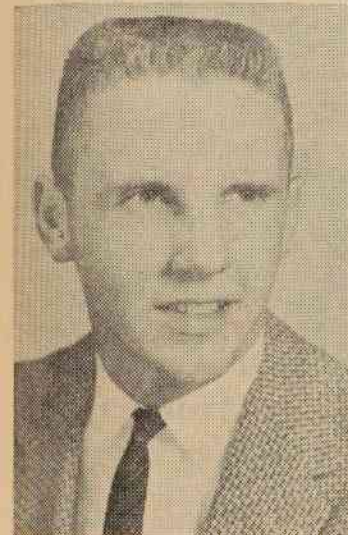


# Elon Baseballers Down Apps In 5-1 Game

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## Christian '9' Wins First Loop Battle

The Elon Christians opened their home baseball season with a decisive 5 to 1 victory over the Appalachian Mountaineers on the Elon field Wednesday, March 29th, with the Carolinas Conference triumph featuring timely hitting behind a beautiful three-hit mound job by Elon's stocky little Chris Pecora.

Pecora, a stocky little freshman righthander from East Islip, N. Y., fanned nine and walked none as he held the Mounties batters hitless in seven of the nine innings. The Christian hurler also scored two of the Elon runs and rapped out one of his team's hits during the winning eighth inning rally.

The game was a tight mound duel between Pecora and Appalachian's Ed Curlee through the first seven frames, with each team scoring singleton markers in the sixth. Curlee gave way to a pinch hitter in the eighth, and relief pitcher Bill Hodges was the victim of Elon's big rally in the bottom of the eighth.

A double by Richard Smith, a single by Pecora, a walk to Rick Coble, a sacrifice by Mike Spillane and a round-tripper by Joe Byrtus sent the four Elon runners scampering home in the winning rally. Byrtus also had a triple to pace the Elon hitting.

The line score:

	R.	H.	E.
Appalachian	000	001	000 1 3 1
Elon	000	001	04x 5 5 2

Curlee, Hodges (8) and Bangston; Pecora and Brady. HR — Byrtus (Elon).

## Lynchburg Is Winner Here In 7-6 Game

The Lynchburg Hornets turned back the Elon Christians in an erratic diamond battle on the Elon field on March 30th, grabbing a 7 to 6 win in a game that showed seven pitchers parading to the mound for the rival teams.

Four Elon hurlers scattered eight Lynchburg hits well over the nine inning route and allowed only five walks while fanning nine of the Hornets, but all of the Christian pitchers suffered from erratic defense that included three errors and five passed balls.

Each team plated single runs in the third inning, with Lynchburg moving to the front with a pair of scores in the top of the fifth, only to have Elon rally for four counters on three hits in the bottom of the same frame.

The Christians held the lead until the eighth, although the rivals traded singleton markers in the seventh, and then came the winning scores by the Virginia visitors in the eighth and ninth. The Hornets plated two men in the eighth without a single hit, using four bases on balls and fielder's choice in the rally, and then came their winning tally in the ninth on an error, sacrifice hit and single.

The line score:

	R.	H.	E.
Lynchburg	001	020	121 7 8 1
Elon	001	040	100 6 8 3

Krouse, Kraft (7), Seeley and Rowley; Moon, Amundsen (6), Pecora (8), Kirchgessner (8) and Brady. WP—Seeley. LP—Kirchgessner.

## Minor Sports

### GOLF SCHEDULE

- Apr. 4—Guilford, home.
- Apr. 6—Pfeiffer, away.
- Apr. 11—Guilford and Pfeiffer, away.
- Apr. 13—Appalachian, home.
- Apr. 18—Guilford, away.
- Apr. 20—High Point, home.
- Apr. 25—Catawba, home.
- Apr. 27—Appalachian, away.
- Apr. 28—A.C.C., home.
- May 4—High Point, away.
- May 9—A.C.C., away.
- May 12—Catawba, away.
- May 15-16—Conference Tournament at Boone.

### TENNIS SCHEDULE

- Apr. 1—A.C.C., home.
- Apr. 6—High Point, away.
- Apr. 12—UNC Freshmen, away.
- Apr. 15—Guilford, home.
- Apr. 17—A.C.C., away.
- Apr. 18—Pfeiffer, home.
- Apr. 21—West Carolina, home.
- Apr. 22—West Carolina, home.
- Apr. 24—Guilford, away.
- Apr. 27—High Point, home.
- May 15-16—Conference Tournament at Boone.

