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STUDENT INITIATIVE

The long debated question as to the merits of student initiative on a college campus has at last been successfully answered by Elon students, in their prelude to the Lenoir-Rhyne game. When plans were first formulated for the creation of better student spirit through media such as pep rallies and parades, it was concluded that students should regulate the entire program and emphasize that participation was to be elective in contrast to the methods formerly used. Many obstacles were in the way of this type of progress but, with the faculty anxious about the outcome, the program proceeded.

We believe that something has been accomplished far greater than the original purpose of creating college spirit for a football game. We feel that we demonstrated something to the administration. We are of the firm belief that the students of Elon are highly potential, and that a chance for self-expression through the channels of responsibility would greatly increase their powers as eventual college graduates. Responsibility of organization is the first load we have to carry when we leave college, and many a man has crippled himself by this sudden burden, coming at him as a totally new experience.

We believe this phase of student initiative to be one of the most important in a college education. It has heretofore been lacking at Elon. Our thanks go to the administration for giving us our chance and we understand that the pre-game festivities were successful even though they had room for improvement. They have proved the good results of student initiative and they leave an open road for many other programs which the student body will be capable of performing. Elon students, just as any others, are flattered by responsibility and are proportionately enthusiastic.

Thanks also goes to all students who so capably assisted in proving our belief in their desire for participation.

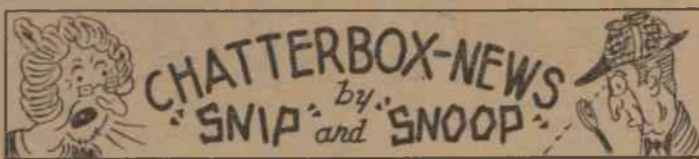
TAKE THE POLL SERIOUSLY

While realizing that we as college students are destined to be the leaders of tomorrow, do we take this fact into consideration as we view and form opinions of events that are happening in our world of today? Do we take as seriously as we should the actions of our and other governments as they go about making and carrying out policies concerning other nations?

Events of national and international interest and importance are happening daily, yes hourly, and we as the leaders of tomorrow should be greatly concerned over these events. To make us even more alert and interested in the foreign and domestic situation that faces us today, the Maroon and Gold is going to conduct a poll that covers questions of national and international importance in next Monday's chapel. The questions will be handed to the individuals on mimeographed sheets. Students will be asked to fill out these blanks before leaving the chapel. Your cooperation is necessary to make this poll a success. We would like to ask that each and everyone of you take this poll seriously and fill out the questionnaire in the way you feel about the matter. Results will be announced in the next issue of the Maroon and Gold.

One or more of the questions will concern the national election, as to whom you prefer and why. Other questions will cover the Far Eastern and European situations.

Use your best judgment in answering these questions.



Hint to Earl Taylor and Frances Frazier: Two can live as cheap as one, providing one doesn't eat . . . Wonder what the little Blonde teacher from Greensboro teaches Claude Lawrence? It must be interesting, 'cause Claude seems to eat it up . . . Bill Yount, you have us curious. Why do you meet all trains arriving from Greensboro? . . . For a good laugh ask "Gourd" Longest to name the original thirteen colonies. Professor Longest also finds it hard to teach children when they are blonde and eighteen . . . Who called Harold Powell a fugitive from a barber shop? . . . Have you heard the latest Publishing House play? — Boone to Bowden to Burlington . . . The Freshmen gals may not understand football but they really are learning the football players . . . The Freshman Girl with the greatest imagination was the one that looked Garland Causey in the face and said, "Gosh, you're handsome (?)" . . . It seems that Fern Fitzgerald not only gets mail but also the mailman . . . Some dumb freshman asked if Peewee and Lila Budd were brother and sister. Our reply was that they are in love, which is even worse . . . Preacher Jimmy McDade is called often to Burlington, not by a church but by a blonde . . .

