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CHURCH AND CHAPEL CUTS

Taking rumors at their face value, we must decide that only two seniors will graduate next May. Since the list has been posted announcing those students who lost semester hours for delinquent church and chapel attendance, such rumors have been well circulated around the campus. To date however, no credence has been placed in these reports. Also there has been a terrific amount of complaining and dissatisfaction concerning these cuts.

No system here at Elon is claimed to be perfect, and before we start reminding you of the disadvantages of such a procedure we would like to mention an advantage that came into being only this past semester. Disregarding the issue of whether it is right or not for us to have compulsory chapel and church attendance, we think you must agree that, if attendance is going to be checked at all, it is unfair to those who attend if the checking is not done accurately. The new way of having students sign individual cards each meeting eliminates for the most part mistakes that occurred under the old system. Those who are responsible for this procedure should be congratulated.

On the other side of the fence, a majority of the students insists that compulsory attendance should not be required. It hardly seems fair to a senior, who comes up at the end of the year ready to graduate, to be prevented from receiving his degree because he has cut church or chapel a couple of times too many.

It seems to us that the system previously used here worked out more satisfactorily. Instead of having semester hours taken away for excessive absences, the student lost quality points. If this plan could be reinstated then those students who have made excellent grades would be excused from church and chapel sessions as a reward for their good work.

One other important item should be brought in, the fact that many of the students attend church off campus and fail to leave a note for the Dean indicating such attendance. When the end of the semester arrives, the student is surprised to learn that he has an excess of absences. He then has to go through the process of getting these cuts excused by bringing notes from the church where he attended. All this can be avoided if we will be a little more careful about such matters as we go along during the semester.

REELING ALONG

This Friday the army air corps will come zooming across the Elon screen in the picture "I Wanted Wings". Starring in this fast moving picture are Ray Milland, William Holden, Wayne Morris, Brian Donlevy, Constance Moore, and that girl with the hair, Veronica Lake. This picture not only gives you a fine story of men with wings but proves without a doubt that Veronica is not cross-eyed.

The next week-end brings to Elon a comedy called "Our Wife" starring Ruth Hussey, Melvyn Douglas, and Ellen Drew. This picture is the old story of the other woman, only it is given a new twist; the wife is the romance breaker for a change.

JUST BOUNCING ALONG

Squadron Commander

While bouncing through our home town papers, we came across an article announcing that Lieutenant Albert Progar had just been named Squadron Commander at the MacDill Air Field in Tampa, Florida

Al Progar took the Civilian Pilot Training Course here at Elon, and was a varsity catcher on the baseball team until he left to join the air corps last year.

This column would appreciate any information readers may have concerning the whereabouts and progress of Elon men in service.

Burlington Airplane Factory

Beginning with currently popular introduction, "from unidentified but usually reliable sources," we hear rumors that a large airplane factory, to be located adjoining Huffman Field, is in the blue-print stage. Last year a new airport for Burlington reached that stage and was heard of no more; they camouflaged it well, to say the least.

Show Your Ears

In order to get our pilots' license reinstated, besides letters of recommendation, birth certificate, and fingerprints, we have to submit two pictures showing both ears. Is that the reason all these Elon co-eds are cutting each other's hair to show their ears? Perhaps the girls want to prove their hair didn't cover "loving-cup ears" as was the case with "Cherry-blossom", the movie star in Lil' Abner, a comic read daily by every conscientious Elon boy. Quoting Roy Mansfield, "I'd like to learn to woo Dogpatch style."

The Sophomores want to know why the girls are not brought before the Student Government and fined for cutting each other's hair. If they will look closely they will find that the head of the women's Council also got in the road of the 'flying scissors'.

The Vegetable Counter

Orchids to the women's Council for finally coming back into circulation. We thought the Council had been choked and buried.

Onions to whoever got the greedy inspiration to jack up the price of Coca-Cola's to ten cents at basketball games.

Orchids to Lillian Dyer for making the "V's" and to Nelson Snyder and Louis Adair for blowing taps at the "Victory Club" program in Chapel.

Onions to the girls who said they thought it was romantic to walk to breakfast these mornings under the moonlight. "War-time might have some advantages, but we don't consider that one."

INQUIRING REPORTER

Do you think that intercollegiate sports should give way to intramural sports for the duration of the war?

Louis Aresta: I, personally, do not think that we should discontinue intercollegiate sports because these sports help to unify our nation. It helps to have a contact with people outside our own circle of friends.

