

About Campus Problems

By DON TERRELL

The Elon Student Government and the problems involving the Honor Council and the Student Council were subjects of a meeting of both faculty and student representatives held last week.

Leading the discussion meeting was Dr. H. H. Cunningham, dean of the college, other faculty representatives being Dr. Robert Benson, Prof. Robert Baxter and Mrs. John H. Williams. Student representatives were Ed Boelte, David Plaster, Mike York, C. G. Hall, Lynn Ryals, Phyllis Hopkins and the writer.

Dr. Cunningham assured the group that something must be done concerning recent infringements of the Honor Council and Student Council regulations, such as line breaking in the cafeteria, conduct in chapel and at movies and cheating.

It was pointed out that the students at Elon have been given the opportunity to govern themselves and that failure to take full advantage of this opportunity results in an ineffective system, since the Honor Council and the Student Council cannot be effective unless backing is given by each student.

There was also comment concerning the situation in which the punished offender is made a martyr and the one who reported the offense to the Honor Council turns out to be a condemned villain in campus opinion. This seems absolutely ridiculous in view of the basic principle of our Honor Code.

It takes a great deal of courage to report someone who is infringing upon one's rights as a fair and honest student, but one who does have the fortitude to make such a report should be complimented and appreciated rather than to be cast down by the vocal minority.

It was pointed out in the meeting that there does seem to be such a vocal minority, which controls the majority through its stump-speech condemnation, and usually the ones who do all of the condemning of honest students seem to be from the same minority group which commits the violations.

The faculty has the power and the know-how to rub out all or

most cheating, but they have given the students the privilege of taking tests and doing assignments on their honor. It should mean something to a student when he swears on the honor of his name that has not cheated on some piece of work, and it appears that those who complain about cheating should either report the guilty or keep it to themselves. It is a put-up or shut-up situation.

At the dining hall door, it is rather distressing and pitiful to see a group of howling, stamping, shoving, yelling students banging on the door. Some faculty members assert that they have never at any other school seen such childish or immature behavior.

The same group may be heard each and every Friday night at the admission free movies in Whitley Auditorium, and the same group may be heard daily about the campus reciting all the irrelevant and insignificant gripes to be expected from such.

Are we, then, being ruled by a loud-mouthed minority which might appropriately be called the Animal Kingdom. It's up to the students to take the responsibility and initiative to do something about the situation.

It is now up to the students, and failure to do something to remedy the problem may well result in Student Government powers being lost. If such should occur, then students would have no chance to judge themselves, and students would have no one but themselves to blame if the power of judgment were to be assumed once more by the faculty.

So, I say to the students, "Wake Up! This is college. This is the time when you and I are trying, or should be trying, to grow up a little. It costs to attend college, and many of us cannot afford not to take advantage of what is offered."

Elon may not be what many of you expected of college. It has its faults, I agree, but it also has much for those who want it. If you are not pleased with what is here, then look somewhere else. If you feel that way, then you are not justifying yourself in staying, and you may be making miserable those around you. If you are going to stay, then love and comply with the spirit and the rules. If not, then happy hunting!"

Elon Vote Reversed By National Election

ELON CHOR APPEARS AT SUFFOLK CHURCH CENTENNIAL



The Elon College Choir, which furnished special music for the one hundredth anniversary of the First Christian Church in Suffolk, Va., on Sunday June 6th, is pictured above. Members of the choir, shown left to right above, are as follows: FRONT ROW—Patricia Jones, Suffolk, Va.; Patricia Crews, Winston-Salem; Dava Newsom, Dunn; Susan Sandefur, Danville, Va.; Barbara Matthews, Sanford; Gala Lambeth, Burlington; Suzanne Myers, Ivor, Va.; Shirley Foskett, Lynchhaven, Va.; Reni George, Brooklyn, N.Y.; Jo Ann Garrison, Virginia Beach, Va.; Martha Brittle, Suffolk, Va.; and Doris Ann Morris, Stanardsville, Va. MIDDLE ROW—June Nall, Burlington; Melinda Powell, Fuquay Springs; Barbara Jensen, Lafayette Hills, Pa.; Dixie Gladson, Conway, S.C.; Geraldine McCauley, Waverly, Va.; Jane Feck, Burlington; Beverly Ward, Rockville, Conn.; Denyse Theodore, North Belmore, N.Y.; Connie Blake, West Boxford, Mass.; Sandra Neighbors, Forest City; Carolyn French, Henderson; and Margaret Kimball, Southbridge, Mass. BACK ROW—Douglas Scott, Durham; Richard Sissen, Hampton, Va.; Tom Brady, Elon College; David Edmondson, Hampton, Va.; Hinson Mikell, Charleston, S.C.; William Whitley, Tarboro; John Fleming, Suffolk, Va.; and Richard Apperson, Newport News, Va.

