

Town Services, Needs Listed

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drive-in type eating place within walking distance was suggested as an improvement.

Feminine reactions were definite and emphatic. Jean McKensie, a freshman from Wilson, N.C. commented with, "It's too small. There should be some inexpensive entertainment. We need a drugstore and maybe a department store."

Faye Walton, from Richmond, Va. also a freshman stated that she likes the town, "I like little towns. I just wish that they had a place to buy clothes or something."

The students without transportation of their own are particularly stranded at the college. While all of the girls questioned stressed the desire for clothing shops and entertainment, lack of public transportation was particularly emphasized.

Tricia Wyatt, of Suffolk, Va. exclaimed "There should be some recreation that we don't have to go into Burlington for, but what we really need is bus service-transportation."

Jacquei Lye, a transfer student from Appalachian State University, suggested that the town (business section) be a shopping center oriented to student needs and prices. We need a drugstore and a clothing store. An inexpensive movie theatre would be nice. It makes for cheaper dates."

The general conclusion is that the Elon student desires more services made more easily available and accessible to them within the Elon College city limits.

Bus Service

A new bus company for Burlington and the surrounding areas is now being underwritten by public subscription of stock.

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Elon Police

by Gary Dean

The Elon College Police Department under the direction of Chief Henry Hilliard is an integral part of the town's government. Chief Hilliard, an 18-year veteran of the force, has been assisted during the past year or so by his deputy, James Stallings.

In a recent interview Officer Stallings was asked what he thought of the townspeople's attitude toward the students of the college. He replied, "In general the attitude of the townspeople toward the students is fine. They seem to get along very well."

When asked about the attitude of the students toward the police department, Officer Stallings was a little more reserved. He stated that most of the students were very well-behaved, but a few isolated cases marred the record. Stallings stated that he has had sporadic cases in which the students have not reacted favorably to him.

On the question of crimes in the town Stallings replied, "Most of our arrests come on charges of speeding and running stop signs. There have been no major crimes here since I have been on the force."

Officer Stallings stated that all trials and imprisonment takes place at the county courthouse in Graham because the Town of Elon College has neither a jail nor a court system. Stallings also stated that the county officers are available in case the Elon police force needs them in any capacity.

In summary, Stallings said that he thought the town and the college worked very well together. "We try to help each other out when the need arises."

Water Supply

By Al Zink

Elon College, with its limited revenue of \$51,025 per year, cannot offer to residents the organization and services of a larger town.

The question, therefore, arises in many people's minds, why Elon College does not incorporate with a larger city, Burlington for instance.

In an interview with the Burlington City Manager, Mr. Doug Mackintosh, I asked him if there had ever been any serious talk among officials from either town concerning incorporation. Mackintosh said that there had never been an approach by either of the governing bodies concerning this issue. He further stated that any talk to the contrary is just "rumor".

When the new dorm complex was in the planning stages, it was realized that an additional water supply would be needed to provide adequate fire protection to the campus. The Elon College government at the College's request sought Burlington's help, and Burlington officials agreed to work out this problem with the town. It was on this premise that the work on the complex was begun. Burlington and Elon officials are now planning to run a waterline from the Burlington city limits to Elon College. The College is financing the entire project including a pump station. The pump station and line will be given to the town by the College. In times of water shortage the College will purchase water from the town. This connection with Burlington water system will also enable the town to use Burlington water. Until this plan is completed, Burlington will continue its programs keeping in mind that the hook-up with Elon is in the future.

Burlington was not obligated to help the town of Elon College with their problem, it was just a kind gesture on their part. The cooperation between Burlington and neighboring towns, not only in this matter but also in others, is commendable. Students who go to school in an atmosphere where they can see that cooperation does work, will gain a healthy attitude towards the workings of government.



Town Of Elon College Budget 1969-70

REVENUE

Revenue - Taxes - Current	\$24,100
Revenue - Taxes - Prior	1,400
Privilege License	800
Intangible Tax	1,100
Franchise Tax	3,200
Miscellaneous	5,300
Gen. Fund Subsidy	6,000
Powell Bill	7,200
Beer and Wine Tax	1,925
TOTAL	\$51,025

EXPENSES

Police	\$15,920
Admin.	6,425
Streets	9,800
VFD	3,200
Other (trash, sanitation, audit, insurance improvements)	15,680
TOTAL	\$51,025

Town Needs

By Ed Baker

The town of Elon College began as Mill Point, a railroad shipping point for the nearby textile mills. In 1890 the college of the Christians moved to the town from Graham where it had been called Graham Institute.

The town has depended upon the increasing enrollment of the college for the majority of its growth. The college, presently boasting over 1800 students, 1100 boarding,

had only 50 when it opened, and no claims five-ninths of the total town population. If one considers them residents of the town. However, between 1960-67 the town annexed an estimated 90 people, approximately one-ninth of its present non-student population, and claims an additional 80 children from the Children's Home. The 1969 population including boarding students is estimated to be 1805.

A list by respective priority of the most of-

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