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### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations are in order to President Danieley upon his success in securing Vice-President Lyndon B. Johnson as the featured speaker for Elon's annual Founders' Day program, to be held on the Elon campus on Thursday, March 8th.

Never in the more than seven decades of Elon's history has such an eminent person appeared as a speaker on its campus. In fact, no United States president nor vice-president has ever appeared as a speaker at any public function in Alamance County.

Securing such a prominent person for a program on a college campus is not a project which comes about through the simple matter of extending an invitation and this upcoming visit by Vice-President Johnson to Elon is an event which has been in the dreaming and planning stages for a year or more.

Of course the acceptance of Elon's invitation by Vice-President Johnson must be chalked as a definite accomplishment by President Danieley himself but appreciation is also due to U. S. Senator B. Everett Jordan, a member of the college's board of trustees, and to others who worked to make the year old dream come true.

Such words of congratulations have already been voiced from points and persons more prominent than the Maroon and Gold staff, for Governor Terry Sanford, in extending a welcome to the vice-president for the entire state of North Carolina, also congratulated Elon College on securing such a speaker for the Founders' Day convocation and complimented Senator Jordan for his efforts in the matter.

In expressing the congratulations, Governor Sanford was highly complimentary in his remarks about Elon College, for he declared that Elon "is typical of the excellent church-related colleges in our state which are doing so much to help provide college opportunities for ever-increasing enrollments."

Governor Sanford concluded his remarks by saying that "Elon College could not have picked a better man to deliver its Founders' Day address, and the Vice-President could not have chosen a better site and occasion on which to speak."

### A CHURCH SHRINE

This entire area surrounding Elon College could very appropriately become a literal shrine and historic center for the new United Church of Christ, with interest in the area spreading throughout the United States and the world.

The United Church of Christ, with its organization still in the process of completion, was formed by the union of the Congregational Christian and the Evangelical and Reformed Churches of the United States, and those two component parts were in turn formed by the merger of other groups.

Two of the earlier groups which have since become component parts of the United Church of Christ were the Christian Church and the Dutch Reformed Church, and history reveals that the combining organizations of both groups were originally formed within ten miles of Elon College.

The Southern Convention of the Christian Church, which is now the Congregational



## the chatter box

By DORIS FAIRCLOTH

There seems to be a question in many folks' minds as to whether the average Elon College student is getting dumber or if the curriculum is getting tougher. The Dean's list for the past semester made an overwhelming increase in length—that is, the below-C-average Dean's list. Probation is fast becoming the accepted rule rather than the shameful exception for the Elon students. If something doesn't give, pretty soon the requirement for social acceptance will be a probationary slip.

Founder's Day, which is to take place March 8, during chapel period, is an occasion that none of us will want to miss. Among the several prominent speakers will be the Vice President of the United States, Lyndon B. Johnson. This event should prove to be an interesting one for both students and administration.

The Variety show which was held February 7 and was sponsored by the sororities and fraternities on campus was quite successful in providing two hours of good entertainment for the students and administration and in fulfilling its goal of earning finances for the purpose of student union improvements. The show netted over \$200. Many thanks to Susan Sandefur who originated the idea for the show and spent many hours in making it a reality, to the sponsors of the show, to those who donated their time and effort to take part in the silent show, and to those who attended. Special Commendation goes to Beta Omicron Beta, who donated the \$10.00 that its members won by selling the most tickets, and to Kappa Psi Mu, who donated \$5.00 to the project.

Many thanks also to Professors Charles Lynam and Fred Sahlmann. It is nice to see members of the administration taking interest in student affairs and giving up their time to help further such projects.

Those of you who have failed to pay your student government fees are asked to do so as soon as possible. It is necessary that the Student Government obtain the rest of these fees in order to figure out the budget for this semester, and any delay in student payments will naturally cause a delay in plans for this semester's activities and for student union improvements.

The girls in the New Dorm have been awaiting the arrival of an intercom system since the beginning of the first semester, and the situation without one is now getting next to impossible. The lack of an intercom last year caused no problem, for there was only one floor to worry about, and when a girl received a telephone call or a caller, it was simple enough to let out a yell and she'd come running. But at present the girls on first floor have neither the lungs to yell up to second or third floor nor the strength to run up and down two flights of stairs every time someone receives a call, so at the present moment the telephone is about as useful as a bicycle without pedals as far as local calls are concerned. So, we'll just keep waiting.

### Near Miss

The harried coach pleaded with the professor who had flunked his prize tackle to give the boy another chance. Finally the professor agreed and did give the boy a special makeup exam.

The next day the coach again anxiously queried the professor, "How did Jones do?"

"I'm sorry," said the professor. "It's hopeless. Look at this... 7x5 equals 33."

"But gosh, prof," said the coach, "give him a break. He only missed it by one."