Note to Joe Hopkins: My Boy, you're not being twotimed, you're being threetimed . . . Amos Philips' worries are over now that he's found out that Uncle Sam doesn't want him in the Navel Reserve — at least not now . . . What is all this about some Freshman planning to cut a certain senior's hair and I mean he has plenty to cut? . . . It looks like the Dean's daughter is popular with the boys on the campus at Elon . . . Mike Holton ought to be cheer-leader for the Burlington band all the time. He does better with them than he does with the Elon students . . . "Pud" and "Speck" Towns pulled a good act in the parade last Friday . . . Sil Caruso can't make up his mind which day student girl he likes best . . . Flash! the band has no drum major students — Bell and Jay — and they never miss a rehearsal! . . . What happened to the green and yellow bikes in the parade Friday, Peggy; cold feet — eh? . . . Did Dr. Smith mean to fall through at the game? . . . Is that a new hat you're wearing, Barker — or did the sophomores get you? . . . What about it Mary Walker, is your hair naturally curly? . . . Wonder why Geechie is ending his sentences with a period these days — our mistake — we mean a Doll . . . Several lil' freshmen have so much of the good ol' school spirit after pep meetings that it takes them until 9:30 to get in the mood to go in . . . Did you hear the parade on second floor, West Dorm the other night? Ask Mary C. and she was way over in the library. For further information, see Jay, Kimrey, Holoman, and Newman . . . Evelyn Lilley's first request when she hit the campus: "Jimmy some information, please." . . . "Molly" and Betsy are a good example of "an old flame never dies." . . .

The council surely has a record — only one meeting — to discuss rules. Let's keep it this way . . . We see from the looks of the walks etc, that we actually have some artists in the class of '44 . . . Frances Creef is really going over with a bang — we think she's cute, too . . . Wanted: The reason why everyone likes the new whirl yell . . . Most popular question on the campus: "Gotta date for the Sophomore-Freshman?" . . . Found: one day student that isn't boy crazy. Nice going, Roney . . . Conceit, Family Pride, or what not — Tom Smythe "Says" he's a good boy . . . John Pollard has a brother that he places in the same category . . . Aren't the new cheer leader's uniforms cute — UmmmKid . . . Peggy Felton claims that she's still a cne man woman; what can you say about this, Millard? . . . The Hisey twins are having a lot of fun these days — going over to W. C. at different times to see the girl . . .

Looks like Charlie Donato has definitely snagged one of our more eligible freshmen — and we do mean Millicent . . . Isobel "But I'm Nobody's Brother" McGee is here again, girls — or is he — but this time he's studying — no kiddin' — Fibbs says quote, "It's 'lie" unquote — right — What's this with Betty Hoyt and Joe Bagley? Not to forget Jean Evans of the day-students powerhouse and Yock Malloy. All other unsung romances of the campus: Helen "I look like Roberta Hamrick, but I ain't" Yarborough and Sal Fesia — frankly, this is really love, or is it just that moon?

Open Forum

A SIGN IS NEEDED

Dear Editor:

Since the Administration so willingly plans (I hope) for the materialization of the suggestions brought about by the Open Forum section of the Maroon and Gold, I want to add another to the list in order that something might be done about it. It is to have a sign erected about four hundred yards west of Correct Time Inn near the main highway between Burlington and Greensboro. It should be at the intersection of the highway and the road which connects Elon with the highway. It should indicate that Elon College is located a certain distance out this road.

Of course we all know that you can turn off out there and get to Elon but there are plenty of people in this world besides ourselves. The other day I was out there bumming toward Greensboro and a fellow passed by and went on down the road about a hundred yards and stopped. When I got to the car he said that he would not have stopped but that he happened to remember that that road went to Elon. As this illustration shows, it would help the boys a great deal in their efforts to catch a ride and I'm sure that even Mr. West will admit that the cost would be very little. At the present

there is no sign whatsoever out there to indicate that Elon can be reached by following that side road.

It not only would aid the boys in catching rides but would also aid the relatives and friends of the members of the student body in locating the institution of Elon College. I, as well as others, in directing people to Elon College have told them to turn off on a little road on the right about four hundred yards west of Correct Time Inn. True enough, they probably found the place but it would have been easier if there had been a sign at the right place.

Here's hoping that this, as well as the aforementioned suggestions, will be discussed and made possible by the Administration.

A Student

THE GIRLS WANT A BOOTH

Dear Editor:

In the last issue of Maroon and Gold the boys expressed their desire for a telephone system between dormitories. We, the girls, are quite satisfied with our telephones—even the one from West to Ladies Hall—but we would like to make a suggestion. Why can't we have a telephone booth? It really isn't any fun trying to talk to your mother, brother, father, uncle, sweet-

LIBRARY NEWS

We go in the library everyday, but how many of us stop to think just how Elon come to have such a modern, up to date library?

