

Elon Plans Sixty-First Annual Commencement

Messick Sportsmanship Trophy Given To Elon

The John D. Messick Sportsmanship Trophy, awarded annually to the college in the North State Conference which displays the best sportsmanship during the school year, will rest on the Elon College campus for the coming year.

The sportsmanship award was given to Elon by vote of student government representatives of the other colleges in the Conference at a meeting held at East Carolina last Saturday, and the trophy itself was delivered to Dean D. J. Bowden here late that night by Wayne Shelton and Doug Holbrook, student government officials from High Point College.

The award really embraces two trophy cups, for the principal award is a huge gold cup, which is to be engraved with the name of the winning college and the year and which remains in the possession of the winning school for twelve months, or until it is awarded again. The second cup is a smaller replica of the big trophy, and the smaller award remains the permanent possession of the winning institution.

The Messick trophy for sportsmanship was first given in 1937 by Dr. John D. Messick, who is president of East Carolina College, and by last year the original cup was filled with the names of winning colleges. The student government officials of the Henderson schools, in a meeting held at Hickory last December, voted to purchase a new trophy for future awards and to retire the old trophy to the school which had won it the most times.

The group also provided at its Hickory meeting that the award should be decided for this year at the spring meeting of the North State Student Association at East Carolina. Points considered in awarding the trophy were set up to include pre-game sportsmanship of students of the competing schools, sportsmanship on the field and in the stands, manner of reception of visiting teams, conduct of teams when visiting other colleges.

SCA Plans New Program At Meeting

Evelyn Booth, of Roanoke, Va., is the new president of the Student Christian Association for the coming year, having been named to the post at the annual election. Other officers chosen include Phillip Mann, of Cypress Chapel, Va., vice-president; Ernestine Bridges, of Lawndale, secretary; and Roger Phelps, of Fort Smith, Ark., treasurer.

Charles Joyner, of Zuni, Va., was named publicity chairman. Other leaders named included Sam Nelson, of La Grange, Ga., and Laverne Brady, of Robbins, committee on religious life; John Truitt, of Elon College, and Pat Gates, of Roanoke, Va., committee on campus affairs; and Max Vestal, of Asheboro, and Virginia Fernigan, of Godwin, committee on citizenship.

These SCA leaders and leaders from other phases of student life met at Gant's Cabin on May 9th for a workshop outing, at which they planned the SCA role in the freshman orientation program.

EXAMS TO START TUESDAY, MAY 22

Final examinations for the spring quarter will get underway on Tuesday afternoon of next week, according to the schedule released from Dean Bowden's office. The tests will continue through a four-day period, which ends on Friday, May 25th. All exams are set for 9 o'clock in the morning and 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

The examinations for all regular afternoon classes will be given on Tuesday afternoon, followed by all 11:30 morning classes Wednesday morning, all 8 o'clock classes on Wednesday afternoon, all 9 o'clock classes Thursday morning, all 10:30 classes Thursday afternoon and all 11:30 classes except senior groups Friday morning.

Dance Is Planned For Senior Class

The Senior Class of 1951 will be honored at a dance to be given at the Alumni Memorial Gymnasium on Friday evening, May 25th, according to invitations which were received here last week.

