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THINKING OF SAFETY

There's nothing that brings the idea of safety on the highways closer home than for the grim tragedy of a highway accident to strike into our own midst and to mow down one or more of those who are known and dear to us.

Such being the case, the thought of safety was surely thrust into the forefront of all our minds last week when twice within the space of twenty-four hours the Elon campus was struck by accidental injuries on the highway.

The serious hurts sustained by Mrs. Marjorie Hereford and Mac Payne last week and the less serious hurts suffered by Payne's companion should certainly serve to make each and all of us more careful than ever as we ride to and from school or go about our daily tasks.

OUR NEEDS TODAY

We live in a nation that was founded by men who lived and fought hard lives. It is by the suffering and toil of past generations that we are able to enjoy the luxury and the true opulence we live in today. It was their kind who first forged their way through these majestic mountains we are in today. It was their kind who had to scramble for their education, when there was any formal instruction available.

Yet, do we as modern Americans have any of the original American spirit left within us? Ease of living is something that we have grown to accept as a part of the American life, but do we not let soft living come in also? Are we a nation of people who must have our literature digested for us, browse through pictorial magazines, listen to senseless music and practically ignore the greater classics of literature?

If the general public of America is to undergo a change in its tastes, that have reached an appallingly low level, they must have capable leaders to guide them. We, yes we, the students of American colleges, must be those leaders. We soon will be the actual leaders of our great nation, though small our individual tasks may be, and we must in our role as students today make ourselves into capable leaders.

It is well to consider that old, introspective question, "What would the world be like if everyone were like me?" Surely we all cannot be leaders at all times. It is the versatile, well-adjusted and mature person that is most in demand by today's society.

As previously stated, it is the individual that is the most important element of the nation in its entirety. As individuals it is our personal efficiency, or how well we do our own tasks, that will be a determining factor of the efficiency of the unit or nation.

Thus we come to ethics, or a set of moral values. As students at Elon we are in an atmosphere conducive to the fostering of one's set of Christian ethics. As a holder of such do not neglect to be a user of such. This is the force, that of Christian beliefs and ethics, that should direct the lives and activities of us as citizens of our great nation.

Thus we may say that as leaders of tomorrow we must be cultured, thinking, responsible individuals of Christian beliefs in order to live lives useful in the fullest sense.—CLIPPED.

The Male Animal

To the young man at the perfume counter the clerk purred: "Now here's one called 'Perhaps.' It's \$35 an ounce."
"Thirty-five dollars!" exclaimed the young man. "For \$35 I don't want 'Perhaps.' I want 'Sure.'"



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by
SQUARE EDMONDS

Like the old saying goes, "Chicken one year, feathers the next." This statement, with its somewhat ironical twist, does not by any means signify that I awake in the morning with a damp pillow or that I'm yelling "wait till next year."

I'm certainly not the one to call the shots around here. As a matter of fact, fellow students, I cannot think of any one person who is entitled to do so; but I do feel that something must be done to the spirit situation around the campus. Nothing drastic like arm twisting or name calling, but just a little mental persuasion which should be applied to those who compose the Elon student body.

It's phooey with that sportsmanship code. I'm a poor loser, and I guess I will always be one, and anyone who says that he or she is not is either a fool or a liar. There's no such thing as being "greater in defeat than in victory," and the one who gave utterance to that so-called gem of wisdom is probably resting in Dix Hill or some similar place, but win, lose or draw, let's be heard by all.

Now that one big dance has passed into the oblivion of the past, we find that we have only two big ones left, the annual spring dance and the May Day dance. The Homecoming Ball was nice when compared with other festivities, but it lacked the big personality which it has shown for so very long. You know what I mean, that "Mr. Big" or "Miss Big." To break it down to a clear premise, how very nice it would have been to have a personality like Billy May, Woody Herman or Les Brown. Shucks! Everyone knows that they're expensive, but one only gets what he pays for these days.

I know that some will laugh at this thought, but it doesn't prevent a few of us less sensible creeps from enjoying a phase of wistful thinking. In brief summation, I know some "wall flower" will say, "What do you expect for five dollars per head?" Well, before he or she says a word, I don't want to hear all that jazz. I want the best. Why go second class when for a few dollars more we can go first class? I know I haven't reached that condition yet. Heaven forbid!

