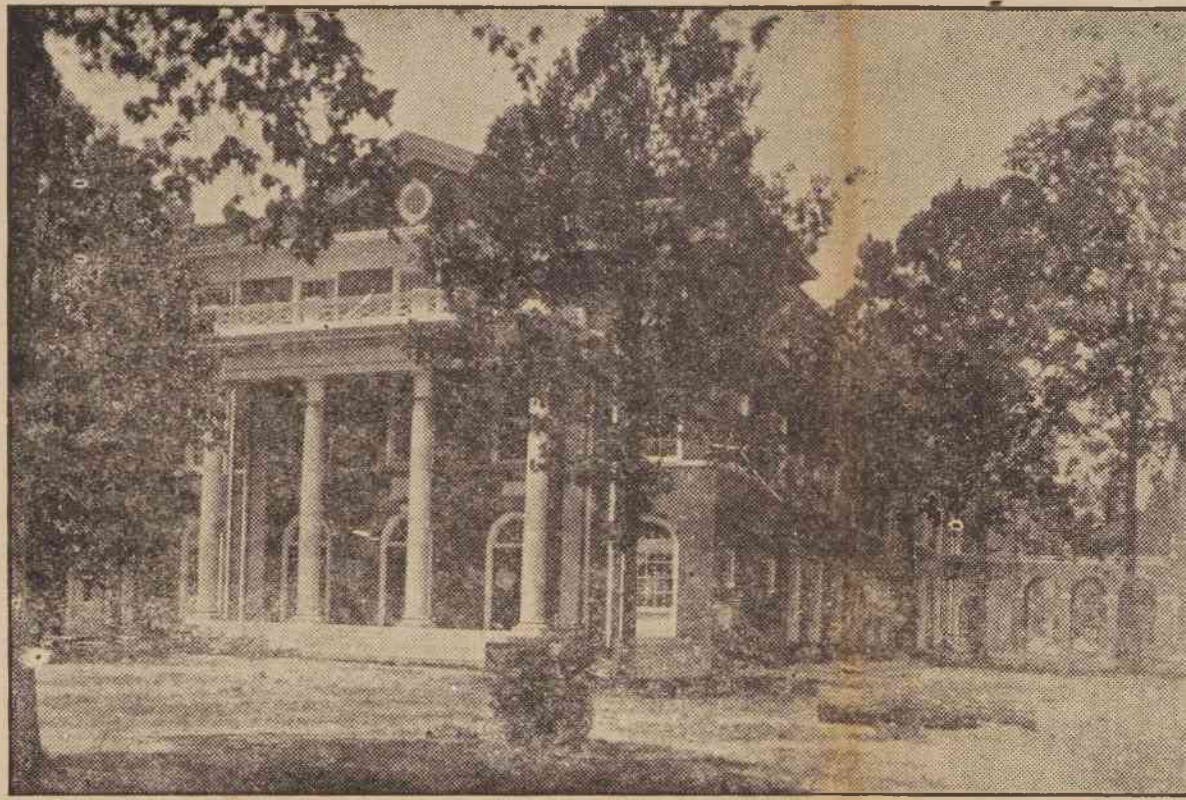


PRESIDENT SMITH ANNOUNCES MILLION DOLLAR DRIVE

New Senior S. C. A. Cabinet Is Elected

The Senior S. C. A. cabinet held its first meeting of the new year Thursday, January 6. At that time it was decided that the cabinet needed revision, for several of its members are no longer in school here, and a number of members have not taken their responsibilities as members of the cabinet. If the organization is to function and be an active one, it must have the cooperation of its members. A new cabinet has been selected, and the members will assume their new duties immediately.

The committees chosen include Junior deacons, Clarence Biddix, Gene Poe, Leon Gibbs, and Emerson Whatley; Vespers, Alma Rose Sprinkle Spike Harrell; Christian Faith, Mark Andes, Walstein Snyder, Shannon Morgan, Earl Farrell, and William Meacham; Social actions, Edna Reitzel, Leon Gibbs, Florine Braxton, Virginia Jeffreys, Lucille Blalock, and Martha McDaniel; Publicity, Ed Daniels, Virginia Wheeler, Mary Ellen McCants, and Faye Thomas; Music, Eva Carpenter, Mary Ellen McCants, and Lucille Morgan; Program committee, Jeanne Hook, Mary Warren, Doris Chandler, and Bob Lee. Theirs is the task of carrying on the major activities of the S. C. A.



Since this is the first issue of 1944, the Maroon and Gold is taking the liberty to suggest for each student a New Year's resolution. Start with plenty of "get up and go" and give Elon some real Elon Spirit for '44!

