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Historical Society Will Meet At Elon April 26

Band Plans Concert On April 29th

The Elon College Band will appear in a concert program in Whitley Auditorium at 8:15 o'clock on Monday night, April 29th, according to an announcement from Prof. Dewey M. Stowers, who has directed the band work here for the past two years.

The concert will be the first one of its type presented by the Elon Band in many years, and its presentation marks another big step forward for band work on the campus.

In announcing the program, Prof. Stowers urged the entire student body to hear the concert, pointing out that the band is maintained for the students and to support and boost the morale of the college. At the same time he expressed the band's appreciation for the support it has received this year.

The concert program will be light and purely entertaining, including such popular numbers as "Deep Purple," "Stardust," and "Humorescapes." Also featured will be clarinet and trumpet solos and a brass sextet. The complete program will be announced prior to the date.

Prof. Stowers also stated that plans are underway for a much larger band next year and declared that with continued support from the student body and from the administration, the Elon Band aims to be second to none in the North State Conference.

Cantata Is Heard With High Praise

Beautiful was the word to describe the Elon College Choir's eleventh annual rendition of Theodore Dubois' "The Seven Last Words of Christ," which was presented as a Lenten feature in Whitley Auditorium on Sunday evening, April 7th.

A capacity crowd heard the great Easter season cantata, which climaxed the Choir's annual Parents' Day event. More than fifty parents of choir members were present for the all-day gathering, which opened with a coffee hour Sunday morning, and which included the 11 o'clock worship service and a luncheon at the banquet hall of McEwen Memorial Dining Hall.

There was also an informal music program at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, which featured twelve students from the music department.

Dr. Leon E. Smith, Elon's president, served as narrator for the cantata, which was based upon the seven speeches made by Jesus Christ upon the Cross. Each of the "Words" featured special singing group in solos, duets, trios and quartets, and the final word was followed by the ever-impressive formation of the "Lighted Cross" by the choir members.

The student soloists featured in the program were Miss Tommie Boland, of Elon College; Miss Mary Anne Thomas, of Burlington; Donald McDaniels, of Fayetteville; James Compton, of Cedar Grove; and Eddie Robbins, Bill Turner and Tommie McDonald, all of Greensboro.

The Historical Society of North Carolina, with a membership that includes the outstanding historians and historical writers in the state, will hold its regular spring meeting on the Elon College campus on Friday, April 26th.

The meeting of the group will be held under the auspices of Elon College and the college's history department, with arrangements for the event under the direction of Dr. H. H. Cunningham. Plans call for both afternoon and evening programs.

The two sessions of the historians will be held in the office of Dr. Leon E. Smith, Elon College president, on the first floor of the Alamance Building, with a dinner to be served in the banquet room of the McEwen Memorial Dining Hall.

In extending invitations to the meeting, announcement was also made that punch will be served to the guests in the parlor of West Dormitory from 3:30 until 4 o'clock as a preliminary to the afternoon session.

Among the outstanding historians and writers who will attend are Dr. C. C. Crittenden, Dr. Fletcher Green, Dr. Paul Green, Dr. W. C. Jackson, Dr. Hugh Lester, Dr. Phillips Russell, Dr. Robert Woody, Dr. Richard Walser and Dr. Alice Baldwin, all of whom rank high in North Carolina letters.

Special guests for the Society at the dinner will be Dr. and Mrs. Leon E. Smith, representing Elon College, and Mr. and Mrs. George D. Colclough, Mr. Colclough being head of the Burlington Chamber of Commerce.

The afternoon meeting will feature the reading of two papers on historical subjects. They are "Robert Lansing's Proposed Bargain with Japan," by Burton F. Beers, of Raleigh; and "John Branch and the Origins of the Whig Party in North Carolina," by William S. Hoffman, of Boone.

Papers to be featured at the night meeting include "Patrons of the Press: Subscription Book Purchases in North Carolina, 1752-1850," by William S. Powell, of Chapel Hill; and "Business Leaders in Post Civil War North Carolina, 1869-1900," by J. Carlyle Sitterson, of Chapel Hill. Visitors

are invited to hear the reading of all papers.

