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## Army Air Crew Students Arrive On The Elon Campus

### Messick And Watts To Head Play Day Events

The crowning of Helen Margaret Messick and Edwin Watts as Queen and King of May will highlight the activities of the annual celebration of the first of May on the Elon campus. The festivities will take place Saturday afternoon, May 8, at 3:30, in the form of Play Day.

The king and queen will be accompanied by a court composed of Helen Truitt, Keron Walker, Sal Festa, and Jimmie Darden, attendants chosen from the senior class; and by Virginia Jeffreys, Rachael Crowell, Miller Basnight, and Buster Butler, from the junior class. John and Jimmy Powell will act as train bearers for the queen; Lewis Scoggins and Della Marie Vickers will serve as crown bearers, and Kay Hughes and Vivian Franks, as flower girls. It is anticipated that the queens of the past three years will be able to attend the celebration and complete the procession. These former Elon queens are: Edna Fitch, '40; Dorothy Edwards, '41; and Elizabeth Hoyt, '42.

After the crowning of the king and queen on the west campus, various groups of girls will give exhibitions of the sports in which they have participated for the year. These sports include, paddle tennis, tennis, archery, badminton, and volleyball. The court and the entire audience will move from one exhibition field to another and watch the progressions for short intervals. The officers of the Girls' Military Unit will drill for the court, and at the close of the drill they will form an "E" and pledge allegiance to the flag.

The Elon College choir, under the direction of Dr. Bartley, will present a group of American folk songs. This should be a real treat.

As a fitting close for the day's program, the entire group will move to the south campus and observe the lowering of the flag by the Air Corps students and the sounding of retreat. Everyone is cordially invited to attend, and a large crowd is expected.

### CHAPEL ENTERTAINMENT

Virginia Jeffreys and Charlotte Husted arranged a most entertaining chapel program for the students' chapel last Monday. The entertainment featured Carrie Mize, vocalist; Jimmie Darden, at the organ, and Miller Basnight, vocalist.

Carrie sang "It Started All Over Again" and "Star Dust," accompanied by Erma Morton at the piano. Jimmie played "Mary," "Yankee Doodle Dandy," and "Time Goes By." Then Miller Basnight rendered that Basnight-Darden composition, "Who's Gonna Milk Old Betsy?" and "The Easter Parade," accompanied by Helen Margaret Messick.

The Student Christian Association had charge of the regular chapel Friday, over which Earl Farrell presided. Dr. Bowden was guest speaker and gave a most interesting interpretation of the hymn, "This Is My Father's World."



Shown above is Paul Ridge, Senate head for the year '42-43. Because of the departure of this year's president, George Bullard, for the army, Paul has already taken over his duties as leader of the group.



Pictured above are the girls who will be attendants for the crowning of Queen Helen Messick in the Play Day events Saturday, May 8. Reading from left to right they are Keron Walker and Helen Truitt, senior attendants, and Rachael Crowell and Virginia Jeffreys, from the junior class.

### NEW STAFF

Chosen by the new editor of the Maroon and Gold, Faye Thomas, is the following staff which will help her in performing her duties as editor-in-chief.

In the editorial department are Mary Denson, assistant; Rachael Crowell, associate editor; Mary Ellen McCants, feature editor; Gene Poe, managing editor; and Tex Lisman, sports editor.

Those serving on the business staff are Virginia Jeffreys, business manager; Marjory Reidt, circulation manager; and Charles R. McClure, continuing as faculty advisor.

As news editors, the editor has selected Elizabeth Holland, D. B. Harrell, Alma Rose Sprinkle, Miller Basnight, Rachel Earp, Victor Zodda, and Helen Margaret Messick.

Mr. A. E. Robinson will serve as linotype operator, and John Pollard will remain staff photographer for the remainder of this year.

This staff, selected for their experience and ability as newspaper workers, will edit the last two issues of the Maroon and Gold this year and will continue to be the acting staff next year.

Those people knowing of alumni and friends of Elon College who would like to receive copies of the Maroon and Gold are asked to turn in their names and addresses to the circulation manager, Marjory Reidt.

**NEW OFFICERS TO TAKE OATH**  
Rachael Crowell and Miller Basnight, student government officers for the year '43-44, will take over the reins of their respective offices on Wednesday, May 5, when they are given the oath of office.

Rachael is well qualified to take over the girl's student council, having served in the capacity of vice-president this past year. Miller Basnight will serve as president of the entire student body.

Paul Ridge, newly elected head of the Senate, has already been sworn in and been active in his office.

**MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION**  
For their regular weekly meeting, the Ministerial Association held a Fellowship Supper at the home of Dr. Bowden, sponsor of the organization. Spike Harrell presided. An interesting program was given, including a talk by one of their former members, Tom Smythe, who was present for the supper.

Elections for officers for next year will be held at the regular meeting of the club next week. The outgoing officers for this year were Johnson Griffin, president; Shannon Morgan, vice-president; and Earl Farrell, secretary.

This organization has done remarkable work on the campus this year and in neighboring churches. It has held several social affairs, the most outstanding one being the annual banquet.

### SUMMER SCHOOL

The first term of summer school will officially begin June 1 and will continue until July 9. By attending the summer sessions, students will be able to work off one full quarter of college work. Though the first term will last for six weeks, the second session will begin July 12 and continue to August 14 which is only five weeks.

The courses offered will include Art, China painting, industrial art, drawing, Child Psychology, clothing and textiles, conducting, piano, organ, History, English, French, Dietetics, practice house, typing, shorthand, office practice, filing, bookkeeping, physical education Genetics, Religion, zoology, comparative anatomy, science survey, and harmony.

During second term they will teach English, Education, commercial subjects, sophomore French, piano, organ, art, and other subjects for which there is a sufficient demand. In order for a course to be offered, there should be at least 6 students register for it.

### CO-EDS HAVE STRANGE VISITOR

It has been said that a dog is the friend of man, but one Elon co-ed felt very differently toward the canine species when she awoke to find one of such animals sniffing around her room. Hearing the noise, she thought her roommate must be suffering from a violent attack of asthma or some other similar ailment. When she started to investigate the girl's condition, she saw, to her horror, a dog standing in front of the door, sort of grinning up at her.

It did not take Marjory and Ellen long to place the guilty group. And imagine Marjory's consternation when she learned that not only had the cur slept in her room, but that it had also slept under her bed. It was astonishing how quiet the dog had been, but the two don't like such animals now. Well, can you blame them?

### I. T. K. GIVE TROPHY

In honor of the memory of Vincent Kazlow, who was killed in North Africa, the Iota Tau Kappa fraternity presented a trophy to be used in the intramural sports program each year. The trophy, which will be awarded for sportsmanship, was presented by Ray Kern to Dean Messick in the regular student chapel Monday.

Symbolized on the award are three athletes—football, basketball, and baseball players. The athlete for whom this presentation was made excelled in each of these sports while a student at Elon.

This trophy will remain here and the name of the individual receiving the honor will be inscribed upon it.

### Reception For Cadets

Mrs. L. E. Smith and her committee are planning a reception in the form of a garden party for the air crew students on Friday, May 7, at 7 o'clock p. m. This will be the first gesture of the college to show their appreciation for the cadets and what they stand for.

The event is for the entire student body and the detachment of cadets. The purpose of the affair is for the students and faculty to get acquainted with the new air crew group and the officers. As such, it is the hope of the committee that everyone will attend and help create a friendly atmosphere.

Plans for the social have not been completed, but it has been decided that the party will take place on the west campus in front of the girls' dormitory. All girls are urged to attend in evening dresses, and the boys to come in coats and ties.

In connection with the May Day program and this reception, no weekend privileges will be granted next weekend unless the case is exceptional.

### LOADWICK TO LEAVE SOON FOR SERVICE

Elon College will lose a valuable member of its faculty when Professor Loadwick is inducted into the armed service on May 26.

Professor Loadwick has been voice instructor for the past two years here, and his services will be greatly missed. He has also been soloist in the choir since his arrival, and has taken the solo part in various oratorios and cantatas which the Music Department has presented.

### DOCTOR JOHNSON'S HAS PICNIC

The Doctor Johnson Literary Society enjoyed its first Spring social last week by the members turning out for a picnic at the girl scout cabin. The D. J. L. S. members and their dates feasted upon weiners, cold drinks, and doughnuts.

After the fire had found its way down to the ground, the group gathered around for songs and jokes which lasted for the remainder of the evening.

Dr. and Mrs. Schultz chaperoned the picnic and apparently were just as delighted to welcome spring back to the good earth as the youthful attendants were.

### Vickery, Kenton, Simonson, Poole Direct Base's Activities

#### New Rules For Girls

Dean Helen Boyd announced to the girls at a house meeting Thursday the set of rules which she and the administrative committee have devised for them to follow in their associations with the air crew students.