James Parker First Elon Man In Service To Contribute To Drive



Pictured above is Leon Edgar Smith, president of Elon College, who is working for an endowment and other improvements for the college. The proposed endowment is to be in the name of Atkinson, Newman, and Staley.

President L. E. Smith has announced the beginning of a million dollar campaign aimed at raising enough money to increase the endowment of the college to one million dollars and the spending of \$400,000 for improvement on the campus.

A few improvements to be made include a new modern dining hall to replace the one destroyed by fire in January, 1942, a gymnasium for young men and women, a day student's building with the recreational facilities, bookstore and soda shop, completion of the athletic field, and building and improving the dormitories.

The present curriculum of Elon College is a liberal arts curriculum and it must remain predominantly so. However, Elon is anxious to be ready to meet post-war demands and is arranging to revise its curriculum to include such departments as there might be a demand for by students after the war. Among these are a department of Christian education, department of transportation and communication, department of peace, department of health, and department of human relations.

James Wesley Parker of Portsmouth, Virginia, who attended Elon in 1935-39, was the first Elon man in service to contribute to the campaign with a \$250 subscription. Parker volunteered for service in the United States Navy before Pearl Harbor. He expressed the wish that other Elon men in service would join him in the contribution.

President Smith will be glad to hear from any alumnus interested in helping with advice or financial aid in the campaign. It is thought that the campaign might last for five years. It will be necessary for every alumnus and friend of Elon to cooperate to his utmost in order to assure the success of the campaign.

Colonnades Request Material For '44 Issue

The ELON COLONNADES, our literary magazine, will be published in May. Poems, one-act plays, essays, and short stories are solicited from students and faculty members, and may be given to Mr. Barney or Mr. McClure, pending the appointment of an editor.

It is intended that an increasingly larger group may contribute to the Colonnades. Submit a copy of your best work now. It may be that a rewrite will make it better than you anticipate.

The best way to learn to write is to write, to rewrite, and again to rewrite. Only by experimentation do we learn the values of "words and their ways."

Last year's COLONNADES contained the play "Sweet Genevieve," which was the joint product of James Darden and the Elon Players, and which won an award for literary excellence from the Carolina Playmakers, and was presented in the one-act play contest at Chapel Hill. The 1943 COLONNADES also contained Miller Basnight's "Ecentric Stardust," the poem which later became a prize winner at Duke. Basnight is now in the Marines, and Darden is an ensign.

EMIL LUDWIG TO LECTURE HERE JANUARY 31

Emil Ludwig, nationally and internationally known lecturer, author and biographer, will give a lecture in Whitley Memorial auditorium Monday, January 31, at 8:30 p. m. The lecturer will be presented under the auspices of the National Artists and Concert Association of New York City.

Ludwig is regarded as an important figure among literary circles by critics, and Elon students are fortunate to have the opportunity of hearing him. Among his latest books are BEETHOVEN, LIFE OF A CONQUEROR, SAGA OF A SEA and DOUBLE HISTORY OF A NATION, the story of Germany's rise to power.

Although full plans for admission have not as yet been completed, it is thought that students will be admitted to the lecture if they have their season book given them at the business office. Outsiders and townspeople will be charged an admission fee.

Here's to Elon.

M. Z. RHODES Air. Trio, "Our Director."

So here's to dear old E - lon,

faith - ful and bold, Here's

to her ban - ner of Ma - roon and

Gold, And here's to men and wo

men, Who've come and gone,

ELON MAJOR HEADS BOMBING COMMAND

Elon's only major in this war, Major James Gillespie, is now stationed in England, where he is head navigator for the entire Eight Bombing Command, which is bombing the continent. Formerly Major Gillespie was the chief navigator for his squadron in Polestic.

Graduating from Elon in the class of 1939, he married another Elon student from Virgilina, North Carolina, the former Miss Frances Lee. They now have a son, whom Major Gillespie has never seen. The major is also a native North Carolinian, his home being in Haw River.

Major Gillespie was a member of Sigma Phi Beta Fraternity when he attended Elon.

NATIONAL TEACHER EXAMINATION SCHEDULED MARCH 17-18 AT W. C.

An examination center for the National Committee on Teacher Examinations has been established for the state of North Carolina at Woman's College in Greensboro, N. C., according to Franklin H. McNutt, head of the department of education there. The next examination is scheduled for March 17-18, 1944. Application blanks must be filed with them by February 19, 1944, in order that they may have time to prepare for the reception, housing and feeding of such students as may come some distance.

