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Electoral Reform Is Topic For Speaker

The strong demands for "Electoral College Reform" and its possible effect upon American politics and life in general was the topic for discussion last Friday night when U. S. Senator William Proxmire, Democrat from Wisconsin, spoke in Whitley Auditorium.

Senator Proxmire appeared as the guest of the Contemporary Affairs Symposium, an organization which operates under sponsorship of the Elon College Student Government Association and with Dr. Carolyn Zinn as the faculty sponsor.

The Wisconsin senator, who was elected to the Senate in 1957 to fill the unexpired term of Senator Joseph McCarthy, was re-elected in 1958 and again in 1964. He has been active in many Senate groups since joining the upper house of Congress.

Among the posts he has held is that of chairman of the Joint Economic Committee of Congress, chairman of the Financial Institutions Committee and chairman of the Joint Committee on Defense Production.

He also serves as a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, of the Banking and Currency Committee and of the Democratic Steering Committee in the Senate.

Senator Proxmire is a graduate of Yale and of the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. He has taught at Harvard in addition to his activities in business and politics.

SPEAKER



SENATOR PROXMIRE

Five Students Had 'A' Grade In Fall Term

There were five Elon College students who made all "A" grades on their courses during the past fall semester, according to a statement just received from the office of Dean Fletcher Moore.

Through an error in IBM compilation, the names of these students were not included when the longer list of students with "B" averages was published in a recent error.

The five all "A" honor students were David Abernathy, of Lenoir; Edna Gail Brantley, of Lattimore; John Burgess, of Gibsonville; Diane Gucker, of Edinburg, Va.; and Patricia Morris, of Efland.

Next Lyceum Program Set March 10

The next program on the series of Elon College Lyceum programs will feature Vladimir Ussachevsky, one of the foremost experts in the area of electronic music, appearing in Whitley Auditorium on March 10th.

Mr. Ussachevsky is internationally recognized as one of the foremost authorities in the field of electronic music. He will present a concert of electronic music and will give a lecture-demonstration on this newest of musical media.

Three other programs are scheduled for this 1968-69 series of Elon Lyceum programs, including the National Opera Company, organist Simon Preston and the Eastman Brass Quintet.



"An overweight condition is caused when you lead a hand to mouth existence—at the refrigerator."

HISTORIC OLD NORTH DORM AND ELON'S FIRST GYM



The historic old North Dorm and the original Elon College gymnasium, which at one time stood where the new Elon office and classroom building is now being constructed, is pictured above. The old building, which was begun in 1912 and completed in time for Elon to win the state basketball championship in 1914, was regarded in its day as the finest gymnasium in North Carolina and one of the finest in the South.

First Elon Gym Once Stood Where New Structure Rises

Just now when the foundations for the new classroom and office building have been completed and the walls are beginning to rise on the northern edge of the Elon walled campus, it is quite appropriate that the 1969 generation of Elon students should be reminded that once stood on the site of the new structure.

The Elon College campus is a constantly changing scene, and the present construction of the new office and classroom building is just another of the changes, with the new structure rising on the spot where at one time one of the finest gymnasiums in the entire

South stood.

It was back in 1910 and 1911, at a time when Elon College was not wild or raving over sports and when the college was concerned over physical development as part of the overall student growth, when the Elon leaders began dreaming of building the old Elon gymnasium and old North Dorm, the structure which once stood in the area north of the Duke Science Building where the new building is now rising.

In June of 1912, the president of Elon College reported to the board of trustees that the most pressing needs of the institution was for facilities in which the young men

and young women might be given systematic physical exercise, and he pointed out that every college in North Carolina of comparable size to Elon already had a gymnasium.

It was then proposed by Dr. W. W. Staley, a long-time president of Elon College, that a new gymnasium be constructed, and the result was the almost immediate start of construction of a building which for many years housed both a gymnasium and a dormitory for men.

The building, which for many years was better known as North Dorm, although it also housed the Elon College gymnasium (Continued on Page 4)

INTERIOR VIEW OF OLD ELON GYMNASIUM



The above scene, taken during a girls' intramural volley ball battle, shows the limited confines of the old Elon College gymnasium, which was regarded as the finest in the state when it was completed in 1913 or 1914. The volley ball shot was taken in the early 1950's during the last years in which the old gym in North Dorm was used for physical education purposes. This shot shows that there was no room for spectators at the edges of the basketball court, and spectators watched action from a balcony which encircled the floor at the second-story level.