

Elon To Hold Sixty-Sixth Annual Commencement

College To Conclude Year With Three-Day Program

Campus Actors Appearing In Shakespearean Comedy

Magic enchantment run rampant in Shakespeare's "The Tempest," which had its initial performance by the Elon Players in Mooney Chapel last night. The Players will repeat the play tonight and will also present it on Saturday night as the climax of the annual Alumni Day program of commencement weekend.

The Shakespearean comedy, which was presented against an unusual and stylized stage setting, features a special program of music typical of the period, arranged and played by Prof. Jonathan Sweet in the style of the harpsichord. The music is presented both as a prelude and during the play.

In the featured role of Prospero, right Duke of Milan, is William Watson, of Sanford, with Anne Stoddard, of Braintree, Mass., appearing as Miranda, the Duke's daughter. Other outstanding roles are by Prof. Clyde McCants, as Caliban, earthly spawn of devil and witch; Roger Rush, of Burlington, as Ariel, bird-like spirit made servant to Prospero; and Chuck Oakley, Prince of Naples, who shares the romantic interest.

Other members of the cast are William Walker, of Durham, as Antonio, usurper of the Dukedom of Milan; James Sheppard, of Haw River, as Alonso, King of Naples; John Meadows, of Jacksonville, a Sebastian, traitorous brother to Alonso; Orville Light, of Spray, as Gonzalo, a kindly lord; Lee Chaney, of Concord, as Trinculo, the jester; and Ben Barr, of Taftville, Conn., as Stephano, the drunken butler. There is also a chorus of eight dancing girls.

The play revolves about the experiences of Prospero and his daughter, cast ashore on a desert island after he loses his dukedom. While on the island Prospero's power as an enchanter, enables him to subdue Caliban, son of a witch, and Ariel, chief spirit of the air.

Plots and counter-plots ensue when Antonio, evil brother of Prospero, is blown ashore on the desert island with a group of friends, including the King of Naples and his traitorous brother and noble son. The happy ending comes when the noble Prince falls in love with Miranda and favorable breezes blow the entire party back to Italy. Adding much to the effect of the play is the stylized set, created under the direction of Bo Riddle, of Burlington.

Latham Speaks To Elon Group

James F. Latham, Burlington attorney, took "Pressure Groups" as a subject in addressing Dr. H. H. Cunningham's Elon College class in American National Government recently.

Dealing with the origins, objectives and tactics of pressure groups, Mr. Latham cited his own experiences while working in the national campaign headquarters of Adlai Stevenson in 1952 and also while associated with Senator W. Kerr Scott's campaign.

He pointed out the conflict of interest which sometimes confronts a legislative official as a result of costly campaigns for office, and he advanced the interesting idea the private contributions for campaign funds should be prohibited and that campaigns for national office should be financed by the government.

Players Name Stage Stars

Seven Elon College students were awarded trophies at the Elon Players' annual banquet on May 11th for outstanding work in student dramatic productions during the 1955-56 college year.

The campus "Oscars" for the best leading roles this year went to William Watson, of Sanford, for his performance as Ben Hubbard in "Little Foxes," and to Margaret Sharpe, of Bear Creek, for her role as Regina Giddens in the same production.

Also from the "Little Foxes" production were awards for major supporting roles to Eugene Marrell, of Suffolk, Va., who played the role of Horace Giddens, invalid husband of Regina; and to Helen Gilbert, of Burlington, who was the fluttery and timid Birdie Hubbard.

A fifth award to the "Little Foxes" cast was to Roger Rush, of Burlington, who played Lee Hubbard. This was for a minor supporting role. The other award for a minor supporting performance went to Dorothy Apple of Burlington, who was the landlady in "Out of the Frying Pan."

The "Oscar" for the best stage set design went to Norman Riddle, of Burlington, who designed and built the set for the play showing of "Dial M for Murder."

