Maroon and Gold, since Gray made an honor average last spring quarter.

OFFICERS NAMED BY FRESHMAN CLASS



The newly elected officers for the freshman class, chosen by their mates to guide the Class of 1954 through the year, are shown above. Left to right, they are as follows:

FRONT ROW: Bobby Stewart, of Sanford, president; and Ann Abercrombie, of Burlington, secretary.

BACK ROW: Curtis Rhye, of Laurinburg, representative on the Honor Council; John Arwood, of Burlington, representative to the Student Legislature; Dwight Dillon, of Martinsville, Va., treasurer; and Steve Gibson, of Martinsville, Va., secretary.

POPULAR COMEDY

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More insight into the character of the bookish dinner guest is given by the company he keeps; the stage is continually littered with weird people, who send equally weird gifts to him as Christmas presents. For example, there is Banjo (Ken Jacobs), a very caricature of a Hollywood comic, who makes an entrance that almost crumbles the sanity of the already tottering household. Bob Wright characterizes Beverly Carlton, brilliant, if slightly wacky, English playwright, whose sense of humor and fair play and imitative powers enable him to conspire with Maggie against the Master (Whiteside's own name for himself).

Although the remainder of the exceptionally large cast, which includes convicts, choir boys, radio technicians, guards, plainclothesmen and expressmen, has not yet been decided upon, Mrs. Smith states that the parts will soon be filled. "The Man Who Came to Dinner" is the first of three outstanding dramatic productions to be presented here this year. The next play will be "Rope," the smash Broadway hit that was made by Alfred Hitchcock into a movie unequalled for suspense; the final offering will be "R.U.R.," the story of what COULD happen if man ever invented a machine that had the intelligence and will to destroy all mankind.

Season tickets can be purchased at a reduced rate from any member of the Elon Players.

APPALACHIAN GAME

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came hysterical, but none dreamed that Gabriel would blow his horn again. Elon took the kickoff at her own six, ran three time-killing running plays and then Lou Rochelli punted to midfield as the clock seemed to be running out. Al Hooks returned to the Elon forty-one, and then it was Gabriel in his act again. Two passes fell incomplete, but he connected with Hendrix on the third, and Hendrix went to the five. Seconds later it was Gabriel to Hardin in the end zone for another touchdown, and Cross booted another point to knot the score. A stunned Elon outfit took the kickoff as the game ended.

Not overshadowed, even by the Appalachian comeback, were R. K. Grayson, Frank Tingley, Pete Marshburn and Bob Lewis, who bore the brunt of Elon's offensive chores. Outstanding on defense were Sal Gero, Harry Farmer, Bob Marshall, Jim Snow, Joe Erickson and Hank DeSimone.

Enrollment Of Veteran Students Is On Decline

The G. I. veteran is a vanishing animal, insofar as the registration office of Elon College is concerned, and it appears only a matter of time until college life returns to the Civilian Age.

Gone are the days when one could stand in front of Alameda Building, look in any direction and see scores of students garbed in familiar sun-tan shirts, or O.D. (olive drab) pants, and sometimes both. And, according to W. E. Butler, Jr., Elon's business manager, the day is not too far away when one can scan the entire horizon around the Elon campus and not see a single living reminder of World War II.

Back in 1945, the year the G. I. Bill went into effect, there were only 24 ex-G. I.'s entering Elon College. In 1946, however, the total zoomed to 375, and the veteran enrollment reached its peak number of 415 in 1947.

Then came the decline. In 1948 the number of G. I.'s dropped only three to a total of 412, and last year total still held up to 330 veteran students. This year, however, the number of veterans enrolled for the current term is only 197, a drop of 133 from the 1949 total.

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1909 FOOTBALL

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the feeling was that football was too rough.

However, the rough-and-ready grid warriors had one more game on their schedule, and they played that against the wishes of the faculty, meeting Bingham Military on the Fair Grounds field and winning 16 to 11 to revenge the earlier defeat. It was after this game that football was abolished, and it was not revived until 1919.

MEMBERS OF TEAM

Eligibility rules were not too rigid in that day, for the superintendent of the Elon power plant was coach of the team and also played quarterback. He was "Red" Rowe, now in the plumbing business in Durham, who had played the sport while attending Gettysburg College.

The rest of the backfield included Henry Fleming, an Alamance County boy, now dead, at left half; W. W. "Bill" Elder, now a retired Navy chaplain of Concord, Ga., at right half; and J. W. Barney, now of the Elon faculty, at fullback. Henry Fleming, left half, was captain of the team.

The line included M. W. McPherson, now in the securities business in Burlington, left end; Joe Pointer, from Semora, now a salesman, at left tackle; Grady Foushee, later killed in a motorcycle accident, left guard; Ben Joe Earp, now pastor of High Point Congregational Christian Church, center; Sipe Fleming, now a high school principal at Plymouth, right guard; Joe P. Farmer, now a retired Virginia tobacco merchant in Hagertstown, Md., right end. C. C. Fonville, Burlington business man, was manager.

Library Has Added Many Good Books

Many new books have been added to the Elon College library this year. They are of many different types, including art, autobiography, science, religion, social studies, painting, business administration and fiction. Mrs. Oma U. Johnson states that many other books are expected and that books already arrived are now available to the students. Among the new books are the following:

- "The Effects of Atomic Weapons," by Robert A. Millikin.
- "Painting As a Pastime," by Winston Churchill.
- "This Race 1950-51," by E. W. Count.
- "Man's Poor Relations," by E. W. Count.
- "Manpower Economic and Labor Problems," by Dale Yoder.
- "The English Romantic Poetry," by Ernest Beinbaum.
- "Shakespeare of London," by Marchette Cherte.
- "Horse-Shoe Robinson," by J. P. Kennedy.
- "The Yemassee," by William Gilmore Simms.
- "Music, The Story of Irving Berlin," by David Ewen.
- "High Valley," by C. and G. J. Clift.

ington business man, was manager.

There were no offensive and defensive platoons in that day, and most of the boys were "60-minute men." Each player owned his own suit, and Professor Barney recalls that his mother made the shoulder pads that he used.

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