

### Editorials

## Military Recruiters

By LARRY SAGE

It appears that this "Christian" college contradicts itself on many points in what it is supposed to represent and in what it does especially in one area of ethics.

This concerns the fact that the school allows military recruiters on campus. According to Christian ethics, militarism is not a basic foundation as is the striving for peace and human understanding.

Granted the military can offer a career and opportunities for college graduates but the military also teaches the art of war and killing. This is against Christian principles.

How can a college allow such representatives of "legalized killing" and all itself a Christian college? The military recruiters should not be allowed on this campus, especially in the Student Center.

If the college continues to allow this, then there should be an alternate table representing the movement for peace. Information should be given out about men who won more by peaceful means than by military might (ex. Ghadi).

The college, if it continues to call itself Christian oriented, must stand up for Christian ethics and oppose the representation of the military on campus.

## Apathetic Students?

By AL ZINK

I am afraid that the word "apathy" has been used so much in the past few years that it has lost its meaning, and people hearing this word almost feel insulted if it is directed to them. It is necessary that we are apathetic towards some things; can you imagine being concerned with every problem in life to the extent of feeling as though you just have to correct it? Life would be plain hell.

But you can go overboard on putting things aside for the other guy to do, and I believe that this a great problem on this campus. There are many committees, programs, and organizations which are necessary to the function of this college, and the students are a large part of them. Why people refuse to "get involved" is a universal question. But this is YOUR campus, and you will spend or have spent four years of YOUR life here. If you decide to be apathetic and let others do the work, then don't complain; or if you don't like the way an organization such as the SGA is working, keep quiet.

We have approximately 1100 boarding students on this campus. If each student would give just one hour per week to some organization, this campus would be something to be really proud of and respected by all. There is no way which we can push any student into action. It must be a real desire to want to make this college his college.

There are many groups seeking help now; the Maroon and Gold needs reporters, people to help with lay-out, and many other jobs, but please whatever you decide to do, the college needs your help.

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### Editorial

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## LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



### 19 Years Ago - 1950

#### New Dance Rules for Fraternities

The various Elon sororities and fraternities will be permitted to dance at their annual banquets, which are planned for the spring quarter, according to the new ruling handed down last week by the faculty and social committee. The permission for dancing came as an answer to a petition filed recently by the representatives of the various fraternities. The committee, after considering the request, recommended to the administration that the request be granted, and the recommendation was duly approved.

### 10 Years Ago - 1959

#### Editorial on Courtesy

"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, argues well for future, for students with such courteous attitudes must eventually make their ideas felt by the unsocial exceptions."

The No. 13 hole on Beaver Lake Golf Club near Asheboro is the game's longest par five hole in this country.

There were three U.S. Presidents born in North Carolina: Andrew Jackson, James Polk and Andrew Johnson.

## The Time Will Come

By CARL REYNOLDS

About two thousand years ago a man was going around the Mediterranean area claiming he knew where it was all at about this God. Of course all the people thought they knew all about God themselves. This man had some things to say that twisted up (or straightened out) quite a few persons' minds.

He seemed to think that one man should be nice to anybody he happens to be associated with. In fact, he said that each should love the other guy like he was his brother or somebody. He topped all this off by saying that one should love this other guy as he loves himself and perhaps rearrange his thoughts about himself.

Somebody called this man "Christ" and the name must have fit because that's what everybody called him. Most everyone liked this character and thought he was some sort of a special man who had a hot line to God. He picked up a few friends here and there and pretty soon had a good size mob following him around. They went all over the countryside talking to people and trying to let them know where it was all at. His main idea came out to be love and that's what he talked about most of all.

We speak of peace, freedom, liberty; all implying love directly. Our country itself is founded on what this guy Christ talked about. It really doesn't matter if you believe he even walked this earth.

Take a look at a person sitting near you and see if you can catch the thought that he is alive and is probably just as confused and scared as you are. (If you're not you ought to run for president)

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## Letters to the Editor

### Academic Freedom

Could there be just a word from the majority side by a former editor of M & G?

Particularly I am interested in the present hue and cry about "academic freedom." The definition of the term I find in the dictionary to read as follows: "...freedom of a teacher (or student) to express his beliefs (political, economic, etc.) without arbitrary interference." Now, I have found no action taken by the administration of the College which has inhibited me from expressing myself as I see fit. The fact that I was advised that my regularly scheduled responsibilities to the institution were expected to be carried out

in no whit jeopardized my freedom to express myself. I see a clear difference between "what" and "when-where."

To hold that an educational institution can satisfactorily meet its obligations on a basis of each employee choosing his own time and place to perform his function is obviously to invite chaos.

One wonders how accurate is the assessment which asserts that chaos is exactly what is intended.

Howard R. Richardson, Professor

### Note of Thanks

May I offer this as a testimony of the humanness and generosity of a

member of the Elon faculty? Contrary to what some students may believe, all professors are not cold and impersonal beings.

On a recent journey to the Southern Historical Society Convention in Washington, D.C., three Elon students were faced with a dilemma. They were at the mercy of the big city and their car would't start. Washington can be a very friendly but more often an unfriendly city, so these students were not what one would consider overly confident.

The only alternative proved to be interrupting the meal of the rescuer, who upon being approached proved to be more than willing to help the stranded victims. He offered

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