

What's What

By EMERSON WHATLEY

EMPTY BLEACHERS . . .

After a recent softball game someone made the remark that the dressing rooms were getting all dusty and the hedge around the athletic field was all grown up. Also that evening there were perhaps fifty or sixty students in the stands. This more than any one part of college life brings a realization that even though the Russians are in Berlin and the B-29s are pounding Tokyo, that our boys are not yet home. They are missed in classes, nothing seems right without "Joe College", yet some of us never realized the things that would be different if they were back. Instead of a softball game with the Knights of Pythias there would be a baseball game with either Le-noir Rhyne or Catawba or maybe High Point. Instead of fifty people in the stands, the entire student body would be there with a band and fireworks. The seventh inniing stretch would end up with "So Here's to Dear Old Elon" and there would be a triumphant procession of men and women back to the campus there to play the over and over far into the wee hours of the morning. But until the men do return to the campus and things really get on the ball

we can use the Brooklyn motto: "Wait 'til next year," and at that next year certainly isn't going to bad. Bet we take Catawba.

GOOD GOING GUYS . . .

To Ed Mulford, Fred Register, Joe Dunn and all the boys who helped organize and have kept going the Elon Novelties, here's a big bouquet of red roses. The Novelties are strictly O. K. They started the season by carding their first game with Butner Furniture, 1944 State Champs. Although they lost a heart-breaker to the furniture men it was a much closer score than anyone had dared hope for and a time it seemed that an upset was in the offering. Nice going all of you.

TOO MUCH . . .

In the two intramural softball games that have been played so far Ed Mulford has allowed a total of two hits. In the game against the Upperclassmen, Bob Graham connected for the only hit and in the game against the Day Students, Earl Danieley ruined Mulford's chances at the Hall of Fame. Mulford says that he isn't very good at football; if that is true that is the only sport he can't play. How about a game of Tiddleywinks, Mort?

Girls' Sports

By BETTY BENTON

Well, here goes. I'm not the athletic type as anyone can see by my softball playing, but honest I'll do my best. After Edna's column this may not seem like so much, but as I said before—here goes.

Partly because of the May Day program, but mainly because of the inclement weather, the Intramural games have not been played per schedule. The only softball game played by the girls, Second Floor West was defeated by Third Floor West by a score of 41-5.

Plans are being formulated for a Sports Play Day to be held sometime after May Day. Teams and individuals will compete in badminton, archery, tennis, softball, track and perhaps horseshoes.

Almost all physical education students will be participating in the May Day exercises in some way. Below is the practice schedule for the dances which will be followed next week. Announcements of regular physical education classes will be posted on the bulletin boards.

April 30, 1945

4:45—All

8:00—Chopin
8:45—Schubert
9:30—Shastokowitch
10:15—Bach

May 1, 1945

9:00 a. m.—Student government, officers, and council.

7:00—Bach
8:00 Schubert
9:00 Shastokowitch
10:00—Chopin

May 2, 1945

1:00—Student government and council.

5:00—Court

May 3, 1945

9:00 a. m.—Court
8:00—Shastokowitch
8:45—Schubert
9:30—Chopin.

10:15—Bach.

All in costume.

May 4, 1945

5:00—Court
Chopin
Bach
Schubert
All meet at 7:00 o'clock for dress rehearsal.

RED CROSS TO OFFER

ACQUATIC TRAINING

Enrollment is available for men and women students and faculty members of Elon College who wish to attend one of the three American Red Cross aquatic schools being conducted in the southeastern states this summer, according to Southeastern Area, American Red Cross headquarters in Atlanta. Enrollment is expected to be closed well in advance of the opening date due to the limited capacity of the schools, the announcement stated.

Conducted in vacation settings, chosen for their natural facilities and equipment, the schools will offer 10-day instructor training courses in water safety, first aid and accident prevention. The first school begins May 26 at Northwestern State College, Natchitoches, La., the second at Camp Carolina, Brevard, N. C., on June 6. The third, a special late summer school will be at Brevard on August 19 for the convenience of applicants who cannot attend the earlier ones.

Their short-term all-round aquatic training, obtainable only in Red Cross aquatic schools, will be of especial interest to physical education majors and minors and prospective waterfront directors and summer camp councilors.

Red Cross specialists in each field will provide the instruction. The courses are designed primarily to train instructors for: Red Cross chapters, colleges and universities, youth and adult organizations, and organized summer camps. They combine study, discussions, demonstrations and practice.