First of all, no women students are permitted on the Military Reservation unless they are invited as guests to a party in North. They must stay west of Whitley auditorium except for attending classes, going to meals, the book store, sorority meetings, and other such regular appointments. The girls must use the center walk in front of Alamance when going to the Mooney building. Sorority meetings must be held from 8 to 9:30 o'clock, and there is to be no yelling or noise of any kind en route.

Students wishing to entertain the air crew students must provide a social affair to which all students and cadets are invited.

On campus during the air crew's off-post periods, girls may date west of the music building, in parlors of West dormitory, and in the drug if they sign out and in for the time limit. It will be the courteous act for them to introduce their dates to the dean or person acting as hostess. The off-campus dating policy has not yet been determined, but will be announced by the first off-post period. However, girls will continue to be in by 11 o'clock.

It has been suggested that the girls may socialize from 7 to 7:30 every night with the cadets, but this has not been approved by the commander.

Also a rule has been made that girls wishing to go shopping in Greensboro must go in groups of three, and one of the group must be on the approved chaperon list. They must return to the campus not later than 5:15 bus or 6 o'clock if they are in a private car.

#### MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS NEEDED FOR CADETS

The American Legion of Burlington has loaned a bass drum, two snare drums, and four bugles to the Air Crew students for the purpose of organizing a band. This band will probably be used for marching. It is also the desire of the Air Corps to have an orchestra among themselves, but instruments have not yet been obtained for that cause. It is hoped that the town people and college students will lend any instruments that they might have to the cadets in order that this project may get under way as soon as possible.

There are a number of talented men in this group and among those is a singer from the late Hal Kemp's band. Apparently the cadets are very well impressed with Elon, and we should do everything we can to promote an atmosphere of fellowship among them.

#### SCIENCE FACULTY ATTENDS MEETING

Elon College had 100 per cent attendance of its science department at the North Carolina Academy of Science which met at Duke University Saturday, May 1. Those attending were Professor Hook, Mrs. Phillips, and Mrs. Bartley.

Professor Hook was chosen chairman of the physics section and resided over the program which consisted of the reading of eight research papers by outstanding physicists in North Carolina and several from other sections of the country. One of these research papers mentioned the discovery of two mesons in cosmic radiation instead of the previously reported one.

The regular chapel Wednesday will last a full hour. The first half will be conducted by Reverend Larson. Mr. Ham from the War Manpower Board will talk to the group the second part.

The first contingent of the air crew students arrived in Elon Wednesday, April 21, at approximately 9 o'clock. The student body, after weeks of preparation and waiting, was happy to see the group arrive on the campus.

The military staff which directs the activities of the base at Elon includes Lieutenant D. D. Vickery, commanding officer; Lieutenant J. G. Kenton, adjutant; Captain Lewis Poole, medical officer; Lieutenant L. A. Simonson, tactical officer; and a staff of 6 non-commissioned officers and enlistees.

This detachment of air crew students who represent various states throughout the country were formerly college men and range in age on the average from 22 to 23. They were in the reserve group previous to their acceptance by the aviation boards of the United States air force. The purpose of their training at Elon is to aid their mental and physical development along with equipping them for further classification in air crew service.

The course of study to be followed by the cadets in addition to their military training given by the permanent staff will include classroom work in physics, mathematics, history, English, and possibly other basic subjects. These courses will be given under the direction of the college professors. The group will also undergo a well-rounded physical training routine directed by Coach Pierce. The actual military training will include drilling, groundwork, and 10 hours actual flying experience.

The air crew students have their living quarters in dormitories formerly occupied by male college students. Though they will attend classes in the college classrooms and have meals in the college dining hall, they will be segregated from the students except during their regular off-post periods which may occur at any time during the week, but most likely on the week-end. Their quarantine period will probably end about May 8.

According to Dr. Smith, the air crew group will in no way interfere with our regular program, either this term, this summer, or next fall. The college has plenty of room and facilities to provide for the comfort and instruction of the students and the army air force men.

#### FINALS IN COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The finals in the election of the officers of the Girls' Student Council were held Thursday, April 29, under the direction of the electoral committee, of which John Pollard is the chairman.

Those chosen to lead the group in their activities next year were: Margaret Rawls, secretary; Doris Cannon, treasurer. Lucille Blalock had formerly been unanimously elected to the position of vice president of the council. There is still a tie between Faye Thomas and Eliza Boyd for representative from the rising junior class.



Shown above is Miller Basnight, who is taking over his duties as President of the student body. He has been an active student during his stay at Elon. He served as president of the junior class this year and is an attendant in the May Day court. He is a member of the Marine Reserve.