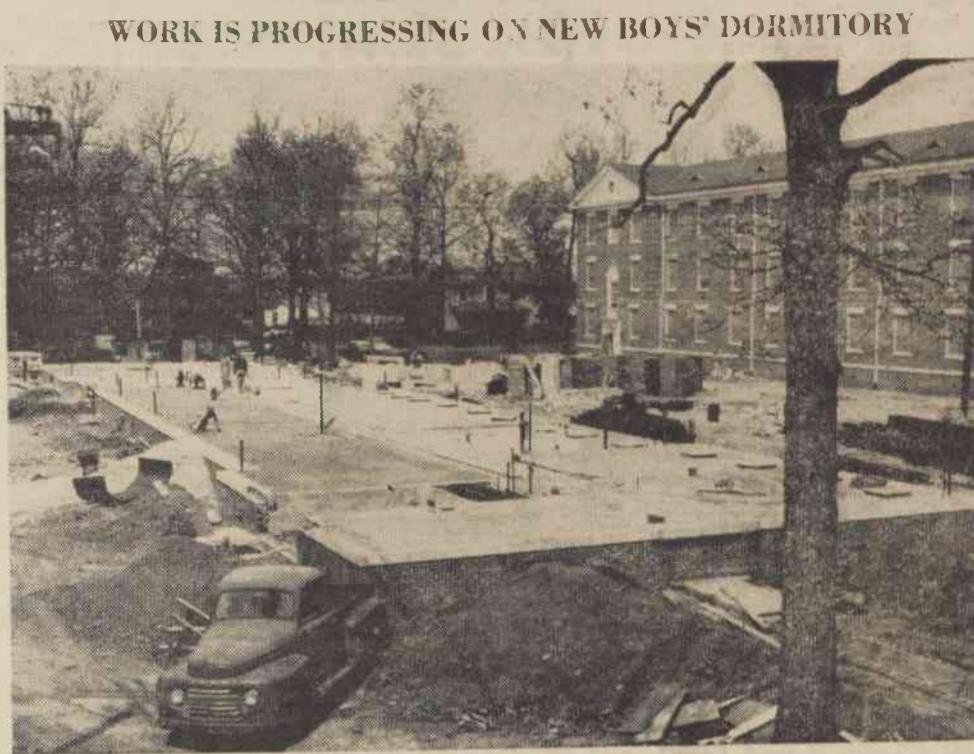
Jerry Loy Is Top Man In Hot Race For Student Body Leader

Jerry Loy, a rising senior from Graham, was top man in the battle for president of the Elon College student government, emerging with a majority total in the hotly-contested election which was held on the campus on Tuesday of this week.

The contest, which started as a three-man race and was narrowed to two candidates in the primary election a week before, became a three-man race again this week when hot support arose for a third candidate in a "Write In" movement.

On the ballot with Loy was Robert Orr, of Burlington, who finished as second man in the balloting. The "Write In" candidate, who emerged with considerable support on the day of the voting was Doc Alston, of Reidsville, who served as vice president of the student government this year.

The final count in the presidential balloting showed Loy with 292 votes, Orr with 114 votes, Alston with 87 votes (all written in), by Larry Barnes, of Portsmouth,



WORK IS PROGRESSING ON NEW BOYS' DORMITORY

It is a scene of busy activity on the eastern side of the campus where the second of the new dormitories for boys is rising. The new structure, which is to be a duplicate of Carolina Hall and which is located between Carolina and the historic East Dorm, was begun in early February and is already complete to the first floor level. The construction of the building, which is scheduled for completion by September, is being done by H. F. Mitchell and Son, Burlington construction firm.

Opportunity Knocks Again As...

Student Legislature Offers Cash Awards For Scholastic Excellence

The system of cash awards for scholastic attainment, first started last year, has once again been endorsed by the Student Legislature, and plans of the student body leaders are for the awards to be increased to the sum total of \$200. The awards are to be given for the second successive school year providing worthy claimants appear. Students from either of the four classes are eligible to enter the competition.

The awards, which include first, second and third prizes in four divisions were provided originally last year in a bill presented by Terry Emerson. It has been broadened in monetary scope this year by a bill offered by Doc Alston, vice president of the student body.

Complete explanation of the award system is included in the legislative bill itself, which is presented up to date in its entirety below.

An Act To Establish A System Of Student Scholastic Awards

To promote the development of a truly liberal arts curriculum and to inspire students to know something about everything which our culture honors and a great deal about the particular area in which his studies concentrate;

And furthermore, to provide grand recognition for devoted and enthusiastic study;

THE STUDENT LEGISLATURE OF ELON COLLEGE DOES INaugurate and appropriate THE NECESSARY FUNDS OF THE STUDENT BODY SCHOLASTIC AWARDS.

These shall be three awards allotted for each of the four Divisions of the curriculum, one highest honor of \$25.00 and two high honors of \$12.50 each.

The four division are to be represented as follows—

(1) The Division of Social Science composed of course of history, political science, sociology, psychology, geography, and economics.

(2) The Division of Humanities

composed of courses of English literature, dramatic arts, foreign languages, religion, philosophy, music and the other fine arts.

(3) The division of Natural Science composed of courses of biology, chemistry, geology, mathematics, and physics.

(4) The Division of Practical Arts composed of courses of business administration (excepting economics), business education, education, physical education, and home economics.

Such prizes are to be awarded on the basis of outstanding and constructive achievement by an individual student of any class. Such student must pursue at least fifteen hours within one Division in any one school year and must possess an over-all average of B to be eligible in that division.

No student shall receive more than one highest honor and one high honor en toto in any one school year. Each candidate for an award shall prepare a properly documented

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TOPS BALLOTING



JERRY LOY

Va., president; Doc Alston, of Reidsville, vice president; and Patricia Chrismas, of Reidsville, sec-

retary and treasurer.