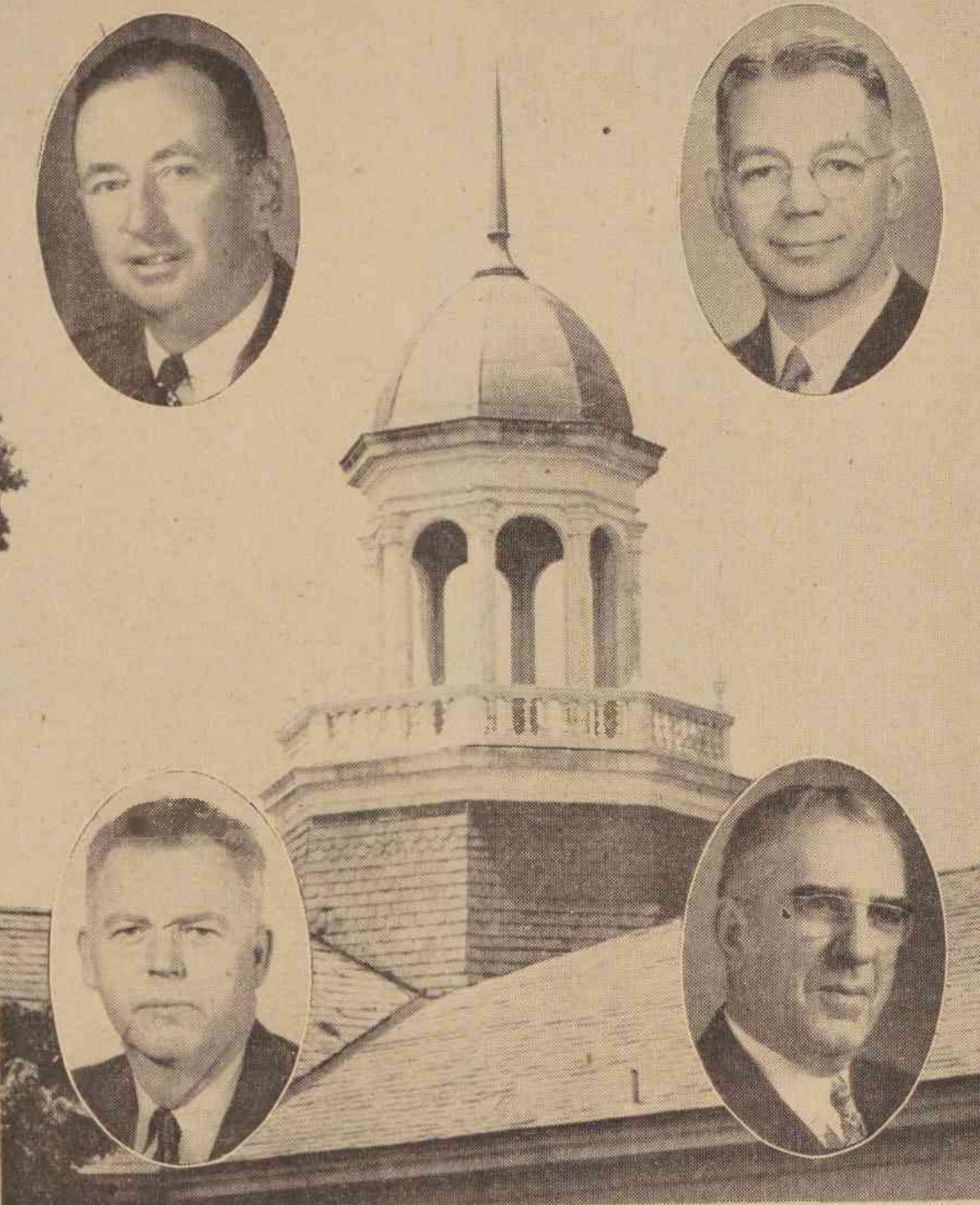
The invitations read: "The President and Trustees of Elon College request the pleasure of your company at the Senior Dance in honor of the Graduating Class of nineteen hundred and fifty-one on Friday evening, the twenty-fifth of May at half after eight o'clock. The Alumni Memorial Gymnasium. Formal."

This dance will mark the formal opening of the 1951 commencement season, since it will be followed on Saturday by the regular Alumni Day program. Members of the faculty and many alumni are expected to attend the dance along with the seniors.

Another large class is slated to receive diplomas and degrees in the graduation exercises scheduled for Monday, May 28th, which will conclude Elon's sixty-first commencement. A tentative list of graduates, released from the registrar's office, includes 140 names, but this list is subject to revision and cannot be regarded as the final.

The senior roll, as listed by Prof. A. L. Hook, includes the following:
Sheffield Abell, Yanceyville.
Maxine A. Lindley, Burlington.
Fred Allred, Ramseur.
Clinton Anderson, Elon College.
Robert Anderson, Burlington.
Jack Andrews, McLeansville.
Dwight Apple, Henderson.
Staley Avent, Burlington.
Shirley Baker, Burlington.
Samuel Barber, Elon College.
John Barefoot, Benson.
Pearl Bendall, Reidsville.
Dallas Berry, S. Norfolk, Va.
Roy Berry, Elon College.
Charles Bishop, Walnut Cove.
Edward Bjerk, Burlington.
Henry Borneman, Wilmington.
James Bowen, Burlington.
James Bowman, Elon College.
Walter Boyd, Patrick Spgs, Va.
Archie Brigman, Rowland.
Clarence Brown, Burlington.
Hughes Buckner, Elon College.
Wallace Burke, Burlington.