Watch where you park your "short," for the Elon police force is in action. It seems people are always thinking of new ways to make money, and here's a tip to those behind the scenes. Let's take that parking fine money and asphalt those parking lots. I'm not hollering for myself, for I'm contributing to the "kitty" at any cost.

REVIEW AND PREVIEW—The Elon College production of the musical "Annie Get Your Gun" is a sure shot smash. . . . Later this quarter the Elon Players will present "The Heiress," with said presentation scheduled for weekends just before and just after Thanksgiving vacation.

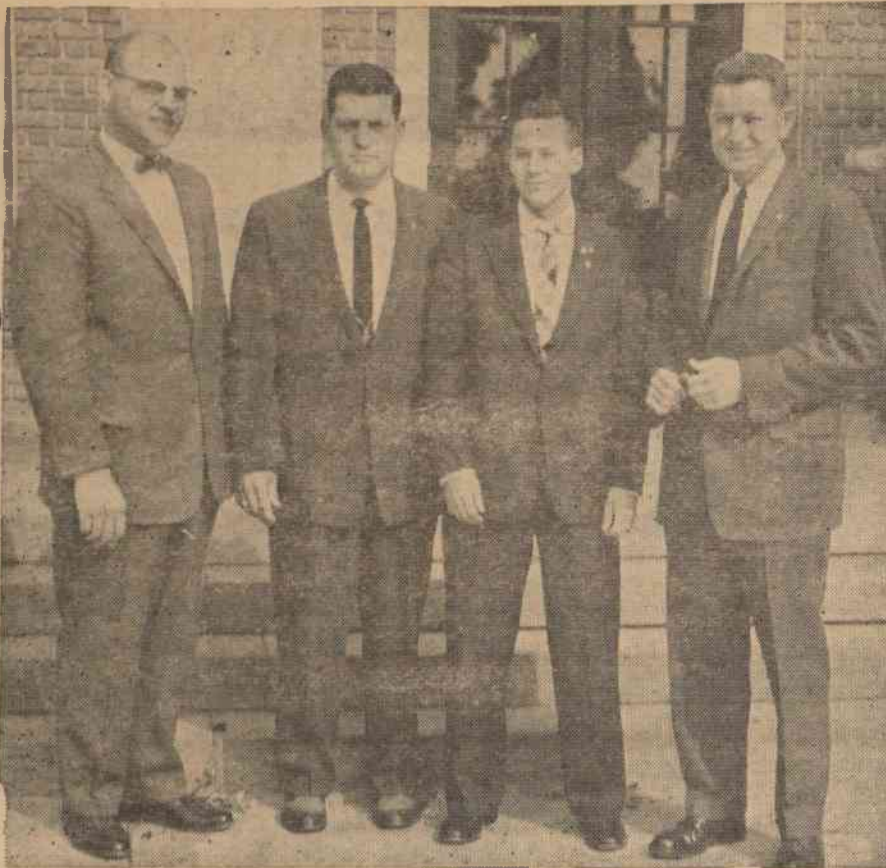
BLAH — Tom Brewer, former Elon baseballer, now pitching with the Boston Red Sox, attended the Elon-Prethyster contest. . . . Ditto for Nick Theos, who is now coaching in Charleston, S. C. . . . Anyone who wants their ears lowered can see "Tobias" DiPerna, the "Barber of Christianville." It's just 50c per noggin. . . . J. B. Vaughn, who is currently living in a dream world of western movies and levis, had better watch his "name calling," for I hold the pen. Ditto for his roomie, who resembles the only live kola in captivity. . . . "Boo" Pitts is the only football manager in existence who finds himself to be older than the head coach.

KIND THOUGHTS—I wish a very speedy recovery to Dean Hereford, and I know that I express the feelings of the student body and faculty, all of whom were shocked at news of her injury in a recent automobile accident here at Elon. It was barely one day later when Mac Payne was also seriously hurt in another accident, and again I know that I speak the sentiments of all in saying that I wish him a speedy recovery.

OUR TOWN — Not too long ago a Burlington motorist called to a member of the police force. "Come here, officer, I've just run over an Elon College student," to which the policeman replied, "Sorry, it's Sunday. You can't collect the bounty today." (Editor's Note): Don't split your sides laughing at that one. It's not that funny. It just happens to be what journalists call "space filler."

