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## Elon Players Performance Of "Claudia" Tops

From the land where all good plays go, shades of the histrionic past trooped silently into Whitley auditorium last night to add silent approval to a spontaneous ovation which was given the cast of "Claudia" as the final curtain went down. The inner glow of satisfaction which comes from doing a thing well was shared by an audience which saw one of the best performances ever given by the Elon Players.

Sharing top acting honors were Frances Branson and Ed Nash as Claudia and David. Their swift transition from comedy to pathos was handled with infinite ease. The play moved from scene to scene with professional swiftness. It is difficult to single out any one performer for outstanding mention. Those players who were on the stage when the curtain went up started the play moving and from that moment on it travelled along of its own accord.

An outstanding supporting cast of seasoned performers contributed much to the success of the play. Joan Baldwin and Henry Richards gave creditable performances as Bertha and Fritz, the Swedish hired help. Irene Rummage handled her role as Mrs. Brown very well. Delmar Brown made a most convincing "other man" in Claudia's life. Jean Parks and Betty Hill had small but effective parts which they made the most of in a manner which was pleasing to the audience.

With due respect to the performers, much of the credit for the success of "Claudia" should go to Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, who directed it. It is on nights like last night and Wednesday night that one begins to appreciate all over again how fortunate the Players and Elon College are to have such a person as director of our dramatics department. It would be very difficult to find a person with comparative training who would devote the time and energy to the department that she has.

A final word must be said about the stage set, which was of original design, constructed and painted by members of the Players, many of whom were in the play. It was the finishing touch to a successful production.

## Work Begun On The Colonnades

Elon's yearly magazine, the Colonnades, to be edited in the Spring, is now being compiled. The editor, Lewis Lawrence, and associate editor, Jack Holt, were elected by students on Tuesday, November 4th.

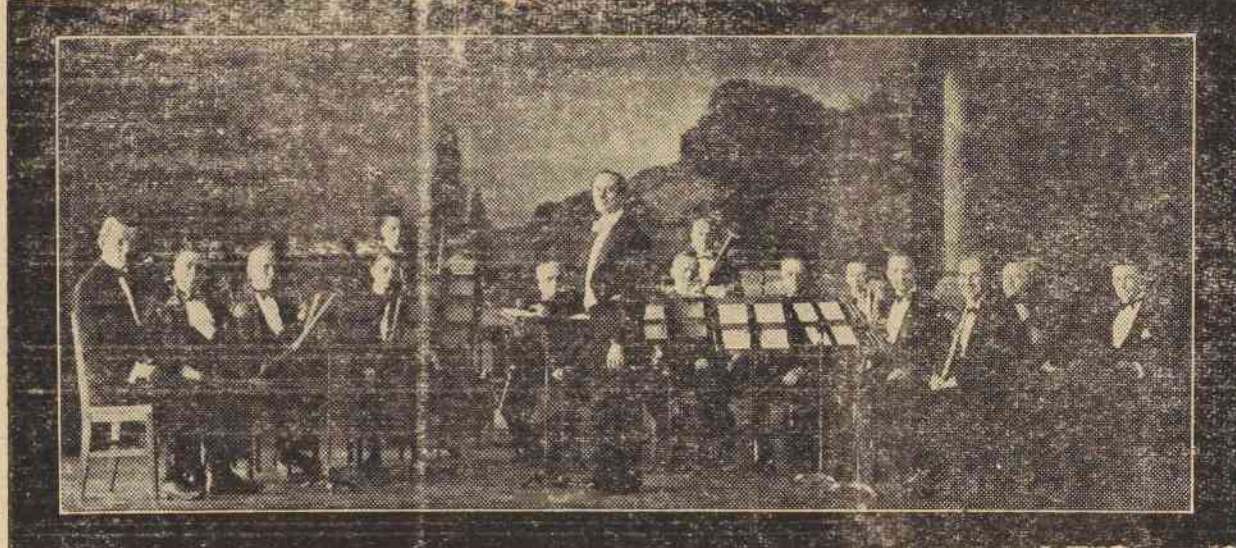
The purpose of the magazine is the publishing of the best literary endeavors of the student body and faculty. These writings may include original essays, short stories, poems, sonnets, or other worth while literature.

Colonnade's editors are anxious that as many as possible contribute material, and not to withhold any manuscript through lack of self-confidence or vague thoughts that his or her effort might be "no good". The faculty is cooperating in collecting this material.