The fire of January 18, 1923 destroyed the Administration Building which housed the library and reading room of the College. Not a book could be rescued from the raging mass of flame.

In launching their plans for rebuilding, the trustees decided on fire-proof structures and particularly in the library. Pleasant Joseph Carlton of Richmond, Va. and his two brothers and sister generously agreed to assume the cost of such a building.

It was decided to make the floors composition, to make the roof of cement with slate, to use limestone columns and granite steps. These items made the building cost \$81,363.35. The furniture and steel stacks cost 13,703.62, making a total of \$95,066.97, which the donors have paid.

The architect and President Harper visited the largest and most modern municipal college and state libraries in the country with the thought in mind to combine the best features in all of them into a library building that for the small college could serve as a model. It is believed that this has been achieved.

Our library will house, it is estimated, 225,000 books. The stack room is in the form of a vault, so making it doubly fire-proof. Should the building be destroyed by fire or other accident, the vault would still stand on its own foundation. The stack room is three-building stories high. Only one stack floor is as yet installed, since the other four are not now needed.

The library also contains the librarians office, the cataloguing room, and the reading room.

The Carlton Library building has cost, furnished, slightly less than \$100,000, which is very little for such a modern library.

Every student should be proud that our Alma Mater has one of the best equipped libraries in the South.

NEWS OF ALUMNI Campus Odds and Ends

The bid night for the fraternities and sororities always bring the alumni of Elon back to the campus. This is a time when the old grads meet the new students and also renew old acquaintances. Some of the alumni returning were: Curtis Jones — Curtis is taking up where he left off last year as President of the Senate. He is putting his knowledge of accounting to work in a furniture store in Mebane. Francis Bean — just as cheerful as she was last year in school. She is making her students study this year instead of doing all the studying herself. Charlie Pittman — Charlie is almost as handsome as last year when he was chosen May King. James "Jaybird" Fritts — "Jay-

Just being glad that all week-ends aren't the same as last. If they were, Elon wouldn't have to worry about the draft, as Uncle Sam doesn't take the physically disabled.

Orchids to the Maroon and Gold for the swell job of directing the homecoming parade — 'Twas really a gala event and shows what student initiative can accomplish.

Speaking of the parade, everybody's still wondering why the band didn't play the school song while going through town.

Bid night brought a few surprises, as might have been expected, but as a whole went along recognized lines. Congrats to all the pledges and better-luck-next-time to the would-like-to-have-beens.

This Sons and Daughters club should turn out to be quite an organization. Several eligible members plus excellent leadership seem to be making much headway.

Bear with me about the parade for just a moment, but Panvio Literary Society spent valuable effort and ideas on a swell float and through a loophole (no fault of the girls) it didn't get to the parade on time. It did come, however, sometime during the game. Better luck next time, Panvio.

It was good to see quite a few of the grads back for last weekend . . . Brings back memories of other days and OTHER events. 'Twas interesting to talk to some of them about the old days and the life they are leading now.

Realizing the fact that Elon is important outside of its own school, in more ways than one. How we know? We were scouted at last week's game by three scouts from Miami and they came by plane.

P. S. Just wondering where the regular writer of this column is this (Monday) morning?

REELING ALONG

Next Friday and Saturday night Elon will show in the college auditorium, Warner Brother's "Til We Meet Again." None other than Mr. Cary Grant performs in this amusing comedy.

The picture that everyone has been waiting for will be here Friday the first and Saturday the second of October. It is "All This and Heaven Too". Two Hollywood immortals and Academy Award Winners, Charles Boyer and Bette Davis, head a fine cast in the most perfect picture of the year.

THE BIG SECRET

On inquiring as to the school's plans for the paving of the quadrangle in the rear of the college, Mr. West has stated that the time it would be paved is a big secret; however, it will probably be done this spring.

heart, or what not, with someone stomping down the stairs. And who cares about the whole dorm hearing your conversation?

There is a booth outside Dr. Smith's office and it would not be much trouble to move it over to West Dorm. Here's hoping to get some results; and we are all willing to help.

The Three Mesquitos.