

## Elon In The Air



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The man who is best prepared in any walk of life is the first one to be called to positions of responsibility. This is true in both peace-time and war. Individuals who have the opportunity cannot afford to stand idly by and allow their fellows to become better prepared for tasks which lie ahead.

### Civil Aeronautics Authority

The Civil Aeronautics Authority has been created for the purpose of establishing a more balanced citizenship in our commonwealth. If the United States is to maintain its leadership among the nations of the world then its citizenship must be trained to use the most modern and efficient conveniences which science has been able to devise. These conveniences will by necessity be based upon the economic factors of human living—food, shelter, clothing. The happiness of our citizens depends largely upon successful employment. We have an ever increasing population. This means new industries must be created from time to time in order that employment and re-employment may be a reality. Industry is the only source of prosperity and re-employment, it is likewise the keystone of preparedness and peace.

The present emphasis on aeronautics should make the general public more air-minded as well as train liberal arts students to engage in an industry which will render a distinct and efficient service to our nation.

A few more or less interested in this phase of government co-operation have raised the point of military service. It should be stated there is no more relationship between this program (CAA) and future wars than there is to the CCC and war. The CCC renders a distinct service to young men and an educational program for the conservation of the lithosphere. The CAA offers an efficient and rapid service of transportation for most commodities, a boon to industry.

During the last two decades, the automobile, bus and radio industries have created employment for thousands of individuals. Before the next decade closes the general use of aircraft, television, home air-conditioning, and three-dimensional movies will be considered necessities.

## Physical Examinations Great Aid to Students

Dr. John Sinclair Denholm of the State Sanatorium was on the campus several days last week, giving physical examinations to students. The examination was a thorough one. In addition to this regular exam smallpox vaccinations were given to those who desired them.

## S. C. A. Enjoys Good Week

### Near-record Membership Is Attained

#### COMMITTEES MELT

The Student Christian Association Cabinet again brings to a close its annual S. C. A. Week today. Throughout the week they have endeavored to acquaint the student body with the organization and to give them ample opportunity to sign their pledge cards. Last year over half the student body pledged their membership. After the names are counted the association hopes to have doubled its previous enrollment.

S. C. A. Week was opened at chapel Monday morning with the presentation of the cabinet, which includes the president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer, and the committees. Florine Ray, president, introduced the association and presented Jimmy Rodgers, vice-president, and Hall Brooks, secretary-treasurer, who had nothing to say due to the fact that he had no money. Jimmy Rodgers introduced the committee chairmen and they, in turn, explained the functions of their committees. The committees are:

Vespers: Mary Lou Hayes, Nathan Cooper, and June Murphy; Social Service: Irene Hook, Helen Long, Cephas Hook, and Anna Marie Aschelman; Membership: Christine Eaves, Steve Allison, Whitie Dobbs, and Helen Harrington; Morning Watch: Roberta Martin, Mary Ruth McDade, and Kenneth Utt; Music: Margaret Feltow; Deputations: Jimmy McDade; Junior Deacons, Claude Lawrence, and Boyd Clapp; Social: Margaret Carroll, Angie Henry, Fred Gilliam, and Maurice Craft; World Fellowship: Sarah Forlines and Jimmy Lightbourne; Freshman Cabinet: Henry Wise; Boy Scouts: Joe Blanks; Publicity: Mary Walker.

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights from 8:30 until 7:30 the social committee held Open House in the Y. W. C. A. for the students. Games and socializing were enjoyed by all those present. The cabinet sincerely appreciated the cooperation shown by all.

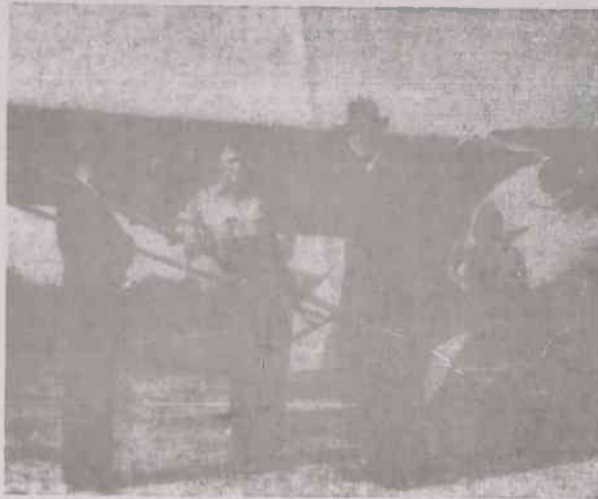
Wednesday morning the cabinet was proud to present Mr. Larson Granger as its chapel speaker. He graduated from Elon some years ago, and recently completed further study at Yale Divinity School. During his last year at Elon he was vice-president of the S. C. A.

