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### EXAM TIME

A strange atmosphere pervades the campus during these days just before exams. There is a frightened expression in the eyes of many students as they hurry by, students who have done little studying throughout the quarter and who suddenly are confronted with the necessity of accumulating a quarter's knowledge in a few days.

There are many ways and places to study for exams, but Rule One might be cited as "Don't get panicky." Devise a system. Study for a few hours, then take a break and go study some more. You'll find you can absorb more if you'll rest once in a while.

Some students may prefer to study in their rooms, hidden behind a stack of books and with a "Busy" sign on the door. Others seek quiet in the library, particularly when there is noise in the dorms. One suggestion to all is—though you do not wish or need to study yourself—at least keep quiet so others can prepare for exams.—CLIPPED.

### STUDENT COURTESY

The following editorial comments were gleaned from an old issue of the Maroon and Gold for November, 1935, pertaining to student chapel behavior and student courtesy, and portions of the article apply equally as well today, full twenty-four years after the comments were first written.

"The student body as a whole is to be commended on its fine courtesy. . . . Guests on the campus are usually met with a friendly smile or pleasant kindnesses, and visiting teams and student groups receive this same courteous treatment at the hands of our students.

"Naturally there are some students whose actions are exceptions to the generally fine attitude of the student body, and it is unfortunate that some people seem to judge only by the exceptions and not by the whole group. The courtesy of the majority, however, augurs well for the future, for students with such courteous attitudes must eventually make their ideas felt by the unsocial exceptions."

### EXTRA-CURRICULAR BENEFITS

While doing research in the Elon archives, it is interesting to note how many times one finds the same students participating in various types of activity. This was true in former years, even as it is today, and one surmises that there has likewise been a great many students in each period who never take part in any extra-curricular activity.

It is regrettable that so many students pass up in their college years the great opportunity that is open to them through the medium of campus activities such as dramatics, music, publications, debating, student organizations, and sports, all of which offer wonderful chances for improvement of the individual in leadership and the ability to mingle with others.

Not all of a college education is found in books, and students who grasp the opportunities that are theirs in such extra-curricular activities often find in after-life that knowledge gained from varied campus activity is quite as valuable as that which was gained from between the covers of the textbooks.



around with square

by SQUARE EDMONDS

(EDITORIAL NOTE: With the Maroon and Gold staff busily preparing for this week's exams, excerpts from an M. and G. columnist of earlier years are used as a guest column. Guesting for "Square" is Bob Wright, who was editor and student body president in his day. Selections are from his column, entitled "The Yankee Peddler.")

#### Early A. M. Serenade

Let me stay in the arms of Morpheus; Let me keep his sweet repose, Let me revel here in this luxury, Let me shie from weal and woe, Let me—aw nutz, lemme sleep!

The other day we heard about a father who claimed that Elon College was the ruin of his child. Taught him to spell "taters" with a "p."

#### Life's Little Drama Under the Colonnades

Scene 1  
Time: At the close of the Winter quarter.

Student: Boy, if I get through this quarter I'm gonna really study next quarter. No more sweatin' it out for me.

Scene 2  
Time: The start of the Spring quarter.

Same Student: What're all you guys hangin' around the dorm for? C'mon, let's go to the show.

Wonder what sold novels before they put bosoms on the book jackets.

Ideas are like the weather. You've got to wait and see what comes, and then they're apt to be all wet.

#### Reflection

If we were what we'd like to be, Instead of what we are; Each pebble on the beach of life Would likely be a star. He'd nestle in the firmament, And shine so bright and clear To hide his ache and longing For the other pebbles dear.

SING WHILE YOU DRIVE . . . At 45 "Highways Are Happy Ways"—at 55 "I'm But a Stranger Here, Heaven Is My Home"—at 65 "Nearer My God To Thee"—at 75 "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder I'll Be There"—at 85 "Lord, I'm Coming Home."

#### A Contribution

There are meters Iamie There are meter Triambic. There are meters in musical tone. But the meter that's sweeter, Completer and neater, Is to meet 'er in the moonlight alone.

Then there's the one about a clergyman who was sent to a church conference with a ten dollar bill and the ten commandments in his pocket. On his return he was happy to report that he hadn't broken either of them.

#### Average Reaction?

I'll read about Russia's atomics, As soon as I finish the comics.

#### Elon Scene

A bunch of the boys were whooping it up at the Elon College Grill. Not a soul in the crowd had a nickle; so the music box was still. The Cola Kid sat in the corner, wrapped up in a cokey dream, And the rest of the campus spendthrifts just sat 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.

#### Cycle

Babies are born without any hair. Old men's heads are just as bare. So, twixt the cradle and the grave There lies a haircut and a shave. —Anon.

#### Collegiate Definitions

A quiz is a three-hour exam which you are supposed to finish in fifty minutes. A pop quiz is a sneaky device used by a professor to find out if you have done your assignment. Unfortunately he always finds out.