Panel Group To Discuss Education

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The Liberal Arts Forum, operating under the sponsorship and with the financial support of the Student Government Organization, will offer three members of the college faculty in a panel discussion on the question of "Is Our Present System of Education Leading Us To Ultimate Defeat?" in Money Chapel Theatre next Wednesday, November 16th, at 7:30 o'clock.

Dr. Richard M. Haff will preside as moderator over the discussion, with members of the panel including Dr. Arnold Strauch, speaking from the viewpoint of educators; Prof. Roy Epperson, speaking from the world of science; and Prof. Tully Reed, representing the field of the humanities.

The Liberal Arts Forum was initiated by the Student Government two years ago for the purpose of providing informative and intellectual programs on the campus, and it is planned and administered by a combined faculty and student committee.

Prof. Tully Reed is chairman of the Forum committee this year, other faculty members being Dr. Clarence Carson and Dr. Frances Muldrow. Student members are Cliff Hardy, George Platt, John Williams and Danny Gee.

Faculty Group Attends Meet

Four members of the Elon College faculty were delegates at the annual meeting of the South Atlantic Modern Language Association, which was held in Charleston, S.C., on November 3rd, 4th and 5th.

Dr. Frances Muldrow, Mrs. Pearl McDonald and Prof. Henry Hackney, of the foreign language faculty, and Prof. Tully Reed, of the Elon English department, were the Elon representatives at the three-day session.

Dr. Muldrow, who is president of the North Carolina chapter of the American Association of Teachers of French, also attended a regional meeting of that group, which was held in conjunction with the Modern Language meeting.

Reading Program Set Tonight

The student class in oral interpretation, working under the instruction of Prof. Ray Day, will present an evening of reading in the Mooney Chapel Theatre at 7:30 o'clock tonight. Each reader will strive to show understanding and appreciation of what he or she is reading and to share that understanding and appreciation with his or her hearers.

College students who will appear on the program include Martha Brittle, Joe Berdorch, Bill

Foutman, Allen Foster, Judy Townend, Sylvia Little, Bill Williams and Ken Cooke, with some of the group presenting two different selections during the evening. Also appearing along with the college students will be Nita French and Straughan Robinson, two children who reside in Elon College and who are members of Professor Day's drama workshop, which he has been conducting in the Elon College public schools.

Appreciative Audience Hears Bodanya

Natalie Bodanya, lyric soprano, who has sung in many of the great cities of both North America and Europe, was heard with appreciation when she appeared in concert in Whitley Auditorium last night. The concert was the first of the series of Elon Lyceum pro-

grams for the year. Miss Bodanya, one of the few concert artists to appear in recitals and concerts in America before singing in Europe, exhibited the same magnificent talent and voice range in her program here which has gained for her the rave

notices of critics in the great cities of two continents. The soprano artist has been singing since childhood, having begun her musical training at the Manhattan School of Music when she was ten years of age. She sang constantly there, although her major interests were supposed to be in piano and music education, and there she gained the attention of Madame Sembrich, famed coloratura, whose pupil Bodanya became.

Through her training under and association with Madame Sembrich, Miss Bodanya was linked with the "golden age" of singing, which featured such great artists as Caruso, Melba, Fremstad, de Reszke and Emma Eames. She began her work with Madame Sembrich at the age of fifteen.

While still a student, Miss Bodanya attracted the attention of Edward Johnson, director of the Metropolitan, and under his sponsorship she was signed to do the leading role in "Carmen," and she later created the role of Lizetta in "The Clandestine Marriage."

After her Metropolitan debut, she made concert tours all over the United States and to Canada and Europe, making guest appearances in operas in Paris, Basle, Prague, Vichy, Brussels, Montreal, and Hollywood. While in Europe she appeared before the Danish royal family and also as a guest artist at the famous Venice Festival in Italy.

