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EASTER COMETH

The coming of the Easter season brings to our minds thoughts of the resurrection. Easter is a very different day. On this day we are reminded of the glorious fact of the resurrection. Failure to realize this fact obviously means a low level of Christian living.

The Apostle Paul says of Jesus Christ, "Declared to be the Son of God with power by the resurrection from the dead." The hymn writer has penned these words about the mightiest miracle recorded in the Bible:

"Death could not hold her prey,
Jesus my Saviour.
He tore the bars away,
Jesus my Lord."
"Up from the grave He arose,
In mighty triumph o'er His foes,
He arose a victor from the dark domain,
And he lives for ever with His saints to reign."

In honor of the occasion which is about to be observed, we urge recognition of this fact which can lead to an abundant life in Christ.—WAGGONER

FOR THE GOOD OF ALL

Two definite projects have been initiated recently on the Elon campus, each designed for the good of all concerned, one of them a plan for the systematic seating of students in chapel and the other a new regulation to improve the system of parking cars on the campus.

There are two very definite advantages seen at once to the new plan of seating students in chapel. In the first place it will speed the checking of chapel attendance to have each class and each student seated in a definite place each day, and in the second place it speeds the clearing of the building at the end of chapel services.

Crowded parking conditions have long been a problem for both students and faculty members, and the new regulations should solve the problem for both. Removal of all cars from around the shrubbery north of Alamance will increase safety, and provision of a parking space for faculty and staff members will be a great convenience.

There was noticeable improvement in the parking for a few days, but more recently there has been evidence of lack of observance, with student cars in the restricted places. Certainly, the parking plan, as well as the new chapel seating, merits complete cooperation of all.—WAGGONER

ODE TO THE TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR

The typographical error is
A slippery thing and sly;
You can hunt it 'till you're dizzy,
But it somehow will get by.
'Till the paper is all printed
It is strange how still it keeps;
It shrinks down in a corner,
And it never stirs or peeps.
That typographical error,
Is too small for human eyes,
'Till the ink is on the paper,
When it grows to mountain size.
The editor stares with horror,
Then he grabs his hair and groans;
The copyreader drops his head
Upon his hands and moans.
The remainder of the issue
May be clean as clean can be,
But the typographical error
Is the only thing you see!

—CLIPPED



jottings from here and there

By JAMES WAGGONER

FIGURE IT OUT FOR YOURSELF

Someone has sent me a poem that has possibly passed from hand to hand for many moons. Its original author is unknown, yet what he has to say should be read by everyone. The poem is entitled "Figure It Out For Yourself" and it reads:

Figure it out for yourself;
You've all that the greatest have had;
Two arms, two hands, two legs, two eyes,
And a brain to use if you would be wise.
With this equipment they all began—
So start from the top and say, "I can."
Look them over, the wise and the great,
They take their food from a common plate.

And similar knives and forks they use,
With similar laces they tie their shoes;
The world considers them brave and smart,

But you've all they had when they made their start.

You are the handicap you must face,
You are the one who must choose your place.

You must say where you want to go,
How much you will study the truth to know;

God has equipped you for life, but He

Lets you decide what you want to be.

Courage must come from the soul within

You must furnish the will to win.

So figure it out for yourself,

You were born with all that the great

have had;

With your equipment they all began,

Get hold of yourself and say, "I can."

This unknown author has pointed a great moral for us all. The important thing in this day and time is the fact that we have an opportunity to do everything we want with ease and comfort.

How many of our ancestors had the opportunity of an education such as ours? How many of our parents had the modern conveniences that we have set before us?

A noted columnist has well said: "Today's graduates are practically assured of good jobs. The big corporations send representatives to the colleges and vie with one another in trying to hire the most promising. Starting salaries are fabulous as compared with my youth. Since the corporations can expand only as fast as they can develop new executive talent, promotions have to be faster, which means that the chances for the bright and able were never so good as now."

Leo Bennett, who writes pertinent bits of inspiration on practical, buoyant living, has well said in his comments entitled "One Step at a Time." "One of the chief reasons why we accomplish little is that we are so impatient to achieve results that we forget the only possible manner in which worthy attainments can accrue. We try to leap into the middle of next year or next month or next week, forgetting that standing in the way is a little matter of twenty-four hours in each day, seven days in the week, four weeks in a month, and twelve months in a year. Time goes by rapidly enough without our trying to hasten its flight.

