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## POLITICAL RESPONSIBILITY

Commendation is due to leaders of the Elon College student government for staging the highly successful and interesting rallies in behalf of the national presidential candidates during the past weeks and also for the projected student balloting that comes up next Tuesday and Wednesday.

The rallies and the spirited campaign on the campus, along with the opportunity to vote for either Nixon or Kennedy as a student presidential choice next week, have done much to make Elon students more conscious of the important issues involved on the national scene. The need for political interest and activity by America's college students was stressed in an editorial which appeared in Meredith's campus newspaper, an editorial which is presented below:

According to Aristotle, man is a political creature, but traditionally American college students have been less politically conscious and politically active than their counterparts in other countries. And when a new United States President is chosen in less than a month, only a comparatively small percentage of eligible voters will do the selecting.

As a young, energetic group of potential voters, American college students could and should be a forceful element in the political sphere. As members of a republic we have an individual and a group responsibility to inform ourselves concerning the basic issues within the contemporary world and then to exercise our rights of political activity.

Particularly in this election year the principal of separation of church and state is being emphasized. While this is a valid and important emphasis, the political responsibility of people calling themselves Christians should be equally stressed. As persons with a Christian commitment, we are involved in all of life, including the political realm. While the Christian community must stand in judgment over against the materialism and corruption of our society, Christians must also assert themselves positively to seek world betterment within the framework of political activity.

As young people having our educational horizons broadened, we are often cautioned to be moderate and objective. Actually it is impossible to be objective completely about anything, for we can never escape ourselves and our subjectivity. Also, to be moderate, or to be in the middle-of-the-road, means that either we must compromise some of our views to adopt the best points of the opposing position or we must not formulate any decisive, revolutionary ideas of our own.

## FROM FAR AWAY

One of the most interesting points in reference to the fine Homecoming observance, which was staged on the Elon campus last weekend, lay in the goodly percentage of the returning alumni who journeyed back from far away to enjoy once more the fellowship of the campus they once roamed as students.

There were more than a few former Elon students who came back from as far away as New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Maryland, not to mention those who came down from Tidewater Virginia, and it was indeed pleasant to see those familiar faces here under Elon's classic oaks again.

However, their presence only served to emphasize the absence of hundreds, even thousands of less interested Elon grads, some of whom live within walking distance of the college walls. Verily, distance does lend enchantment!



## the chatter box

By DORIS FAIRCLOTH

Before popping the lid off this Chatter Box, a word of defense for the writer: This is NOT a gripe column—the definition of a "gripe," as interpreted by the Chatter Box, is a complaint issued with no end in mind other than revealing to others one's views on how miserable and useless are the various situations of life. The Chatter Box, however, extends with each of its complaints a hope, however slim that hope may be, that the complained-about condition may be improved. Thus all criticism entered herein is fully intended as constructive.

**FIRST CRITICISM:** The Homecoming Weekend, considered by many as the biggest and best weekend of the Elon year, included: Dance Saturday night; good music, good refreshments, nice atmosphere, good company. Time: from 8 to 12 p.m. Witching hour: 12:15 for dormitory women, unlimited for all other participants. Why? Surely mother would have allowed her daughter to burn the oil later than this at her high-school prom. Granted, mother was not here to give daughter permission to go out for a coke after the dance. But after all, this is college, and surely mother wouldn't have allowed us to enroll if she hadn't thought we were old enough to use a little discrimination.

And then there's the argument that all of the eating places are closed after midnight. But parties are generally given in homes of day students and at places reserved by the fraternities for the purpose of having somewhere to go after the dance. Dormitory women are denied the privilege of attending any of these functions because of the 12:15 time limit.

It is difficult to squelch the resentment felt as a result of this situation. Many times it has been the cause of quite a few girls sitting in the dorm on the night of a big dance for lack of a date. The men students readily admit that often they would prefer the company of a dorm girl, but they ask someone from another school or from their hometown, because they can enjoy her company without having to take her home the minute that the dance is over. How can a dormitory girl fully enjoy an event such as Homecoming when she realizes that she must rush, rush, rush back to the dorm as soon as the band plays its last note?

Is there any fairness in more or less punishing the dormitory girls and their dates (if they are fortunate enough to obtain dates), while the dormitory men, the day students, and their dates are having a blasting time of it? And for what reason is this? Do the persons responsible for the 12:15 time limit feel that the dorm women are not mature enough to bear the responsibility of upholding Elon's good name a while after the dance is over as well as while it is in progress?

