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CAMPUS ELECTIONS

The coming of spring brings many pleasures to those who inhabit this campus of ours, but spring also brings to Elon students each year a special duty which all too often does not receive the serious thought and action that it deserves, that special duty being the choice through the medium of the annual campus elections of the student officers who will guide the Elon campus government through the following year.

The time is almost here for 1962 when all Elon students, or at least most of the students, should take that trip to the polls to name those student leaders for the upcoming 1962-63 college year, and every individual should already be giving serious consideration to the balloting processes.

A necessary prelude to any election is the choice of candidates, and individual students should have already been studying the field of possible officers and urging those whom they consider fitted to become candidates for the various Student Government positions.

The political campaign for the major campus officers is due to get underway next Monday, April 2nd, and within exactly one week from today the candidates for the major Student Body offices are due to have filed their names as candidates. In fact, the deadline for such filing is set for next Friday, April 6.

The present system by which various candidates file for the campus political races, which was begun only in recent years, has proven much more effective than was the old plan that provided for nominations from the student body. Too often, under the old system, there were instances in which nominations were made in jest, and there were times when those lightly-nominated candidates were elected to office by the votes of students who voted in the same thoughtless manner.

Under both the old system of nomination and the present system of filing by individual candidates, there have been officers chosen who were more interested in the title and office itself than they were in the proper performance of duties, but the filing method lends itself to the selection of persons who will try conscientiously to perform the duties of their office.

Elsewhere in this issue of the Maroon and Gold, the current president of the Elon Student Government points out in a contributed editorial article that the Student Senate has experienced difficulty in securing quorum attendance at times, and that problem of poor attendance at the Senate sessions is just a manifestation of the lack of proper candidates.

With final filing due next week for major Student Government candidates, the first ballots will be cast in the primary on April 12 followed by the final election barely two weeks from next Monday, and both dates will be upon us almost quicker than one can realize.

Proper study at this time, both by candidates and voters, will mean a better slate of candidates and a better force of officers to guide and direct Student Government during the coming months. It behooves everyone to think well and vote the same.



the chatter box

By DORIS FAIRCLOTH

What's happening to old Elon? Only last year this time we were beginning to breathe the good Elon air with a joyous sense of freedom and independence, and now all of a sudden these blessed ivied walls are beginning to close in on us tighter and tighter with each passing day.

Have you ever noticed how much harder it is to walk a log lying across a ditch or stream than to walk one which is lying on the ground? Perhaps it's because you know that you must limit yourself to the "straight-and-narrow path" or else suffer the consequences. Fear of reprimand doesn't prevent anything except sober judgement.

You've heard the rumors floating around about the new rules that have been enacted, of course, but, of course, you don't know, as no one else does, the exact nature of these rules or who was good enough to compose these writs of restriction for our fair student body. Such a rumor concerns a drinking bill which a fifth-hand reporter states, was supposedly passed the latter part of last semester.

If this rule has any substance at all, where is the evidence? Who has a copy of the rule, who made the rule, for whom was the rule made, and why was the rule made? For one would feel rather uncomfortable at the prospect of being found guilty of and punished for breaking a rule of whose existence I was totally unaware.

If rules are in all reality made and unmade in such a manner as this and with the frequency of an adolescent's changing moods, it seems that a large bulletin board should be placed in some conspicuous spot on the campus so that each student may be made aware of his restrictions for the week. It's a little hard to be "good" when you're not sure what the present moment's concept of "good" is.

Democracy begins at home. Since Elon is our home, for four years anyhow, it is the perfect place for us to attain a thorough, mature knowledge of and experience with democracy. Perhaps this is why we as individuals yearn so strongly for a student government which is entirely representative of our student body. If college students are not considered mature enough to make and enforce their own rules, rules which are based on motives to maintain high moral and social standards while at the same time keeping the morale of the individual at a healthy level, then they at least should be allowed to taste of this democracy we hear so much about by being given the right to know the reasons for rule changes and restrictions and by whom these rules were acted upon.

Speaking of campus rules, we were recently made aware of the rule about couples walking only on the lighted areas on the campus at night. I ran into an upperclassman the other day who apparently takes all rules to heart, perhaps because she is a council member. She was having difficulty uncovering an object in her large pocketbook, so she proceeded to empty most of the pocketbook's contents into a neat pile. I couldn't help noticing the flashlight on top of the pile.

Well, they say "Be prepared!"

There were several Freshmen girls last week who were singing their own original version of "Don't Campus Me" to the tune of "Don't Fence Me In". Hope they're still around for the next talent show—maybe a Council member could get in touch with them for us. How about it, "Campused Cuties?"

One more day and some poor boy is going to be \$10.00 poorer!

