

## Students Receive Awards

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government during the year.

Also presented by Noel Allen in behalf of the Student Government Association was a trophy to Prof. Jack O. White, director of the Elon College marching and concert bands, as the outstanding member of the Elon College faculty for the 1968-69 college year.

The Schackley Awards, given each year in memory of the late Dr. George Shackley, of St. Petersburg, Fla., were presented by Prof. Gene Featherstone to James Fogle of Charleston, S.C., for work in piano, and by Prof. Richard Apperson to Gwendolyn Wood, of Longhurst, for work in organ.

The Jerry Dalton Strader Awards, given in memory of the late Jerry D. Strader, for many years a leader in religious, educational and civic affairs in Burlington, were presented by Dr. Ferris Reynolds to Joan Anderson for work in Christian education, and by Prof. Sandy Moffett to Jay Wilkinson, of Massapequa, N. Y., for work

in campus dramatics.

The Dudley Ray Watson Memorial Award, given by the Society for Advancement of Management to the outstanding senior in business administration, was presented by Prof. James Toney to Stafford Peebles, of Winston-Salem. Also honoring the late Dudley Watson was a scholarship, presented by Mrs. Jeanne Williams to Elizabeth Lentz, of Burlington.

The Pi Gamma Mu scholarship award for outstanding work in the field of social science was presented by Prof. Ralph Anderson to John Burgess, of Gibsonville, for work in the study of economics.

Two new awards given this year were the Marcella Rawls Saecker Award, in memory of the late Mrs. Marcella R. Saecker, and the Cindy Robertson memorial scholarship, given by Beta Omicron Beta.

The Saecker award was presented by Prof. Jennings Berry and by Mrs. George Bullard, sister of the honoree, to Kay Savage, of Whaleyville, Va., and the Robertson scholarship was given by Jane Crocker to Diane Gucker, of Edinburg, Va.

## RETIRING



Miss Arabella Gore, catalogue librarian at the Elon College library since 1947, is retiring this year. She was honored by fellow members of the library staff at a party held on Thursday night of last week, when resolutions were read in her honor. A native of Wilmington, Miss Gore is a graduate of Meredith College and holds the library science degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Chairmen of various college departments listed several graduating seniors, who have been awarded grants, fellowships, scholarships of assistantships for advanced study. These awards included those to Toulou Panagiotopoulou, of Athens, Greece, for math study at Wake Forest; to Gerry Oxford, of Elon College, for chemistry study at Emory University; to James Lightbourne, of Burlington for math study at N. C. State University; and to Ronald Wicker, of Sanford, for physical education study at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.



"While it's true, Miss Borst, we don't spell out proper faculty attire... we do have rules!"

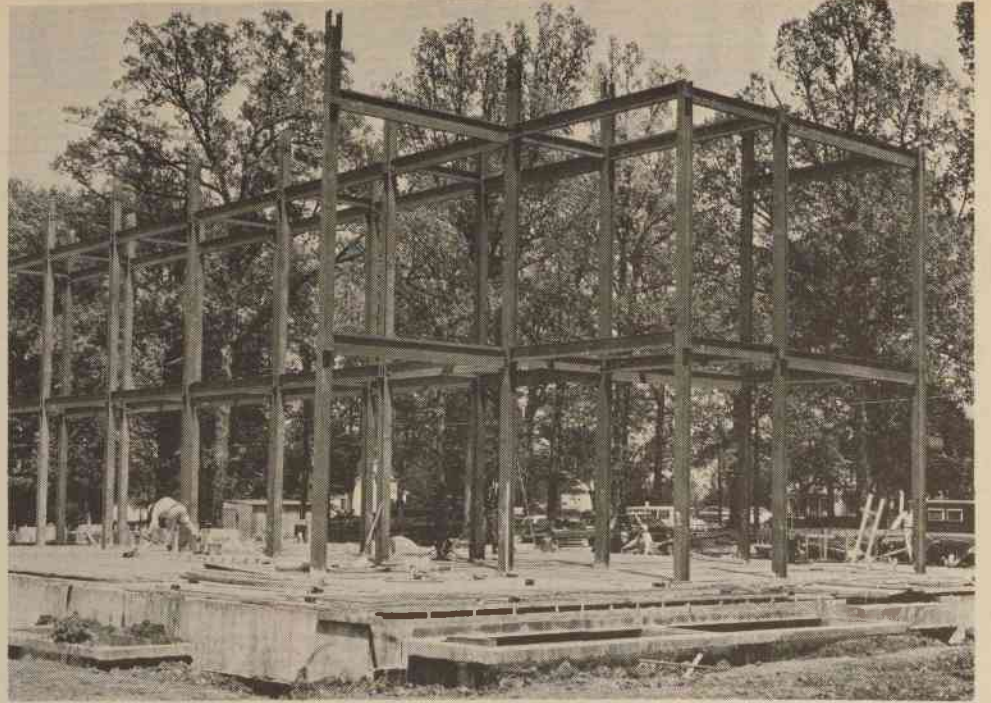
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## NEW ELON BUILDING RISING NEAR NORTH GATE



