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### ELON — 1955

With the fall term of 1955 well under way here at Elon, the reports show that the college's enrollment has already surpassed all previous records in the history of the college, which has been providing educational opportunity to youth of this area for well over six decades.

The figures released within the past few days show that the enrollment of individual students has already passed the 1,100 mark, although that figure includes both the day and evening enrollments.

With both day and evening classes setting new marks, it is interesting to note that, in addition to the new freshmen and returning students of last year, there is a larger number of transfer and foreign students on the Elon campus at this time than in any previous term.

Such being the situation in regard to the student enrollment, it follows that facilities on the campus are in many cases being taxed to the limit. Classrooms that were not intended for large groups have been "stretched" by the addition of chairs to seat the overflow. The same is true in regard to room accommodations for boarding men, a number of whom have had to seek shelter in Mooney and in the old Bank Building, neither of which have been used for dorm space in recent years.

However, it is with pleasure that we note that both the faculty and the students have met the increased enrollment and the resultant over-taxing of some facilities with a very fine spirit and with a helpful and cooperative attitude. All recognize that the conditions, which offer evidence of Elon's growth and progress, are to a great extent temporary. The three new buildings now rising so rapidly on the campus will go far to relieve the "growing pains" of this fall.

In spite of the increased enrollment, it is a pleasure for us to pass on to the administration and faculty the opinion that the registration procedure this fall was the smoothest ever held at our college. It is true that there were some lines to be "sweated out," but we have not yet heard of a college which has found a pleasant substitute for registration lines.

To our new students, both freshmen and transfers, we want to extend the heartiest welcome to Elon for this 1955-56 term. You'll sometimes find some of us old students sounding off with a "gripe," but deep down we are proud of our college and proud to be a member of Elon's largest family to date.

In the past our reputation has been that of a friendly campus, and we hope that each of you will find such to be true. We hope, too, that you will join with us in keeping that spirit of friendliness alive at all times.

We of the Maroon and Gold will try to bring to you at intervals information of the happenings on the campus. It is your paper as well as our paper, and constructive criticism and suggestions will be welcomed, for constructive ideas and effort will make our good Elon a better Elon.

-G.B.T.



## the quidnunc

By GARY THOMPSON

Hello for another school year. Ye old Quidnunc is back once again with what's new, who's it to, who's due and who's fooling who around Christianville . . . Elon's pig-skinners are slated for home opener against a rugged Appalachian squad. The tilt is scheduled for Burlington's Memorial Stadium at 8 o'clock this coming Saturday night. Suggest each and everyone of you be on hand . . . Hear Professor West and his wife are expecting a bundle from heaven soon . . . Jim Calhoun, soft-spoken Elon student engaged to be married soon. All you girls—pinkies off! . . . Sigma Phi Beta's Dick McCarthy chosen to an all-star outfield berth in the Class B Carolina League . . . A new style has hit the campus. Arms worn in a cast and draped in the folds of a cloth sling . . . Dr. Cunningham to sponsor Kappa Psi Nu frat men, and the same popular prof has just been named as statewide leader of Pi Gamma Mu, the national honorary social science fraternity, which has a chapter on the Elon campus . . . Prof. Tom Fox is to head the Sigma Phi Betas . . . The annual autumn "Bid Night" for the fraternities and sororities has been set back a week and will be held on Saturday night, October 15th. . . Phi Beta Kappa honorary fraternity proposed by the Student Legislature, subject to the approval of the faculty . . . And, of course, subject to the approval of the powers that be in Phi Beta Kappa itself . . . Rumors favor Buddy Morrow and his orchestra for the Spring Dance in '56 . . . That is if such a dance can be held. Remember the spring event was cancelled last year when collections of student body dues fell far short . . . It does take the long green to make the music go round and round . . . Hear there are student jobs now available, and those interested might check by the Business Office . . . I would like to extend my personal congratulations to the Student Legislature for the fine job it has done in such a short time . . . Leave us not forget those dances, which are to be held in the Student Union after each home football game this year . . . A combo has been lined up to play for these dances . . . And speaking of combos, one hears that Prof. Stewers has already lined up such a group of music-makers among Elon's own students . . . Larry Barnes is selling men's sweaters for Shulman's Clothiers, of Norfolk, Va. Anyone desiring some nice garbs should see him. (This was an unpaid advertisement.)