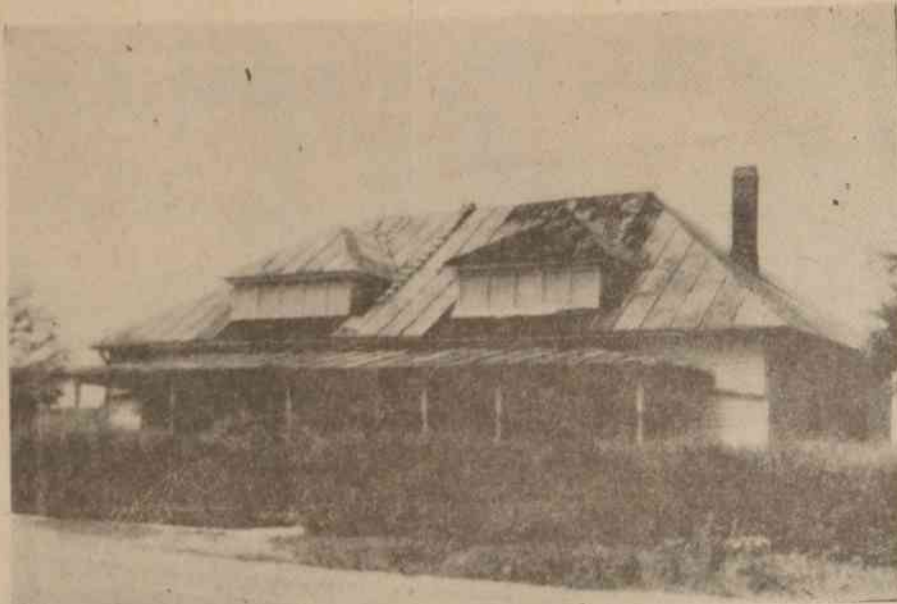
Seems that Casino has become an extremely popular card game on the old campus since the winner's pot has been changed from money to honey by a couple of old card sharks. That way everybody wins! How about it, J. D.?

Like, man, golly-gee, it's banquet-time again, a fact which is less than easy to discover in the girls' dorms, what with all the hustle and bustle and the "what'll-I-wear-do-you-have-any-earrings - I - can-borrow-where - are - those-darned-shoes-oh-what'll-I - do - with-this-hair-I'll-NEVER-be-ready - on - time!" etc. Have you ever watched a mass of ants whose home has been covered up? Yep, that's the girl's dorm from now till the banquet days are past.

Wisps of Wisdom

If advertising can be accused of making people live beyond their means, so can matrimony.

OLD CLUB HOUSE WAS POPULAR WITH STUDENTS



It is hard for the present generation of Elon College students to believe that the dilapidated old structure pictured above was one of the best-loved and most popular of Elon College dormitories only half a dozen years ago, but it is absolutely true. The picture portrays the old Club House, which stood on the corner of the gymnasium parking lot almost directly across from the Main North Gate of the campus. The Club House was built in the early 'Teens to house a group of boys, and the name came from the fact that these who lived there would club to gether and provide their own meals. The cooperative plan for meals was discontinued after a few years but the Club House retained its name and remained a boys' residence hall until about six years ago, when it was torn down. Many boys preferred to room there rather than in the better equipped and newer dorms and many old grads return to the campus now and express nostalgic memories of the days when they were part of the close brotherhood that called the Club House Home. In fact this picture of the Club House is published through the courtesy of one of those alumni who holds it as a part of his campus memories.

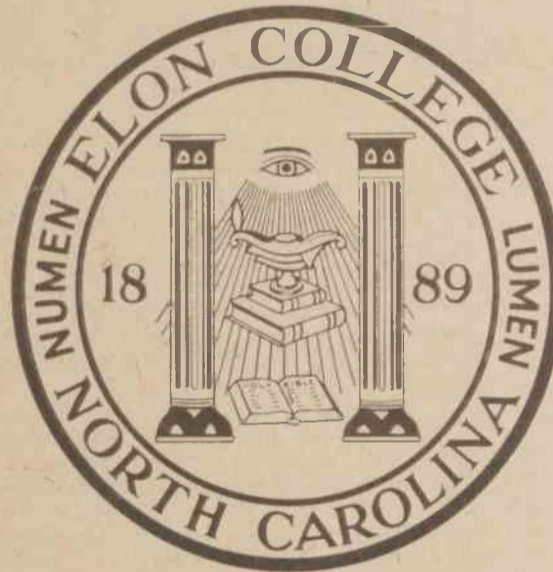
Elon Seal Means Much To College

The official Elon College seal means much to the college, for it appears on all official documents every and literature, and it is interesting and laterature, and it is interesting to know something of its origin.

The Elon seal was designed by Dr. Walton Crump Wicker, at one time head of the department of mathematics, who was an integral part of the college from its founding until his death in 1939. He completed the seal design in 1908, and it was approved by the board of trustees at its annual meeting in September of that year.

The minutes of the Committee which included Dr. Wicker's interpretation of the seal were destroyed when the Administration Building burned in 1923, but the significance of the various symbols is generally known, since they are of Masonic origin, and the interpretation now given to the seal

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Quill At Will

By NANCY SMITH

some rules placed on past student bodies at Elon:

At one time, girls were allowed to have dates only once a month.