With the steel framework already rising into the sky, work is moving ahead rapidly on the new Elon College classroom and office building, which is being erected near the north gate of Elon's walled campus and adjacent to the Duke Science Building. The new three-story structure, which is to house college offices and classrooms, is expected to be ready for occupancy by January 1st of next year. It is being built at an estimated cost of \$650,000. It will feature a large basement where all IBM equipment will be placed and will furnish a record center where all student records will be kept. A number of administrative offices will be located on the first floor, with eight faculty offices and six classrooms on the second floor and six faculty offices and six classrooms on the third floor. The building is of traditional architectural design, thus merging into the traditional style of the walled campus.

## After Twenty Years IT'S 'THIRTY'

By LUTHER N. BYRD

After twenty years, it's "Thirty!"

In journalistic language, that word "Thirty" means the end, the end of a story, the end of a year or the end of an era. In this particular case, it means the end of an era for me, all of which gives me an excuse to write in the first person for the second time in a journalistic career that has extended for forty-five years.

The last twenty years of that time has been right here at Elon College, where it has been my privilege to serve as director of publicity for all phases of the college activities and to serve as faculty advisor for the Maroon and Gold for two decades of tremendous progress for the college itself and great change in the life on the oak-shaded campus.

All of that comes to an end this week as I make a complete change of duties for the coming year, relinquishing all journalistic and newspaper activities and switching to full time duties as a teacher of history. It is for that reason that I write "Thirty" at the beginning of this statement, signifying the end of an era for me.

When I came to Elon in 1949, the student body listed only 739 students, which means that the enrollment has more than doubled to reach a total of 1,729 for this 1968-69 term, with the number of dormitory students numbering more than the total student body of twenty years ago.

In my work as faculty

advisor for the Maroon and Gold, it has been my privilege to work with many very fine young men and young women who served on the editorial staff of the campus newspaper, and a quick glance backward over the pages of the Maroon and Gold recalls the period of Elon's greatest growth.

That very first year back in 1949-50 the Maroon and Gold told of the opening of Alumni Memorial Gymnasium, and that was only the first of many new buildings which were featured in Maroon and Gold stories and pictures, for the paper has since told of opening eight new dormitories, a new student center and a new library and two new dining halls.

During these twenty years the Maroon and Gold has told of many glories won by Fighting Christian sports teams, for it has been my pleasure to recount the doings of no less than twenty championship teams, including fifteen which won Conference titles and five others which won NAIA District 26 titles, two in football, five in basketball, five in baseball, two in track, four in golf and one in tennis.

Along with the stories of Christian team accomplishments, it has also been my privilege to tell of the exploits of no less than ten All-American athletes who wore Maroon and Gold colors into the athletic wars, among them eight in football, and one each in basketball and baseball. There have been stories, too, of high honors won in music, dramatics and other student activities.

Among the brighter memories of twenty years working with the Maroon and Gold is the fact that the Maroon and Gold itself was twice honored as the best college newspaper in North Carolina in the weekly and bi-weekly class, and there was one year when student writers on the Maroon and Gold won three of six individual statewide honors, leaving three for all other colleges and universities in North Carolina.

Throughout the years the Maroon and Gold has been operated as a campus newspaper, dedicated to the best interests of Elon College as a whole, and with equal attention to the activities of students, faculty and administration. I believe that always a college newspaper should be thus dedicated and I am more than ever convinced that no college newspaper should ever publish open forum letters. Such letters are almost universally to voice gripes, and they almost always given an unfavorable picture of the college itself.

I shall always remember the twenty years when I was privileged to work with the Maroon and Gold in telling the story of Elon College, its students, faculty and administration, but now the era is ended.

And that's "THIRTY."



"The persons most difficult to convince they're at retirement age are children at bedtime."