

Look right! step off the kerb!

by Mary Ellen Priestley

If you are one of the eighty or more students going to England for the winter term, and especially if this is your first visit, you may find some interesting and, at times, baffling differences in English as spoken and written across the Atlantic.

A short glossary of commonly used words about travel might be of help. If you talk with an Englishman about his car, he may call it a *car* or a *moto car*, but rarely an *automobile*. The car *trunk* is called the *boot*, and the *hood* is the *bonnet*. *Tire* is spelled *tyre*. The *windshield* is the *windscreen*. A *muffler* is a *silencer*. *Gasoline* is *petrol*, and a *filling station* or *service station* is usually a *petrol station*. One *dims* lights in the U.S. but *dips* them in England. An *interstate* or *superhighway* is a *motorway*; a *dual highway* is a *dual carriageway*. A *truck* is a *lorry* in England, and a *tractor-trailer*, often from the Continent, is an *articulated lorry*. Of course, a *taxi* is a *taxi*, but the London version is usually black, has plenty of headroom, and can turn around on a sixpence.

In England, a *railroad* is a *railway* with a railway station. A passenger car or carriage may have an aisle with seats on each side or it may have compartments with doors on each side or opening into a corridor on one side. What is called the *subway* in New York is the *underground* in London. *Subway* is confined to a pedestrian crossing under a street. Signs remind the walker to "Look right," for traffic moves on the left of the road or street all over Britain. The road *shoulder* is called a *verge*, usually narrow, and a car may stop on a *lay-by*. A *curve* in the road is a *bend*. Traffic signals are usually at the left side of the road and rarely hanging in the center of the street.

In general, international traffic signs are used, but occasional words will appear. For example, *yield* in America would be *Give Way* in Britain. One does not *pass* a car but *overtakes* it, and always on the right. One may ride in a double-decker *bus* in London and the suburbs or take a bus on a regular scheduled route to another city. But a tour for sightseeing is made in a *coach*.

Tickets are retained throughout the trip on a train and are given up at the barrier in the station on arrival. Bus, train or coach tickets may be inspected at some point in the journey.

The vocabulary of air travel is about the same in the U.S. and Britain. Walking can be about the same, except that one walks on a *footpath* in rural areas and the *pavement* instead of a *sidewalk* and steps off the *kerb* instead of the *curb*.

How much pie can you eat?

Can ITK really out eat TKE? Is there anyone in Moffitt man enough to out eat Carolina's man? Can the Tri-Sigs hold a light to the world famous pie eating of Staley Dorm? Or how about the faculty, how much pie can you eat, Dean Long?

The SGA in conjunction with the ARA food services is sponsoring the first annual Elon Eat Out on Oct. 28. The Elon Eat Out will consist of one person with hands tied behind the back eating as much chocolate or lemon pie as can be consumed in 15 minutes with one person helping him. Each dorm, organization, and club can sponsor a contestant by paying an entry fee of \$10. The entry fees will help purchase a color television for the Varsity Grill. The winning contestant and his/her cheering section will be treated to a steak dinner.

So sign up now and prove to your friends that you can make a pig of yourself.

don't even have a photographer. The yearbook's gonna look pretty dull without any pictures.

And you people that are giving my dear friend Sam Moore so much static. Lay off him. He's mine, I mean Sam's a really cute boy and you don't want him getting wrinkled before his time, do you? That would be such a waste.

Well, I don't want to sound like I'm ungrateful for all the things Elon's done for me, I mean after all they ... well they ... no ... well ... well anyway tha ... tha ... tha ... that's all for now folks.

talk at you next time,
C.C.