#### GLOOM CHASERS

The ambition of the average girl is to hitch her wagon to a workhorse.

If most women had 'n to do over, they'd marry men they didn't have to do over.

# Dating Back Forty Years . . . Greek Letter Groups Began In 1919

### EDITOR'S NOTE

With the annual winter "Bid Night" and the ensuing fraternity and sorority initiations still a recent thing on the Elon campus, it is quite fitting that present day Elon students be informed concerning the founding and the early years of the four Greek letter fraternities and four sororities beneath Elon's classic oaks. The accompanying story of Greek letter origins at Elon tells of the founding of each of the present groups.

The co-lege catalogue was in the edition for 1923-1924, when Sigma Phi Beta, Kappa Psi Nu and Iota Tau Kappa were listed for boys and Delta Upsilon Kappa, Tau Zeta Phi and Beta Omicron Beta were listed for girls. Several of the clubs have been placed on the inactive list at various times during the insuing years because of this membership requirement.

#### First Publicity

The first notice of the new clubs appeared in Phi Psi Chi in 1920, when the Sigma Phi Beta pictures and list appeared. That initial list of Sigma Phi Beta members, which is said to have dated its organization back to 1918, included L. J. Perry, now director of high school athletics for the state of North Carolina; W. G. Stoner, now a prominent sporting goods dealer in Greensboro; E. E. Sechrist, now a school administrator in Birmingham, Ala.; F. K. Garvey, now a physician and surgeon in Winston-Salem; M. L. Gray, now executive secretary for the National Ruritan Clubs; O. T. Roberson, S. R. Moffit, J. W. Simpson, E. G. Purcell, G. R. Reavis, H. E. White, C. P. McNally, E. S. Johnson, T. G. Henderson, David Miller, H. Henderson, W. D. Henderson, W. R. Thomas, C. M. Milley, W. F. Godwin, H. W. Johnson and B. B. Johnson.

The Kappa Psi Nu group made its appearance in Phi Psi Chi in 1921, although its organization date is set for 1920. Included in the first list were C. M. Cannon, later with the United States Foreign Service in Liberia; L. B. Ezzell, now a professor at the University of Texas; J. W. Fix, later a minister; K. R. McCalman, later superintendent of schools in Nyack, N. Y.; J. B. Newman, now a Burlington dentist; L. M. Cannon, W. M. Garrison, I. O. Hau-

ser (now deceased), F. H. Hunter, L. I. Ingle (who died on January 13, 1921, before his graduation), O. C. Johnson, W. D. Lambeth, J. E. McCauley, W. E. Moon, R. S. Rainey, H. L. Scott, H. G. Self, C. L. Waljer and E. C. White. Other Kappa Psi of the early years included George D. Colclough, now secretary of the Burlington Chamber of Commerce; J. M. McAdams, now of Elon College; W. T. Scott, now superintendent of the Southern Convention of the Congregational Christian Church; C. W. Gordon, Burlington manufacturer; and J. H. Dollar, well known minister of Eastern Virginia.

#### First Girls' Clubs

Two of the girls' clubs made their appearance in Phi Psi Chi in 1921. One of these was Beta Omicron Beta, and its initial list included Della Cotten, now Mrs. W. T. Scott, of Elon College; Marguerite Youmans, now in religious work in Rye, N. Y.; Isabella Walters, now Mrs. C. M. Cannon; Pearl Reynolds, Sarah Carter, Mary Miller, Eunice Rich, Victoria Adams and Kate Wheeler. Among the other early members were Pattie Lee Coghill, later an educational secretary with the Congregational Christian Church; Maude Kendrick, Helen Cannon and Effie Bowden.

The Delta Upsilon Kappa group also appeared first in the 1921 issue of Phi Psi Chi, although its organization date was probably a couple of years earlier. The first list for the Delta U's included Jennie Gunter (now deceased), Margaret Corbett, Florine Farmer, Mary Nell Holland, Jennie Fulghum, Nettie Sue Tuck, Deloris Morrow, now Mrs. J. W. Barnwell, of Burlington, Hazel Rosemond, Essie Mae Truitt and Esther Farmer. Other early members mentioned for Delta Upsilon included Miss Lila Newman and Mrs. J. M. McAdams.

The next club to make its appearance in the pages of Phi Psi Chi was Tau Zeta Phi. Included on that first list were Minnie Edge, now Mrs. M. W. Hook, of Elon College; Lucy Austin, Nannie Aldridge, Marjorie Bruton, Nonnie Bailey, Annie Bell Carden, Lucille Cardwell, and Mamie Moore. Other early members included Mrs. Jesse H. Dollar, Fannie Glenn Elder, Annie Lee Floyd, Bessie Martin, Nell Orr, Ruby Rowland and Myrtle Vickers, all of whose names appeared in the second annual list in 1924.

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# Seen From The West Watchtower

By ANN JOYCE



are tremendously important to all students and it is so easy for us to know what is going on by simply attending Legislature meetings or by simply asking our legislature representative questions about current issues.