EMINENT SPEAKERS FEATURE THREE-DAY PROGRAM



The speakers who will keynote the sixty-first annual commencement program for Elon College are shown above, portrayed about the graceful spire of the Alamance Building, which points upward in symbol of Elon's hopes for higher attainments. The speakers are Honorable J. Spencer Love, of Greensboro and Washington, D. C. (upper left), chairman of the board of directors of the Burlington Mills Corporation, who will deliver the baccalaureate address at the graduation exercises on Monday, May 28th; Dr. Albert J. Penner, of New York City (upper right), pastor of Manhattan's historic Broadway Temple, who will preach the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday morning, May 27th; and Dr. T. E. Powell, of Elon College (lower left), eminent biologist and member of the Class of 1919, who will deliver the alumni address at the annual Alumni Banquet on Saturday evening, May 26th. Dr. Leon E. Smith, president of Elon College (lower right), will guide the college through its 1951 commencement program.

Final Program Is Set For Monday, May 28th

ELON GRADUATES TO HOLD REUNIONS

Seven Elon College classes are scheduled to hold reunions at the annual Alumni Day exercises on Saturday, May 26th. They are the classes that graduated in 1891, 1901, 1911, 1921, 1926, 1931 and 1941, and Alumni Secretary James F. Darden is hoping for large delegations from several of these classes.

Two of three members of the Class of 1891 are still living sixty years after graduation. They are Nathaniel G. Newman, of Windsor, Va., and Herbert Scholz, of Macon, N. C., but it is doubtful whether either can attend. Several of the younger classes are making plans for special gatherings as part of the Alumni Day festivities.

Deadline Delayed For Draft Tests

The deadline for applications to take the forthcoming Selective Service College Qualification Tests has been extended to Friday, May 25th, according to an announcement received this week by Dean D. J. Bowden. The previous information from the Educational Testing Service had specified Tuesday of this week as the deadline for such applications. The statement regarding the new deadline revealed, however, that no further applicants can take the examination on May 26th.

The applications must now be in the hands of the Educational Testing Service, Princeton, N. J., by May 25th, for the tests given June 16th, June 30th and July 12th.

The sixty-first annual session of Elon College will come to a close with a three-day commencement program, which gets underway with Alumni Day on Saturday, May 26th, and closes with the graduation ceremonies on Monday morning, May 28th.

The senior class and alumni will be honored on Friday evening, May 25th, at a dance, which sets the stage for the regular Alumni Day gatherings on Saturday. The Saturday program opens at noon with a luncheon on the shores of Kyker Lake, gift to the college from W. B. Kyker, Reidsville contractor. The lake will be formally dedicated at that time.

Alumni meetings are planned for the afternoon that day, with a reception on the campus for seniors and alumni at 6 o'clock in the afternoon. Dr. T. E. Powell, of Elon College, member of the Class of 1919, will deliver the alumni oration at the banquet, which is scheduled for 7 o'clock. The annual "outstanding alumni" award will also be made at that time.

Dr. Albert J. Penner, of New York City, pastor of the Broadway Tabernacle, historical Congregational church in the heart of Manhattan, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon in Whitley Auditorium at 11:30 o'clock on Sunday morning, May 27th. The Elon Choir will present its annual vesper recital at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon, and that evening at 8:30 o'clock the Elon Singers will offer a dramatization of Mendelssohn's great oratorio, "Elijah." The commencement program will be climaxed on Monday morning, May 28th, by the annual graduation exercises, when the college will confer degrees upon 140 seniors. The address upon this occasion will be by the Honorable J. Spencer Love, chairman of the board of directors of the Burlington Mills Corporation, who has been an outstanding figure in American textile and business circles for more than a quarter of a century. Mr. Love, who is a former resident of Burlington, is now a resident of both Greensboro and Washington, D. C.

SENIOR ROLL IS ANNOUNCED BY REGISTRAR

Edward Burkhead, Asheboro.
James Byrns, Burlington.
Joseph Burn, Elon College.
G. C. Costelloe, Aulander.
Jack Castle, Schoolfield, Va.
James Cates, Burlington.
Ira Chrismon, Brown Summit.
Lela Coletrane, Raleigh.
Frank Copeland, Elon College.
Wilbur Crowder, Elon College.
Myrton Daniel, Durham.
William Davis, Washington, D.C.
Samuel Duncan, Elon College.
Sara F. Dodson, Elon College.
Jane Dougherty, Newark, N. J.
William Duncan, Greensboro.
John Efrid, Burlington.
John Faust, Elon College.
William Foley, Leaksville.
Hal Foster, Burlington.
Melva Foster, Greensboro.
Arthur Fowler, Erwin.
Harry Frazier, Elon College.
Richard Gabriel, Cincinnati, O.
William Gabriel, Mount Mourne.
Lacy Gane, Bryn Mawr, Pa.
Becky Garrison, Burlington.
Edna D. Garrison, Burlington.
Flora Gilbert, Dunn.
Theron Gilliam, Elon College.
Albert Gravett, S. Boston, Va.
Edward Gray, Haw River.
Ronald Grinstead, Blanche.
Zeda Grogan, Leaksville.
James Hall, Burlington.
William Harper, Henderson.
Jean Harris, Roseboro.
William Harris, New Holland.

