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THOUGHTS ON CHAPEL

I have been asked by the Editor of the "Maroon and Gold" to submit an editorial on a very prominent problem on our campus. This problem is the general behavior of the Student Body of Elon College during Chapel periods—both Student and Religious.

First of all I would like to state that I realize that it is not the larger part of the Student Body that causes the confusion, but only a very small "group". This group, as strange as it may seem, is composed almost entirely of Upper Classmen. By all rights it should be freshmen, but this rule couldn't be farther from wrong in this instance.

I agree that some of the Chapel speakers are not the greatest, but they still have their convictions and have given of their time to come to Elon to speak in Chapel. Even if you are not interested, the least you can do is be quiet and show mutual respect to the speaker and to your fellow classmates.

I also agree that the Monday Student Chapel is far from interesting to many of you, because you are not really interested in the least in anything that takes place on and around campus. However, to the small group that is interested, your behavior is over-stepping their rights. If you are not interested and do not want to participate in any way except to gripe—then out of consideration of your fellow students be quiet so that "THEY" can take notice and take care of the business at hand. Don't make a fool out of YOURSELF. Don't make YOUR school by trying to make a joke out of everything.

I'd like to thank the Editor for this opportunity to let you know exactly the way I feel and the way many of you act in regard to Chapel.

And in closing I would like to say to those of you who think that this editorial is really "Gung Ho" and that it makes you want to say "Who does he think he is?" that this editorial is written especially to YOU.

Furman Moseley,
President of the Student Body

MARRIAGE AND COLLEGE CAN GO TOGETHER

There's been a lot of talk about the advantages of getting married while still in college. So, we pass along these observations by Professor Ralph Dakin of the Sociology Department at Kansas State. They were reprinted in the Syracuse (N. Y.) Daily Orange.

Marriage and college can mix, according to Professor Dakin. He says that married students usually make higher grades. Dakin believes this is due to the increased security and responsibility. Students seem to feel that marriage actually helps their college work. And, in opposition to many studies, Dakin said the divorce rate for college marriages is lower than for the comparable highly educated persons.

Commenting on the same subject, a local minister has said that college marriages are much more dependent on the couple's level of maturity, the degree to which they want to make a go of marriage, and their own common interests than upon the influences of college life. In other words, the success of a college marriage depends upon the same factors and influence any marriage. —GBT.



Sounding Off

By LARRY BARNES

Lenoir Rhyne
Left behind;
New quarter's begun,
And spring's sprung.
Presbyterian, 'tis a pity,
We're going to Kansas City;
New quarter's begun,
And spring's sprung.
Affairs of a vet
Must be met;
New quarter's begun,
And spring's sprung.

The above lines of "poetry" sum up the latest occurrences on campus since the last issue of the Maroon and Gold hit the streets. The commencing of a new quarter brought forth balmy pleasant weather, but we are primarily interested in the grand finale of last term. As the curtain descended, Elon was the proud holder of its first North State basketball tourney bauble since 1947. The tournament was a success as students turned out at Lexington in droves. School spirit reached an all time high at Elon. Never have I witnessed such a display of cheering, and that includes this citadel of education or any other college. One could find conclusive evidence of this the next day. Many students of Elon had hoarse voices and some aficionados could not even talk.

While the recent dribble derby is being discussed, there are some students who should be singled out for their fine support. These people have set the example throughout the season. They have consistently followed the athletic fortunes of the Fightin' Christians. If we had more like them, there would be no question as to our school spirit. Not only did they attend home games but also most of the away contests. They are Carolyn Abernathy — Joyce Perry — Don DeSarro — Bucky Fleming — Roger Nardelli — and Bobby Orr. (Don't be surprised if he should turn up in Kansas City)

The Good And The Bad

Since we are throwing bouquets around, we cannot overlook our worthy opponent in the finals. They should receive some sort of recognition. I am referring to Lenoir Rhyne. Not only do they possess a fine basketball aggregation but have an outstanding student body. They have a student body of which their school officials can be justly proud. It was very impressive the manner they accepted defeat and dejection. A bitter defeat was cast upon them, and they took it standing up. During the game with us, the Bears were often behind and they never gave an inch in cheering. In fact, they appeared to yell a little harder when the score was in our favor. They did not concede defeat until the final buzzer. What was the most impressive thing about Lenoir Rhyne's fine sportsmanship? That is an easy question to answer. It came about after the contest was over. Trophies were to be given out. The loud speaker called the Bruins first to receive their runner-up awards. Lenoir Rhyne's student body gave its team a well deserved cheer. When the Elon basketballers were called, Lenoir Rhyne's fans let out with another roar for their opponents. How many schools have you seen do that? As I have stated before, not only do they possess a fine basketball aggregation, but also have an outstanding student body.

