

## Plans Are Set For Annual Homecoming Events

### Gigantic Parade Planned For Saturday Afternoon

#### PARADE MARSHALL



DALTON PARKER

Dalton Parker, of Suffolk, Va., is serving as chief marshal in charge of arrangements for Elon's annual Homecoming parade, which will traverse the streets of Burlington on Saturday afternoon as an outstanding feature of the festivities for the returning alumni.

### Elon Student Body From Varied Points

Sixteen states and five foreign countries are represented among the students of Elon College for the 1955-56 term, according to a survey made in the office of Miss Hazel Walker, college registrar. The survey includes both day-time and evening students.

As is to be expected, the overwhelming majority of the Elon students come from North Carolina, and the same survey reveals that no less than 45 of the 100 Tar Heel counties have students attending the college this fall.

Reported in actual figures and percentages, Elon has 949 students registered from North Carolina, a figure which represents 85 per cent of the entire group. There are 615 students reported from Alamance County, amounting to 65 per cent of the total registration.

Next largest state group of Elon students are the 85 who come from Virginia. Other states with more than one student are Pennsylvania with 25, South Carolina and New York with 13, Connecticut with 7, New Jersey with 4, Maryland with 3 and Indiana with 2. Single students are listed from Delaware, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, New Hampshire, Ohio, and Wisconsin.

The five foreign countries represented on the Elon campus, with the number of students listed from each, are Korea with 4, Jordan with 2, India with 2 and Japan and Pakistan with 1 each.

In addition to Alamance County with its 615 students at Elon, eight other North Carolina counties have ten or more representatives listed. They are Guilford with 81, Rockingham with 68, Randolph with 26, Durham with 19, Person with 16, Orange with 15, Vance with 13 and Chatham with 10.

Twelve other Tar Heel counties have from two to ten students on the list. They are Cumberland, Lee, Moore and Wake, with 6; Davidson and Granville, with 4; Burke, Columbus and Harnett, with 3; and New Hanover, Rutherford and Surry, with 2 each.

There are 22 North Carolina counties represented by one Elon student.

### WILL RULE OVER ELON HOMECOMING



Her Majesty, The Queen

Ruling as Homecoming Queen over the annual autumn festival, which will be staged on the Elon campus this weekend, will be Barbara Carder, a senior from Burlington, who was chosen for the honor by student ballot in a special election earlier this fall. The queen, pictured above, will have Ann Dula, sophomore girl from Durham, as her Maid-of-Honor. The queen will be crowned in special intermission ceremonies at the annual Homecoming Ball in Alumni Memorial Gymnasium on Friday night, and she and her court will be presented at the half-time of the Elon-Western Carolina football game on Saturday night.

### Recruitment Of Ministers Is Topic For Church Meet Held At Moonelon

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The need for new recruits in the Congregational Christian ministry was the subject of discussion at a two-day gathering of ministers and ministerial students, which was held at Moonelon last Wednesday and Thursday, October 19th and 20th.

Dr. H. S. Harcastle, of Chuckatuck, Va., chairman of the Southern Convention committee on the ministry, presided over the gatherings, which attracted sixty

ministers from North Carolina and Virginia. Forty-two of the group were Elon products.

Data for the discussions came from questionnaires previously solicited, upon which Dr. William T. Scott reported to the assembled ministers, who sought to determine best possible sources and methods for recruiting young ministers to fill the needs of the church.

A survey of those present revealed that 19 of the 60 were sons

of ministers, and partial results of the two-day study indicated that dominant influences in decisions for careers in the pulpit have been exerted by pastors and parents, with some instances of influence by either high school or college teachers.

In discussing the present status of ministers in the Southern Convention of Congregational Christian Churches, it was revealed that 133 ministers now in the conference (Continued on Page Four)

### Old Grads Invited Back To Campus For Weekend

What promises to be the outstanding weekend of the fall season and perhaps the top festive period of the entire college year will get underway on the Elon campus on Friday night, when the 1955 Homecoming observance begins with the annual Homecoming Ball.