Chosen as members of the Student Council were Janet Burge, of Sanford, and Betty Earp, of Burlington, as women's representatives; James Biggerstaff, of Burlington, and Bobby Johnson, of Burlington, men's representatives; and Lew Atchison, of Washington, D. C., representative-at-large.

Selected as members of the Honor Council for the new term were Dotty Apple, of Burlington, and Walter Edmonds, of Portsmouth, Va., from the senior class; Anne Bass, South Boston, Va., and Macie McLaughlin, of Burlington, from the junior class; and Sam White, of Pittsboro, from the sophomore class. The incoming freshman class will choose its Honor Council member in a special election next fall.

John Biggerstaff, of Burlington, is the new president of the rising senior class. Other senior officers are Jeanne Payne, of Asheville, vice president; Nancy Goforth, of Hendersonville, secretary; Jean Coghill, of Henderson, treasurer;

Sunrise Service Planned To Recall Resurrection

In keeping with the true spirit of Easter and in commemoration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, a pageant of the Risen Lord will be presented as an Easter Sunrise Service on Elon's South Campus next Sunday morning.

The custom was inaugurated last Easter, when the pageant was presented for the first time, and it moves into the realm of tradition with the second successive presentation next Sunday morning. The presentation last spring attracted favorable attention, but it came during the Spring Holidays and thus failed to have a full attendance of students.

The pageant, which is entitled "He Is Risen," is to be staged by the Elon Players and will bring out in dramatic effect the glory of that first Easter Morning, when the stone rolled away from the tomb of the Saviour.

The program, which is to be given under the direction of Prof. Melvin E. Wooten, has been scheduled for 4:45 o'clock Sunday morning, and the rising of the sun itself will be one of the highly dramatic features of the production.

The characters in the pageant will be portrayed by members of the Elon College Players, student dramatic group. Among those scheduled to appear in the 1957 Easter pageant are Larry Barnes, retiring president of the Student Government, who is to be narrator; Bill Watson, of Sanford; Eddie Robbins, of Greensboro; Douglas Albert, of Lahore, Pakistan;

Mrs. Sylvia Dean Harbert, dean of girls of Elon College; Rev. John Graves, member of the Elon College Belizon Department; Patricia Coghill, of Henderson; Sylvia Smith, of Henderson; Mary Anne Hartwell, of Barnstable, Mass.; Yvonne Gearhart, of Marietta, Ohio; Linwood Hurd, of New Britain, Conn.; Prof. Clyde McCants, of the Elon College English Department; and Ronald Bergman, of Uncasville, Conn.

A new and improved set is being constructed this spring for the outdoor pageant showing, and this set is expected to add much to the realism of the program. The Elon Choir will also cooperate in the presentation through the rendition of appropriate music.

Elon Given Funds From Steel Group

Elon College is one of ten senior colleges in North Carolina to share in a grant of \$10,000, which has just been made by the United States Steel Foundation, Inc., to the North Carolina Foundation of Church-Related Colleges.

The United States Steel Foundation grant was made by a committee in a visit to Paul H. Kolb, of Winston-Salem, who is executive director of the North Carolina group of church colleges, and Mr. Kolb in turn announced the Elon participation in a letter to Dr. Leon E. Smith, president of Elon College.

The Steel Foundation Grant, distributed on a pro-rata basis to the ten colleges in the North Carolina group, will provide \$1,302.29 for Elon College. The funds were granted by the United States Steel Foundation, Inc., for "unrestricted operating aid" to the beneficiary institutions.

In his letter to Dr. Smith and to other presidents of North Carolina church-related colleges, Mr. Kolb pointed out that the participation of United States Steel in its program is of particular significance and in keeping with the increasing interest of big business in the privately operated institutions of higher education.

In announcing the grant, officials of the United States Steel Foundation pointed out that the gift comes directly from the Tennessee Coal and Iron Division of the United States Steel Corporation from its headquarters at Fairfield, Alabama.

While expressing the hope that parallel future aid in this area may be possible, officials of the Steel Foundation state that the grant is "unrestricted as to its use. It is conceived in the nature of operating as distinguished from capital assistance. The trustees hope that the institutions covered will find their own means of applying it to the end that timely and effective provision for more and better faculty, staff recruitment and development may lead to higher standards and greater strength for higher education."

Annual May Day Theme Made Public

The annual May Day pageant, which is to be staged on the Elon campus on the first Saturday afternoon in May, will be woven around the theme of "The Old Master Painter," according to an announcement this week by Mrs. Jeanne Griffin, who is to direct the observance.

She stated that full details of the pageant are yet to be worked out, but it promises to be one of the most colorful presentations in Elon's May Day annals, since it will lend itself to a large number songs that have one color or another for their musical theme.

Invitations are being extended to all former May Queens and May Kings to return to the Elon campus for this 1957 observance, and acceptances have already been received from a number of them. They will be presented on the day of the pageant.