

# MAROON AND GOLD

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## FROM COACH TO STUDENTS

It is very difficult to write a letter of this type without stepping on someone's toes. However, this letter is written in a constructive vein.

On Friday evening, October 27th, two well-planned occasions were on docket for the students of Elon College. Ground-breaking ceremony for the erection of a fine new dormitory was held along with a picnic and pep rally and bonfire to liven things up for the Homecoming football game on Saturday afternoon.

Needless to say, both occasions were nothing less than a miserable flop. Other than the fact that the faculty members, band, cheerleaders and a handful of students made their presence felt, the majority of the student body was conspicuous in its absence.

Without a doubt, the student body at Elon College is the most apathetic ever witnessed by the writer of this letter. It behooves me to think that an overall student body of some 1400 strong (over 700 campus students) could care so little for the overall activities of this fine institution.

The football players need your loyal support more than you can realize. The squad this year has already defied the odds of prognosticators by presently being in sec-

## THIRTEEN SPADES

Dr. Ferris Reynolds, Elon faculty member, who is an enthusiastic bridge player, drew a perfect hand of thirteen spades ten days ago while playing a game at the Student Center.

His partner at the time was Randy Warren, and needless to say that the Reynolds - Warren pair "Grand-Slammed" their opposition, consisting of Hector Hannum and Mike Rascoc.

ond place in the tough Carolinas Conference. It has played spirited football in almost every game and has possessed a fighting spirit of "Never Say Die" when the chips are down.

When the team is on the road, the players do not expect much support, and they ignite their own enthusiasm from within. But to think of the support given our boys at that Friday pep rally and during most of the game with Western Carolina on Saturday was little less than chaotic frustration.

May I personally appeal to you for an all-out effort to help our boys be instilled with student body spirit.

Sincerely  
 S.S. "Red" Wilson  
 Head Football Coach



## WRITES ARTICLE



DR. DURWOOD STOKES

## Stokes Has Article In Magazine

Dr. Durward Stokes, of the Elon College history faculty, has recently had published a highly interesting article on the life and work of the Rev. Henry Pattillo, one of the most outstanding ministers in the history of the Presbyterian Church in North Carolina.

His article appeared in the fall issue for 1967 of "The North Carolina Historical Review," and it presented considerable details concerning Pattillo's life from his birth in Scotland in 1726 through his long ministry in central North Carolina and until his death in 1801.

It was due to Dr. Stokes' great interest in the life of Pattillo that he was invited to be the principal speaker at ceremonies held on October 29th which marked the unveiling of a historical marker at the old Henry Pattillo homesite located in Granville County near the little town of Stovall.



## Why

## Is It?

By JAMES PAYNE

Why is it that the 1967-68 Elon College catalog continues to list courses that are not offered? I believe one reason to be that of an inadequate number of faculty members. However, can this problem be eliminated without hiring more faculty members? A step has already been taken by the administration in that direction and I refer to the newly established seminar system set up in the fall of 1966. Under this system a student aid is provided for the professor. The professor lectures two classes per week and each student is required to attend one afternoon semi-

nar conducted by the student aid. In this afternoon seminar, discussion takes place on previous classroom lectures and various discussion topics that are brought forward by the student instructor. The afternoon seminar also proves to be helpful as a review for upcoming tests.

Under this type of system, the enrollment of larger classes is possible and professors are relieved from such paper work. Yet, I feel this system needs to be stepped up considerably. The addition of more students to seminar courses is needed and more seminar

# Campus Comment

By Don Brown



A change has recently occurred on the Elon College campus. It is not the kind of thing one sees immediately as he looks about himself. Rather it is a change in the attitudes of Elon students. Call it what we may; pep vitality, or school spirit, it is the same thing, and it is improving.

The last two years had seen a decline in the pride of the student body which left us wondering if there ever had been such a thing as school spirit at Elon. We were told that it had indeed existed, and was now just waiting for the right combination of events to bring it out. We now know this to be true.

We see a change in the general attitude of students not only at big campus events, but in everyday activities as well. Elon students seem to be excited about everything that is going on at their college.

What has caused this sudden turnabout? Many say it is simple the fact that we now have a winning football team. We think it is this and more.

A victorious team does make a difference. We have, however, seen the "Fighting Christian" go down in defeat more than once this year. Even in defeat though they have been a team filled with pride. Even then we have been proud of them.

One person can be credited with the new team attitude. Coach Red Wilson has instilled in his charges a pride and will to win second to none. We need only remember the come from behind victories of the year, and the exciting final minute of the homecoming game to be assured of this will to win.

The new life is not confined to the athletic field. Even more important is the fact that it has been carried over to the rest of the student body.

Thanks to the Interfraternity Council new vitality has been put into the fraternity-sorority sys-

tem. We are now witnessing a semester of unprecedented work and activity on the part of the Greek letter organizations on campus.

We only recently saw the result of the fine work being done by the Student Government Association in the form of Homecoming weekend. This is only the first in a year of exciting events promised by President Dale Morrison. With more helpers of the caliber of Al Warlick, and Dice Wyllie, and many others who helped with the recent events, Morrison should have no trouble making the year of entertainment a reality.

The college administration and Board of trustees have not been inactive in the new look which has come over the college either. In the changes wrought by them has come the physical difference in Elon College. We need not run through the entire list of new and renovated buildings to realize the difference in the campus from two years ago. Two years from now even more facilities will have been added to the physical plant. The Elon College student has a modern campus with a natural beauty of which he can be proud.

Students are proud of their campus. They have a football team with a will to win for them. They have an SGA working for them and their enjoyment.

In short they have a reason for their pride, and in that pride they have found a new spirit.

With the continued hard work of those who already have done so much for the college the spirit should continue to rise. The Red Wilsons and the Dale Morrisons cannot do all the work needed by themselves, however. They need the help of every student at Elon College. Perhaps this help in itself is the largest part of the high spirit we want and need.

enough to accommodate some 150 to 200 students. Where there is a will, there is a way. This can be seen in the classroom assignments made at the beginning of the semester because of the remodeling taking place in Alamanance and Mooney buildings. (I know of one class that had to meet in New Dormitory.)

Therefore if the seminar system could be increased, more upper-level courses could be taught, thus giving the Elon College student a greater choice of "offered" courses and not listed courses in the college catalog.

courses should be set up as an example. I believe it is feasible to place all History 111 students in one seminar course thus eliminating five or six sections of History 111 from being taught. This way, professors will have more time available to teach upper level courses and also a greater selection of upper level courses could be offered.

A large enough classroom could be a problem but one that could have been eliminated during the remodeling of Alamanance and Mooney buildings. Here arrangements could have been made for some classrooms large