Many old grads are expected back on the campus for the dance, which is set from 8 o'clock until midnight Friday in Alumni Memorial Gymnasium. Dancing will be to the tunes of Paul Zimmerman and his Orchestra.

The dance committee has designated a "Gay Nineties" theme for the Homecoming Ball this year, and the student decorating committee promises that the gym will be transformed into a colorful and festive scene for the dance.

An outstanding feature of the Friday night dance will be the coronation of Barbara Carder, of Burlington, as the Homecoming Queen. Her chief attendant will be Ann Dula, of Durham, who is Maid-of-Honor, and members of the royal court will include sponsors from many campus organizations. The Queen and her court will also be presented at half-time of the football game Saturday night.

A full day of activities has been set up for Saturday, with the alumni as the center of attention. A special committee of the old grads will judge the dormitory decorations at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, and there will be informal alumni get-togethers during the day.

The parade will claim chief attention early Saturday afternoon, but center of interest in the late afternoon will be a picnic supper at the Alumni Memorial Gym at 6 o'clock, to be followed immediately afterward by a huge pep rally.

Climax of the entire observance will be the annual Elon-Western Carolina grid battle at Burlington Stadium at 8 o'clock Saturday night, and this will in turn be followed by the usual informal after-game dance in the Student Union to close out the weekend festivities.

#### DIRECTS EVENT



MRS. RUTH BOYD

Heading up the plans for the annual Homecoming observance on the campus this weekend is Mrs. Ruth Boyd, secretary of Elon's General Alumni Association, who reports fine cooperation from the various student committees who have been working on phases of the weekend program.

### Greeks List Pledges On 'Bid Night'

Climaxing the autumn rushing season for Greek-letter groups on the Elon College campus, thirty-five Elon students were pledged to fraternities and sororities in the annual fall "Bid Night" ceremonies held on Saturday night, October 15th.

The list of pledges included 20 boys and 15 girls. Delta Upsilon Kappa led the sororities with ten new pledges, while Iota Tau Kappa led the fraternities with eight new members.

The pledge lists follow, with the fraternities listed in alphabetical order, followed by the sororities in the same order:

ALPHA PI DELTA — Bob Bennett, Elkton, Va.; and Paul Heath, Elon College.

IOTA TAU KAPPA — Richard Bradham, Sumter, S.C.; Tom Hewitt, Jacksonville; Jerry Holt, Graham; Bobby Rakes, Fieldale, Va.; Bobby Sharpe, Burlington; Tom Shepperdson, Danville, Pa.; Bob Stauffenberg, Morea, Pa.; and Jack Sutton, Burlington.

KAPPA PSI NU — Doc Alston, Reidsville; John Carver, Suffolk, Va.; Al Hassell, Durham; Leslie Johnston, Holland, Va.; Bob Rickover, New York City; David Sapp, Kernersville; and Leigh Wills, Suffolk, Va.

SIGMA PHI BETA — Ashburn Kirby, Norfolk, Va.; Bob Ruggeri, Clark Township, N.J.; and Glenn Varney, Powell, Pa.

BETA OMICRON BETA — Shirley Sharpe, Wilmington.

DELTA UPSILON KAPPA — Pat Christmon, Reidsville; Judy Clark, Durham; Janet Crabtree, Durham; Betty DeLancey, Reidsville; Betty Franks, Elon College; Sylvia Grady, Durham; Gaye Johnson, Dunn; Shirley Sorrell, Durham; Shirley Story, Franklin, Va.; and Jackie Williamson, Townsville.

PI KAPPA TAU — Patty Kittinger, Burlington.

TAU ZETA PHI — Jeannette Hassell, Durham; Glenda Hayes, Graham; and Kathryn Lambert, Bennett. The name of Marie Weldon, of Louisburg, was unintentionally omitted from the list of active members of Tau Zeta Phi two weeks ago.

### Players Polish Production For Season's First Show

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With less than ten days remaining before the curtain rises on their first show of the new stage season, the Elon Players are busy polishing up their new production of Francis Swann's Broadway comedy, "Out of the Frying Pan," which will be staged in Mooney Auditorium for five nights, beginning Tuesday, November 8th.