If nothing can be done about the time limit, the Chatter Box would like to appeal for an explanation on behalf of the girls that are suffering because of it. Perhaps an understanding of the purpose of so strict a time limit would dispose of the resentment felt by many as a result of this seemingly deplorable and degrading situation—deplorable because everyone enjoyed Homecoming to its fullest extent except the female dorm students and the few males who were understanding enough to have their night cut short by their dates' 12:15 deadline; degrading because the early time limit is (or it seems to be) a direct slam on the maturity of the women students and of their ability to accept personal responsibility.

**SECOND CRITICISM:** We have certain rules on the Elon campus that we are expected to follow. One of such rules is listed in the handbook and states that there is to be "no drinking." This rule is accepted by most students with the thought that they either don't drink while enrolled at Elon or else they are willing to accept the punishment if they are caught doing so. This rule doesn't bother too many of us. It is the rule which is found in a later passage in the handbook that causes us to wonder. Under "Approved Eating Places" for men and women dorm students, it is stated that "Only those restaurants and diners which do not serve alcoholic beverages are approved. Failure to comply with this regulation may result in dismissal from the college."

What is the purpose of this regulation? The effect that it has on this student is that "we don't trust you not break the no-drinking rule, so we're going to make sure that you don't have an opportunity to break it."

Greensboro and Chapel Hill are frequented by many Elon students for dinner

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## In The Golden 'Thirties . . .

# When Elon Grabbed Gridiron Glory

By JAMES WAGGONER

Just as world history breaks down into the Early, Middle and Modern eras, so the story of Elon football may be divided. The early football annals of Elon came to a close with the ill-fated and non-winning season of 1926, and the middle era had its beginning in the autumn of 1927 when Coach Douglas Clyde "Peabead" Walker began a ten-year stint as Elon grid mentor.

There was warm competition for Elon College during that 1927 season when "Peabead" Walker took over the Fighting Christians as head coach, and he posted a 3-4-1 mark in his first season. Led by Captain Deac Jones, Elon won over Guilford 31 to 13, over Lynchburg 19 to 0 and over Lenoir Rhyne 7 to 6.

The Elon-Wake Forest game of 1927 deserves particular mention, for Elon held the Deacons to a scoreless tie. The Christians met defeat at the hands of N. C. State 39 to 0, Davidson 27 to 0, High Point 6 to 0 and Emory and Henry 13 to 7.

Outstanding players during that season were E. W. McCauley at tackle, Zack Walker at quarterback and James Waggoner in the backfield. Walker was considered one of the speediest backfield men ever to wear the Elon colors, being a good open field runner, a fine passer and a good punter.

### Win Over Miami

The 1928 season gave Elon gridiron boosters very little to yell about, for Elon was able to win only two games out of her scheduled eight. However, the two wins included a 21 to 18 victory over the University of Miami (a team now among the nation's best) and over Lenoir Rhyne 26 to 6 in the closing battle of the year, but the Christians were defeated by N. C. State 57 to 0, Davidson 52 to 0, Catawba 13 to 12, Richmond 34 to 0, Guilford 7 to 0, High Point 13 to 0 and Emory and Henry 37 to 0. R. Hardy captained the squad that year, and Pete Williams led the scoring.

The Elon grid fortunes showed signs of revival in the year of 1929, for Elon posted a 5-3 record that season. One of the highlights of the year was Pete Williams' two touchdowns in the Elon-Emory and



The many students who worked together to make our homecoming the success that it was must have feelings of accomplishment, and it only emphasizes the fact that many of us fail to realize the values gained from participation in extra-curricular activities of all sorts.

Students who have taken an active interest in out-of-class activities will usually tell you at the end of their college years that nothing has been more valuable to them than their various extra-curricular work.

The student who participates in Senate, various committees, fraternities or sororities, S.C.A., or many of the fine organizations on campus has much to gain. Poise, ability to get along with people, leadership qualities, independence, dependability, social know-how, and a healthy outlook are but a few of the qualities which may be greatly enhanced or developed in students through leadership in extra-curricular.

The after-war years lulled extra-curriculars in some schools, with many veterans putting emphasis on grades. Many of these men learned too late that when they were against tough competition in the business world, grades were not all that counted. Many employers today seek not only the man who has average

## CHAPTER TWO

This is the second chapter of the history of Elon College football, telling the glorious story of the 1930's when Coaches "Peabead" Walker and "Horse" Hendrickson guided the Maroon and Gold gridriders to gridiron glory and repeated North State Conference championships.