Christian Church was originally organized at the Union Ridge Church some miles northeast of the Elon campus in 1956, and Southern Convention later expressed its interest in higher education by founding and sponsoring Elon College.

The central organization of the Evangelical and Reformed Church is now known as the Southern Synod, but it was originally known as the North Carolina Classis of the Reformed Church, and history records that the North Carolina Classis was organized in 1831 at historic Brick Church which still stands some miles southwest of the Elon campus.

With two such historic spots of worship in existence in such close proximity to the college there appears excellent reason to designate their area as an historic, religious and educational shrine.

## LEADERS IN STUDENT GOVERNMENT THIS YEAR



Caught by the Maroon and Gold Photographer in an informal moment, the chief officers of the Elon College Student Government are pictured above in the organization's central office. Those pictured, left to right, are Don Terrell of Richmond, Va., vice-president; Cliff Hardy, of Franklin Park, N. J., president; and Eleanor Smith, of Winston-Salem, secretary-treasurer. All three were chosen by vote of the Elon students in the annual campus elections held last spring. Officers to succeed them will be chosen in the upcoming elections, to be held on the campus in April.

## Variety Show Receives High Praise

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ported to the Isle of Hawaii as Gail Pond performed the hula with the grace and beauty of the natives, and then came the Elon Quartet, with Fred Stephenson, Walter Bass, Tom Brady and Bob Gwaltney proving favorites with a Stephen Foster Medley.

As usual with modern day entertainment, time-out had to be taken for a commercial, and Sallie McDuffie amused her hearers with her humorous advertisement of "Nothing Deodorant—the deodorant that will make your friends notice you." She also drew applause for her tongue twister cereal ad.

The show turned to a more serious note with Carolyn French's presentation of George Gershwin's "Prelude," but the tempo was quickly changed as Pat Gregory did a tap dance that enlivened the crowd.

Introduced as "the best talent find for 1961 in the Burlington area," Nellie Conklin's melodious voice assured the audience that she was worthy of the title in singing "The Sound of Music."



Spring semester begins with whimsical weather which sends chills through us as cold winds sweep about campus one day and sends bright, clear sunshine the next day to draw us away from our intellectual corners into the warmth of the outdoors.

Classes this semester seem to be overflowing as a result of the increased enrollment. With the increasing demand for admission to college comes a greater effort which has to be made on the part of each student in order to keep his seat in the classroom. In other words, we'll have to occupy our study corners and niches, not only to keep the cobwebs from forming, but also to make sure that these corners remain ours until we graduate.

Several of the upperclassmen are apparently dissatisfied with the curriculum at Elon and as a result, seem to have created—all by themselves, mind you—a class in what appears to be interpretive dancing, swing the statue, or the like. Actually, Bill Piscitelli and friends had an early touch of spring fever (or something) during that short warm spell several Sundays ago. They perched themselves upon the gateway pillars behind the men's dormitories and posed for

Ann Jennings, seven times Virginia's state champion twirler, showed the audience exactly why she had won so many honors with her twirling twist. This act was followed by Carol Lupton singing "You'll Never Walk Alone", along with a novelty dance by Linda Daniels that was acclaimed as one of the cutest acts of the evening.

Two singing favorites appeared next on the program for Frankie Rich, accompanied by Pat Kelly and Tick Hanford, sang two selections; and Anna Fulda, Brazilian exchange student, sang a Portuguese song.

In keeping with their roles as campus cut-ups, McIver Henderson and June Evans sang a hill-billy version of "Waterloo," and then back for a return engagement was the chorus line of Al Baer, Jerry Bolick, Adrian Bromiriski, "Honeybun" Harrison, James Pepe and Bobby West, with shapes never before viewed on the Elon campus. As their dance progressed, various portions of those shapes changed form.

In addition to her time and effort in planning, organizing and directing the show, Susan Sande-

ur came on with a fine vocal contribution, and some commented that she "sounded like Julie London."

The Tom Brady Trio closed the show. Their first number of "How High the Moon" was overwhelmingly received, and for an encore they played "September in the Rain."

During intermission, a \$10 prize was given to Beta Omicron Beta Sorority for selling the largest number of tickets; but, in keeping with the spirit of the show, the sorority donated the money to the Student Union Fund. This generous act was followed by the donation of \$5 from Kappa Psi Nu Fraternity.

Those were not the only donations, however, for a box placed in the foyer of Whitley drew over \$220 in donations from the audience; and the whole event was a fine example of how students can prove that they are school spirited enough to work, plan, produce and support a function that will help toward a better college.

And, finally, those who missed the variety show, missed an evening of tremendous entertainment.

## Quill At Will

By NANCY SMITH

passers-by as the "Thinker" and similar sculptural masterpieces.

The Variety Show turned out to be quite a success. Over two hundred dollars was collected; these proceeds will go toward the improvements on the Student Union, which can't begin any too soon. The show, presented in Whitley Auditorium, also gave us a chance to see who has the talent on campus... and we seem to have quite a bit!