'We would think him crazy should a carpenter offer to build a house instantaneously—without sawing and fitting boards, without driving nails, without going to special pains to set up a firm foundation. But in our own living, we attempt to throw life together without plan or purpose, and the only possible result we can have is a hodgepodge. We can never build a house of life without fitting the boards of character, driving the nails of purpose, installing the windows of understanding, and putting in the floors of faith.

"One step is all we can take at a time. We should stop occasionally to watch the old clock, busily ticking on the wall. It piles up the hours, days, months, years, and centuries—but it does it all by paying attention to the seconds and the minutes as they come and go.

"If we try to swallow a whole pie at one gulp, we shall choke; and if we attempt to live all of life in one instant, we shall become nauseated with its intensity.

One step at a time is all we can take, even though we have every thing and more than those in the past.

DISCUSSING PLANS FOR OFFICE OBSERVATION TOUR



Prof. Thomas R. Fox, of the Department of Business Education, is pictured seated above as he discusses with leaders of Beta Chi Epsilon the plans for tomorrow's visits of observation and inspection to professional and business offices in Burlington. The girls, left to right, are Pat Chrismon, of Reidsville; Jane Williamson, of Burlington; Jayne Jones, of Burlington; Mary Anne McVey, of Burlington; Judy Clark, of Durham; and Louise Hughes, of Greensboro.

Getting Pre-Vue Of Jobs Ahead . . .

Commercial Group Visits Burlington

By JAMES WAGGONER

The students of Elon's Department of Business Education will pay their annual visit of inspection to professional and business offices in Burlington tomorrow, a practice which is sponsored by Prof. Thomas R. Fox to enable the future secretarial workers to get an idea of what they will encounter when they accept jobs at the conclusion of their training.

This pre-view of business conditions is in keeping with the policies of Elon's Business Education department, which has spared no effort to strengthen its courses, enlarge its facilities and provide more commodious and comfortable quarters. Each year some new factor is added to make the program stronger and more efficient.

The department now offers both one-year and two-year commercial courses and a one-year clerical course that is designed especially for boys. There is also a four-year course designed for students who plan to teach business education in high schools, business colleges and regular colleges.

The department looks eagerly forward to greater achievements,

and every year it seeks to add some new factor to make it stronger and more efficient. Its increased patronage, coupled with the demands made upon it for college-trained secretaries and commercial teachers, has rendered it deeply sensible of its obligations and responsibilities to the public.

On last Tuesday of this week two girls, a dorm student and a day student, went to Burlington and located thirty-five different offices, each of them being in a different field of business. Included were offices in medical, legal, textile, insurance, radio and mercantile establishments.

After they had arranged with the respective offices, they returned to the college with a list of those consenting to permit students to observe. Then each girl was assigned an office of the type in which she believed that she would be most interested in working.

Tomorrow each of the thirty-five girls will go to Burlington for all-day observation. As a rule the employer will talk to the girl about the type of business to be observed. If possible the girl will be

taken on a tour of the building and then returned to the present secretary whom she will observe.

The secretary will then outline her various duties and activities; she will also explain the policies of the company. Through observation the student will learn the responsibilities of the secretary in the particular office.

The girls have been asked to observe the types of machines used, the conditions of the machines, and the physical layout of the office. They will check on the air conditioning, the lighting, the general atmosphere and the relationship between the secretary and her employer. Besides these they will check the typewriter to see whether it is clean and well-cared for. They will even check the wastebasket to see if the paper is being disposed of properly, for by the way, there is a proper way to throw away paper.

The purposes of the day of observation are to acquaint the students with the office procedure and to help them to decide whether or not they would ever want to work in an office of that type.

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The Quidnunc

By GARY THOMPSON



question. Are we still in grammar school?

Via The Grape Vine

Sylvia Eaton is engaged to be wed on May 29th. Has anyone noticed the 3-carat rock she carries on one of her digits? . . . The "Stardust" dance of the Frosh-Soph classes was a success. Suggestion: How about some tables for the next dance? . . . Clyde (Juice) Boswell scheduled to display his terpsichorean talents in a local stage production soon. Don't miss the Mambo Man . . . Marion Lorimer was the winner of the "Miss Burlington" contest. This summer she will be entered in the "Miss North Carolina" extravaganza. Kathleen McDonald placed second . . . Comment by Jerry (Comrade) Moize: "Hope Election Day is not a windy one, and I'll stay and play." . . . Plans for a big May Day are underway . . . Intramural softball will begin soon . . . Sigma Phi Beta's annual spring banquet will be held May 14th . . . April 29th is the date set for the gathering of Delta Upsilon Kappa . . . Wanted by Rocky Howard: One frat membership . . . A wishful thought: Square Edmunds buying a pack of cagarettes . . . Deac Andy Griffith is a top contemporary of TV's George Gobel . . .

