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NEW OUTLOOK

The fall semester of 1961 is barely begun, and it's not too late to adopt a new outlook on college and its work. Of course there are many fond memories of the summer and vacation days just gone, but the time is here to do some wise planning for the days and weeks ahead.

At this time the mid-winter exams and their resultant grades seem a long way in the future, but the time will come all too soon when lack of proper attention to courses will be reflected all too clearly in the final grades.

Wise budgeting of time is essential to proper study, so each student would do well to plan his activities this fall to include necessary study time along with extra-curricular activities and other interests that will attract each student's attention.

It well, when in the midst of a bull session or bridge game, or even when taking part in such activities as sports or student government, that there is almost always work to be done on academic courses. Proper planning now will mean success when mid-year rolls around.

SOUTH DEFINED

Amidst all the sectional differences and conflicts that rend the United States today, it is always interesting to see any one section and its way of life summarized as was the South in a recent speech by former Governor Luther Hodges, of North Carolina, addressing a meeting of southern industrialists.

The speaker declared that "we as Southerners have a way of life which we understand and appreciate, but one which many others do not understand or appreciate." Then he quoted an article by Walter Spearman, University of North Carolina professor, who was himself a speaker on the Elon campus last spring. Spearman defined southern life by listing six senses characteristic of the South:

Sense of place—Most southern families have their roots deep in Southern soil. There is a strong and instinctive feeling for a homeplace.

Sense of family—Where but in the South would you talk about "a first cousin once removed"? Wherever you move in the South there are kinfolk.

Sense of oneness—When two Southerners meet anywhere in the world they establish immediate contact based on a shared past, however remote, born in the suffering of the Civil War, nurtured in poverty of lean years, and cemented by the heat of outside criticism.

Sense of proportion—Graciousness may have been more admired than efficiency in the past, but Southerners seem to appreciate the fullness of life itself.

Sense of humor—This is a traditional part of Southern living. Story-telling, whether tall tales or folklore, has always been favorite entertainment and greatly relished at the family table, front porch or river bank.

Sense of religion—The South has been regarded as "the Bible and Christian teachings is a fundamental part of the people. It reaches straight back to the God-fearing, independent, devout colonists who first settled the Southland.

Mr. Spearman's definition, while incomplete, is a good explanation of phases of a way of life to which the South clings and wants to preserve in the face of the constantly changing picture of American life.



the chatter box

By

DORIS FAIRCLOTH

Here we are back for another year's run around the track of college life. For some of us it is the last run, and we greet it with mixed emotions. Although we dread the day when we must bid farewell to the old Alma Mater, we dread equally the thought of losing the race to the lack of quality points or hours so necessary for the obtaining of that long sought degree.

The Chatter Box would like to extend a hearty welcome to the numerous members of the Freshman class, and to commend them on their great show of spirit and enthusiasm since the beginning of the football season. Here's hoping that the coming Freshman elections will be met with equal enthusiasm.

The few Elonites who attended the Elon-Wofford game September 23rd can attest to the fact that Elon has quite a hustling team this year. Although Elon was handicapped by the injuries to several of the more experienced players, the team managed to keep the score tied until close to the end of the last quarter. Wofford came out on top in score, but there is no doubt in this fan's mind that the Elon team topped its opponent in performance.

Few people realize the time and effort that is spent by our nine cheerleaders in improving and perfecting cheers that will gain the response of the student body. Besides the time they spend at pep rallies, home games, and out-of-town games, they meet for practice every Tuesday and Thursday night. They are willing to make this sacrifice because they realize the importance of supporting their team to the fullest extent. But they can't fulfill the task alone.

Their job is to lead the student body in the cheers and yells, and it is up to the rest of the student body to attend as many games as possible and back up their team wholeheartedly. And this support should come not only when the team is winning, but throughout the game. The members of the football team will agree that they can be more optimistic about winning a game when they know that there are hundreds of people in the stands backing them up all the way.

It is hoped that student interest will be great enough this year to make possible the chartering of buses for out of town games. These trips would undoubtedly prove enjoyable to the participants, and the presence of a large number of students at these out of town games would surely be an inspiration to our team. If you are interested, you may gain more information about these trips from a cheerleader.

It's really amazing to know the great number of college students that are so ignorant that they can't carry on a conversation without talking about petty things that are, in the first place, none of their business, and, in the second place, probably untrue.

