

Fiftieth And Largest Senior Class Ready For Their Diplomas



New Student Officers: Left To Right They Are Gentry, Claytor and Potter

Three of the most outstanding members of the rising senior class took their oath of office on May first to head our Student Government for the coming 1940-41 College year: Edward Potter, president of the student body; Dwight Gentry, president of Senate; and Mary Claytor, president of Girls Council.

As a leader for our student body next year Ed Potter should prove to be one of the best. He has shown an outstanding ability both as a student and athlete. Ed has achieved one of the highest honors one can attain on the campus and one that will require much responsibility.

Delta Psi Omega Formal Initiation Completed

With the initiation of 17 pledges, the Delta Psi Omega has the largest membership in the history of the local Caste. Formal initiation ceremonies were conducted Tuesday night, May 14, in the Y. W. C. A., by June Leath, Vice President, presiding in the absence of President Duane Vore, and assisted by Florine Ray, Secretary, Howard Brown, Business Manager, and Dr. Fletcher Collins, Jr., Faculty Director.

SUMMER CURE TO BEGIN JUNE THIRD

Now is the time for all good students who intend to graduate to cure what ails them. The solve-all-problems treatment, headed by Dr. Messick, is to be given from June 3 to July 11 and July 12-August 22. Dr. Messick is ably assisted by the Dean of girls, the Librarian, and instructors of the regular winter session.

JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET HELD

The Junior Class and 79 Seniors sat around the banquet table last Friday night enjoying an evening of merriment when Moses Crutchfield, the junior president, interrupted with a welcome. A response was in order, but the senior president, L. W. McFarland, was not to be found. In the sick of time the senior vice-president, Kenneth Huffines, nicely responded.

Several guests were present, including Professor and Mrs. A. L. Hook, Dean Oxford and Professor Stewart, Dr. and Mrs. Bowden, and Mrs. J. D. Messick. Mary Claytor gave a toast "to these our friends" and in as much as President and Mrs. L. E. Smith were unable to be present, Dean Oxford responded.

Ralph Garner favored us with several selections on the accordion. Duane Vore, this year's president of the student-body, gave nice words to Dr. Bowden, the junior class sponsor, who responded with some more nice words and a three-dollar joke with a good laugh.

The senior sponsor, Professor A. L. Hook, related several stories in response to a toast given by Garland Causey.

The tables were arranged in the shape of an "E" and were covered with white clothes. Vases of red roses and white candles were on the tables and white ash and blue lilies were in the Reception Hall. Dot Edwards, Evelyn Holmes and John Westmoreland was assisted by Dean Oxford in setting decorations.

The program was prepared by Evelyn Holmes, Shirley Powell, Sam Rankin, and Moses Crutchfield.

Practice Teachers To Receive Certificates

Students who did practice teaching during the last semester will soon receive their North Carolina, Grade "A" Teachers certificates.

Viney Rigney, will receive a grammar grade certificate. Ralph Garner, will receive a music certificate. Violet Hoffman, James Smith, Joseph Hoffison, Dewey Hooper, Raleigh King, Arthur Lee, Ida Mae Piland, Charles Pittman, Samuel Rankin, Worth Senter, Nathan Tysor and Henry Capillary will receive High School Certificates.

These students are expecting to teach in North Carolina. They all like the atmosphere and environment that North Carolina has to offer.

DRAMATIC CLASS PRESENTS DOUBLE FEATURE

A double feature was the cause of the excitement in the Little Chapel Theatre Friday evening May 3, when the Elon College Players presented two one-act plays. "Old 97" was given a repeat performance with "Davy Crockett" hitting the trail afterwards.

The original ballad play, "Old 97", written and produced by Dr. Collins' Sophomore English class was given at Eion early in the year and at Chapel Hill later to be judged the best original senior college play presented there.

Immediately after "Old 97", Dr. Collins, as president of the Carolina Dramatic Association pre-

First S.C.A. Retreat In Campus History Held

An important milestone was erected in the progress of the Elon Student Christian Association Sunday week ago when the first Retreat in campus history was sponsored by the Senior and Freshman cabinets. Miss Katherine Duffield, Secretary Student Christian Movement of New York, and director of President's Training School also of New York, drove over from Carolina to speak at the Sunday Morning session. Miss Duffield's plain appearance, frank opinions, easy manner, and the matter of fact way she hit the association problem nails on their heads made her one of the most enjoyable as well as the most beneficial speakers ever to talk to the group.

For the afternoon session, which was held on the front lawn, Fred Cleveland "Y" Secretary of Duke was the speaker. From his experiences with the Duke "Y", their accomplishments and mistakes, Mary Walker and her officers were able to pick up many helpful hints, both do's and don'ts.

