

FRESHMAN FROLIC



Shown above is Elon's new physical education program in the style "a la sophomore". Although not specially designed for muscle building, the program managed to serve for the frosh until the Pierce system could be initiated. Instructors Ellington and Dickson are seen above as they whiped the rookies into shape during the latter part of initiation. A goodly number of juniors and seniors filed into the gym each night to view the proceedings.

New Physical Education Program Off To A Good Start

Elon's Physical Education Program has started with a bang that still has many wondering what really happened. Director Pierce has begun at the bottom to put over a program that will be of great benefit to the students. Using as his basic thought the idea that if a physical education program is to be a success it must be regularly attended, he is putting special emphasis on attendance and is making it clear that all work missed by absence must be made up. Only by following rigid rules can the program be of any benefit because no great progress can be made if one attends one week and misses the next. Already the students have seen some of the early results of the program. These results at the present are mostly tired and stiff muscles. Afternoons find the boys coming in looking as if they were ready to fall,

only to find that they just ran around the field a few times for being late. As time goes on the real results of a rigid program will show and stiff muscles will harden, wind will increase and all around the student will be healthy.

Out on the field where Director Pierce has put the boys through individual trials there have been some star performances. There is the story of determined Ed Watts, who after once taking a nose-dive to the ground came back to run the fifty yard dash in 6.2 seconds. Greater surprise is the story of Ray Day who is turning out to be a regular guy who holds his own with the best. Ike Perry, though slow on the take-off, has speed that would be a challenge to any man. Many others have shown talent and vigor in the keen competitive tests given by Director Pierce.



J. L. PIERCE

Elon's new physical education director, J. L. Pierce, is pictured above. Coach Pierce is considered very competent in the field of physical education and comes to Elon at a time when intramural athletics and body-building are to be strongly stressed. Director Pierce was formerly recreation supervisor for the Works Progress Administration in North Carolina with headquarters in Chapel Hill.

Rambling

With CHARLIE MANN

First, we stray from our usual rambling in sports to extend our own welcome to the students. A hearty welcome to the Seniors with their dignified poise and all-knowing looks; to the Juniors not so poised nor so wise but well on their way to sophistication; to the Sophomores caring neither for poise nor wisdom, but only thinking of plans and schemes to torture the unfortunate Freshmen; and our welcome to the Freshmen who now may be frightened in this strange world of college life, a little homesick and unhappy, but who soon will feel that they too are a part of this world. As in everything there must be a beginning and though it may sometimes seem hard and unpleasant, look forward Freshmen, for great things lie ahead.

This year we return knowing that we shall have no football team to cheer on to victory. We shall miss the pep meetings, the send-offs, and most of all, the games. No new thrills will we experience this year, but we shall hold dear those of the past. The thrills of the Catawba game we shall long remember. The running of Jack Boone, whom we find hard to describe in elaborate terms; but in a simple and full way, he was a great guy. The kick blocked by Curry Bryan will go down in Elon history as a moment that will not be soon forgotten. It was a great team that day, which, though faced with defeat, fought on and when things looked darkest snatched victory for their own. That fighting team shall never be forgotten.

Disappointment shall be in our memories too for we can never forget our feelings as we watched Guilford score that one touchdown. We can only give due credit to the never-say-die spirit of the Guilford team.

Last, but never least, there was that game packed with thrills from the kick-off to the last second. It was the battle royal with Appalachian in which Harpo Withers turned in a performance at center that won him a wide berth in Elon's Hall of Fame. Never can we forgive the fate that caused Jack Boone to fumble when he had an open field before him and was headed for a run that would have given an end few have surpassed to four years of gallant playing. It was a great day for Elon when her hard-fighting team won the championship that it well deserved. It was a great year for all and we will not forget.

Now we have put aside football, not without some remorse and regret, but knowing too that we have a greater team to cheer on to that final victory that shall insure our way of living. We shall back them with our whole heart, not only with cheers, but with hard study and hard work—even as we did our football teams. It will be a hard fight, but with the courage and spirit of Elon's men on the gridiron we shall carry on.

This year we start anew somewhat in our physical education program; and in anticipation of the hard work that lies ahead in order to make a success we wish to stress the great importance of cooperation of the entire student body. We can not expect to receive much from the program if we do not put a great deal in it. It is the duty of each and every student to do his best because to have a smooth running machine each part must work and every student is a part of the program. We can assure you that we shall be capably led by our new director, J. L. Pierce, who is fast becoming known as a swell fellow, and who asks nothing impossible, but only that you do your best.

Looking back we have found our past great and looking ahead we find our future bright. May we strive hard so that when the future has become the past, we can look back and truthfully say—"It was a great year".

EDITORIAL COMMENT

On Tuesday afternoon, September 29th, a football game between Alpha Pi Delta Fraternity and East Dormitory Hawks ushered in Elon's intramural season. It marked the beginning of a year in which the intramural program is being greatly enlarged since we have, because of the war situation, no intercollegiate program. It has a large space to fill and only through hard work of the students can intramurals be of benefit to the school. Tuesday was only the beginning and all through the year intramurals will be the center of sport life at Elon.

The general objective and purpose of intramurals is to have a program that is so broad and general that every person on the campus can find one or more activities in which he is interested. The program is to be entirely voluntary and no one is to be pushed into something he does not like. It shall be left up to the student to decide what activities he wishes to participate in and to what degree. There will be group activities such as football and basketball and there will be individual activities such as tennis and ping pong. In the variety there should be a sport for everyone and one that can be thoroughly enjoyed.