Stuart Casey: Sports have done a lot to make Elon College. Why do away with them?

Honk Sarrow: I'm agin it. American sports and American spirit go hand in hand and at this time, I think that the country should not try to abolish any form or source of American spirit.

W. L. Hobson: Guess I'll go home tomorrow if they do cut them out.

Irvin Troxler: If we discontinue them, where in the world can I take my girl?

Johnny Clayton: I think that intercollegiate sports should be continued at any cost. Sports will help the young man to prepare himself for the army.

Jack Boone: Intercollegiate sports should not be discontinued but more emphasis should be placed on intramurals. Intramurals in most schools involve all the students but inter-collegiate involve only a select few.

Bernie Daher: Athletics are a part of the American way of life. Athletics develop good soldiers and believe me, that is mighty important today.

R. L. Gilliam: No. That would be just like closing the door of the college.

Prof. Hook: Intercollegiate sports play a great part in the makeup of any college and personally I do not think that they should be abandoned; however I do think that every student who wishes to participate in them should be given a chance to do so.

Don Iseley: All work and no play makes Johnny a dull boy.

A. D. Cobb: Now, what do they want to do that for?

Charlie Jones: That's crazy as the dickens. It would take away all the fun of school as the most fun that anyone gets is competing with the other schools.

BORROWED

Two little morons went fishing one day and caught so many fish that they decided to mark the spot so that they could come back again. So one of them put a great big "X" on the bottom of the boat. When they got back to shore, one of them said, "Did you mark it?" "Uh-huh, I put a 'X' on the bottom of the boat." "Aw, you dope. How do you know that the next time we'll get the same boat?"

Undertakers are saying that the funeral business is dead.

Fowler in "Stories and Toasts" says, "Woman needs no introduction; she speaks for herself."

One of the professors says that you can always tell the seniors but you can't tell them much.

Carolinian
In short, an icicle is "a drip caught in the draft".

- War Hit Parade:
1. Harbor Sights.
 2. I've Got My Guys on You.
 3. You and The Night and Munitions.
 4. You Are My Gun Shine.
 5. Be Honest With Me (The Draft Board theme)
 6. Lights Out.
 7. I'll Be Glad When You're Dead You Rascal You.
 8. We Got it Bad and That Ain't Good.

The reason the man in the moon is not married is very simple. He stays out all night, is full once a month, and only gets a quarter a week.

From the Richmond Collegian comes this joke that we are sure you will stop and chuckle over.

A guy appeared before his draft board and pleaded insanity. A psychiatrist was summoned. The psychiatrist looked the man over and said that he could find nothing wrong with the man so finally after almost giving up in despair, the professional man asked:

"Why do you claim that you are insane; You look perfectly all right to me."

Then he noticed that the man's face was distorted and he was plucking at his chest and stomach. The psychiatrist was astounded and asked: "What in the world are you doing?"

The examinee answered, "Picking off dragons." Quickly jumping aside, the psychiatrist yelled, "Well, for goodness' sake, don't kick 'em on me!"

Then there was the professor who was so boring that one day two of the empty seats got up and walked out.

Appalachian
A thousand years ago today
A wilderness was here;
A man with powder in his horn
Went forth to hunt a deer.

But now the times have changed somewhat
Along a different plan,
A dear with powder on her nose
Went forth to hunt a man.
The Appalachian

Looks At The Books

For a fine day we have a theory that all useful work should be postponed to a rainy day; when the rainy day comes it seems good for nothing but looking over old things and reading books we have been saving up.

The last few weeks have been a kind of rainy day for us in that being the first of the term they gave us time to catch up on some things. Instead of catching up we spent them with a book we had wanted to read for some time but kept putting off.

The book we read is "Oliver Wiswell" by Kenneth Roberts. It is a long book; 836 pages to be exact, but is worth reading. It is a book based deep in the history of the Revolutionary War. Out of this conflict Mr. Roberts has written a great story in which the little known and misunderstood loyalist cause is boldly set forth. He has taken as his background the American, English, and French world of the late eighteenth century. His characters form a cross-section of that world. Full of action and great battles, some imperfectly known, some almost lost in history, the novel's style is full and moving.

In Oliver Wiswell, Yale undergraduate, sincerely loyal to the established government, the teller of this story, the author, has created a character whose steadfast loyalty to his ideals and his love of justice and truth make him a symbol of the best forces in any nation.