Formerly, it has been the custom to hold a workshop to aid students in revising, clarifying, or otherwise helping prospective writers who might be suffering under the first pangs of self expression. This practice will continue immediately after the Thanksgiving holidays. The meetings are to be held at 7 o'clock on Wednesdays in the library building, 3rd floor, Worth side.

The editors hopefully suggest that many may find time to express their literary aspirations during the slack periods between bites of turkey.

## Chicago Little Symphony To Play Here



As a successor to the happily received Barter Players, the Chicago Little Symphony will appear Wednesday, December 3rd, in Whitley Memorial Auditorium.

The Chicago Daily News has characterized this instrumental ensemble as "having a splendid degree of polished intensity."

The conductor, George H. Shapiro, was formerly associate conductor of London's Royal Albert Hall Orchestra on tour with Henry Wood and Sir Landon Ronald, with appearances in such European centers as Vienna, Brussels, Munich, Rotterdam, Berlin, and Leipzig.

Dr. Shapiro is an inspiring conductor.

His readings were sensitively wrought, showing most exquisite phrasing, perfect balance, an astounding gift for achieving romance in tonal coloring and an innate feeling for rhythmic subtleties and contrasts.

Styptic solos will be good for the performance.

## Messiah To Be Presented By Music Department Dec. 3

The date of the fifteenth consecutive annual performance of Handel's oratorio "The Messiah" has been announced by Dr. Leon Edgar Smith, president of Elon College, for Sunday evening, December 7th, at 8 o'clock.

The Elon Festival Chorus will be composed of sixty college students, joined by 30 prominent singers from the surrounding community, and will be under the direction of John Westmoreland.

Miss Exine Anderson of Minneapolis and New York City will make her fourth appearance as soprano soloist with the chorus. Miss Anderson is soloist at the Collegiate Church of Ft. Washington and is currently appearing over NBC in a series of Saturday evening programs conducted by Arturo Toscanini.

The contralto solos will be sung by Miss Evelyn Hodgins of the college music faculty.

Brooks Dunbar, a native of Phil-

adelphia and a prominent soloist in leading churches throughout New York, including the Riverside Church will be the tenor soloist.

Clarence O. Southern, choirmaster of the Front Street Methodist church of Burlington and director of the Southern Music Studios, will sing the bass solos. Mr. Southern is remembered for his outstanding work in last year's performance.

Fletcher Moore, head of the music department, will accompany at the organ for his tenth performance of this oratorio with the Festival Chorus. His rendition of the Overture and Pastoral Symphony are always two of the most beautiful numbers of this great work.

Wayne Moore, an outstanding young musician in his own right, will be at the piano. Wayne is a member of the Junior class.

A capacity audience is always present for this program, which will be one of the major musical events for this section of the state.

## Twelve Named To Who's Who

The names of twelve Elon students whose biographies will appear in the 1947-48 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities," have just been released by H. Pettus Randall, editor of the publication.

Each year this publication recognizes students from approximately 600 colleges and universities in the United States and Canada. In selecting students to be recommended, the campus nominating committees are asked to consider outstanding effort

and accomplishment in academic work, extracurricular activities and service to the school. To be eligible a student must be a junior or senior and have a scholastic average of "C" or better.

Chosen for inclusion this year are Lemuel Carl Allen, Bunnlevel, N. C.; Elizabeth Curtis Benton, Norfolk, Va.; Ralph Plummer Edwards, Henderson, N. C.; Warren Leacester Ellington, Reidsville, N. C.; Philip James Gearring, Bristol, Conn.; D. Bryant Harrell, Mt. Olive, N. C.; Syl-

van Roscoe Routh, Franklinville, N. C.; Dorothy Ann Shackelford, Phoebus, Va.; Danny Wayne Taylor, Efland, N. C.; Robert W. Wooldridge, Norfolk, Va.; Alton Wright, Jonesboro, N. C.; John I. Watson, Englehard, N. C.

During the school year certificate awards will be presented to all of those selected. In connection with the honor program, a placement is provided through which members may be recommended for employment.

## STRICTER RULES APPLY TO VETERAN WHO 'DROP OUT' OF COLLEGE PROGRAM

Veterans who drop out of college before completing their course will have to comply with more strict requirements to obtain a supplemental certificate of eligibility to reenter school in the future, the Veterans Administration said today.