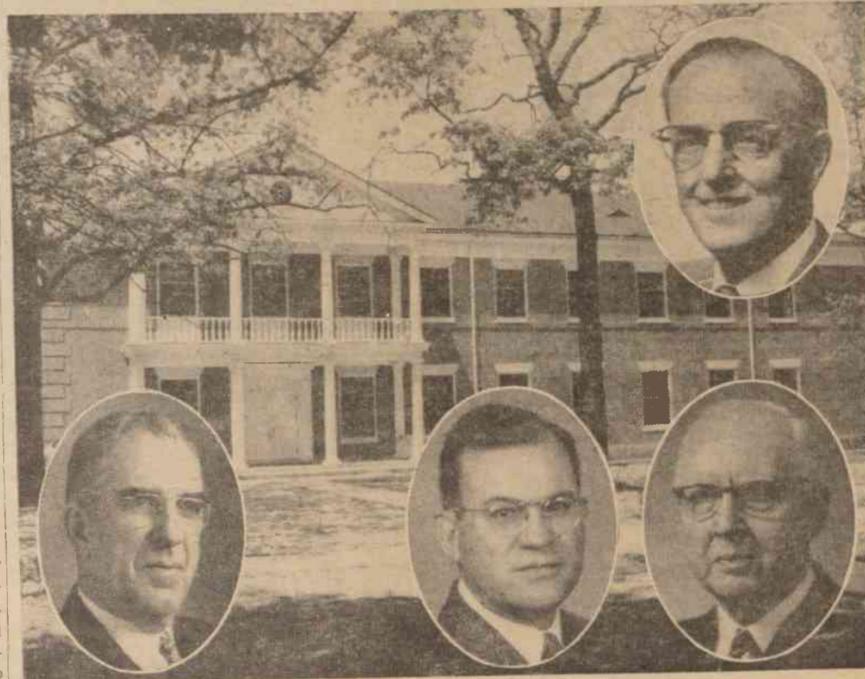
Sigma Mu Places Campus Lights

The Sigma Mu Sigma, campus service fraternity which is a Masonic affiliate, maintained its tradition of service this spring when it sponsored the placement of four new campus lights on the North Campus. The lights were placed with the cooperation of the physics department.

The Sigma Mu has also been active in preparation of a new fraternity room beneath the Student Union in the basement of Mooney Building, both projects moving forward under the leadership of Bob Bergman, of Uncasville, Conn., who has recently been elected president of Sigma Mu.

Other officers named include Ronnie Bergman, Uncasville, Conn.,

LEADING FIGURES IN ELON COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES



The key figures who will participate in the sixty-sixth annual commencement program at Elon College are pictured above against a background of the beautiful new McEwen Memorial Dining Hall, which is one of three new buildings just being completed on the Elon campus. The new dining hall will be used for the first time when the annual Alumni Day banquet is held on Saturday night. The speakers pictured include the Hon. Walter Judd (upper right), congressman from Minnesota, who will deliver the address to the seniors at the graduation exercises on Monday morning, May 23rd; Dr. John Mackay (lower right), president of Princeton Theological Seminary, who will preach the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday morning, May 27th; and Dr. John Robert Kernodle (bottom center), of Burlington, well known physician and surgeon and member of Elon's Class of 1935, who will deliver the alumni address at the annual banquet on Saturday night, May 26th. Dr. Leon E. Smith (bottom left), president of Elon College, will direct the 1956 commencement program.

New Buildings Open For Weekend

The new dining hall and the new girls' dormitory will be used for the first time during the coming commencement weekend, according to plans announced this week by President Leon E. Smith. He also stated that the new boys' dormitory will be completed by mid-June and that all three buildings would be open for alumni inspection during commencement.

The McEwen Memorial Dining Hall, which has been complete for some weeks, will be the scene in its second floor social rooms of the annual Alumni Banquet, which will climax Saturday's portion of the commencement program. At that time tribute will be paid to the late J. H. McEwen, Burlington industrialist, in whose memory the new dining hall was named.

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Groups of students in the fields of home economics and secretarial science represented Elon College at two recent workshop meetings held at Woman's College in Greensboro, accompanied in each instance by faculty members who direct the activities of the two departments. Representing the Home Economics Club and the Elon home economics department at the statewide Home Economics Workshop as student delegates were Marie Weldon, of Lenoir, and Wilma Morgan, of Burlington. They were accompanied by Mrs. Mary Butler, who heads up the home economics program on the campus. All reported that excellent ideas were received

Student Delegates At Workshop

to aid the local program. The Elon Commercial Department sent four student delegates to the second annual Secretarial Workshop at Woman's College, including Becky Murdock, of Durham; Faye Waynick, of Burlington; Margaret Recouley, of Elon College; and Otis Stultz, of Draper. They were accompanied by Mrs. Frances Longest, who teaches commercial subjects. They heard interesting talks in regard to the Certified Public Secretary organization and plans for improving the professional standing of secretarial work. The theme for the workshop was "Striving for a Wider Knowledge of the Affairs of Business."

Dr. J. E. Danieley, Elon's dean of students, will be on leave of absence during the coming 1956-57 college year for teaching and research at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Md. he will be a guest professor this summer at the University of North Carolina, where he received his Ph.D. two years ago. He has been on the Elon faculty since 1948.

