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"THIRTY"

The name of Ed Engles will mean nothing to the present generation of Elon College students, but there are many of the Elon faculty who remember the big sandy-haired boy who moved his brilliant and sometimes cynical way across the Elon scene in the early 1950's, and the news of his sudden death on September 10th in Louisville, Ky., came as a distinct shock to all who knew him in his student days.

He was never one to court campus popularity, but there are those still here who will tell you that Ed Engles was the nearest thing to a genius that they ever knew, for he could and did do so many things well. From the day when he literally knocked the top out of the score columns on his freshman placement tests until he left Elon just one quarter away from his graduation, he was a leader in every activity that he undertook.

As editor and columnist for the Maroon and Gold, his writings were read with interest—not always with approval—by both faculty and students. Twice he brought honor and credit to Elon and the Maroon and Gold when his column was chosen as the best piece of writing done by a college student in all North Carolina colleges during the then current college year.

As editor of The Colonnades, he was also talented enough to operate the linotype and to publish as well as to edit the campus literary magazine; and his performances with the Elon Players in many student dramatic productions drew rave notices from even the professional critics. In fact, there are those who saw him in the leading role of "The Man Who Came To Dinner" who will tell you that they remember him instead of the renowned Montey Woolley when the name of that play is mentioned.

He had a whirl at the professional stage after leaving Elon, but he was a newsman at heart and became a radio and television newscaster in several mid-western cities. That was his job when he died of a heart attack in Louisville, Ky., and he would have appreciated it had he known that a friend would write "Thirty" for him. "Thirty" is newspaper symbol for "The End."

NEWS POLICY

From time to time it is necessary to review the news policy of the Maroon and Gold, and that policy is geared to the idea and fact that the Elon College campus newspaper is a semi-monthly publication, and it is not competing with daily newspapers or even with weekly papers in the matter of "spot" news.

Daily newspapers consider events old when they are two days in the past, but weekly newspapers count anything news which may have occurred within the week. By the same token, the Maroon and Gold must accept as news all events that transpire within the fortnightly period between issues.

The Maroon and Gold, as the official organ of Elon College, has an obligation to campus posterity as well as to the present generation of students, an obligation to record events that transpire on the campus and within the student body and faculty. That obligation is not altered by the fact that the event may have occurred ten days or two weeks in the past and may have already appeared in the daily newspapers of the area.

This idea is applicable, in particular, to athletic events, dramatic presentations and other campus activities, all of which must



around with square

by SQUARE EDMONDS

I am engrossed with much enthusiasm as I begin this writing for the Maroon and Gold, but having placed my fifth calendar in place, I find myself completely lost for words. I think I will take a quick, refreshing shower to freshen my thoughts, but on the second thought there probably is not any hot water.

I could be reminiscent and mention a few names from yesteryear, but that might bore the new crop of freshmen, but who cares? I will at any cost. The criticizing word from yours truly's wretched pen is literally a form of opium which soothes my brain. Some good is done and maybe a little harm, but we're such on big happy family I know no real harm is done. I wish the administration and the whole student body a prosperous and eventful year in the classic shades of Elon.

All freshmen should understand that a thousand mile trip begins here at Elon College, and each step should be taken wisely towards the achievement of their college degree. That degree is the key to so many doors in the forthcoming future. Whether you are chosen BMOC or BWOC or maintain membership in Sigma Freud, just remember you are only a small part of all that goes to make up dear ole Elon.

HARRY HALFBACK: Oh well, Elon's Fighting Christians opened the 1958 football season the same way they closed the successful 1957 slate, that being in the fashion of winning. We must tip the ole chapeau to Coach Sid Varney and the 1958 squad and wish them the ultimate in success. If the opponents in the North State Conference are not subject to asiatic flu or stomach trouble this year, the Christians have the opportunity to inflict their own sickness, the sickness of "defeat."

WANTED: Ice water coolers on the second and third floors of Carolina Hall. Smith Hall has one on every level, and Carolina Hall can't be that outdated. Pretty please!!!

WHO SAID THAT: Famous quotes through the years have been many, but what caused them to say it and what were they doing at the time? Quote, "On your mark, get set, go." The latter was expressed by Jim Short as he led Maidon, Faust, and the rest of the horde towards West Dorm for the perennial "rat" race to secure favor with the young co-eds.

CUFF STUFF: Larry Bulla and Joe Teague signed pro contracts during the good ole summertime. When it comes to sports, E.C.T.C. just can't cope with the Fightin' Christians. But when the Labors of Love are involved they hold their own. Righto, Vince??? It would be worthwhile for Art Pitts to hold conference with Tommy Lewis and Gordon Yancey. You can't find it in Profile bread, "Boo" . . . Zac Walker, there's still a chance even though she's only sweet sixteen. "Jerry Lee The Deportee" did the same thing. We won't laugh, just snicker . . . Bob Stauffenberg and Tony DeMatteo have gone to Quantico, Va., for a hitch in the "Jar-Heads" . . . The A.B.C.'s are being taught by Roger Mcmillian and Don DeSarro in Virginia. Ditto for Joe Smith, now coaching in the Ole Dominion . . .