Effective immediately, according to the VA, a veteran who of his own volition interrupts his schooling at a time other than the end of a term or semester, will not be issued a supplemental certificate until he establishes satisfactory evidence:

- 1 - That his interruption resulted from good cause, i. e., illness, economic conditions, or other circumstances beyond his control;
- 2 - That the institution which he was attending is willing to re-accept him as a student.

## Campus Loses Friend

Elon students and townsmen lost a friend today when Major, the great Dane belonging to Ralph Edwards had to be destroyed by a Burlington veterinarian.

No one knows how Major received the hurt that eventually brought about his death. He was evidently the victim of a hit-and-run driver and in the accident received a broken hip. The veterinarian, after examining the dog, diagnosed the case as such and said there was nothing that he could do to help him.

Major's man friends will mourn his passing and the staff joins in sympathy with Mr. and Mrs. Edwards and young son "Butch" in their loss of a loving companion.

## Several Elonites Win Recognition In Forensic Debates

For the first time since 1941 Elon has a debating team. The team is composed of Baxter Twiddy, Norfolk, Virginia; James Washburn, Elon College; James Widenhouse, Kannapolis; and Robert Wooldridge, Norfolk, Virginia.

The debating team entered the Eighth Annual Appalachian Mountain Forensic Tournament and Conference on Current Affairs at Appalachian State Teachers College in Boone, N. C., Friday and Saturday, Nov. 15 and 16. Certificates of award were presented in chapel Monday, Nov. 17 to Baxter Twiddy for winning first place in the tournament in the men's division of impromptu speaking; to James Washburn for winning second place in the poetry reading contest and first place in the men's division of after-dinner speaking. James Widenhouse placed fifth in extemporaneous speaking. Other contests included: radio announcing, oratory and debating, the latter two which Elon did not enter. Certificates were awarded by J. E. Danieley who accompanied the team to the tournament.

Debating activities are under the direction of the faculty committee on debate. Headed by Dr. G. A. H. Johnson, the committee consists of Mrs. Vera Hirsch, Mrs. Elizabeth R. Smith, Prof. J. W. Barney, Prof. R. L. Dunlap and J. E. Danieley.

A full program of intramural and intercollegiate debating activities is being planned for the year beginning with a debate in the early part of December with just the members of the Elon team debating. This will

be followed with practice debates with other schools. The full program will be announced in the Maroon and Gold when it is completed. The public is cordially invited to attend these debates. The question for debate this year is, "RESOLVED, that a federal world government should be established".

## "As You Like It" Shown In Mooney

Shakespeare's great comedy, "As You Like It" was presented as a motion picture, Tuesday, Nov. 4, in Mooney Chapel starring Lawrence Oliver. It was cast with excellent English actors; however, the characters could have been better cast. Celia was in the original play, a tall, slender girl; whereas, in the moving picture, she is shorter than Rosalind, who is supposed to be tall and is in the motion picture.

Shakespeare's aim was not to have the girls as affectionate as was portrayed on the screen. The acted affection took from the play the original feeling and substituted it with naive farce.

The setting was perfect; the faked forest background created a genuine effect upon the audience, and the costumes distinguished the setting considerably.

The play presented comedy which was quite natural with so witty a character as Touchstone, the fool. In fact Touchstone was the most hand-

some of the leading male characters and he favorably impressed the spectators with his costume, lines, and actions. He is as an attractive character in the play as one may never have the luck to meet elsewhere. Irresistible humor was presented in the scene where Touchstone courts Audrey, the milkmaid.

In the play there is little or no plot interest. From the beginning one may be sure that Rosalind will get her lover, and the banished Duke will regain his throne.

The motion picture was not as inclusive in detail as the original play of Shakespeare; but, assuming that the auditor had read this play, he would have been able to fill in with his imagination details as to costumes and setting.

## ELON NOW UNDERDOG FOR THANKSGIVING DAY CLASH

The Elon football team became an underdog for the annual Thanksgiving Day clash Thursday when Guilford battled the highly favored Catawba Indians, who hold a 38-0 win over us, to a thrilling 20-14 decision. Although Catawba won, it was a moral victory for Guilford.

## Our Majorettes On The March



Pictured above are the newly elected majorettes of Elon College who have helped lead the Fighting Christians in their games this fall. They are, left to right: Mary Alice Browne, Franklin, Va., Edno Lois Burke of Pittsboro, N. C. and Neal MacLonald of Carthage, N. C.