Dr. Danieley's research at Johns Hopkins will be done in association with Dr. A. H. Corwin on Chemistry of Porphyrins, the work being on a \$5,500 fellowship grant from the petroleum industry and administered by the American Chemical Society. He has been doing research here this year in the cyclobutane field under sponsorship of the Research Corporation,

LARGE GROUP TO GRADUATE WITH CLASS OF 1956

Another large group of seniors will receive degrees and diplomas from Elon College in the Class of 1956 and will move into the ranks of Elon alumni after the sixty-sixth annual graduation program, which is to be held in Whitley Auditorium at 10:30 o'clock next Monday morning, May 28th.

A tentative list of the 1956 graduates has been released from the office of Miss Hezel Walker, college registrar, but the list is subject to change as a result of final examinations this week, and it cannot be regarded as final.

The group expected to receive diplomas next Monday is larger than that of last year, and the class roll of 1956 will be swelled still larger by a large group that is slated to graduate at the summer commencement in August.

Seven states and one foreign country are represented in the ranks of the prospective graduates in the Class of 1956. North Carolina claims more than three-fourths of the class, with Virginia and South Carolina ranking second

and third. Other states include Massachusetts, Kentucky, Delaware and Michigan. The foreign country represented is Jordan.

The seniors expected to graduate are as follows—Carolyn Abernathy, Graham. George Aldridge, Yanceyville. Warren Allen, Hurt, Va. Cecil Bailey, Elon College. Nancy Bain, Burlington. Luther Barnes, Portsmouth, Va. Robert Baxter, Burlington. Gwen Beck, Burlington. Golda Brady, Ramseur. Carlisle Brandon, Burlington. Clay Brown, Mt. Sterling, Ky. Albert Cale, Windsor. James Calhoun, Norfolk, Va. Barbara Carden, Burlington. Phil Carter, Liberty. Quincy Carter, Burlington. Pat Chandler, Fayetteville. Doris Chrismon, Elon College. Hugh City, Reidsville. Anita Cleaper, Burlington. Stephen Cole, Burlington. Shirley Cox, Elon College. William Dixon, Greensboro. Sara Dodson, Elon College.

SENIOR PRESIDENT



JACK GARBER
Jack Garber, of Cadillac, Mich., who is president of the Class of 1956, will guide his senior mates through the weekend commencement exercises.

- Robert Dunlap, Pelzer, S. C.
- Terry Emerson, Lewes B'ch, Del.
- Henry Flythe, Graham.
- Lacy Fogleman, Greensboro.
- William Frederick, Norfolk, Va.
- John Fuquay, Yanceyville.
- Jack Garber, Cadillac, Mich.
- William Ginn, Mt. Pleasant, S. C.
- Max Hall, Burlington.
- Graham Heath, Burlington.
- Virginia Hester, Roxboro.
- Homer Hobgood, Oxford.
- Grace Holt, Elon College.
- Ted Isley, Burlington.
- Virginia Jennings, Moravian Falls.
- Betsy Johnson, Fuquay Springs.
- Billy Faye Johnson, Burlington.
- Dan Johnson, Sanford.
- John Johnson, Fayetteville.
- Margaret Johnston, Tryon.
- Patricia Jones, Graham.
- Richard Keziah, Burlington.
- Laila Khury, Ramallah, Jordan.
- Jimmy Kincaid, Greensboro.
- Kenneth Lambert, Norfolk, Va.
- William Lasley, Burlington.
- Doris Lindsey, Luray, Va.
- John Littiken, McLeansville.
- Judith Longest, Graham.
- Nanette Matchan, Charleston, S.C.
- Meryle Mauldin, Winston-Salem.

- Jack McFayden, Greensboro.
- Mary Mitchell, Hillsboro.
- Revell Morrison, Leaksville.
- Furman Moseley, Columbia, S.C.
- Edgar Murray, Elon College.
- Alton Myers, Lexington.
- James McPherson, Snow Camp.
- George Nall, Burlington.
- Louise Parker, Spencer, Mass.
- Dalton Parker, Suffolk, Va.
- Polly Payne, Swepsonville.
- Odell Payne, Gibsonville.
- Ann Puckett, Burlington.
- Rex Roberts, Reidsville.
- Bobby Robertson, Burlington.
- Lois Luke, Elon College.
- Bob Smith, Leaksville.
- Jerry Smyre, Guilford College.
- Margaret Stafford, Fayetteville.
- Ann Stoddard, Braintree, Mass.
- Shirley Strange, Burlington.
- Marjorie Sutton, Elon College.
- Nick Theos, Charleston, S. C.
- Nick Thompson, Burlington.
- Marie Tomlinson, Swepsonville.
- Marie Weldon, Louisburg.
- Ray Whitley, Winston-Salem.
- Thomas Woodward, Greensboro.
- Garros Wooten, Raleigh.
- Jo Ann Wright, Burlington.
- Curtis Young, Durham.

Danieley To Get Research Leave

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