NUPTIALS: Ben Cabbage, Bob Kopko, Bob Stauffenberg, Ed Davidson and Laura Little said their respective "I do's" in the past months . . .

JUST JUNK: Jerry Loy, former president of the student body is now attending Wake Forest Law School . . . Bob Willet, Greensboro's boy wonder has transferred to N. C. State . . . Leigh Wills currently stationed in New England for 3-year hitch in the Navy . . .

PARTING SHOT: I'm looking forward in the future months to a successful year for you and me. I'll be writing at you again in two weeks.

be recorded for the benefit of those who may in the future seek to find a record of events at Elon College for use in telling the history of the college.

Such a policy explains why in this initial issue of the Maroon and Gold for the 1958-59 college year there are stories of events that took place in the early summer or during the remainder of the summer vacation. After all, such events as the participation of the Elon College baseball team in the national tournament in Texas in early June should be recorded in the campus newspaper, and no other issue of Maroon and Gold has appeared since that participation took place. The entire Maroon and Gold news policy is explained by the statement that any event which occurred since the last previous issue of the paper is considered newsworthy.

After Thirty Years . . .

Old Friends Meet On Elon Campus

Bridging thirty-one years in time and halfway around the world in distance, two men who were schoolboy friends in Holland were reunited here on the Elon campus when each accompanied his son here to become Elon students as the college opened its 1958-59 term.

The chance meeting and reunion of the old friends, one of those one-in-a-million miracles took place when one of the fathers overheard the other father and son conversing in Dutch through a third-floor window of one of the Elon dormitories.

As Henk Van Helden, of Washington, D. C., and his parents arrived on the campus, Henk and his father conversed in Dutch as they stood beside their car in the parking lot at Smith Hall.

On the third floor of Smith Hall, Robert Van Der Linden, of Aruba, Dutch West Indies, was getting settled in his room with the aid of his parents. Mr. Van Der Linden happened to be at the window and heard the conversation in Dutch below.

He was glad to learn that there would be another student on the campus who could speak Dutch, as he could be of aid to his son while Robert was gaining a better use of English.

Mr. Van Der Linden went down to the parking lot and introduced himself to Mr. Van Helden. The two men then soon realized that they had been close friends while attending school in Bloemendaal, near Amsterdam, 31 years ago.

The former schoolmates then had a pleasant time in talking over old times, and the Van Der Lindens made plans for visiting the Van Heldens in Washington while on their return trip to the Dutch West Indies if time permitted.

Henk and Robert now have become good friends, and Henk is aiding Robert when he has language difficulties.

Mr. Van Helden and Mr. Van Der Linden lost contact with each other immediately after they finished their schooling.

Mr. Van Der Linden left Hol-

ODD INCIDENT LEADS TO FRIENDSHIP



Henk Van Helden, of Washington, D. C., left, and Robert Van Der Linden, of Aruba, Dutch West Indies, right, are freshman friends here at Elon College as a result of conversation in Dutch which brought a reunion for the fathers of the two students after thirty-one years. The fathers had been school mates in Holland in their boyhood days.

land at that time, going to Indonesia for two years, Switzerland for two years and then to the Dutch West Indies, where he now is the manager of a Dutch steamship company.

Mr. Van Helden remained in Holland, living in various parts of that country until moving to Washington, D. C., four years ago. He is a civil engineer with the World Bank and travels throughout the world in investigating projects on which the bank receives applications for loans.

In view of his extensive travels, it isn't unusual for Mr. Van Helden to encounter former acquaintances he hasn't seen for many

years. Recently he met a man in Tokyo, Japan, with whom he had played soccer about 25 years ago. An unusual aspect of this meeting is that the other man now lives in New Zealand and just happened to be visiting in Tokyo at that time.

Henk is now almost thoroughly Americanized after four years in this country and speaks English with only a slight trace of an accent. He was born at Dordrecht, near Rotterdam, and lived in Holland until coming to the United States. He is planning to take liberal arts courses until deciding on a major.

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here and there

By

DICK LASHLEY



After a summer of comparative quietness, college and university campuses all over the nation are once again booming with scholastic and social activity. Elon is no exception. This "hunk" of terra firma is really booming—with the largest enrollment in its history. Everywhere you look you see new faces and also something else that is new—beans!

Yours truly was trying almost in vain to figure out an appropriate term to use for the freshmen in reference to their beans, when one of the freshmen solved the problem for me. It's "On with the Beanie - Greeny!" And with that remark may this reporter say "Welcome Frosh!"

The large enrollment at our "Dear Ole" Alma Mammy" should be a pretty good indication of what the future holds for her and other colleges and universities in the state and nation . . . the need for more and more space and facilities to handle the ever increasing number of young men and women who will be seeking a higher education.