As we have said before this is a long book, but it had to be long. The ground it covers is so extensive. The events in this book may have happened long ago yet it is truly a story for these times in which people question themselves as to what their loyalty and belief in their government should be.

SNIP AND SNOOP

So, if you will be kind enough, Ladies and Gentlemen (and I hope you are Ladies and Gentlemen) to listen to our gossip column this week, I trust that we may tell you a thing or two that you don't know or get you straight on the things that you have heard about but don't know the straight of.

First, we want to call attention to the fact that Lib Scott still continues to sing, "I Only Want a Buddy Not a Sweetheart". But: She can't help being admired for singing. So many people don't bother in these days and times.

And yet Jewel Kerns is plenty happy too. Even though HE is on the Western Coast, she still continues to receive letters.

The biggest fight on the campus now is the one between two certain femmes fatales over Rich Evans. Who was it that said Rich cared nothing for girls? Well, may the best girl win and good luck, Evans.

Your worries are over, Coach! Peggy Mac-Cleenan seems to have a knack of making athletes of all the Elon College boys.

It has been wondered why Ike Perry sent a contract home to his girl to sign. Could it be an option that he wants?

Guess you have all seen the "Campus Kid". Watson, which is it, Bowden, Smith or Shoemaker?

Three playful palsies, Donato, Palantonio and D'Antonio, surely did fix up Leroy's window pane. Wonder which head did the dirty work?

Questions to ask and run:
Will Spring find "Chick" Dameron still shivering on the road to W. C.?

We wonder what lil' Brunette was serenading Elliott Schmidt from the music building last week.

What system of signals does Mary Deane Browne use when John Gilliam is in the library?

Why is Doris Bayne so interested in expanding her knowledge of music? Could it be Darden?

Who was Mike's valentine from?

Why don't more people buy Victory Buttons when they are for such a good cause?

Too bad that some Elon co-ed couldn't take Worth Coble's mind off Newton Grove.

What Marjorie Reidt would like to know is why Coach keeps a certain basketball player on the bench so much. Nancy Fowlkes doesn't have to worry about that as she picked her out an S. P. on the first team.

Quote Irvin Troxler: I don't know how much day light this system is saving but it surely is hard on the night light. (Or did he mean night life?)

It seems that an article in the last issue of the Maroon and Gold caused Billy Johnston to get a terrible tongue-lashing from a certain girl in Burlington. Sorry, Bill; it wasn't planned to get you in trouble.

Picture Dr. Hirsch coming to class an hour late on February 9, 1942. He forgot to turn his clock up.

Why didn't Rachael Crowell believe John Pollard when he told her that he was a senior? (He started in 1938 A. D.)

"Chuchatuck" really looked good with XXXDATEXXX at the Spaulding Concert.

Does every girl that dates Jack Coplin fall in love with him or is that merely what he thinks?

The new sweetheart of Kappa Psi seems to be Virginia Jeffries. She has all the boys singing "I'm coming, Virginia". Can she be trying to give all her brothers a break?

We wonder how the "We Love Jeanne Cannon" club is doing these days. Could anyone enlighten us?

Buster, what were you doing during the black-out the other night?

Does it seem to you that Warren and Judy are really serious? Congrats to both.

Seven pretty lassies left for Durham this past week-end. Seven campus males did not seem too excited when they returned . . . why?

Who was it that said "You can always tell a lady by which dorm she lives in" and was she looking for a fight 'cause methinks that when this issue comes out then there will be one grand free for all on campus so if you will excuse me now I will stop and begin preparing . . . Setting up exercises start tonight in the halls of West Dormitory at 10:00 on the dot. But . . . musn't forget that Ladies don't fight.

Anyway, you'll hear about how the whole thing comes out and in the meantime, Adios!

Open Forum

Dear Editor:
Elon after the fire looked like a storm had hit it. Things were everywhere. Strangers seeing this sight would almost have taken our campus for a battle field.

Now as conditions slowly get back to normal is the time for us to have a general house cleaning. We should all want things to be better than what they were so let's get to work.

There's lots to be done. We are far too careless with paper, for one thing. We seem to take the attitude that one more piece won't hurt anything and we let it fall where it may. Let's stop that. Let's even take time to pick up what's already there. This is just one suggestion to start the ball rolling.

We all want to be proud of our school so let's make it a place we can be proud of. Now is the time. It's kind of a start from scratch. Let's all pitch in and clean up. By way of a challenge we say: We bet you can't do it.

Pickett Upp