Tuition for the school will be \$35, which includes food, lodging, registration and all material used. Applications should be made through the local or Southeastern Area, American Red Cross, 230 Spring Street, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

SPORTS ODDITIES

Among the odd sports, of course we have Monsieur Emerson Whatley, who is reported to be a descendant of the famous line of D'Artagnan. At any rate, he has the line; and we're adding, line by line, to his reputation for gallantry by field and stream and in the shadow of the oak and weeping willow, where festive maid and sportive roebuck (Sears and Roebuck) may be found.

There was also the time when Emerson tried out his home-made (Home-Maid) baseball bat. He had whittled it out of a hickory sapling while he passed the time with the boys at the local store. The yokels hemmed and hawed and had a deal of fun as the bludgeon took shape. "Em" molded it on the English cricket style, somewhat flat on the north side; and it went right on whistling while the rounders of Stony Lonesome (that's the name of the cross roads where he was resting his over-stuffed frame at the time) guffawed. And guffawed. They said it was so heavy he couldn't "swing it" and that anahoo he had no more eye than a two-ended bug.

Well, the historic day came around. And with no one else to make a nine, they put in old "Em." He came up in the ninth with the bases loaded

and that bat over his slopin' shoulder. The count came two and three, and "The Count" swang. He broke up a tie (the old school tie) and the game. The horseshide traveled three hundred feet on the level, and then it began to rise. They pulled it out of the river next day. Couldn't find it until someone swore at old "Em" for losing the ball. But at the mention of his name the ball began to rise again. They called him "Powerhouse Whatley" after that (in them days). As the "Count" tells it now, the three men on base scored too—after Whatley. He was fast in them days. How is he now, Martha?

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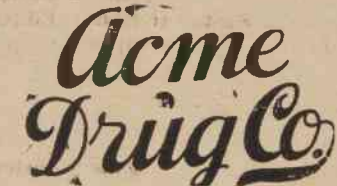
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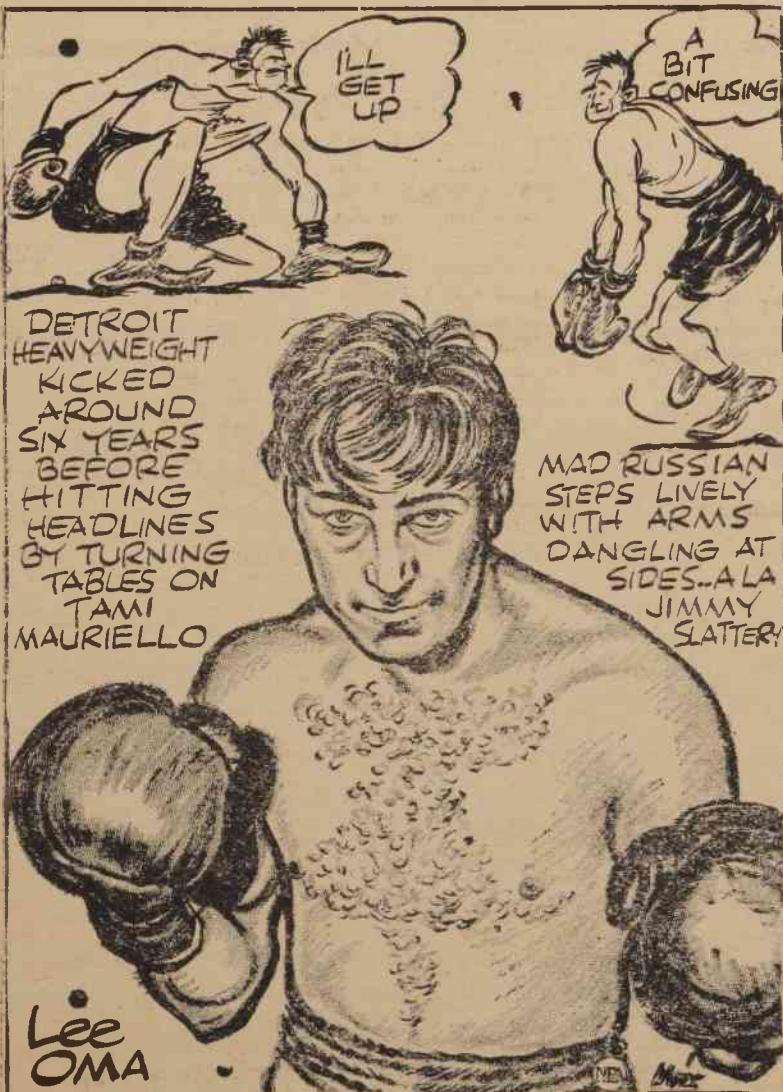
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