Perhaps these poor conversationalists are so ignorant that they don't realize that the rumors they spread are terribly harmful, or perhaps they are so thrilled by the responses to their little malicious tales that they don't mind the hurt that they are bringing upon the subjects of these rumors. An interesting thing would be to see what type of punishment "Hatto's Inferno" would depict for this type of person.

Homecoming is only a month away, and plans for floats and campus displays should be getting underway soon. Let's hope that participation in Homecoming this year will be as great as it was last year's. This is one weekend that no student should miss, for the various events will prove enjoyable and memorable to all.

Don't forget to vote for your choice for Homecoming Queen!

Wisp of Wisdom

It's all right to let your mind wander occasionally provided you don't try to follow it.

Smile: A curve that will straighten out anything.

Women can never be as successful as men. They have no wives to advise them.

When a man breaks a date he usually has to. When a girl breaks a date she usually has two.

In the 20th century. Though holding to the old, the South now looks more to the future than to the past. — SELECTED

FROSH GROUP SHOWS FINE SCHOOL SPIRIT



There was high praise for the fine school spirit shown by members of Elon's freshman class on the occasion of the Elon grid victory over the Wofford Quakers on Saturday night, September 16th, a victory which marked the opening of the season and the first chance for the new freshman class to get into action. The fine display of spirit did not come without advance planning, and part of that planning was the poster shown in the above picture. Two members of the first-year class, shown as they looked at the poster, are John Gregory, of Richmond, Va., and Rebecca Roberson, of Burlington.

At Summer Graduation

Louisburg President Is Speaker As Forty-Six Get Diplomas And Degrees

Using "How Much is A Man Worth?" as his topic, Dr. Cecil W. Robbins, president of Louisburg College, was the featured speaker at Elon College's annual summer graduation exercises, which were held on Sunday, August 20th, with diplomas and degrees going to 46 members of the summer class.

Delivering a combined baccalaureate sermon and address at morning exercises held in the Elon College Community Church, Dr. Robbins declared that a man's worth is determined largely by his submission to God's will.

He further pointed out that all too often the world measures a man's worth by his possessions, but declared that real worth is measured in spiritual treasures of a man's faith, hope, love and righteousness.

In this connection, he told the seniors that man, left to his own ambition and self-will, may become a scoundrel and a monster, declaring that only under the guidance and direction of his Master can he hope to scale the heights in life.

In addition to the speaker, others participating in the morning exercises were Dr. J. E. Danieley, Elon College president; and Dr. William J. Andes, pastor of the Elon College Community Church. Prof. Charles Lynam, baritone, was featured soloist for the musical program, with Prof. Fletcher Moore at the organ.

The summer commencement concluded with the presentation of diplomas and degrees in Whitley Auditorium in the afternoon, with the 46 graduates added to

the 85 who graduated in May to swell the ranks of the Class of 1961 to 126 persons. Two of the summer class, who graduated with honors, were Annie Cochran Edwards, of Gibsonville, and Charles McKinley Hall, of Burlington.

Other summer graduates included Mona Scott Atkinson, Elon College; Glenda Squires Bumgardner, Burlington; Hampton Rob Bell, Elon College; Helen Sockwell Bell, Elon College; Edwin Reddeman Boelte, Vernon Hill, Va.; Sally Higgins Boland, Lake City, Fla.;

Robert Otis Boyette, Elon College; Deanna Hall Braxton, Elon College; Martha Elerbe Broadway, Liberty; Howard Edwin Burke, Burlington; Mark Edward Campbell, Burlington; Stanley Otis Carey, Burlington; Ralph Thomas

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Quill At Will

By NANCY SMITH

spiritual, in which each of us should take pride.

From the looks of things the campus is not only teeming with residents, but also with activities galore. After the freshman activities and placement tests came the concentrated effort on line formation (registration). Confusions and delusions have lessened to the point that, with tired feet now eased, we're running on schedule—even if there's some doubt as to whether it's the right schedule.

The opening football game of the season was certainly a thrilling one. The nip in the weather and the response of the Elon fans went hand in hand in adding to the excitement in the air. The Fighting Christians set off yells and screams of joy in the crowd when our second touchdown was made in the last minute of the game.