The coming visit of Vice-President Lyndon Johnson to Elon College in March is one of the biggest honors in the history of the College. We'll have to make an extra special effort to polish our manners and to sharpen our wits so as not to miss a word or phrase said by the Vice-President on Founder's Day.

Founder's Day commemorates the founding of the college which opened its doors in 1889 under the auspices of the Christian Church. On March 11, 1889, Elon North Carolina Legislature. The was granted its charter by the faculty and students, together with alumni, trustees and friends of the college, will join in observance of "Founders' Day" this year on March 8th. This is one event I'm sure none of us will want to miss.

The probation list this semester put many out in the cold as

far as eligibility for social clubs on campus. March is rush month for the sororities and fraternities. This is a period in which eligible students are "rushed", or asked to parties, and then, if selected by a social club or clubs, are given bids to join. Careful consideration are taken on the part of both parties in order to make the best choice. Belonging to a sorority or a fraternity can be a very meaningful college experience.

If Seniors seem to lack vigor and stamina this week, it's simply the after effects of the Graduate Record Examination which they took last Friday and Saturday... just a little ole test which lasted about 6 1-2 hours. After four years of college we were tested to see if any of our liberal arts education had soaked in.

Some of the Day Students have been wondering why the Day Students have been wondering why the Day Students' Association was done away with this year. No satisfactory answer has been given thus far. There is the feeling that the Day Student are becoming less and less a part of the college activities, not because they have no interest in them but because they are not given a chance to participate as they would like to do.

## a voice from the corner

By DON TERRELL



Only a few weeks ago, plans were begun on the renovation of the Student Union. Now, things are really moving. I can't imagine anyone walking away from Whitley Auditorium after the Variety show without a smile on his face.

The show, given as a benefit to raise money for the Union Improvement Fund, proved to be a smashing success. Where else could one hear Joe Lee's bass voice, and watch six "loverly ladies (?) do a charming routine during the same evening for only fifty cents? A couple of the Vegas babes bounced off the stage and presented Mr. Hassell and Dr. Danielly with smooches, heard clear back to the thirty-ninth row. That Harrison dame is just too-o-o much.

It's truly impossible to single out any certain portion of the show as a highlight, because every act was a highlight; and, best of all, the returns from the show were nice enough to build well on the earlier donations.

I think it would be a really big idea to have things like that more often. It's been a good while since I've laughed so hard or enjoyed any show as much as that one. Fifty-cents was a real steal. Congratulations are certainly in order for Beta Omicron Beta Sorority upon winning the ticket-selling contest, and orchids for donating the money back into the Improvement Fund.

I was asked by Frank Lawrence, chairman of the Improvement Committee, to express his and his committee's appreciation for the support of the participants and that of the audience for making the benefit show the grand success it was.

Now that the committee has a tidy amount in the fund, it shouldn't be difficult to raise the necessary additional funds through like projects or donations. The students have certainly extended their interest in this undertaking.

There also has been an improvement in the current union maintenance, but it could still use some work. Cigarette butts still are mashed on the floor, due to the lack of any place else to use. The trash can near the mail box flows over and tends to spill on the union floor daily. Maybe if we had two cans back there, it would help. I really don't believe the ole silver receiver is capable of handling the job all alone.

Big news, other than the Variety Show is rather nil, this early in the semester of course, The Dance Committee and the Entertainment Committee are busily preparing for the Spring activities.

The Dance and Entertainment Committee are really going all-out in attempting to give to the students what they really enjoy. The combo groups which have invaded the campus on occasion have really rewarded the dancers here with a real treat.

"The Twist" has certainly enjoyed itself here at Elon. I recall reading several newspaper comments on the newest dance craze recently. One, by a British doctor, said that "The Twist" would be a boon to the United Kingdom's chiropractors. Such girations must certainly cause a knotted spine on occasion.

Another article, by a Southern Baptist minister said that "The Twist" was the invention of the devil, created in the incubators of hell." I thought this was rather comical, and I had to share it. The ole incubators have been rather busy of late, and I must say this is one of the southern kingdom's most well received contributions to modern society.

On my trip to New York last week, (about which I plan to tell in a later edition), I was able to see Roni George, an Elonite of last year. Cut and perky as ever, that gal. I told her that Eleanor Smith was still just as nose-y as ever.

In addition to having a fine voice, I am told that Fred "Brierpatch" Stephenson is a rather swift son on the foot path. I hear he moves faster than gunshot. He's still wondering why Mable (ne) can't be true. I also have a sneaking suspicion that Jim Hamill is coming up with all these maladies and broken bones for certain, sweet sympathy, and I think its working.

I guess I'd best quit being a "chatter box".

It's almost time for rush season to begin for the campus fraternities and sororities and all eligible and interested students will soon star receiving the royal treatment from the groups. I would certainly urge all stu-

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