Her appearance here at Elon last night was one of many she will make this year on campuses of American colleges and universities, appearing under the sponsorship of the Arts Program of the Association of American Col-



NATALIE BODANYA, CONCERT ARTIST

Preferential Election Is Big Success

In one of the most successful citizenship experiments on record on the Elon campus, the Elon students voted in a preferential preferential election on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 1st and 2nd, giving a strong preference for Richard Nixon and Henry Cabot Lodge for president and vice-president of the United States for the coming four years.

However, fate and the ballots of more than sixty million Americans reversed the campus results in the national election held on Tuesday of this week and denied the majority of Elon's voting students their preference. The campus preferential balloting did prove a pre-view of the general election in the immediate area, however, for voters of Alamance County and the section surrounding the college did give a majority to the Republican national ticket.

With a total of 564 Elon students casting votes in the mock election, the student voters gave Nixon and Lodge 309 votes, compared with 251 votes cast for John F. Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson. There were three write-in votes for Governor Faubus and I. Beverly Lake and a single write-in vote for Senators Harry Byrd and Barry Goldwater.

A bit of figuring reveals that the student voters gave the Republican nominees 55.2 per cent of the total ballots cast, compared with 44.8 per cent of the votes for the Democratic candidates.

The fact that 564 Elon students voted in the Tuesday and Wednesday election indicates the strong interest which the students have in the upcoming national election. The number compares favorably with the number of votes cast in regular campus elections in which the students name their own leaders. In fact, the votes cast exceeded the number cast in several recent campus elections.

The election was conducted by the regular student board of elections, climaxing a practical experience. (Continued on Page Four)

Student Leaders Meet For Problem Discussion

By DORIS FAIRCLOTH

Following up a meeting held last week, a group of Student Government leaders met on Tuesday of this week, with Student President Ed Boelte presiding, to discuss campus problems which have recently come to a head, among them line-breaking, chapel misbehavior, conduct at campus movies and cheating. Dr. H. H. Cunningham, Prof. Robert Baxter, Mrs. Roy Epperson and Mrs. John Williams, of the faculty committee on student government, met with the student leaders.

Dr. Cunningham, in referring to the Student Handbook, stated that he was bothered by the lack of pre-empt in the constitution. What are the goals of the student government association? He felt that there should be a committee of students from the student government leaders to discuss this matter. Cliff Hardy, student vice-president, revealed that formation of such a committee was the plan for the last Senate meeting, but lack of a quorum prevented its discussion.

The dean discussed the problem of indifference and apathy on the campus and referred to the importance of a campus student government. Without a system of real student government patterned after national government, where will students gain the desire to take

part in voting and otherwise participating in national government affairs? He answered the question of why we should have a student government with another question: Why educate young people?

Cunningham concluded with the statement that perhaps with the right approach, together with the student government leaders could get over the hump. Referring to student government, he said, "It's yours, no one else can possibly do it for you. It's up to you, if you want it."

A discussion between Boelte and Hardy summed up the problems of students who are unwilling to spend any time at all on student government, and students who promise to help but are not available when help is needed. Professor Baxter added that students who gave their services in student government were well paid through the experience they gain by participating.

Mrs. Epperson brought in that the faculty was condemned many times for not enforcing the honor code, when they were actually kept in the dark as to their duties to the honor system. She also raised the question of whether the handbook was made up by students or by the administration. No one could answer this question.

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Cunningham Book Gets New Praise

Praise from sources high in the medical profession continue to come to Dr. H. H. Cunningham, Elon College dean and history department chairman, for his "Doctors In Gray," a book which was published two years ago by the Louisiana State University Press.

One of the most recent bits of praise comes from Dr. John M. Talbot, of Chicago, eminent medical doctor, who is editor of "The Journal of the American Medical Association." That publication recently presented an editorial concerning Dr. Cunningham's book, and the editor calls it "a most remarkable book."

The book is a definitive study of the medical service of the Confederate army during the Civil War, a work which has attracted special attention in view of the approaching observance of the centennial of the great conflict of the 'Sixties.

In addition to his book, Dr. Cunningham has also written a number of articles on Civil War medicine. One of these articles appeared recently in "The United States Armed Forces Medical Journal," and another is soon to appear in "The New York State Journal of Medicine."