Director Pierce has outlined the program into six objectives:

First: To provide recreation and social activity. Through the program he plans to have more recreation for the student body and to make it possible to have more chances for the students to get together to enjoy themselves. The student body is always invited to witness the intramural activities and it is hoped that it shall to the fullest extent. It is well known that spectators are as much of an activity as the participants and only through the presence of them can an activity really be a success.

Second: To provide opportunity to develop group spirit and to keep alive school spirit. We all well know that the school spirit is the making of the student body. Without it the school would mean nothing more than a place to become bookworms, and because of this we do not wish this spirit to die. We fully realize that school spirit was developed and boosted by collegiate sports, but we hope that we can find a deeper spirit and one that will live in each student. It is through group spirit developed by the intramural program that we shall keep alive the school spirit. It is a spirit that makes us wish to make the best better and to carry on against all odds. School spirit need not die at Elon, it should have a rebirth and spring forth a greater thing than ever before.

Third: To contribute to better health. Good health depends on exercise and intramurals offer you a chance to exercise while enjoying your favorite sport. It is a chance to become healthy in an enjoyable way and good health was never more needed than at present.

Fourth: To develop a permanent interest in sports. By introducing different sports to the students and by having the students participate in them. Director Pierce hopes to create an interest that will last. Only by understanding the rules and regulations can we fully enjoy sports and be interested in them. Through the intramural program a better understanding of sports can be realized and we can learn to appreciate their true value.

Fifth: To develop bodily prowess, strength, and agility. Simply by participating in sports that one enjoys he can develop those things that people are always striving to obtain.

Sixth: To contribute to scholarship and sportsmanship of students by giving them strong bodies and clear minds. "All work and no play, makes Jack a dull boy." This is well realized and through intramurals Director Pierce is trying to provide the play needed by the students. With a stronger body and a clearer mind we all can become better students.

Sportsmanship is essential in all sports and in everyday life. It is something we all need and can develop for our own benefit and for the benefit of others.

The sum of these six objectives is to develop better students and through better students a better school.

The intramurals belong to the students and shall be governed by the intramural council, a body representing all students. The council has two major purposes; first, to keep the intramural department in touch with the students, and second, to give the students a medium through which they can express their desires. The program is a student program and only through their hard work can it be made a success. In Director Pierce we have a fellow as one could find and one who is deeply interested in the welfare of each and every student. It is only fair that he should have the best fare of each and every student. The intramural program will be what the students make it, success or failure. Which shall it be?

Alpha Pi Delta Cops Opener

On Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 the East Hawks and Alpha Pi opened the touch football season with a good, clean, hard fought game, which was won by Alpha Pi 12-0.

In the first quarter Alpha Pi opened up with their aerial attack, on a pass from Zodda to Routh. The try for extra point failed, the score 6-0.

With Vic Zodda still passing, the Alpha Pi team scored again in the second quarter on a pass from Zodda to Routh. Routh took a long pass from Zodda with three Hawks covering him, but leaped up, caught the ball and outdistanced the Hawks to make the score 12-0. A pass for the extra point failed.

Good defensive football featured the third and fourth quarters with neither team scoring. The Hawks made short gains on passes from Tex' Lisman to Steve Walker, who by the way, can really catch a pass and played the best defensive football of the day.

Standouts were Zodda and Routh for Alpha Pi, and Walker and Lisman for the Hawks.

If Tuesday's game was any indication, the students of Elon are going to see some excellent touch football this season.

I.T.K. Rolls Over South North

In perfect football weather and before a crowd of eighty cheering spectators, the mighty I. T. K. footballers rolled over a disorganized South North team to the tune of 39-0 on the local gridiron Wednesday afternoon. Tallying in every period but the first, the I. T. K.'s completely overwhelmed the inexperienced but fighting North boys.

All afternoon it was the passing attack of Askin to either Casey, Burns, or Comer. Askin threw five touchdown passes against a noticeably mer were each on the receiving end weak aerial defense. Burns and Cotwice with Casey counting once. The other six-pointer came as a result of another aerial bomb, Burns to Askin. Then to top off the scoring spree, Agresta and D'Antonio managed to block a kick in the end zone for a safety, which, along with one conversion, made the count 39-0.

South North showed an offense at frequent intervals, but was playing defensive ball most of the game. Standing out particularly was Hugh Hooks, who figured in practically every play.



Pictured above are ten Civilian Pilot trainees who today complete their primary training at Elon. For the past eight weeks

they have been shoved through an intensified training program in flight instruction, ground work, military drill and athletics.

Six of the ten go into glider pilot training, while the others continue in C. P. T.

Rosco and Bosco Pick

Rosco and Bosco, experts and readers of the stars, stick their necks out and present the future as they see it. Of course some may not believe it, but the stars tell strange stories to those who understand them, and Rosco and Bosco are the best in their line. Rosco, who can't write English, reads the stars and Bosco translates it into language that humans (and professors) can understand. They offer no sixty day guarantee on their predictions but they firmly believe in their work. Only asking that no one sticks knives in their backs or calls them crooks if they don't please all, they now predict what is to come in intramural football.

Monday, October 5: East Eagles over I. T. K.

Wednesday, October 7: East Eagles over South North.

Thursday, October 8th: Alpha Pi over North North.

Friday, October 9: Kappa Psi over East Hawks.

Monday, October 12: Kappa Psi over Alpha Pi.

Tuesday, October 13: East Hawks over South North.

Thursday, October 15: I. T. K. over Alpha Pi.

Friday, October 16: North North over East Hawks.

Bosco and Rosco knowing that their business is a dangerous one, ask you to please think it over before jumping at any conclusions. They realize that there may be mistakes, not because of them, but because of the heavens. If things don't come out as predicted, please don't bother them, "Just tell it to the stars."