FINIS — It seems that I can't find a thing to complain about in this thrill-packed issue, not even the weather. This Indian summer is just a little bit of alright. Oh, well! We'll have weather, whether or not.

NATIONAL JAYCEE PRESIDENT IS SPEAKER AT ELON



Bob Cox, former University of North Carolina athlete who is now national president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce of the United States, is pictured at the right above with local educational and civic leaders after speaking at chapel exercises at Elon College Monday, October 20th. Shown with Cox left to right are Dr. J. E. Danieley, Elon College president; Robert Leonetti, president of the Burlington Junior Chamber of Commerce, and Ronnie Bergman, president of the student government here at Elon.

As Guest Speaker In Chapel

Cox Urges Interest In Public Affairs

Stressing the fact that America is only as strong outside as it is on the inside, Bob Cox, national president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, urged Elon students to awaken themselves and to keep a strong and active interest in what is happening in the United States and in the world today.

The former University of North Carolina athlete whose home is in Chapel Hill, declared that his own eyes had been opened to many of the conditions that appear to threaten America today as a result of his travels throughout the country and in foreign countries since he was elected to the national Jay-Cee presidency during the past summer.

The speaker was introduced at the student chapel in Whitley Auditorium on Monday morning, Oc-

tober 20th, by Dr. J. E. Danieley, Elon president, who was friend of Cox when both were in graduate school at the University.

Cox recalled his own football days at Chapel Hill when he spoke of the "skinned noses" of some of the Elon football players who were among his hearers and when he extended special greeting to Coach Sid Varney, Elon grid mentor who was a teammate of Cox on Carolina's teams of the famed "Justice Era."

He then recounted some of his experiences in visits to many states of the union and to Hawaii and Canada since becoming the Jay-Cee leader, and cited certain alarming tendencies which he had recognized, among them apparently increasing "string-pulling" in American politics and government

and the increasing violence which besets the nation in controversial matters and in current labor affairs.

Declaring that he never fails to question people he meets concerning their opinions of American problems, he expressed alarm at the seeming apathy and indifference of so many Americans in regard to current happenings.

While urging his student hearers to "have an opinion" and to have the courage to express those opinions, Cox also urged his audience to maintain a spirit of tolerance, to be willing to grant to others their rights to divergent opinions and to "be willing to compromise" in order to reach a logical and workable solution to both local and national problems.

Seen From The West Watchtower

By ANN JOYCE



We suspect that the average Elon College student has been quite busy during the past two or three weeks. A number of students were kept busy by rush parties. Seldom were the nights when either a wiener roast, ice cream party, Japanese supper, or brother-sister party wasn't planned by some campus social group. Then came bid weekend with the traditional all-night parties which followed the Elon-East Carolina football game. Fraternities called at the girl's dorms during the evening(?) to serenade their sisters, and they returned the next morning to escort the ladies to church. . . . And then there were those who found the following days rather filled by initiation stunts! . . . With the fraternity and sorority initiations behind, everyone pitched into the building of floats, decorating of cars, and decorating the gymnasium in preparation for homecoming. And speaking of homecoming weekend, wasn't it wonderful? Certainly all those persons who had a part in decorating floats and convertibles and the gym, deserve a great deal of praise. As usual, our football team made a fine showing. . . . We can't remember having seen a lovelier group of dresses than we saw at the homecoming dance. Especially noticeable to us was

the obvious trend back to floor-length gowns. And several courageous Elon girls appeared at homecoming activities in the trapeze and balloon styled fashions. . . . Certainly deserving of a great deal of the credit for the success of homecoming weekend was the cast of "Annie Get Your Gun." We extend our sincere sympathy to those persons who were unable to see the outstanding performance of the cast under the direction of Prof. M. E. Wooten. We are concerned especially for those persons who didn't see the play by choice and who therefore did not realize what they missed. We fear that these same persons are the ones who pass by the opportunity to attend similar functions on campus regularly. By attending one such performance, we believe that they would become convinced that they have really been missing something worthwhile. Here we might mention especially those boys who sit in the dorms on the night of formal dances. It might be well for them to remember that things are considered by employers other than high fraternity marks. To be successful in the world, one needs to be successful and at ease socially. Attending campus social functions certainly is one of the better ways to build one's personality, we believe. . . . It would seem quite a coincidence and quite unusual to us that one