We as upperclassmen would do well to take heed to the example set by the freshman section, which displayed such enthusiastic school spirit at the game. Keep it up! Buses are provided to carry students to all home games; so come on out and support the team. Congratulations to the coach and team for such a fine start!

Elon-Burlington Day, which took place on Friday, September 22nd, gave the faculty and students of Elon College a chance to acquaint or re-acquaint themselves with the hospitality of the merchants of Burlington. Plans for Homecoming—the game, the parade, and the dance—are in the making. With an early start backed up by strong support, Homecoming could be the best ever! In addition to the above goings-on, meetings of the various groups making up the student government and meetings of the sororities and fraternities have been held.

The "rush" parties given by these social clubs for the purpose of taking in new members will be coming up soon. Serious consideration goes into the selection of members, and the individual likewise should decide which, if any, is the right fraternity or sorority for him or her.

Those who have attended college prior to the present semester are eligible, if in good academic standing, to join the groups of their choice this Fall. Become familiar with all of these organizations and their members in order that you be better able to make a sound decision when the time comes.

a voice from the corner

By

DON TERRELL

It sure was a problem having to abandon and pack away the ole beach towel in exchange for a crying towel, but classes started anyhow. I guess its really not so bad.

Just by glancing around campus at the Freshman Class, it's obvious that the Director of Admissions was responsible for selecting the girls, at least — an extremely commendable job. Serious speaking, the Class of '65 seems to be an alert and active group. I cannot remember a more representative group shown than the freshman at the Guilford game. Their cheers, both original and amusing, were quite an asset to the enjoyment of the game. There are many potential student government leaders in evidence. Elections this year should be a fired-up affair.

Speaking of student government, Edwin R. Boelte, Elon Student Government Association president last year, was also a feature columnist. In one of Ed's columns, he made some interesting comments concerning our student government. Thanking Ed for his permission, I quote:

In the recent history of Elon College we have witnessed a new interest in our student government. We have seen the beginning of a new trend for the students of the campus of the oaks, and in this new trend we have gained a new interest in our own person and in the general student body.

We do not need someone to tell us what to do and what not to do. We make our own rules and regulations, enforce them, make our own decisions, have our own activities and we do not need a "big stick" to watch over us.

Elon College government belongs to us—the students. Let us by all means keep it that way. We can ill afford to take any backward steps when we have been moving forward at such a rapid pace. Our government has seen a new life, a new beginning, let us all rise and keep that spirit of political awareness alive and give the Student Government Association that is so vitally needed for a smooth running and active student government.

A smooth running and active student government can be realized if you, each student, carefully chooses the students who are sincerely interested in student government and in our particular problems here at Elon.

The Entertainment Committee has been working to provide the week-end entertainment which we sorely missed last year, and thus far the participation hasn't been too rewarding. We hope this will improve.

The Homecoming weekend is quickly approaching, and it's time for fraternities, sororities, and other groups to be planning for their displays and floats. The Dance Committee, under Roger Bednarick has contracted a popular group to provide music for our dancing, and those who recall last year's fun surely are looking forward to this annual affair. A decisive victory over Western Carolina would certainly add to the enjoyment of the occasion. What about it, guys?

Our "football" team has been doing a fine job this year, although we did drop a heartbreaker to Wofford.

Anyone interested in representing the national magazine, Campus Illustrated, please contact the author of this column. The magazine represents all American colleges. Duties of the representatives include reporting campus activities and sales promotion.

There is news from Tidewater, Va., that one little mother is proudly boasting around' the social circles that her darling daughter is fortunately dating that popular Elon golf pro, Frank Lawrence, III. Congrats, Frank, we didn't know!

I just can't understand why ninety per cent of the feminine voices on the other end of the telephones always ask for Ed Boelte. It's exasperating!

The last I heard from Pete Smith was that some Mexican rescued him twenty miles off the Lower California coast riding on a surfboard with a mermaid on his knee and a facetious smile on his sunny face. First thing he said was "Mother Ganote!" We sure miss him, but I'm glad he's having fun.

Tom Brady has a new game to play. It's called "Lose," and you get the first try free. Temper, Tom, temper!

Hair styling service is now being offered by Jean Jaques Sparkman. His favorite is just a plain pencil on the right side. Beautiful effect!

Anyone needing help with French, contact Dick More, a graduate student from P.J.C. With that, I think I'll bid adieu for about two weeks.