Schedule of Events Parents Weekend November 6-7, 1976

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

REGISTRATION, REFRESHMENTS AND CAMPUS TOURS
9:00 a.m.
William S. Long Student Center

PARENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING
10:00 a.m.
Whitley Auditorium

MEET THE FACULTY
10:30 a.m.
Iris Holt McEwen Library

PICNIC LUNCHEON
11:30 - 1:00 p.m.
by the College Lake (inclement weather-
McEwen Dining Hall)

FOOTBALL GAME - ELON vs NEWBERRY
2:00 p.m.
Burlington Memorial Stadium

TALENT SHOW
8:00 p.m.
Whitley Auditorium

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

CONCERT BAND AND EMANONS JAZZ ENSEMBLE
1:00 p.m.
Whitley Auditorium

INTRAMURAL ALL-STAR FOOTBALL GAMES
2:15 p.m.
Intramural Athletic Fields
(Behind Huffines' Texaco)

Contrary Carla addresses letter to students, staff

Hello, students! I'd like to introduce myself since this is my literary debue, or is that dabue? Well, anyway my name is Contrary Carla. My friends call me Con, for short, that is.

I'm writing to you because no one else will listen to me, and I figure the few school spirited students, rare though they may be, that read the school newspaper from cover to cover will have to lend me an ear, or should I say eye. And for most of you here at Elon that can't read anyway, perhaps your roommate will read it to you.

Here's what I want to say. I figure with as many students as Elon has, and good lord everyone knows what tuition is, that someone could rent a cement mixer and take it to the new parking lot and DUMP IT! It's hard enough wearing four inch heels but adding two inch rocks under one shoe at a time is more than cruel and unusual!

Anyway, it's bad for my legs and believe me, honeys, big "E" can use all the help in that department they can get!

I'd like to make a little suggestion too. I think the gym parking lot should be designed for the skinny people (there should be plenty of room) and the new lot should be marked "fatties." Face it, they are the only ones who need the exercise.

I'd like to address a few lines to the higher ups, too, that's the administration for you that are a little slow to catch on. WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH MY MONEY? You must have a few boozers and gamblers somewhere in your ranks to be blowing that much loot. Judging from your clothes, you're not blowing it on anything like that. I mean not a one of you even wears platforms. And another thing, I hear those people over on the newspaper and annual staff



The "Showband of the Carolinas" under the direction of Prof. Jack White and Dr. David Bragg will turn on the fans before the Elon-Catawba clash this Saturday. The band will play that smash hit on the flip side of a 5th of Beethoven, "California Strut."

Elon Elementary's Fall Festival appeals to all

by Linda Shoffner

Can a fall festival at an elementary school appeal to college students? Last year's event at Elon elementary did, and many Elon College students turned out for an evening of fun and games, good food, contests and prizes.

The Parent-Teacher Organization has planned an even bigger celebration this year on Friday, Oct. 29, beginning at 5:30 p.m. They have combined the traditional carnival games for the youngsters with attractions which appeal to all ages.

Area merchants have again contributed a wide variety of items for bingo and door prizes. Some lucky person will win \$200 in groceries, and many

more will take home cakes won in the cake walk.

Concession stands in the gym and cafeteria will serve hot dogs and cotton candy, plus lots of other treats.

The haunted house is expected to "scare" many visitors; and to add to the Hallowe'en mood, children and adults dressed in their wildest outfits will compete in costume contests.

The Fall Festival is the P.T.O.'s major fund-raising project for the Elon elementary and middle schools. Money from this project buys needed educational materials and supplies. Members and friends of the community are urged to support the schools by turning out for an evening of good clean fun.

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took and the need for individual help. Prof. Gerow was followed on the program by Dr. Russell Gill who spoke on criteria for grading. He had distributed a list of standards for the A, B, C, D and F papers and on specific items to be considered. Again many questions from listeners were answered.

Dr. Andrew Angyal, at the suggestion of more than one department at Elon, made a plea for a manual to be used throughout the college in

writing papers, especially research papers or those with footnotes. Mrs. Betty Maness, director of the Skills Lab, explained why professors should send students in any discipline to her for help in writing skills. If she could see sample papers of the student having trouble, she could help in a more effective way, she said.

"The response from the faculty was excellent," Dr. Priestley said later. "I think we all enjoyed it, and we hope that everyone becomes more aware of the need to make speaking and writing more effective."