under the direction of Professor Cox. It will be "The Imaginary Invalid." . . . Beta Chi Epsilon enjoying one of its best years. Having received coats and pins, the girls of BXE presented the best of the Student Union dances. These girls are now looking to a big banquet soon to end their season . . . It was my pleasure to introduce the Rev. Gene Owens to the student body this morning . . . I like this one

I WONDER

I wonder, I wonder
If anyone knows
On a cloudy day
Where the sun goes.
I've been told it chooses
The queerest of places—
The hearts of good children—
And shines on their faces;
On their lips it lingers,
A loving smile.
In their eyes it dances
All the while.

Culture For Everyone—A Scotsman had to send an urgent telegram and, not wishing to spend more money than necessary, wrote like this: "Bruises hurt erased afford erected analysis hut too infectious dead." The other Scotsman who received the message immediately decided it was "Bruce is hurt. He raced a Ford. He wrecked it, and Alice is hurt too. In fact she's dead." . . . That's it for now!

curley's campus chatter

By CHARLIE OATES



This is spring, and 'tis a season of fascinating characteristics, although it is one of laborious tasks. Social affairs, class projects, work outlines and campus activities are multiplied as we work through the Spring Quarter and toward the annual commencement period.

Observing our surroundings, we notice that spring has finally won the battle of existence after its long struggle and taken over control from winter, and it brings us a bit of spring fever.

The fresh spring atmosphere is inviting and ideal for trips, baseball and other outdoor sports, but let us not allow it to lessen our attention to campus activities or cause us to put less time on our academic work. It is a period that involves conflict within each of us as an individual, for there are numerous decisions confronting us in the budgeting of our time to social activities and studies.

It is all too easy to become practically dormant during this spring season with its sleep-easy weather, but each of us must remember that it is also the final session of the college year. In considering this, it is well to remember there is ample time to exert the necessary effort to attain the scholastic rating we have coveted.

This is also the Easter season, and almost twenty centuries after the great event that brought the observance we can still see the faith of a human race revived each year. It is distinguishable in the Easter pageants in both churches and schools and the special Easter services that spring to life all around us.

The Easter story, revived each year with its account of the resurrection, is more fascinating and richer in meaning each time it is heard or seen dramatized. Here on our own campus religious activities will include a special sunrise service next Sunday morning as a significant follow-up to other Holy Week programs.

Football, basketball and now baseball . . . the season got off to a flying and successful start with our old rivals from Guilford . . . Congrats to Tommie McDonald, who won first place in the Horace Heidt talent show . . . His vocalizing brought a loud round of applause from the Woman's College auditorium, in which he performed . . . Thanks to Curtis Young for his contribution to this column in the last issue . . . Coach Mathis introduced a highly entertaining speaker to the student body on March 23rd in the person of "Bones" McKinney, the former basketball star who is now a minister . . . What did happen to the Honor System? . . . Wonder what everyone is saying about the new chapel seating arrangement? . . . At least 'twould clear the building more quickly if there were a fire . . . "Quidnunc" Thompson is engaged and plans to make that fatal step this summer, according to an announcement made to a raft of people at the Plantation.

I offer you this story of journalistic experience which Bennett Cerf likes to tell. Cerf recalls Gene Fowler's classic account of the execution of Ruth Snyder and Judd Gray, which appeared originally in the New York American and in hundreds of other newspapers throughout the country, including a small daily in a town in West Texas which we shall call Durnell. The managing editor of that paper spread the story over the front page. His staff consisted of one lone cub who was so impressed with Fowler's story that he cut it out and put it in his scrapbook.

Several years passed, and a murder was committed near Durnell. The guilty man was caught, and the cub reporter was assigned to the case. The cub made the acquaintance of the murderer in his cell and won the murderer's friendship to the extent that, at the murderer's request, the youngster was assigned to cover the execution which occurred in a town which we shall call Buntsville.

The night the execution story by the cub writer came over the wire, the managing editor read the first portion and said to himself, "This sounds familiar." Before he finished the yarn, he realized that the cub had lifted bodily Gene Fowler's story of the execution of Ruth Snyder and Judd Gray and had substituted the name of the Texas murderer.

Now there's where we fool you. The editor did not kill the story. He decided that nobody would remember Gene Fowler's story, so he spread the cub's story all over the paper. He was right. Nobody did remember Fowler's story, and least of all the owner of the paper, who arrived at the office the next day, read the young reporter's story and liked it so well that he fired the managing editor and made the cub managing editor in his place.