Dean Messick advises that all seniors interested in teaching take the examination for it will add to their credentials an evidence of great importance. It provides especial opportunity to those who wish to teach in schools outside North Carolina.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

January 27, 5:00 p. m.: Student recital.
January 29, 8:00 p. m.: Freshman-Sophomore reception.
January 31, 8:30 p. m.: Lecture in Whitley, Emil Ludwig.

Weekly Meetings

Monday, 5:30 p. m.: Ministerial association; 7:15 p. m.: Band rehearsal.
Tuesday, 8 p. m.: Senate.
Wednesday, 8:00 p. m.: Dr. Johnson Literary Society; Panivo Literary Society.
Thursday, 7:30 p. m.: Household Arts Club; 9:00 p. m.: Senior S. C. A. Cabinet.

Movies Whitley Auditorium

January 14-15: "Victory Through Air Power."
January 21-22: "The Powers Girl," "Hull of a Mess."
January 28-29: "Stage Door Canteen."

REITZEL TAKES OVER DUTIES AS PRESIDENT OF PANIVO

Members of the Panivo Literary Society held its first meeting of 1944 Wednesday night at 8:00 in Society Hall. At this meeting Edna Reitzel, new president, was sworn into office by Coleen Browning, outgoing president. The meeting was turned over to the new president who in turn gave the oath of office to Edith Hall, vice-president Athleen Buckner, secretary, and Hilda Neese, treasurer.

The organization also made plans for the new year which include a Valentine party. A program of popular music was presented by Evelyn Harrelson and Sarah Wrenn.

The Society held its annual banquet at the Alamance hotel in Burlington just before the holidays. Edna Reitzel acted as toastmistress for the occasion. Others on the program include Florine Braxton, Ruby Braxton, Evelyn Harrelson, Mrs. Irving D. Bartley, Earl Farrell, Gene Poe, John Westmoreland, and Bill Meacham. The program included speeches, jokes, music, and games. Miss Wilsie Bussell and Mrs. Bartley served as chaperones for the group.

DR. JOHNSON LITERARY SOCIETY HOLDS DEBATE

In their weekly meeting the Dr. Johnson Literary Society held a debate on the question "Man is more moral as an individual than as a group." It seems that the affirmative won out on this subject. Excellent points were brought out by V. B. Harrell, Gene Poe, Shannon Morgan as well as Leon Gibbs, and John Rossi. The affirmative stated that in order to be at your best morally, one must not be in groups, for a person who is easily influenced, can be swayed by the mass of people. There fore, when you are alone your moral standards are not as easily broken down. We agree that this is true but the fact that strikes (Shannon, please note) are started by an individual and the driving force of this individual is what causes the strikes, not the group, for the social structure of man is not so that groups can be immoral without some hidden motive force. This force is always an outstanding individual.

The sergeant at arms was quite busy this week with none other than "Spike" Harrell, Mr. Davis, and Mr. Steed were well "taken" care of also.

Plans for the banquet will be brought up at the next meeting.

PI KAPPA TAU SORORITY ENTERTAINS CADETS

On Sunday afternoon, January 8, the Reception Hall of West Dormitory presented a lovely setting for the delightful tea given by the Pi Kappa Tau Sorority in honor of the group of aviation students who recently arrived on campus.

Assisting in entertaining were the officers of the other Greek sororities. Mrs. Vickery furnished music in the form of the most popular tunes of the day, which added greatly to the enjoyment of the guests.

Delightful refreshments were served by the hostesses during the afternoon.

HOUSEHOLD ART CLUB TO MEET JANUARY 20

Members of the household Arts Club will hold their monthly meeting Thursday, January 20, according to Polly Whisnant, president of the organization. The program for the meeting will be an educational movie relating to the field of home economics.

DR. BOWDEN SPEAKS IN CHAPEL

Dr. Bowden brought out the point in his chapel talk Friday, February 14, that life, in order to be a successful and thrilling adventure, must contain three definite foundations: thought by the individual, work, and last, but not least, to have pride in what you undertake. He cited the fact that in youth one seeks adventure and in old age one seeks security. There are certain obstacles that a person has to overcome in life and the achievement of a goal, after overcoming these same obstacles gives a person a thrill in doing so.

Dr. Bowden closed by saying "Think problems out, work hard, and have pride in living from day to day."

ANDES SPEAKS TO MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

The Ministerial association held its first meeting of the calendar year on Monday, January 10. Spike Harrell opened the program by leading the group in a song. Earl Farrell followed with the scripture from the Bible and a prayer. The highlight of the program was a talk on the way a ministerial student should conduct himself on the campus as a member of the student body by Mark Andes.

During the business meeting, the members decided to have a social hour at the Dean's home for their next meeting.