

Prof. Has Varied Interests

By JOAN BOLWELL

Mrs. George A. Johnson, diminutive assistant professor in the department of business administration here, is a mammoth bundle of versatility.

Though she is now in her third year of teaching business administration subjects at Elon, calculating machines and business trends have no monopoly on Mrs. Johnson's interests. A crack teacher of business, she can, and will, spend hours talking literature. Her M. A. thesis was done on the poet-philosopher, Robinson Jeffers. She is sponsor of the Commercial Club and at the same time thoroughly saturated in the interests of the college literary magazine, "Colonnades." It would seem perfectly natural to see Mrs. Johnson presiding over an English class.

Perhaps the key to her contradictory personality is hung somewhere on her family tree. She suggests the possibility herself. Her dreaming, she thinks, may be inherited from the ministers and lawyers in the family who, she confesses with a smile, wrote more

poetry than sermons and briefs. And maybe she inherited a good counterbalance of practicability from her father who is a business man of 50 years experience.



Mrs. Johnson is anything but a club woman, but she does belong to the American Association of Accountants and the American Association of University Professors. And literary minded though

she be, her reading includes works on management, industrial management and labor and personnel problems. That's stuff for broad shoulders, but Elon's tiny housewife-professor doesn't seem to notice.

She is serious-minded, but personable, witty, and even gay when it fits the occasion. For instance, as the mother of Ellen, 5, and Pudgy, 6, and the wife of Dr. Johnson, head of the business administration department, she is a far cry from an iron-jawed economist. She and the children have great fun playing at recognizing Dr. Johnson as lord and master of the household.

From all reports Mrs. Johnson is an A-1 cook—and she apparently carries her sense of humor into the kitchen. One faculty member tells of going into the Johnson kitchen and seeing a sign pinned over the stove which read, "To insure good cooking, don't speak to the cook while the stove is in motion, and don't speak to the stove while the cook is in motion."

In addition to her background in economics and literature, Mrs. Johnson has acquired some experience in journalism. She has worked as a copy writer for Ad Counselors in Detroit and as a reporter on the Detroit News.

King, Queen Of May Named

The results of the balloting for May Court, 1948, were announced this week by Dean D. J. Bowden. In a closely contested race the following students were elected: Mildred Johnson, a Senior from Wilmington was named Queen. The King of the May Court will be Steve Walker. The Maid of Honor will be Jeanne Meredith from Virginia, Va., a Senior who is prominent in campus activities.

The King's escort will be Fred Claytor, a Senior from Hillsboro, N. C. The Senior Escorts will be Calvin Milam and Bill Stafford. The Senior Attendants will be Carolyn Thompson and Elizabeth Jernigan. The Junior Attendants will be Jeanne Parks and Shirley Joyner. The Junior Escorts will be Lou Savini from Wayne, Pa., and Jeff Davis from Norfolk, Va.

She mentions, as people she interviewed, such celebrities as Louis Bromfield, Katherine Cornell, Lily Pons, Philip Merrivale, Lunt and Fontaine and many others.

Mrs. Johnson's home-town is Hopkinsville, Ky. She attended Bethel Woman's College there, and received her A. B. and M. A. degrees from the University of Kentucky. She has done work on her doctorate in economics at Kentucky and Duke Universities.

Pat and Ed In Strong Roles



PAT SANFORD



ED NASH

Playing strong supporting roles in the Players' forthcoming psychological mystery will be Edwin Nash, a Senior and veteran Player, and Patricia Sanford, a Freshman, who will appear for the first time with the campus dramatists.

Mr. Nash is popular with Elon audiences, having scored successes in many previous productions. He is probably best remembered for his work in "Claudia." His latest performance was in "What A Life."

There is an interesting program note on the character of Rough in "Gas Light" that shows his appeal to audiences. At one point in the play Rough is forced to hide from the sinister Mr. Manningham, and he momentarily forgets his hat which is lying on a table. In all professional productions of the play, audiences have never failed to cry out a reminder to him.

Miss Sanford comes to the Elon Players with a fine background of experience in Little Theatre and radio work. She appeared at the Dock Street Theatre of Charleston playing ingenue roles in "Snafu," "Stage Door," and "Front Page." She has been heard as a vocalist over station WCSC.

In 1947 Miss Sanford was voted the Charleston Radio Queen. Votes in this contest were based on personality, talent, and attractiveness. A trip to Miami and Havana was the prize for the winner of this contest. Miss Sanford was also a member of the Charleston Choral Society.

In the Players' production of "Gas Light," Miss Sanford will be seen as Nancy, the pretty, cheeky maid in the Manningham's service.

In two games against the Washington Redskins in 1940, the Philadelphia Eagles could gain only 54 yards by rushing the ball, but they gained 554 yards in the air.

Bobby Lane, 20-year-old backfield star of the Chicago Bears, is the youngest quarterback ever to direct a team in the National Football League.

Elon Debaters Go To Tournament

Four debate teams, coached by Prof. Earl Danielew, are representing Elon at the Ninth Annual Appalachian Mountain Forensic Tournament today and tomorrow at Appalachian State Teachers College in Boone.

The teams are: affirmative, 1) Kenneth Jacob and William Wilkins; 2) Gerald Chandler and Russell Lucas; negative, 1) Jim Widenhouse and James Cook; 2) Coy Eaves and Wade Euliss.

This is Elon's second participation in the tournament since the war. Elon students last year took first place in several of the contests.

Students Give Blood

Three members of the SCA last Tuesday traveled to Greensboro to give blood to J. H. Farmer, 80-year-old resident of Elon College, who has been ill for more than six months. The students are: Gray Hackney, Muril Hughes, Ray Strader and Todd Ferneyhough.

Mr. Farmer is the father of Miss Josephine Farmer, a teacher at Elon high school. He is now in St. Leo's Hospital, Greensboro.

Dr. Jesse H. Dollar informed Todd Ferneyhough, SCA president, of Mr. Farmer's condition last Tuesday morning. Within half an hour, Ferneyhough says, he had the volunteers, and they left for Greensboro with Dr. Dollar at 2 o'clock that afternoon.

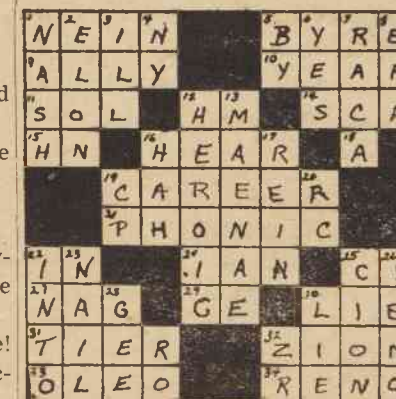
Tidbits

"If you were my husband, I'd give you poison."

"If you were my wife I'd take it."

Sister: "He's so romantic. Every time he speaks to me he starts. 'Fair Lady.'"

Brother: "Romantic, my eye! He used to be a streetcar conductor."



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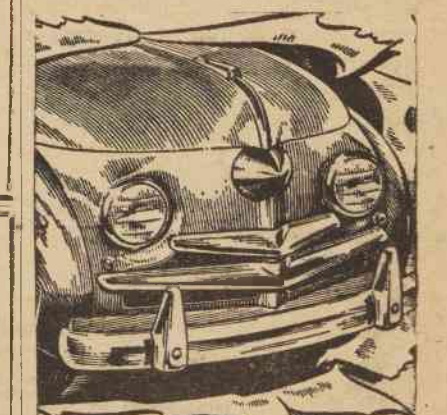
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