Thursday night the entire S. C. A. and guests were invited to hear Mr. Bill McKee who spoke in the little chapel. At the present he is filling the office of Mr. Harry Comer, "Y" Secretary at Carolina, who is away on leave of absence. Mr. McKee is one of Carolina's own not so old grads. His talk was centered around the S. C. A. and its possibilities. The interesting and appealing manner in which he presented his subject assured us that we'd all like to see more of him.

Along with the intellectual and religious influence on the campus, the S. C. A. never overlooks the social aspect of a well-rounded organization. Tonight the cabinet, under the supervision of its social committee, will put into action their ability to stage a good party. S. C. A. is looking for each and every one to come on over to the Y. W. C. A. about 8 P. M. to help close a very auspicious Student Christian Association Week.

Dr. Denholm was assisted by two nurses from the Sanatorium and Miss Clodfelter, the college nurse.

## Aeronautics Course Plans Released By College Officials



Official information concerning the newly added aeronautics course has just been issued by Professor Hook, who is supervisor of the work. Below are listed the requirements for Private Pilot Certificates and the studies connected with the course.

### Private Pilot Certificate

The program for training civilian pilots is divided into two parts: 72 hours of ground work and from 35 to 50 hours of flight instruction. Most of the ground work will be given on the campus. It will consist of the following subjects:

1. History of Aviation
2. Civil Air Regulations
3. Navigation
4. Meteorology
5. Parachutes
6. Aircraft and Theory of Flight
7. Engines
8. Instruments
9. Radio Uses and Forms.

The Duke Science Building will have the following additional equipment to make this training more effective:

1. One complete modern aircraft
2. Two additional sets of wings (different construction)
3. Two aircraft engines of different manufacture
4. Meteorological instruments.

The ground work will begin October 1 and be completed by the end of the first semester.

The flight instruction is to get under way by November 1 and will be completed in May, 1940. It will be given in three stages as follows:

- A. Dual instruction—minimum 8 hours
- B. Primary Solo—minimum 3 hours solo
- C. Advanced Solo—minimum 15 hours solo.

The successful completion of the course will entitle the student to a Private Pilot Certificate.

Elon men and women will prepare themselves for the front ranks of leadership in every walk of life.

## Elon Singers Begin Work On Season's Musical Programs

The Elon Singers under the direction of Professor Pratt have had a most auspicious beginning for the year's work. Not only is the choir the largest in Elon's history, but also the quality of voices in this year's choir is considerably improved.

There are at present sixty members in the organization. Rehearsals have already started for the annual performance of Handel's "Messiah" which will be given December 3. The choir is already working on the numbers they will use for the concerts on their trip. Announcement will be made later concerning the dates of the trip and the places to be visited.

## Rush Week Has Its Pitfalls and Snares

Rush week will soon be on us. All of us will be indirectly if not directly affected. The question at once arises as to which fraternity or sorority to join, if one joins any of them.

On this campus we have only local organizations promoted by our students. They should not be confused with national fraternities.

It is generally assumed that in order to be "somebody" in college one must be a member of a fraternity or sorority. Naturally, it makes one feel proud to "rate" but he should not feel left out because he is not a member.

Outsiders or non-members can surely be just as popular and influential. Social clubs are excellent promoters of close friendship, since we become more intimate with the persons with whom we share such an experience as fraternal rites. Yet we have non-supporters who put up a good argument, especially in case of student government. Surely non-club members should have as much say so in such as the fraternities and sororities, though this is seldom the case here. This leads us to politics: all know that game—the best man seldom, if ever, wins.

Here each fraternity and sorority has its own group, but all are together in loyalty to Elon. We want no superiorities on our campus; we must like and be liked by all.

Here's hoping that each club gets its desired plebes and that each plebe becomes a member of the desired group.

## Dramatics Club To Hold First Meeting Of Year Next Tuesday

The Dramatics Club will inaugurate its year of activities next Tuesday at ten o'clock by meeting in the Little Chapel Theatre to discuss plans for the year and to elect officers.

This club also known as the Elon College Players, is the central dramatic club on the campus, and because of its acceptance of first-year students offers opportunities, to them to participate in dramatic activities.

The duties of this club embrace the selection and presentation of plays throughout the college year. Its presentations of popular plays have been very favorably received heretofore, and account for a very keen interest in its function this year.

Those interested in dramatics and desiring delightful, practical experience should come on out Tuesday and begin with the beginning.

## LaSalle Overpowers Elon By Score Of 32-6 At Hillcrest Park

### Elon Again Welcomes Miss Seabury, Speaker, Teacher, Missionary

On Friday morning, October 6, the students of this college will have the privilege of hearing Miss Ruth I. Seabury, when she speaks in the Elon chapel.