Henry contest, giving the Virginians their first defeat in four years. Williams again led in scoring with 59 points, and he gained a berth on the All-State squad.

Captain Rowland Smith led Elon to victories over Catawba 26 to 7, Atlantic Christian 40 to 0, High Point 24 to 0, Emory and Henry 19 to 14 and Lenoir Rhyne 13 to 7, while she was defeated by Davidson 20 to 6, Wake Forest 25 to 6 and Guilford 13 to 6.

### Little Six Champs

In 1930 the Christians were "Little Six" champs with a 6-3 record. Again Pete Williams, who captained the team, paced the Maroon and Gold squad, leading the state in scoring with 88 points, setting scoring records which still stand at Elon and making way for Elon to win her first championship in football.

Elon lost her opener to Davidson 38 to 0, won 45 to 0 over Atlantic Christian (Williams scoring five touchdowns and three extra points), lost to Emory and Henry 20 to 6, won over Wilmington Light Infantry 33 to 0, lost to Catawba 38 to 0 and then won the next four in a row over Guilford 12 to 9, High Point 20 to 6, Naval Apprentice 42 to 0 and Lenoir Rhyne 20 to 7.

During the 1931 season Elon had rather mediocre luck, winning three and losing five. The scores of the eight games included wins over Lynchburg 20 to 0, High Point 30 to 0 and Guilford 19 to 6. There were losses to Davidson 13 to 2, Roanoke 29 to 9, George Washington 40 to 0, Emory and Henry 20 to 14 and Lenoir Rhyne 20 to 6. Rudy Walsler, center, Pete Williams, back, and "Muddy" Waters, end, were outstanding during this season. Williams led the

scoring for a fourth time, receiving a berth on the All-Conference eleven and a place on some All-State lists. K. B. Dofflemeyer was captain of this team.

That season climaxed the brilliant career for Henry T. "Pete" Williams, who scored 32 touchdowns and 27 points after touchdowns for a total of at least 219 points (one game in 1930 not accounted for.)

Elon managed to win only two of nine games in 1932. Captained by Paul Erawley, the Christians defeated Langley Field 7 to 6 and Naval Apprentice 19 to 6, while they were defeated by Duke 45 to 0, Emory and Henry 12 to 0, Roanoke 19 to 7, Randolph-Macon 20 to 0, High Point 6 to 0, Lenoir Rhyne 12 to 7 and Guilford 26 to 7. Although the record was nothing to boast of, Elon placed guard Walter Latham on the All-Conference squad for the newly-formed North State Conference. Webb Newsome led the scoring parade with 18 points, one of the scores on an 88-yard jaunt to paydirt.

### Golden Era Of The 1930's

First signs of a new and golden era of Elon football came in 1933 when Elon topped the North State standings for the first of four straight years, winning the first of the Conference titles she has claimed since the loop was formed in 1932. The Christians got off to a slow start, receiving defeats at the hands of Davidson 6 to 0 and Emory and Henry 24 to 0. They edged Langley Field 7 to 6 and were defeated by Roanoke 26 to 0 before settling down to win four straight games and tie one to clinch the title.

Elon defeated Randolph Macon 26 to 0, Naval Apprentice 46 to 0, Western Carolina 45 to 6 and Lenoir Rhyne 7 to 0. She closed the season with a 13 to 13 dead-lock with Guilford, giving the Christians a 5-3-1 season mark and a 2-0-1 Conference record. Four Christians received berths on the All-Conference team, including "Muddy" Waters, tackle; Paul Brawley, end; Webb Newsome, quarterback; and Ralph Neal, fullback. Aubrey Winecoff was the Christian captain, and Neal led in scoring with 62 points.

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## a voice from the corner

By DON TERRELL



Congratulations to the new Freshman Class officers who assumed their respective positions last week. The campaign was a good one, and it presented the college with some new talent to depend upon.

Well, the big Homecoming Weekend last week was greatly enjoyed by most, if not all. The band was pleasing, and the dance offered one of the biggest social opportunities of the year. The weekend festivities featured our absolutely attractive Homecoming Queen, Phyl Hopkins.

You know, when we came back to scholarship within the little brick wall, several of the last year's faculty had gone on to further study, different jobs, and various other callings. Most of us have one in particular we miss more than the others. For me, the most severe vacancy is the one left by Professor Clyde Taft McCants. One of the most active faculty members who ever entered a classroom at Elon, Professor McCants was loved by all his students.