sorority on campus furnished eleven members of the homecoming court, including the queen and maid of honor. Congratulations, Tau Zeta Phi. . . . While we are discussing worthwhile places to go, we would also like to urge any student who has never attended a meeting of the Student Legislature to do so at their first opportunity. We remember that the first time we attended a meeting of the group we were shocked to witness the dignified, serious, conscientious manner in which the legislative body of the college conducts its business. Too often many of us are prone to complain about the supposed "misuse" of student body fees and similar gripes, but how many of us attend meetings, talk regularly to our dormitory representatives, or in any way whatsoever show our interest in the conduct of student body business? Certainly any student would profit by sitting in on just one meeting of the legislature. . . . Speaking of the Student Legislature, we understand that certain student factions are enthusiastically encouraging the adoption of a bill to establish a one-way stair system in Alamaance Building. Now we can see some advantages of such a system, but we are skeptical of the system as a whole. We doubt that it would be possible to force students to use the

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By
DICK LASHLEY



By the time the Maroon and Gold press rolls with this line of gossip, Homecoming weekend will be all over. The alumni will have returned to their homes, the faculty and administration will be breathing easier, and we students will have settled back to our regular routine of studying, cutting classes, drinking coffee at Garrison's, and still counting the days until Thanksgiving vacation.

It would be nice to make some predictions here about the results of the Homecoming game between our "Christians" and Catawba, but it would be rather senseless to do so, since the results will already be known by the time you are perusing the Maroon and Gold again.

Woodrow Wilson Scholarships

Here's a bit of news that should be particularly interesting to the more scholarly of our numbers. Professor Fredson Bowers, of the University of Virginia, met with members of our faculty and student body last Thursday morning at 10 o'clock in the President's office to discuss the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation for graduate students.

Professor Bowers stated that college teaching, with already increased salaries and with more increases expected soon, is expected to become more attractive. In line with this expectation, the primary purpose of the fellowship program is to advance graduate students to a doctorate in their field in the hope that they will want to enter college teaching.

The fellowship receives \$5,000,000 a year from the Ford Foundation and sponsors 1,000 scholarships each year, picking the best students in American universities and colleges for graduate work.

The program is designed to send the selected graduate students to the school of their choice for one year. The fellowship gives the students \$2,000 a year to assist in their work. It is hoped the academic work of the student will be good enough to warrant the graduate school he is attending to present him with a fellowship program of its own to enable the student to complete the second year of work, Professor Bowers stated.

Professor Bowers explained several things with which students should concern themselves if they wish to be eligible for fellowship aid. He said every student should take a graduate record examination, because even though fellowships don't require it, most graduate schools do. Also mentioned were the foreign language requirements. Most graduate schools prefer a reading knowledge of German and French. If the field of endeavor is science, Russian is readily acceptable. Some departments of History and English will accept Latin, and some schools will accept Spanish.

According to Professor Bowers, the faculties of colleges are to blame for lack of encouragement for their students to become college teachers. He said faculty members should try to spot students who will be interested in graduate work early in their college life, and then help that student to shape his study program in such a manner as to enable him to be acceptable for a fellowship program.

Student State Legislature

Jimmy Elder and Linwood Hurd recently attended the Interim Council of the North Carolina Student Legislature at the University of North Carolina, in Chapel Hill, for a planning session concerning the proposed Student Legislative Assembly in Raleigh, December 11th, 12th and 13th.

Elon will have seven delegates present when the Legislature convenes, five in the House and two in the Senate. Each delegate will make up a bill or bills and mail them to the convention at Meredith College in Raleigh where they will be held until time for the assembly. Any students on our campus who are interested in contributing to the bills should see a member of the student government association.

For once, gossip isn't exhausted but the allotted space for this bit of literary expulsion is. However, before I bid you adieu, (Continued on Page Four)

I would like to make brief mention of what I consider one of the most informative and interesting chapel speakers we have ever had in the person of Bob Cox, national president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. I don't know who was responsible for getting him to come to our campus, but to whomsoever the credit belongs, I say "well done!" Keep up the good work, and let's have more like him.

With that final outburst, I ease the lid on my portable writing machine until time arrives to venture forth again to greater journalistic efforts. Boy, what a line!