James Hayes, Greenville, S. C.
Hunt Hedrick, Burlington.
Morris Herring, Roseboro.

SENIOR PRESIDENT



Art Fowler, of Erwin, is the president of the senior class of 1951 and has guided the class through a highly successful year. An outstanding student leader throughout his college years, Fowler was also president of his class as a sophomore and was student body president as a junior.

Doris Hinton, Burlington.
William Hook, Prospect Hill.
Jane Hopkins, Hampton, Va.
Leroy Howell, Chuckatuck, Va.
Elna Doris Huey, Elon College.
Muriel Hughes, Brown Summit.
Eugene Johnson, Newport News.
Martha Ellen Johnson, Graham.
James Jones, Bolton.
Wayne Keek, Burlington.
Maxine King, Burlington.
William Kivett, Burlington.
Bland Leebrick, Lynchburg, Va.
Elwood Leviner, Burlington.
Evelyn Lloyd, Schoolfield, Va.
Ralph Love, Prospect Hill.
Billy Love, Burlington.
David Love, Burlington.
James Loy, Burlington.
Francis Martin, Fieldale, Va.
Cary Matlock, Elon College.
Larry McCauley, Burlington.
Malcolm McCracken, Sanford.
Ray McKenzie, Gibsonville.
Alva Minor, Burlington.
Billy Mittelstadt, Reidsville.
Sarah Moize, Burlington.
Clement Moser, Burlington.
Frank Moses, Davenport, Iowa.
Billy Nell, Burlington.
Bryce Nease, Graham.
Robert Oldham, Erwin.
Nash Parker, Elon College.
George Patterson, Burlington.
Richard Petrey, Washington, D. C.
Virginia Pla, Baldwin, N. Y.
William Pugh, Graham.
Virginia Rebick, Suffolk, Va.

David Richards, Portsmouth, Va.
Wm. Rodgers, Schoolfield, Va.
Clenon Russell, Graham.
Laverne Russell, Graham.
Fred Sahlmann, Charleston, S.C.
Hedy Scoggins, Gibsonville.
Ray Matlock, Snow Camp.
Geo. Shackelford, N'port News.
Mildred Sharpe, Burlington.
Dolly F. Shaw, Burlington.
Rodney Sutherland, Mt. Olive.
John Spirko, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.
Lawrence Sykes, Burlington.
Tessie Taylor, Reidsville.
Alvin Terzino, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.
Elmer Thomas, Burlington.
Marian Tickle, Burlington.
William Tolley, Lynchburg, Va.
Phyllis Tucker, Kannapolis.
Marian Turk, Tifton, Ga.
Jane Upchurch, Durham.
John Vance, Mason City, Iowa.
Paul Varga, Prince George, Va.
Dwight Wall, Elon College.
Arnold Ward, Burlington.
Francis Waters, Elon College.
Edward Watkins, Onancock, Va.
A. R. Wester, Broadway.
Fleetwood White, Kenly.
Rob't Whitmore, Virginina, Va.
David Wicker, Burlington.
William Winstead, Roxboro.
Graham Womack, Sanford.
Wynona Womack, Sanford.
Worth Womble, Norfolk, Va.
Carl Woods, Durham.
Rob't Wright, Springfield, Mass.

Elon Players Plan Banquet Friday Night

Winding up a busy year in a final session, the Elon Players convened on Monday, May 7th, for the purpose of electing officers and making plans for their annual banquet.

The new officers are Ed Engles, president; Bob Walker, vice-president; Billy Greene, secretary; and Joe Brankley, treasurer. It was also decided at the meeting to hold the annual banquet at the Alamance Hotel in Burlington at 7 o'clock on Friday night, May 18th. Awards will be presented at that time to outstanding members of the organization. One award will go to the best male leading role, one to the best female lead and one each to male and female supporting roles.

Decision as to recipients of these awards lies in the hands of a special committee, including Dr. James Howell, Dr. Richard Haff and Prof. John F. West, who will be present as guests at the banquet.