### Quips

Dave Hardy, Elon graduate of last spring, now working on his master's at the University of Maryland . . . Member that collection of boa constrictors Dave "brought back alive" last Christmas . . . Jim Waggoner, former Maroon and Gold editor, is now preparing himself for the ministry at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky. . . Richard Cooke, who was married recently, is also following the same ministerial path, but he is doing his preparation at the Harvard Divinity School . . . Alumnus Holland Taylor is to enter the Naval Air Force soon. While waiting he is working at the Sears and Knight Corp. in Newport News, Va. . . Joe Morris, another Elon grad of '55, has already entered the Marine Air Force, and we hear that he and his summer bride, the former Helen Craven, also Elon '55, motored over from Pensacola to Hattiesburg for the Elon-Mississippi Southern game . . . What happen to the last year's Phantom? . . . Library hours should be looked into. Most of us students have our free time on Saturdays and Sundays. Yet the library is closed except for a short time on Saturday morning. Can't something be done about this? . . . Several members of the "old school" have returned. Just to mention a very few of the names, some I have seen are Moss Beecroft, Ben Kendall, Dee Atkinson and Carroll Reid. Wonder why the athletic department is all smiles these days . . . Congrats to all the recently married Elonites. It's utterly impossible to recall and list all the names . . . Here are just a few phone numbers of the dormitories and other points of interest on the campus (all numbers listed are for the pay station phones)

- Carlton House . . . 9831
- East Dorm . . . 9881
- North Dorm . . . 9271
- Ladies Hall . . . 9851
- West Dorm . . . 9801
- Vets' Apartment (Pay Phone) . . . 9871
- Student Union . . . 9401
- South Dorm . . . No Phone
- Club House . . . No Phone

In the words of that Bard of Avon, "A column by any other name would smell just as sweet."

# Sign Of Growth And Progress . . . Ten New Members Join Elon Faculty



MRS. MARY G. BUTLER



MRS. JEANNE P. GRIFFIN



PROF. C. T. McKANTS



PROF. D. M. STOWER



SAM T. WEBSTER

Ten new faculty and staff members were added by Elon College for the 1955-56 college year, the sixty-sixth annual session since Elon was founded in 1889. The additions included a new field secretary, along with faculty members in the fields of business administration, dramatics, English, geography, history, home economics, mathematics, modern languages and women's physical education. The new members are pictured in alphabetical order from top bottom of this page.

MRS. MARY G. BUTLER, is a new addition in the home economics department. Prior to her marriage she was Miss Mary Griffin, of Sanford. She is a graduate of Elon, where her husband has held the post of business manager for the past several years. She holds the master's degree in home economics from the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina and has taught for several years in the schools of Alamance County.

PROF. WILLIAM D. GOODRUM, a native of North Carolina from Cornelius, joined the department of modern languages. He had his undergraduate work at Davidson College and later graduated from the Duke Divinity School. He also holds the master's degree from Duke University in the field of languages. He has previously taught in North Carolina high schools and at Choate School in Connecticut.

MRS. JEAN P. GRIFFIN is the new head of the women's physical education program. The former Miss Jean Pittman, a native of Smithfield, Va., she is a graduate of Elon College and was active in many phases of student life in her undergraduate days. Since her graduation she directed the women's program at the Mayodan YMCA and was engaged in social work in Kansas while her husband was in armed service.

DR. JAMES M. HESS, who is a newcomer to the English department this year, is really no stranger to the Elon campus, for he taught here for two years from 1952 until 1954. A native of Camden, N.J., he had his undergraduate work at Brown University and the University of Pennsylvania and later received the master's degree and the bachelor of divinity degree from the University of Chicago. He spent 37 years as an educational missionary at the University of Madras in India, and he was honored for that service when Elon awarded him the Doctor of Divinity degree last spring.

PROF. C. T. McKANTS, who also joins the English faculty, is a native of Anderson, S.C., and is a graduate of Erskine College, from which he received the A.B. degree in 1954. He has since done graduate work at Duke University, from which he is to receive the master's degree this year. He had a sister, Miss Mary Ellen McKants, to graduate from Elon some years ago.

PROF. ALBERT C. SHEN, a native of Peiping, China, is a new member of the business administration and math faculty. A graduate of Yen-Ching University in Peiping, he earned the M.A. degree from Nankai Economic Institute in China and later received a second M.A. degree from Harvard University. He is now a candidate for the Ph.D. degree from the University of North Carolina, where he has studied since 1951.