Now for personal opinions concerning some of the issues mentioned above. We are wholeheartedly with the Legislature, which at its last meeting accepted unanimously a resolution to approach the college administration with a request for more "open hours" in the library.

We think it is a shame for students to be forced to travel to Burlington or Greensboro on Saturday afternoon to a library. Many are the students who, because of heavy daily homework assignments or part time jobs during the week, must depend on weekends for doing parallel reading, term papers, and special assignments.

Few of us can deny the fact that dormitories are not the most conducive places to study in the world on weekends. If it isn't possible for the main desk to be in operation, we can see no reason why the reading room at least could not be open to students desiring a quiet place for study.

For those who may be wondering why a student body secretary is to be hired, we understand that the new secretary will keep records concerning parking violations and handle correspondence to and from the Student Body officers. The secretary will be available for the typing of bills and other matters concerning Legislature.

We hear that because of the tremendous number of parking violations that it has been necessary for the president of the Student Body to spend a great deal of his time keeping records concerning parking violations.

We couldn't be more pleased about the new high-fidelity set which is on campus for installation on both floors of McEwen Dining Hall. We are looking forward with great pleasure to the time when we will enjoy dinner music in the dining hall and when we have a good phonograph for informal campus dances. Incidentally, approximately one-third of the cost of the set came from student body activity fee money and the remainder was paid by the administration.

There will be no excuse for poor parliamentary procedure in Student Legislature in the future. Parliamentary procedure

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here and there

By DICK LASHLEY



(EDITORIAL NOTE: With Dick Lashley absorbed in examinations, there's a clipped guest column from the writings of Lynn Cashion, one-time Maroon and Gold editor and student body president. His description of dormitory radiators in his day appeared in his column, entitled "Cash on the Spot".)

A radiator is a fascinating example of the Steam Age—at least the one in my room in the dormitory is. You never know what to expect from it. I have watched it all year, trying to figure out its schedule, but I have yet to see it working consistently. In fact, it has done very little work at all. I took it for granted that it was installed for the purpose of heating the room, but I am now beginning to wonder if it's not really just an ornament.

Back when the weather was really raw, my radiator took on the traits of a bear—it hibernated throughout the frosty months! During that time, I slept under so many blankets that it took three of the dormitory boys to pull the cover back in the mornings so I could get up in time to run outside and thaw out before class. Of course, it was not really so bad for me physically, for the nightly pressure of all that cover helped to straighten my posture.

Let the weather turn warm and that's when my radiator really talks up. I remember one night that was especially comfortable—just like an evening in August at the beach. Closing my eyes, I could lie back in bed and feel the ocean spray cool my face. I came to find later that it wasn't my imagination, but that it was genuine water splattering around my body. Opening my eyes, I discovered that "old faithful" had suddenly become industrious and was pouring the room full of steam, so full in fact, that ball of water had formed on the ceiling, causing a form of monsoon humidity, which flooded the room like April showers. After that incident, I used a war surplus rubber life boat as a bed. I have always had a horror of drowning!

Although my radiator has its faults, I have found it to be very versatile. For instance, whenever the hill billy programs come over the air, I just turn off my radio and listen to the soothing knocking of the radiator. It's favorite tune is "cold heart and empty pipes." Sometimes I even find the radiator's music equally as nerve racking as Roy Acuff or the wisecracks of Minnie Pearl. It is not quite so easy to quieten the radiator down, for I have to baby it by administering hot-water bottles so it can stop jumping around to keep warm.

My radiator has turned out to be an excellent ice box and keeps meats perfectly. The icicles also come in handy, for I can keep drinks in my room all the time instead of having to rush down the street late at night before the Grill closes.

That radiator of mine also has a wonderful sense of humor. One of its favorite pranks is to let me get all tucked away in bed, and then, when it knows that I am sleep from my snoring, it throws off more heat than six jet engines. That probably one reason why I'm so thin—the heat plus the cover is the same as an incubator—I sweat it out! When it takes on those devilish ideas, I spend the night pushing the cover down, and then jerking it up. No wonder that I have a cold half the year, with all that fanning about.

We are forever having fuses and fights, my radiator and I. Sometimes I think that I have been too harsh with it, but then it acts so downright childish at times, especially when I built a fire in the fireplace. Why, it gives me the cold shoulder for days at a time. Isn't that just like a young'n—getting jealous and pouting? And then there are times when I hear it struggling to draw a little steam up in its pipes to wash away the rust, and I try to help by knocking on its pipes. That's when it really blows us. It gets so mad that it shakes all over. It often jars the whole room just for meanness. It knows that vibration makes me nervous.

But, all in all, I can't complain about my radiator too much, for we have grown to be the best of friends through the winter months, suffering together—me without heat, and it without steam.

### CHEERFUL THOUGHTS

When success turns a man's head, it always leaves him looking in the wrong direction.

She was the type of girl you'd like to bring home to mother if you could trust father.