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**A WORD OF THANKS**

Students and faculty members, in walking from the campus down to the Elon business section, may have noticed in recent days the greatly improved appearance of the vacant lot between the post office and the remainder of the business section.

With the accumulated trash raked up and removed and with the grass newly mowed, the one-time eyesore of the section adjacent to the campus has taken on a completely new appearance, and it must surely be a pleasure to those who view the area.

With this brief note, the Maroon and Gold wishes to extend the hearty appreciation of the college faculty and students to James Haynes, operator of the Haynes Furniture Store, who was the person responsible for the improvement of the lot adjoining his business.

**"THIRTY"**

The time has come again when the Maroon and Gold editor and staff writes the numerals "30" for another annual volume of the campus newspaper—for the symbol "30" is newspaper language for "the end" of a story or an era. In this case, as in other years, it means that another year and another volume of the paper takes its place on the shelf of Elon College history.

It has been a good year for the college, and the staff of the Maroon and Gold has had the pleasure of recording many fine accomplishments on the part of both the college itself and of members of the faculty and students.

It has been with a real pleasure that we have recorded such fine accomplishments, but it will be a mighty fine feeling when the final page of this final issue rolls from the press and we know that there looms ahead a three-months period when there'll be no last minute scurrying about for notes on the happenings of campus life.

There's a bit of sadness, too, in seeing the year's tasks come to an end, for it means that for some of the final days on the Elon campus loom just ahead. Many of the students will graduate, others will not return to Elon for another year, and all will be missed.

The reports are that a number of the Elon faculty will not be back, that they will move on to other scenes for another year, and it is with a real sense of regret that we hear this. To each and every one of them we express appreciation for a task well done and the wish for full success in their efforts elsewhere.

So now, with much pride and mingled sadness, we write this final word of the 1959-60 college year and close out Volume Forty of the old Maroon and Gold by writing "30" in this final sentence.

**FRIENDS**

If nobody smiled, and nobody cared and Nobody helped us along,  
If every moment looked after itself and Good things always went to the strong,  
If nobody thought just a little about you and Nobody cared about me,  
And we stood all alone, in the battle of life, What a dreary old world this would be.  
Life is sweet, just because of the friends we have made  
And the things which in common we share,  
We want to live on, not because of ourselves,  
But because of the people who care.  
It is doing and giving for somebody else,  
On which all life's splendor depends,  
And the joy of this world, when you've summed it all up,  
Is found in the making of friends.  
—Anonymous



on campus

By BOBBY LAWSON

Well, Elonites, the end of the year is here, and we can all go home and enjoy the summer months by throwing away our time without paying for it.

I don't know what the girls will be doing this summer, but I imagine most of the boys will be flattering their draft boards hoping to return to Elon in the fall. At least we can point to one good grade this year... that grade being 1-A.

**Library**

Have you been in the library lately? Could you get in? How did you get out? Even the Bookstore is noticing a decline in business.

Like practically everybody else on campus, I had a term paper assigned on thinking it would be best to take a few notes. I decided to trot over to the usually quiet, almost vacant library. Much to my surprise the place was full, and everybody was working like beavers. I think every professor on campus assigned term papers.

Speaking of professors, we are surely losing some excellent teachers. Last I heard through the grapevine, we are going to lose fourteen.

**Spanish Players**

The Elon Players now have competition. The Spanish Players. Last week in Mrs. Sloan's Spanish class, we presented a short play. Every member in the class took part in the play. The Father of the Indians. I am sure if the Dramatic Awards Committee had been present we would have walked off with top honors for the year.

**Congratulations**

Congratulations to our track team, golf team and the baseball nine for such an outstanding record. They have turned in outstanding accomplishments for Elon this year.

**Same Old Thing**

Well, like I said, the old year is almost over, and it won't be long before we'll be forgetting grudges, wishing everybody a good summer, and smearing ink all over one another's annuals. Then there will be the mad scramble to get home.

So then, we get home and loaf for a week or so before the parents get used to us again. Then, one morning at breakfast, your father suggests that you go out and earn some money to see you through the next year of school, and immediately the wonderful summer is overcast by the drab aspect of a job.

You manage to cling to your freedom for a week or two by pretending that jobs are scarce, always saying, "Gee, dad, I just can't seem to find one." Then he comes in one evening and announces proudly that he has talked to so-and-so and that he has agreed to take you on for the summer. You try to act enthusiastic about it, but you are really crossing out in your mind all the parties and excursions you had planned for the future dates this summer.