PROF. DEWEY M. STOWERS, whose work is in the fields of history and geography, is also directing the Elon College band this year. He is a native of Springfield, Ill., and is a graduate of Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa. He holds the master's degree from Peabody College. He taught last year at Tower School, Wilmington, Del., prior to joining the Elon staff during summer school.

MRS. DARTHEA M. TUNNICLIFFE, who was a part-time instructor here last spring, is still another addition to the English staff. She is a daughter of Dr. Hess and with him forms a father-daughter combination on the faculty. Born in Kobe, Japan, she was education in schools and col-



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MRS. DARTHEA TUNNICLIFFE



PROF. M. E. WOOTEN

## person to person

By CHARLIE OATES



It's amazing! With that exclamation I express my sentiments upon my return to Elon this fall. I had scarcely expected so much progress in the campus building program, nor had I expected such an increase in the campus population.

In fact, I could scarcely believe my eyes but, as I roamed about briefly and observed my environment in a little more detail, I did find such familiar landmarks as historic North Dorm and the O'Kelly Monument, and I knew that I must indeed be back at Elon.

It took a little more looking at the crowds of students, who milled about the rotunda and through the colonnades, but I did find enough familiar faces to convince me that I was indeed "back home" once more.

If I needed anything else to convince me that such was the case, then the long grind of getting registered was just the thing. Standing in a seemingly endless line, shifting first on one foot and then on the other, I thought that everyone seems slower in getting registered each year. The lines are beyond question getting longer, but they also seem to get slower.

Everywhere I turned I heard of the large membership in the new freshman class, and everyone seemed glad to see so many new students. Like others of the old students, I eyed the "new-comer" freshmen with interest. I made a mental note that I must meet some of them, especially some of those cute new coeds.

It's always a fall-time thrill to see again so many of my friends and acquaintances of the previous year. This fall was re exception, and each of them stirred some memory for me as they passed by me there in line.

I noticed Nick Theos giving several of the girls a lecture, and I recalled some of Nick's fine work in dramatics and singing along with his football. Near Nick was the new Student Body president, Furman Moseley, who thinks that Charleston is a pretty swell town. Beats me why he is so fond of that particular city, but they tell me that his mother and dad simply can't keep him at home since they moved to Columbia. Furman is almost as fond of Charleston as Jerry "The Comrade" Moize is of the neighboring metropolis of Gibsonville. Just give "The Comrade" a little support this year and see if he doesn't break all records with that Student Legislature.

James Simpson came by, and I kept trying to find out his reason for getting up so early. Why, it wasn't even noon yet! However, I learned later that Les Brewer and Lloyd Sparks had "broke out the cards" a bit earlier than usual that morning, and for that reason the Dean didn't have to wake James that day. Henry Flythe was waiting in line, and quite naturally his Commanding Officer was with him.

I spotted a cigar in the distance, and I guessed that it was Mr. Byrd somewhere close. I was right, and I was glad to see him, since it was too early for him to jump me about my column and the all-too-frequent M. and G. "deadline." From him I learned that Gary Thompson would edit the Maroon and Gold this year and that Bill Walker would take enough time off from dramatics to be sports editor. Bill made quite a name for himself last year with his performance as "The Imaginary Invalid."

Like many other students, I was happy indeed to find Dr. Hess back on the campus. He taught here previously in the English department, but he took time out last year to visit a few more continents, and he is listed among this year's "new-comers." It's nice to welcome him back . . . at home.

Special excitement flared at the sight of so many of Elon's former students who are back on campus after a whirl of military or naval service with Uncle Sam. So many of them left about two years ago for a visit with their favorite uncle, and now they are through and ready to hit the books again. Harder, maybe!

Among the service returnees—and I haven't yet seen them all—are Roger McMillan, Earl Lewis, George Stewart, Arnold Duncan and others of that old North Dorm gang. Then, too, there's Charlie Atkins, Carroll Reid, Dee Atkinson and Ben Kendall. Several of these boys brought wives back with them.

I'm still browsing about the campus, swapping "hello's", queries about vacation, and I observed with joy that the band is off to an early start under new leadership. Let's all remember that the band and the cheerleaders can't do it all and that everybody from six to sixty-six needs to give out with a lot of school spirit this year and make it Elon's best in every way and every day.

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