The two sessions were pleasantly divided by an outdoor "Wimpy" lunch at Dr. Bowden's prize outdoor kitchen. Dick Staten and Bill Looney won blue ribbons in cooking.

The following evening the installation services for the 1940-41 officers was held in Whitley auditorium. The program, with the retiring president in charge was in the order of an impressive candlelight service. With this Elon's first S. C. A. Retreat closed and the new officers for the coming year took their places.

25 Students Pledged To Pi Gamma Mu

At the recent meeting of the Alpha chapter of Pi Gamma Mu, national social science honor fraternity, twenty-five Elon students were pledged as new members. Juniors and seniors attaining this recognition for their work in the field of social science and outstanding work achievements on the campus were: Ellap Iseley, Mary Lou Hayes, Christine Eaves, Moses Crutchfield, Albert Coble, Mary Claytor, Henry Capillary, Hall Brooks, Joe Blanks, Frances Bean, Roberta Martin, Fred Lowe, Komodie Carl Jones, Curtis Jones, Virginia Walker, Earl Taylor, Bill Stewart, Ross Smith, James Rogers, Margaret Pennington, Charles Parker, Martin Noon, Elizabeth Newton and L. W. McFarland.

Elon Seniors Embark On Their "Last Mile" Next Tuesday



Top: Dr. Miles H. Krumbine Below: Dr. H. Shelton Smith, D. D.

Air Students All Pass Written Examination

The Elon Aeronautics course is progressing rapidly. All of the students have passed the written examination covering the fields of Meteorology, Navigation, and Civil Air Regulations. This exam was given by Mr. James Nall, Government Civil Aeronautics Inspector.

Flight tests which are the final tests in the course were finished last Wednesday by Royal Science, Sam Friesman, Earnest Henry, Paul Lorz and Billy Williams. The grades are to be sent to the students who have completed the course in the next few days. The remaining students who have finished all required flight work are scheduled to take their flight tests before the first of June.

After the student passes the flight test, he is eligible to a private pilot's license. He is then permitted to fly any where in the United States except in excluded areas. He may take up passengers, but not for hire.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation for the lovely flowers and messages of sympathy which I have received during my recent bereavement.

Andy Fuller

Saturday night most of this year's seniors embark on their "Last Mile" at Elon College. This last three day "stretch" will end the college days of the biggest majority of them.

Festivities begin Saturday night with the band concert at 7 p. m. Immediately following the concert, Dr. and Mrs. Smith will give the Seniors a reception.

Sunday morning at 11:30, Dr. H. Shelton Smith D. D. professor of religious education at Duke University, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon. Dr. Smith, a graduate of Elon with the class of 1911, is recognized as one of the leading workers in his field in the south. He has been connected with Duke University's religious education department for several years.

Sunday afternoon at 4 P. M. The advanced students of the Music Department will give a recital in the Whitley Memorial auditorium. The Elon Singers are scheduled to present "The Creation" by Joseph Hayden in the same building at 8:15 Sunday evening.

Monday, the busiest day of the commencement series, begins at 10 A. M. with the Class Day Exercise and is followed at 11:30 with an address by Dr. Jennings S. Linton, of Upper Merioneth, N. J. A picnic lunch out on the Elon campus follows Dr. Linton's address.

At 2:30 Dr. Smith, Elon prexy, and his alumni cohorts, will get together for a business meeting. The Hon. Thomas H. Franks of Hendersonville, N. C., will deliver the Alumni Day address at 4 P. M. Mr. Franks is a prominent lawyer at Hendersonville.

At 6:15 President and Mrs. Smith, Dr. E. L. Moffat and Dr. W. A. Harper, the only living former presidents of the college, and the representatives of all classes, will receive in the West Dormitory. Following the reception, the alumni march forms and proceeds to the North Dormitory for the Elon College Golden Anniversary Alumni Banquet, a festive affair, which will close the day's activities.

The final day of commencement is initiated with the meeting of the board of trustees at 9:30 A. M. Here the fate of every senior is decided, for it is their decision that decides the issue of every expecting senior.

At 10:15, the big moment of the commencement procession begins. Dr. Miles H. Krumbine of Cleveland, Ohio will deliver the literary address to the outgoing graduates. Dr. Krumbine, pastor of the Plymouth Congregational Christian church in Cleveland, is one of the leading clergymen of the United States. He has written several books and is a frequent contributor to religious publications.

Thus endeth the careers of the bright and the dull, the weak and the strong, the hopeful and the unhelpful, for they have all had their trials and tribulations here at Elon and whether they leave with a sheepskin or inferiority complex, they will have gotten some certain something that is a traditional element of Elon. This being the spirit of friendship.