The summer drags on and on, and every day you find yourself considering the army more seriously. Finally, you resort to thinking about the good times you had at school last year, and you drop a line to one of your close friends. You see, you have been away from home for a couple of years now and you have dropped out of circulation. The people who us... be you... close friends are not interested in the same things that you are, and the ones who are still interested are married. Of course, it takes a while for you to realize exactly why you aren't having as much fun as you'd counted on, and by then the summer is almost over.

Finally, you quit your job and get ready to return to school. You sit around the last few days just waiting for the time to go, and then you leave a day early, so that you can be with the fellas soon enough to have some fun before the task of registration.

Yup!! That's the way she goes! I know, because I have been doing it for the past four years. If you don't believe me, watch yourself go through this old cycle this summer.

**Wisps of Wisdom**

- Father—The parent who gets his daughter off his hands and then has to get his son-in-law on his feet.
- Some folks who live it up discover they have a lot to live down.
- To get to the top, go to the bottom of things.
- Always listen to the opinions of others. It probably won't do you any good, but it will them.
- You can always tell a well informed man—his views are the same as yours.

**MAY QUEEN WITH MEMBERS OF HER COURT**



The Elon College May Court of 1960 is pictured above after the coronation of Jean Loy as the May Queen. Miss Loy, who ruled over the festivities, is shown seated in the center of the platform. Those standing left to right are William Faries, Faye Gordon, Zac Walker, Kay Hughes, Bob King, Katie Lanley, King Bob McLean, Winnie Ann Watson, Gordon Yancy, Judy Samuels and Eddie Burke. The small children center front, are Mark Gilliam, crown bearer, and Kathy Sharpe, flower girl.

**Planning Holy Land Summer Tour...**

**Sloan Has New Book On Bible Lands**

Dr. W. W. Sloan, professor of Bible at Elon College, who is the author of two volumes about the Bible, has just written a third book, a small volume entitled "Bible Lands and the Bible."

Much smaller than his earlier "A Survey of the Old Testament" and "A Survey of the New Testament," both of which are college texts, Dr. Sloan's new book is designed to serve as a guide book for tourists in the Bible lands.

In the volume Dr. Sloan has chosen 68 places in the Middle East which are connected in one way or another with the Bible, and he gives the history of the city

and explains the Biblical references to each community. Setting Jerusalem apart from the other points, he gives a complete history of that city in Bible times.

The new work offers a complete Biblical guide to Palestine and other sections of the Near East, including Jordan, Israel, Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Egypt, Turkey, Greece and Italy. Designed primarily for tourists, it is pointed out that the book includes much of interest to arm-chair travellers, Sunday school teachers and ministers.

Dr. Sloan himself will conduct a tour of these lands this summer for the American Express Com-

pany, leaving New York by plane on June 13 on a trip which will include the Passion Play at Oberammergau, Rome, Athens, Corinth, Thessalonica and Egypt. There will also be a motor tour of the Biblical centers, with visits "from Dan to Beersheba."

The first Sloan work, "A Survey of the Old Testament," is used as a text by more than 60 colleges, and a third edition of his New Testament work has just been published. The 1960 edition of World Book Encyclopedia includes 14 of his articles about Old Testament people, and he has written portions of the International Sunday School Lessons for 1962.



**The Chatter Box**

By DORIS FAIRCLOTH

dent. One person can do very little without the cooperation of other interested persons, and there has been apparently little sincere cooperation and concern on the matter this year. For instance, this year's budget, which was planned by the President at the end of last year, was approved immediately and without question or discussion by the Elon students' representative body, the Senate. This was probably the mistake that led into the misuse of the Student Body funds, this error lying not within the judgement of the President in making out the proposed budget but in the much too hastily made decision of the Senate to approve it.

The new Senators in this year's May 11th meeting, profiting from the mistake of the old Senate, started off on the right foot by sending the bill to the finance committee to be reviewed before considering the approval of the proposed budget.

Perhaps it will follow that the Senate, the various committees, and the Student Body as a whole will take more concern and consideration in their plans for next year, and we will in effect have a greatly improved program throughout the year.

There was some question in the recent election as to the validity of the count of votes and perhaps as to the honesty of the committee in charge of counting these votes. Perhaps we need to be reminded that all students at Elon College are bound by the Honor System. When honor placed in students, whether they be in the classroom or in the position of vote-counting, fails to be dependable, I am sure that we will all agree that this system is no longer of use and should be immediately done away with. The members of the election committee are chosen by the President and approved by the Senate. One

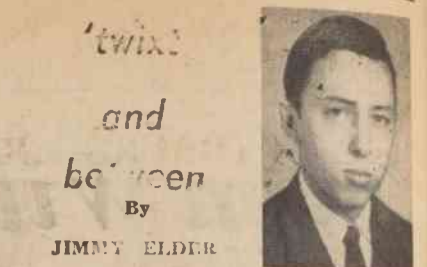
who questions the integrity of this committee must also question these latter-mentioned representatives of the Student Body.