As a marked contrast to the fine sportsmanship shown by the Bears, Presbyterian was not nearly so cordial in their conduct. The Christians defeated the Blue Hose in the NAIA finals at Clinton, S. C., last week. As is the usual custom, the winning team is allowed to cut the nets. That is, at schools other than Presbyterian. The Christians attempted to accomplish this feat, and a near riot ensued. Their students swooped down on the court and proceeded to take a few pokes at our squad. Maybe they should take a few lessons from Lenoir Rhyne on the subject of cordial sportsmanship.

A Boost For The Vets

At present there are three bills before Congress requesting a much needed increase of education and training allowances for veterans pursuing a college education. It comes under the Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952. These three bills ask for a substantial increase in the allowance the veterans are now receiving. The following list gives the proposed increase.

1. From \$110 a month to \$145 (single student pursuing a full college schedule)
2. From \$135 a month to \$175 (married student pursuing a full college schedule)
3. From \$160 a month to \$205 (married student with children pursuing a full college schedule)

All-Tourney . . . Personal Fan . . . Hot Action



ALL-TOURNEY — The Elon Christians set a new North State Conference record when they placed three of their stars on the first All-Tournament five after the recent meet in Lexington. The Christian All-Tourney stars pictured above are Ben Kendal, Ed Juratic and Dee Atkinson.

PERSONAL FAN — Co-Captain Ray Whitley, who was caught by the roving photographer as he got the raving encouragement from his "personal fan," Ray's charming missus was "Miss North Carolina" of a couple of years ago.

HOT ACTION — There was plenty of hot action seen during the Conference tournament at Lexington, and certainly one of the hottest moments for East Carolina's Yogi Plaster was when he found himself surrounded and hemmed in by Dee Atkinson and Earl Stone, a pair of Elon's towering tossers.



the quidnunc

By GARY THOMPSON



Taking my shears in hand to clip you folks a "collum," I find that a lot of other folks do seem to think of the cleverest things. Of course, a lot of us have clever thoughts too, but bits of wit seem to flit away when one sits down to a typewriter. All of which adds up to the fact that ye ol' Quidnunc was caught short on this the very first week of the new quarter. So, here's mucho thanks to that fellow who invented shears and paste.

In The Spring . . .

If a young thing's fancy might turn to thoughts of love, then it might be worth while to think over these bitsy witticisms . . .

Courtship is the short interlude between lipstick and mopstick.

Not being able to understand women wouldn't be so bad if they didn't understand men.

The honeymoon is over when there are more bills than coos.

Marriage is like a three-ring circus: there's the engagement ring, the wedding ring and the suffering.

Pet Peeve

She was peeved he called her "Mr." Not because he up and kr. But because, just before, As she opened wide the door, This same Mr. kr. sr.

Lost Youth

I am fully aware that my youth has been spent, That my get and go has got up and went. But I really don't mind, when I think with a grin, Of all the grand places my get up has been.

Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer has had to withstand considerable abuse, especially from children trying to learn it from poor enunciation or from mumbling congregations.

One little boy was heard to pray, "Harold by Thy Name." Another begged, "Give us this day our jelly bread." A third child, resident of New York, petitioned "Lead us not into Penn Station."

And there was that small boy who said, "Forgive us our dents as we forgive our dentists."

Of Economics

A recession is a period in which you tighten up your belt. In a depression you have no belt to tighten up — and when you have no pants for a belt to hold up, that's a panic.

A money-grabber is anyone who grabs more money than you can grab.

'Tis quite true that money doesn't grow on trees, but limbs have a way of attracting money.

Amazing Facts

'Tis nothing short of amazing the information that a professor is able to glean from freshman themes, bits such as . . .

"The Greeks believed in and worshipped many Gods, while the Hebrews believed in one God and the ten commanders."

"A pullet surprise is given in America every year for the best writing."

Wright Good

And here's another gem for which we must give thanks to Bob Wright. It's one of the best he left with us in his student writings while editing the M. and G. . . .

A bunch of the boys were whooping it up at the Elon College Grill.

Not a soul in the crowd had a nickel, so the music box was still.

The Cola Kid sat in a corner, wrapped up in a cokey dream,

And the rest of the campus spendthrifts were reading magazines.

The place held a deathly silence in spite of the blazing lights,

But nothing was expected to happen — it was Elon on Saturday night.

Another Championship

Congrats are due to Coach Doc Mathis and his Fighting Christians for their double titular victories in the conference tournament and in the NAIA play-offs at Erskine and Presbyterian, but there's at least one other championship of which Elon can be proud. One Tar Heel newspaper writer, doing a special feature column on the tournament at Lexington picked Elon's fans as the "champion yellers." He reported that "the Elon cheerers emerged the winner by a margin of three hoots and half a holler."