In line with this need the trustees of our own Elon have already started an expansion program on the campus. During the past two years we have seen construction completed on two modern men's dormitories, a new dining hall and ballroom and a new women's dormitory and the remodeling of another. Even the old dining hall, where former students used to get their beans, has been turned into a men's dorm, where the men students now rest and digest their beans.

Another rumor is floating around the campus that bespeaks of further improvements—these in the classrooms. This reporter understands that Dr. Danieleley has taken steps to have new fluorescent lights installed in the classroom of Alamance.

The aforementioned campus improvements makes us aware of further improvements that are needed on the campus—improvements we feel the trustees are thoroughly aware of and will accomplish as soon as possible. They are:

More academic buildings to handle the increasing number of students. Water fountains in the halls of the academic buildings. At present there is only one water fountain in the academic area, though the dorms have fountains on every floor and the dining hall has one in its lobby. Most high schools today have fountains, some even refrigerated, on each floor.

It would be nice if our student union could be partitioned in such a manner to enable those who go there to relax can do so, those who want to dance can do so, and so those who want to play ping-pong can do so.

True the dorms have very nice reception rooms, but it would be nice to have a lounge in the union for our parents and other guests—especially during our Founder's Day, Homecoming and May Day celebrations, when extra large crowds are present on our campus.

With the improvements already completed and the improvements that are sure to come in the future, we can certainly look for a bigger and better Elon College in the years ahead.

As most of the upper classmen know, we had a rather rough time in obtaining proper student government participation last year. This lack of proper interest came close to causing us to lose our student government. However, toward the close of the school year, and through the efforts of a few hard working members of the government among which were our past president, Jerry Loy, our present president, Ronnie Bergman, and our present vice-president, Lynwood Hurd, interest began to pick up and our self-government was preserved.

This year activities have already started in your student government. The legislature met Wednesday night and your student council has already met.

May I remind you that student government is a privilege granted to the faculty and trustees of the college. It is also a privilege that can be taken away from us as easily as it was given to us. Whether we have a student government or not depends on each student on the campus, as only you can preserve it. Your student government is also only as good as you make it. You are urged to exercise your rights by voting and actively supporting student government activities, so that we might have a better and stronger government this year and in the years to come.

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New Members Are Added To Elon Faculty As 1958-59 Session Begins

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There were eight additions to the Elon College faculty for a new 1958-59 term, the majority of them replacements for faculty members who left at the close of the past year. In announcing the new appointments prior to the opening of the term, President J. E. Danieleley also announced new duties for several who were on the faculty last year.

Dr. Robert Benson, who was freshman advisor and counsellor last year, was appointed to the newly created post of dean of students; while Prof. J. C. Colley, who was dean of men for the past several years, was allowed at his request to resume his full-time teaching duties in the department of education. Prof. Alfred Hassell assumed his new duties as registrar of the college in the early summer. The new additions to the faculty include the following:

Mrs. W. D. Florance, well known Burlington church and civic leader, accepted a position as dormitory counsellor for women students. Mrs. Florance, who is a native of Raleigh, was educated at Appalachian State Teachers College, where she prepared for teaching duties. She has resided in Burlington for a number of years and was very active in a number of women's organizations and in church work. She is known throughout the state for her work with the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Prof. Gene P. Johnson, a native of Wilkesboro, N. C., but more recently a resident of St. Augustine, Fla., is a new member of the Elon music faculty, serving as assistant professor of piano and music theory. He is a graduate of Florida State University at Tallahassee, Fla., where he received the A.B. degree in 1955 and the Master's degree in music in 1958. He had professional experience with a number of musical instruments, both with Florida State University groups and with the State Symphony of Florida, the Jacksonville Symphony and the Mobile Symphony orchestras. He was also a band director in the Florida public schools for one year.

Prof. James F. Latham, who is a prominent attorney and industrialist in Burlington, accepted new duties this year as a faculty lecturer in business law. A native of Greenville, S. C., Prof. Latham was educated at Duke University, where he received both the A.B. and LL.B. degrees, being admitted to both the North Carolina and South Carolina bars and to practice in the federal courts in 1942. He had four years of military service during World War II and after the war served as a United States attorney and district judge for the War Crimes Trials in Germany. He also served for sometime as enforcement director for the Office of Price Stabilization in Raleigh, but he has practiced law in Burlington since 1952, being associated with a number of Burlington business firms. He is also active in legal and political circles in the state.

Prof. Charles Lynam, another new addition to the Elon music faculty, came to his new post after eight months service on the staff of Burlington's Radio Station WBBB. A native of Wake Forest, Prof. Lynam is a graduate of Elon College with the Class of 1952, and during undergraduate days he gained wide acclaim as a soloist with the Elon College Choir. Following his Elon graduation he did graduate work at New York University, from which he holds the Master's degree. He also had one year of advanced study in voice at Heidelberg University in Germany. His professional experience includes a tour early last year with the Grass Roots Opera Company.

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