After the rather heavy type plays presented by the Players last year, the student dramatists are turning back this fall to the realm of farce comedy, and Prof. M. E. Wooten has assembled a talented cast for the presentation that appears quite certain to delight its campus audiences with one mirth-provoking situation after another.

"Out of the Frying Pan" tells of the trials and tribulations of six would-be stage folk who, by economic necessity, have been driven into a communal life in one apartment. Out of this over-all situation many moments of high comedy evolve.

Margaret Sharpe, Chuck Oakley, Dorothy Perkins, Leslie Johnston, Jennie Keck and Roger Rush make up the stage-struck sixsome, whose trials and troubles really make the show, and they soon enlist the whole-hearted interest of

the audience as they seek to impress the Broadway theatrical producer, who dwells just beneath them in another apartment.

In supporting roles which give plenty of opportunity for talent the audience will see Dotty Apple, as the landlady for the six would-be thespians; Jane Davis, as a snippy acquaintance who brings down the wrath of an irate father upon them; Tom Lewis, as the irate father; Bill Watson, as the theatrical producer, whose life the sextet complicates; and Donald Howell and Eugene Harrell, as Mac and Joe, two not-so-bright officers of the law.

It's just one hilariously funny situation after another as the young couples progress along their somewhat irregular road to theatrical fame and fortune, and theatre-goers who plan to view this first Elon Player show of the year may well bring along a few extra buttons, for advance notices say that laughter of the button-bursting variety can be expected.

The stage crew, working overtime in preparation for the show, is preparing a new set of scenery and props for the production; and Prof. Wooten, in his first season as dramatic director here, states that a special ticket sale is planned in an effort to fill Mooney

#### BIRTHDAY



DR. LEON E. SMITH

Dr. Leon E. Smith, E. Smith, Elon's president, had a birthday yesterday, the first of two important anniversaries that fall within a week each autumn. He was receiving felicitations and good wishes for the birthday, but congratulations will be in order again next Tuesday, November 1st, which will mark the beginning of Dr. Smith's twenty-fifth year as president of the college. He began his long service to Elon on November 1, 1931. The present college year will complete a full quarter century at the head of the school.

### Campus Groups Announce Sponsors For Homecoming

Serving as ladies of the court for Elon's Homecoming Queen this weekend will be a bevy of beautiful girls, who will appear as sponsors for more than twenty campus organizations in the festive events that are scheduled for Friday and Saturday.

The sponsors who will represent the four classes, the dormitories and various student organizations, will attend the Queen at the coronation ceremonies during intermission of the dance on Friday night. They will also ride in the parade on Saturday and will be presented again at half-time of the football game on Saturday night.

Organizations participating and their sponsors are listed below. Not all names of escorts were available at this time, so they are omitted from the following list:

Senior Class—Patricia Jones, of Graham.

Junior Class—Jenny Keck, of Burlington.

Sophomore Class—Jane Davis, of Raleigh.

Freshman Class—Linda Simpson, of Elon College.

Day Students — Myrna Hockaday, of Burlington.

Alpha Pi Delta—Judith Clark, of Durham.

Iota Tau Kappa—Marlowe Matlock, of Yanceyville.

Kappa Psi Nu—Ann Puckett, of Burlington.

Sigma Phi Beta—Sylvia Grady, of Durham.

Sigma Mu Sigma — Margaret Patillo, of Burlington.

North Dorm — Pat Chrismon, of Reidsville.

South Dorm — Sue Hughes, of Burlington.

Club House—Jo Ann Atkinson, of Albemarle.

Carlton House — Evelyn Fritts, of Lexington.

Beta Chi Epsilon — Marquita Robertson, of Sandy Ridge.

East Dorm — Norie Luce, of Riverhead, N.Y.

Elon Choir — Shirley Cox, of Elon College.

Elon Players—Dorothy Perkins, of Roxboro.

French Club — Louan Lambeth, of Brown Summit.

Spanish Club — Martha Langley, of Staley.

Student Christian Association—Jean Coghill, of Henderson.

Home Ec Club—Marie Weldon, of Louisburg.

Ministerial Association — Harriett Talley, South Boston, Va.