There was also another aspect of the elections that to me was very distasteful, that aspect being the conflict between the fraternities and sororities in relation to the elections. When a student runs for an office, he should be running as a representative of the entire Student Body, and not as a representative of his or her fraternal organization. The work that he intends to do as an officer should bear no favor toward his organization, but should be thought of as beneficial to the Student Body as a whole. When one runs for the sole intent of putting his organization in the limelight, he is laying the grounds for an in-harmonious and corrupt student government.

As school nears its close, I would like once again to mention the seniors who will soon be graduating, and take it upon the Chatter Box to wish the Class of 1960, on behalf of the remaining members of the Student Body, the very best of luck in their future endeavors.

I would like to thank all of you who have borne with me and the Chatter Box throughout the year and those of you who have taken the time to give aid with your constructive criticisms. Also, many thanks to those on the staff for their kind endurance, which I am sure they have exercised many times throughout the year. Though it may have at numerous occasions tried the patience of the readers, writing for the Maroon and Gold has been an enjoyable experience for me.

Time for this Chatter Box to close once and for all, bidding farewell and wishing all of you an enjoyable and restful summer vacation.



and between

By JIMMY ELDER

College students generally avoid sentiment; theirs is a cynical attitude, with a profession (or perhaps confession) of cleverness and sophistication. But for many college seniors preparing to graduate, the essential emotional element in all of them generally manifests itself in sentiment and reminiscences when commencement time approaches.

In retrospect they often muse over the good times, the friends among students and faculty members that they have made, and too often, I fear, the mistakes that they have been given to in their few years of undergraduate study.

We seniors at Elon have witnessed perhaps the greatest transition in the school's history. The details of the transition are too numerous and too well-known to demand attention here. What we must realize is that, even as we leave Elon, we will remain an essential part of the college's growth. If the expansion of Elon remains static, it will reflect not only on our degrees but on our interest and support as well. We have a duty and an obligation to ourselves as well as to future Elonites to lend assistance as college alumni.

In looking back over the 1959-60 academic year as part of this transition, the most important action taken by the college has been conducting of the institutional self-study program in an attempt to re-define the college objectives, narrow the facets and objectives of the extensive program prove to be, the ultimate objective of the college must be to provide superior instruction with superior facilities in order to produce superior students.

An atmosphere must be created in which the individual student and faculty member may pursue knowledge, truth, or whatever without being stifled or discouraged by too many restrictions. There is indeed a point where discipline ends and oppression begins. We must have guidance without discouragement.

In achieving this ideal or ultimate objective, one of the main difficulties is in attracting the right kind of student. If my observations are not too biased, there seems to be two generally distinct groups which have in the past been courted into coming to Elon: (1) the person preparing to go into religious work, and (2) the athlete.

Neither pursuit has enough merit alone to admit a student; yet both groups have at times been admitted for that particular reason alone and have even received preferential treatment in some quarters. This should cease. Elon College should provide both a religious atmosphere and athletics, but religious consciousness does not come from a saintly and pious appearance; a reflective, thinking person is actually more conscious of the spiritual and is certainly more desirable as a student than one who is purely sanctimonious. As far as athletics is concerned, the arguments for competition in sports are actually untenable. Intra-collegiate sports programs and physical education provide results equally as good without the expense.

Partly because of the prevalence of these two groups, there is an excessive conformity at Elon which both repugnant and intellectually unhealthy. The condition must be corrected if academic excellence is ever to be satisfactorily achieved; otherwise, neither intellectual independence nor the creative imagination will ever be asserted. If I have ever had one criticism of Elon, it has been this.

The total experience of attending Elon College has been wonderful though. For myself, I have become more fondly attached to the school the longer I have stayed here. This time now, however, is close at hand when, in the beautiful Elon tradition, academic hoods for the bachelor's degree will be awarded to the Class of 1960.

I would be remiss if I did not express my gratitude to those members of the faculty, they know who they are, who have been so kind to me. I cannot thank them enough. I would also like to thank those of you who have commented on "Twixt and Between" this year. There have been quite a few, certainly not all flattering, but appreciated anyway.

Well, we're now between "twixt and between" class time and exam time. It won't be long now.—"shantih, shantih, shantih."

**Wisps of Wisdom**

- Fear may slow down our thinking processes, but it sure speeds up our footwork.
- Race Track—A place where windows clean people.
- If you want to leave your footprints in the sands of time, wear your work shoes.