Miss Seabury is a graduate of Smith College and is at the present Educational Secretary of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. She has been abroad several times and on one extended world tour visited seventeen countries, often going off the beaten path to reach isolated villages and inland sections.

In addition to her speech to the students of our college she will speak at the First Christian Church in Burlington the week of Sunday, October 8, through Sunday, October 15. During this time her speeches will take place at 10 o'clock each week day morning except Tuesday and Saturday and each night at 8 o'clock, except Saturday. From seven until eight o'clock each night she will teach a class on "Problems in Personal Christian Living". On Sunday mornings, the 8th and 15th she will speak at 11 o'clock A. M. and 8 o'clock P. M.

Those who will teach in the Christian School of Leadership training at the First Christian Church in Burlington and their subjects are:

- Workers with Children: Mrs. J. L. Foster.
- Workers with Young People: Rev. M. W. Stevens.
- Sunday School and Church Officers: Rev. J. F. Apple.
- Bible: Prof. Merton French.
- Problems in Personal Christian Living: Miss Ruth I. Seabury.

## Day Student Officers Elected

The first meeting of the day students organization of this year was held Thursday morning, Sept. 21, in the little chapel with the president, Wallace Kernodle, presiding. Virginia Fowler was elected to serve as secretary-treasurer of the group.

The president appointed Virginia Fowler, Hope Patterson, Fred Lowe and Charlie Walters as a committee to make further arrangements for the party.

Following the meeting, the girls remained to elect a member to the Student Council. Edna Fitch, a senior from Burlington, was chosen to hold this office.

## Dr. Austin D. Sprague Added To Faculty

This week we are welcoming to Elon College our new mathematics professor, Dr. Austin D. Sprague.

Dr. Sprague has come to us from Chicago, where he has been teaching in the Armour Institute of Technology for the past five years. In speaking of his first impression of the South, Dr. Sprague remarked, "It was vastly different from what I expected but I find the people, food, and the customs very interesting. I like it very much."

The young professor lists astronomy, photography, and tennis as his hobbies. He also is attracted to newspaper work. "I was proofreader on a large newspaper one summer," Dr. Sprague explained, "and I am always sympathetic toward journalism."

Dr. Sprague was born in Portsmouth, Ohio, and attended school at Miami University. He received his M. S. degree at Ohio State University and his Ph. D. in 1936, while he was teaching in Chicago.

## Jennings, Brody, and Williams Star For Explorers

### PEARCE SCORES FOR ELON

The Explorers of LaSalle defeated the Fighting Christians of Elon College today by a score of 32-6.

With an offense that clicked with clock-like precision, LaSalle scored five touchdowns.

Elon played good ball in the first half holding the Philadelphians to a 7-6 score, but from then on it was all LaSalle. Daher's passing and catches by Pearce were the highlights of Elon's offense.

## Final Elections Next Week

The primary election was held Tuesday from 8:00 A. M. until 2:30 P. M. for the selection of two candidates each for the vice president, secretary, and treasurer of the student body.

Politics did not play such an important role in the election Tuesday as it has previously due to unknown reasons. If, however, history repeats itself, there will be plenty of backrubbing this coming Tuesday. Freshmen are therefore advised to open their eyes and vote for the best man and not for a friend's friend.

A sample ballot for this election reads as follows:

- VICE PRESIDENT OF STUDENT BODY**
- ( ) Charlie Pittman
  - ( ) Lloyd Whitley
- SECRETARY OF STUDENT BODY**
- ( ) Sarah Forlines
  - ( ) Kenneth Utt
- TREASURER OF STUDENT BODY**
- ( ) Mnaes Crutchfield
  - ( ) Dorothy Edwards

## I.T.K.-B.O.B. Party Successful

Although the crowd wasn't big enough for full appreciation of the fine party, the young people who were guests of the Beta Omicron Beta Sorority and Iota Tau Kappa Fraternity were highly delighted at the first Saturday night party on the 23rd of September.

The traditional clothes-pins marked with the names and colors of the hosts and hostesses, were pinned on the guests as they entered. The gym was cleverly decorated, following a theme of the out-of-doors. A blue sky, speckled with stars and glowing with an eastern moon, hung above, while a pine forest grew around the outer edges of the gym.

Both sweet and swing music were furnished by good recordings from a nickelodeon. To highlight the evening, a jitter-bug contest was put into sway just after intermission. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the bugs.

Among the faculty guests were Dean Oxford, escorted by Professor Stewart, the ITK sponsor; Dean and Mrs. Measick; Professor and Mrs. Sprague; and Coach and Mrs. Hendrickson.