I remember even before I enrolled in Elon, a former student gave me a precious bit of good advice. "Get McCants for English, even if you have to go to night school." I took this friend's advice without having to play owl, and loved every minute spent in English class.

It's strange never seeing him leaning against the colonnades with a Pepsi in one hand, the other in his pocket, awing students with his casual conversation and endless witticisms. He made friends with his students and always was interested in their interests. Many other students join me in missing the talented young man. He has been gone from us less than a semester, but already his name among students has made him a legend on the Elon College campus.

Each year around graduation time, without failure senior students find some required course not offered. This not only touches seniors but others as well. In order to alleviate this situation, I would propose a guild of majors in specific fields to meet with the department chairman and faculty members in their field to set up a possible rotating chart of course offerings. Through this, one would have a general idea of how to set up his schedule. I think a great deal could be accomplished if such a plan could be installed. It would certainly stymie griping on the matter.

To me it seems a shame that the cheerleaders were not taken along with the football team to Tampa. These students are an integral part of the school's spirit and athletic endeavor. I cannot see any harm that would have accompanied their going, but I can see where they could have been a tremendous help. Their very appearance at any athletic contest adds a great deal to the event. Our cheerleaders are a part of our team. They laugh with the team when they win, and they cry with the team when they lose. Every girl on the squad loves what she is doing, and tries so hard to stimulate and build spirit. It's pathetic to see the lack of support they get for their efforts. At the home games they try to lead the spectator's cheers, but usually end up cheering alone with all their might. They could use a little support from every student in this college as well as from the athletic department.

**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN** — Bill Troutman, ole buddy, what's this about your popularity at W.C.? A fan club letter with thirty authentic signatures? Tell me how you do it . . . Frank Lawrence is the only guy I know who can renew torrid old friendships in one night following a year of abstinence. Mr. Continental! . . . Dear Tweety-bird, you'd better send that letter home, or this is going to be one boofing year . . . Roni George and Slater System seem to have a beautiful friendship going. Keep up the good-will, gal! . . . Something tells me this little column might get read yet! . . . Keep it cool till next time when "the voice" may have something warm to say.

### Casual Comments

Man has learned to flow through the air like a bird and to swim under water like a fish, but we have yet to learn how to get along with each other and to walk on the earth like men.

People who can afford to gamble don't need money, and those who need money can't afford to gamble.

Bachelor: A guy who wouldn't change his quarters for a better half.

## From The Watchtower

By ANN VICKERS

or above grades, but the man who has exhibited leadership qualities at his alma mater. Honorary societies, fraternities, sororities, Student Government, debate, dramatics—all these carry prestige with many employers.

Again from the practical view point, many graduate schools today accept students largely on the basis of leadership positions held in college. Graduate schools may have more applicants than they can accept who have an outstanding scholastic record. In such cases the overall college record may be the decisive factor.

At Elon this year we have seen a sad lack of dependable students for many positions—particularly in dramatics, band and Student Government. The lack of band members is pathetic. We all know that the play scheduled for early November was not really cancelled because of sickness, for there were not enough dependable actors to put on the production. There are still openings in the Senate and on the Student Council.

We particularly urge freshmen to try not only to work for good grades, but to accept many of the other advantages offered at Elon. We think it is interesting to note that students who take a part in extra-curricular positions generally manage to have impressive academic records also. Not often has a student flunked out" because he was the leader of some campus organization.

If students would take care of parking fines through the Student Parking Committee as soon as they receive them, a lot of confusion could be avoided and a lot of time could be saved during exams. Students with unpaid fines cannot take exams. If you get a ticket, you can do one of two things: Place the fine with the ticket through the slot in the Student Government Office door or, if you feel you have been treated unjustly, place your reasons along with the ticket in the slot.

We understand that the Student Council will start soon to review cases of people breaking in the dining hall line. It is most annoying to stand in line half an hour and have several persons break in front of you. If enough students protest, we feel sure that action will be taken by the proper persons to correct the situation.

Congratulations to the new freshman class officers. Those who didn't win at least have shown their interest in campus affairs and will be able to find many other ways to make a contribution to Elon College.

We feel that the Honor Code and the Campus Code at Elon have been very ineffective in the past. We feel that in all fairness to everyone, the system should be abolished. However, since we do have the system, we should all remember that it is our duty to report any violations that we may see.