Boys and girls speaking in the halls received demerits, and after a certain number were subject to dismissal.

In the dining hall, boys were required to eat on opposite sides of the tables from the girls.

Boys were not allowed in the girls' dormitory except on dating nights. Girls were required to have chaperones when walking to the post office and other places.

Boys had to get permission to go off the campus. When changing classes boys were dismissed before the girls so that they did not "have" to be in the hall at the same time.

When going to baseball games and other outings, girls and boys were required to go in groups with a chaperone in front and one behind. Forward march.

Marching to and fro to classes, meals and chapel was required. Chapel was held every morning and everyone was required to attend.

Lights were extinguished at 10 o'clock at night and later at 11 o'clock in all dorms.

Boys were not allowed to smoke on campus—much less girls.

Think ya got it rough?

Though the sororities and fraternities on campus compete in athletic and other contests, rivalry ceases on the scholastic level. This hasn't always been true. A loving Cup[®] used to be given to the social club with highest scholastic average. When the student body was composed of fewer students it was probably easier to average grades. Sounds good anyway.

Frequently or infrequently, upon assignment or out of necessity for quietness, students silently push open the door of the campus library and, once inside make use of the facilities (and the celestial atmosphere therein). Some students depend upon Elon's library for references; when these are not available, they may have no other source to turn to for research materials and keep them out for long periods of time are penalized by having to pay fines. These students deprive others of the use of overdue books and may even be kept from taking exams themselves if fines are not paid.

A very unwelcome visitor to the library is the individual who slips past the checkout counter without legally borrowing the books or book obtained from the stacks or reserve shelf. It is because of such persons that pri-

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a voice from the corner

By DON TERRELL



Well, it's just about time to begin selecting your student government officials for next year! I would like to request of you that before you make your definite selection, you carefully weigh the sincerity and devotion behind each candidate's desire to run for office. This, coupled along with ability and initiative are the chief attributes that should be considered in the final analysis.

This year has been a trying one, particularly in the Student Senate, where it has been a difficult task to maintain an adequate attendance of the members. This may stem from various motives, but I cannot help believing that it comes primarily from a lack of interest and initiative on the part of the elected seators. This has not been true of all senators, however. I must take "time out" to congratulate Bob Saunders, Roger Grimson, Valerie Spangler, and Hal Pittard for their perfect attendance this year.

It has taken the sincere and total devotion of officers like Ed Boelte and Cliff Hardy to bring our Student Government Association to its current effective high position, and there is still much that can be done to heighten this position. Only through tasteful, mature, and strong leadership can additional life-blood be given to our government.

Select mature leaders who can communicate, cooperate, and negotiate with the Administration most effectively. We all want to be sure that the Administrative officials are aware of our desires and our ability to legislate for ourselves, but not through immature and radical representation. The polls are opening soon. Be sure you're selecting those who will best represent YOU.

Fraternity initiations are finally over, and I suppose I'll have to say, to the tumultuous applause of the new pledges. The various Hell Nights were obviously that. I'm sure all the lady rushies enjoyed immensely the various little chores and atrocities delegated to them by their beloved "big sisters."

I received a letter this past week from a member of the freshman class, and I must say it was a nice one. The letter contained several very sharply pointed comments which evolved from some consideration and perception. The letter pointed out certain situations, such as the rustic and rumpled parking lots around campus which gravely need mending, the malfunction of the clocks in the classrooms which seems to be rather uncalled-for, and the lack of repair of the extremely hazardous passage beneath the Colonnades.

The letter was truly a good one to receive. It showed me that there are, after all, some students here who are interested in getting things done. It was essentially somewhat sarcastic, but it had ambition. It had concern of dear old Elon, which is something rare and welcome. I sincerely appreciate things of this sort, and I do pay attention to them, although our paper does not print "Letters to the Editor" in any special section. Thank you Mr. S, and I assure you that your suggestions were passed on to authoritative folks.

I still haven't procured a ride to Ft. Lauderdale. No one has even requested that I go along as a guide. Is it that all the organization of this Spring's favorite chaotic site has sort of dulled the glow of tropical lights? I sure hope that Elon will be represented, even if it has to be on "Wanted" posters. I wasn't there long enough last year to even be arrested or get into any exciting and precarious predicament. Good ole Mother Ganooch kept me in tow. And speaking of the good ole Mother, the gang received word that our surf-boarding buddy recently muddled the Mardi Gras. Reports are that it is quite an event to behold. All those awful things like loud jazz, liquid spirits, friendly dancing girls, gay laughter, and passing bucks were part of the fervorous festivity. It sounds so 'naughty' that I really want to go.

Anyone interested in subscribing to Playboy magazine, please let me know. As the Elon College representative, I can offer to you real special rates. Anything you want to know about the mag, just ask, unless it happens to be concerning the playmate. Information of this sort, I keep for myself.

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