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Why Is It?

By JAMES PAYNE

Why is it that something cannot be done about the riot situation now facing the United States squarely in the face? This was the question that I stated I would discuss in this week's issue of the Maroon and Gold. However, since the publication of the May 3 edition, I have received in my mailbox a letter from an anonymous student asking me Why Is It! Because of its interest to the students, I am publishing the article just as I received it.

"Why is it that Elon has such a miserable number of students at each election voting? For years many have attributed this to apathy and indifference of the student body. In a large sense this may be true, but it seems understandable how anyone would be easily discouraged.

How many students normally carry their S. G. A. cards around on their person? Granted it is a small piece of paper and it does not take much effort, but in more instances than not they are lost or misplaced soon after they are 'bought'.

I have watched many students go over to the union between classes or during break to vote, only to be turned away because they can not prove they are a paying member of the Student Government.

Of course, it does not take too much trouble to go back to your room and search through books and wallets, whatever the case may be, until you find it and then trot back over to the union again to cast your ballot. But how many Elon College

students would take the time? According to the figures, only a sorry number."

"It seems that in order to encourage more voters on the campus, the S.G.A. should strive to make voting less complicated and more enjoyable. During an election last year, the system used was that of checking off names from a list available of those students who paid their S.G.A. fees.

Perhaps this is a little more work for the person sitting at the desk collecting the ballots, but I can guarantee that the number of voters would far exceed the number voting now. The rest, of course, is up to the student as to whether or not he will take advantage of this privilege."

With this being the last "Why Is It?" of the year, I have but one parting note. To the new S.G.A. committee that plans to publish another school paper twice a week next year, "Good Luck and Merry Christmas from this member of the Maroon and Gold staff, for you are definitely going to need it."

Robert Daly, 18, was president of his senior class in Evergreen, Colorado, and a member of the wrestling team. He has joined the army and is the country's shortest soldier at four feet, 10 inches.

Professor Richard Frost of Reed College in Oregon says that Americans spend \$3 billion more a year on their dogs, cats and other house pets than they do on the whole federal poverty program.



TWO VIEWS OF FURNISHINGS IN NEW ELON LIBRARY

Pictured above and below are interior views of the new Elon College library building located near the western gate of Elon's walled campus and adjacent to the McEwen Memorial Dining Hall. The carrel-type seats shown in one of the pictures and the study tables shown in the other view are all to be arranged at the outside edges of the three floors of the new library, with the metal book stacks to be placed in the center portion of the building on all three floors, thus assuring convenient access to the books for all students. The library itself and much of the furnishing is complete, and only a delay in shipment of the steel bookstacks has delayed occupancy of the new structure.



Herbster And Hamilton Speak At Commencement Exercises

The plans are nearing completion for the 1968 commencement exercises at Elon, with the big weekend marking the close of the college year slated to start with Alumni Day programs on Saturday, May 25th, continue with the baccalaure-

ate sermon on Sunday, May 26th, and close with graduation on Monday morning, May 27th.

Dr. Ben M. Herbster, of New York City, head of the United Church of Christ, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday morning, May

25th; while Dr. Frank R. Hamilton, a retired Navy chaplain, who is now an interim pastor of a church in DelRay Beach, Fla., will deliver the address at graduation exercises.

The commencement weekend will officially open with the registration of returning alumni in the Student Center on Saturday morning, May 24th, with a special feature of the Alumni Day program to be the naming of the buildings in the new living-dining complex on the new North Campus. Also on that day the returning old grads will have a chance to view the new library building.

SPRING TERM EXAM SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, MAY 17
 9-12 A.M.-- All 8:00 MWF classes. 2-5 P.M.-- All English 111 and 112 classes, all Economics 222 classes, and all Business Adm. 441 classes.
 SATURDAY, MAY 18
 9-12 A.M. -- All 9:00 TTS classes. 2-5 P.M. -- All Religion 112 classes and all Accounting 212 classes.
 MONDAY, MAY 20
 9-12 A.M. -- All 8:00 TTS classes. 2-5 P.M.-- all Physics 112 classes and all Political Science 411 classes.

112 and 212 classes; and all Spanish 112, 212 and 312 classes.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22
 9-12 A.M. -- All 10:40 TTS classes. 2-5 P.M.-- All History 112 and 212 classes.

THURSDAY, MAY 23
 9-12 A.M. -- All 11:40 MWF classes. 2-5 P.M.-- All 9:00 MWF classes.

FRIDAY, MAY 24
 9-12 A.M. -- All 10:40 MWF classes.

OTHER EXAMS
 All P.E. 112 classes and all afternoon classes except block exams above will have examinations at last meeting of class, and all Evening School exams will be held at last meeting of class.



"It's said we're approaching a moneyless society. Some of us are already there."