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Varied Backgrounds

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dormitory enrollment of 699 last fall. There are 613 day-time students who commute to classes, as do almost all of the 99 night students.

Also of much interest is the widespread geographic distribution of Elon students, with this 1967 registration showing students from 23 states, the District of Columbia and five foreign countries.

As always, the largest student group comes from North Carolina with a total of 996 students, representing 68.5 per cent. Other states among the leaders are Virginia with 226, New Jersey 45, New York 30, Maryland 27, Delaware 21, Florida 19, Connecticut 18, Pennsylvania 14 and South Carolina 14.

These ten states furnished 98 per cent of the entire Elon enrollment, with thirteen other states and the District of Columbia having at least one student. Foreign countries represented include El Salvador, Greece, Honduras, Jordan and Sweden.

Among the North Carolina students there are 64 of the state's 100 counties represented, five more than were listed last fall. Alamance County furnished 517 students, slightly less than last year. Other county leaders are Guilford 71, Durham 43, Rockingham 38, Randolph 30, Forsyth 24 and Wake 22 students.

The varied religious memberships and preferences show more than 20 denominations, with the Baptists and Methodists topping the lists with 364 and 329 students listed, with each group holding the same relative rank as last year.

In third spot is the



United Church of Christ with 205, followed in order by the Presbyterians with 192, Episcopalians 66, Catholics 61, Lutherans 48 and Jewish 8 students. The remaining 12.4 per cent listed other denominations or no church preference.



Campus Comment

By Don Brown

The gymnasium acoustical system is once again a foremost item of student government controversy. With a recent bill stopping further payment by the SGA on the system, perhaps a definite step has been taken toward solution of the problem.

Disagreement and confusion concerning the project covers its whole scope from payment to installation. A recent talk with SGA President Dale Morrison demonstrated to us that his knowledge of the situation is as vague as ours.

In the first place, the very nature of the work to be done seems to be in doubt. Just what is meant by the term acoustical system? According to Morrison it is a system of renovations and equipment within the gymnasium which "would render it possible for a speaker or entertainer to be heard clearly from any point within the gym proper".

That sounds simple enough but no one is quite sure how it is to be accomplished. The common conception is that the acoustical tile already hanging from the gym ceiling is to be supplemented by some other

SGA Has New Look In '67-68'

The Elon College Student Government Association has begun the school year with several innovations in its set-up, among them operation from a brand new set of offices on the second floor of the Student Center.

Installed in these offices are SGA President Dale Morrison, of Lynchburg, Va.; Vice-President Noel Allen, of Burlington; and Treasurer Carl Mulholland, of Durham.

Also an innovation is that this year for the first time there is no elected SGA secretary, and the SGA paperwork is now handled by a paid secretary, Mrs. Pat Pilkinton.

President Morrison, in addition to being charged with the overall running of the Student Government, also serves as a chief liaison between the students and the administration. One of Vice-President Allen's chief tasks is service as speaker of the Student Senate, presiding over the weekly meetings.

The Student Senate is the legislative branch of the SGA, and it is composed of the class officers of each of the four classes, plus five elected senators from each class.

The senior officers are (Continued on page 4)



Why Is It?

By JAMES PAYNE

Why is it that each day as students leave the "pleasant atmosphere" of Slater's "Hot Shoppes" sign continues to be posted over the exit door? Are there certain grounds for this ruling or is it just that certain members of the established hierarchy don't approve of smoking?

These are questions that I have heard off and on for some three or four years. Let's look at this question of smoking in the cafeteria and take into consideration both the positive and the negative side.

Smoking itself has become an accepted social "habit" and this campus has its share of loyal followers. Considering this, if a majority of the students were to vote for smoking to be allowed, would this not be the democratic way of approaching this matter?

Shouldn't the question be left up to majority rule? Yes and No! Majority rule is very essential but how about minority rights? This too is

very important and cannot be "puffed out" by just saying the majority rules. Then again there can be an over protection of minority rights by certain individuals which could thus lead to minority rule. Yet, I don't believe that the problem of "Majority rules" vs "minority rights" is the main problem to contend with.

Some adherents to the non-smoking policy advocate that if smoking was permissive, confusion would occur and the problem of lingering within the cafeteria would develop. This is not necessarily true, because a majority of the students do not rush out of this fine "eating establishment" as soon as their meal is completed. Lingering is bound to take place wherever there is a student gathering, for what else is there to do within the walls of an institution that offers such a wide variety of social activities. Well, anyone for ping-pong? (Continued on page 4)

Faculty Vacations

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Ann Vickers of the library staff and Miss Edith Brannock in home economics completed master's degrees at the University of North Carolina in Greensboro.

Other Elon faculty members who pursued advanced study during the summer were Dr. Howard R. Richardson at the University of Maine, Prof. Walter Westafer at the UNC-CH; Prof. Gene Featherstone at Eastman School of Music of the University of Rochester; Prof. Edwin Daniel at UNC-G; Prof. John Gerlach at the University of South Carolina; Miss Marilyn Spencer at Crowell Collier Institute in Chicago; Prof. Allen Sanders in a special IBM program at Winston-Salem; Prof. James P. Elder, doing research at Harvard University; and Mrs. Edith Stevens at the UNC-CH.

Several of the Elon faculty members combined more than one activity. Dr. and Mrs. Sylvanus Duvall, after returning from a tour of New Zealand, participated in experimental church programs and surveys or worked on special projects such as film strips; and Dr. William W. Horner cooperated in research projects in chemistry at Chapel Hill and attended a special conference in New Hampshire.

Dr. J. E. Danieley, Elon's president, also had varied activities. Along with administrative du-

ties here at the college, he found time to attend meetings of the General Synod of the United Church of Christ in Cincinnati and joined with Prof. Fletcher Moore, Prof. Alfred Hassell, Prof. Robert Baxter and Business Manager W.E. Butler in attending a workshop on administrative leadership at the University of Georgia. Mr. Butler also attended an institute on college business management at the University of Kentucky.

Dr. Malvin N. Artley, of the Elon music staff, was one of the busy faculty members, for he served as administrative director for the Eastern Music Camp for several weeks, served as chairman for the first southeastern regional conference of the American String Teachers Association here at Elon and was named president-elect for the National School Orchestra Association while attending the national convention in Michigan. At that time he completed a four-year term as treasurer of the orchestra group.

Among those who participated in or helped conduct clinics or workshops in various fields were Mrs. Betty Gerow, of the English faculty; Prof. Gene Featherstone, of the music faculty; Prof. Jack White, of the music faculty; and Coaches Red Wilson, Bill Miller and Jerry Drake, all of the Elon coaching staff.