### TRACK SCHEDULE

- Apr. 7—Catawba, away.
- Apr. 10—Campbell, home.
- Apr. 12—A.C.C., home.
- Apr. 14—High Point, away.
- Apr. 17—Guilford, home.
- Apr. 22—Davidson Relays
- Apr. 29—W. and L., away.
- May 3—Catawba, home.
- May 5-6—State Meet, Durham.
- May 8—Conference Meet.

## Varsity Gridders Will Meet Alumni Squad In Burlington Stadium Battle

The Elon College gridders will close out their spring football sessions by meeting a strong combination of Fighting Christian alumni stars in a full-scale game in Burlington's Memorial Stadium at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

The game will mark the first public view of Coach Red Wilson's new Single-Wing model of the Fighting Christian football machine, and the game should prove quite a test for the Elon varsity gridders as they face an alumni outfit that shows some of the outstanding stars of past years

in Elon football play.

Three of Elon's All-American aces of the past few years will be in uniform for the Alumni team, for George Wooten, Jerry Rowe, and Willie Tart have all stated they will be on hand. Wooten and Tart won All-NAIA honors in the backfield in their senior year, and Tart's jersey Number 25 was retired from use after he graduated. Rowe won his All-NAIA honors at end.

Ed "Strawberry" Wheless, who set many Elon passing and offensive records during two seasons here, will be on hand to guide the alumni from the quarterback slot; and big Rex Harrison, who joined the Los Angeles Rams as an end after graduation here, will also be on hand.

Other former Elon stars due to be in uniform include Charlie Rayburn, Burl Clements, Cameron Little, Marvin Crowder, Dan Kelley, Clayton Johnson, Charlie Strigo, Ronnie Bell, Fred Stewart, A. W. McGee, Don Amos, Joe Dawson, Scott Crabtree, Darrell Morgan, Sonny Pruitt, Zack Broadway and Alex Burnette.

They will be joined by the senior members of the last fall's Elon squad, and the entire group will be directed from the bench by Sal Gero and Lou Roshelli, a pair of Elon stars of the early 1950's. Gero was twice All-American at tackle during his Elon career, and Roshelli set many offensive records.

Against this talented crew of old grads, Coach Red Wilson has announced that he will start an offensive team which lists Perry Williams and Richard McGeorge, ends; Doug Thomas and Bill Gee, tackles; Wes Gilliam and Gene Schaeffer, guards; Lee Johnson, center; and Joe Rinaca, Emery Moore, Gary Jordan and Bill Miele, backs.

The defensive starters for the Christian varsity will include Perry Williams and Wade Williamson, ends; Doug Thomas and Frankie Mensch, tackles; Dickie Wilburn and Roger Norman, guards; Lloyd Kanipe and Gary Dean, linebackers; and Ron Foresta, Dave Oliphant and Marty Bonnett, halfbacks.

On the sidelines and directing play for the Fighting Christian gridders will be the entire Elon coaching staff that lists Head Coach Red Wilson, Assistant Coaches Alan White, Jerry Tolley and Mickey Brown and Associate Coach Charlie Justice.

## Charleston Downs Elon In 2 Games

The Charleston College baseballers grabbed off a pair of wins from the Elon College diamond squad in two games played in the South Carolina port city on March 22nd and 23rd, winning the first battle by a 4 to 3 margin and taking the second tilt by a 7 to 2 count.

The two games were the first of the new 1967 season for the Elon nine, and Coach Jerry Drake's young squad suffered badly as a result of some ragged work in the field. The Christians committed six errors in the first tilt and three in the second

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## High Point Nine Winner By 3-2 In Lengthy Tilt

Ed Kirchgessner, Elon's big freshman righthander from Succasunna, N. J., held the high-powered High Point Panthers to three hits for thirteen innings in a Carolinas Conference battle on the Elon field last Friday afternoon, but seven errors in the Christian infield cost the big chunker a 3 to 2 loss to the Panther nine.

The High Pointers, rated by Coach Chuck Hartman as the most talented he has had in Pantherland in eight years there, plated a single run in the second on three Christian miscues and then got their only earned marker of the game on Bob Robertson's triple and an outfield

fly in the seventh. Between the two Panther tallies, Elon got a singleton run in the third on singles by Rick Coble and Mike Spillane, sandwiched around a stolen base, also tallied one run in the sixth on three walks, a fielder's choice and a single by Jim Freisinger.

The tying run by High Point in the seventh set the stage for a tight duel that stretched almost into the twilight. Ron Blossie held the mound for High Point until he gave way to a pinch hitter in the eleventh, and then Rob Myers came on to battle Elon's Kirchgessner until the Pan-

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