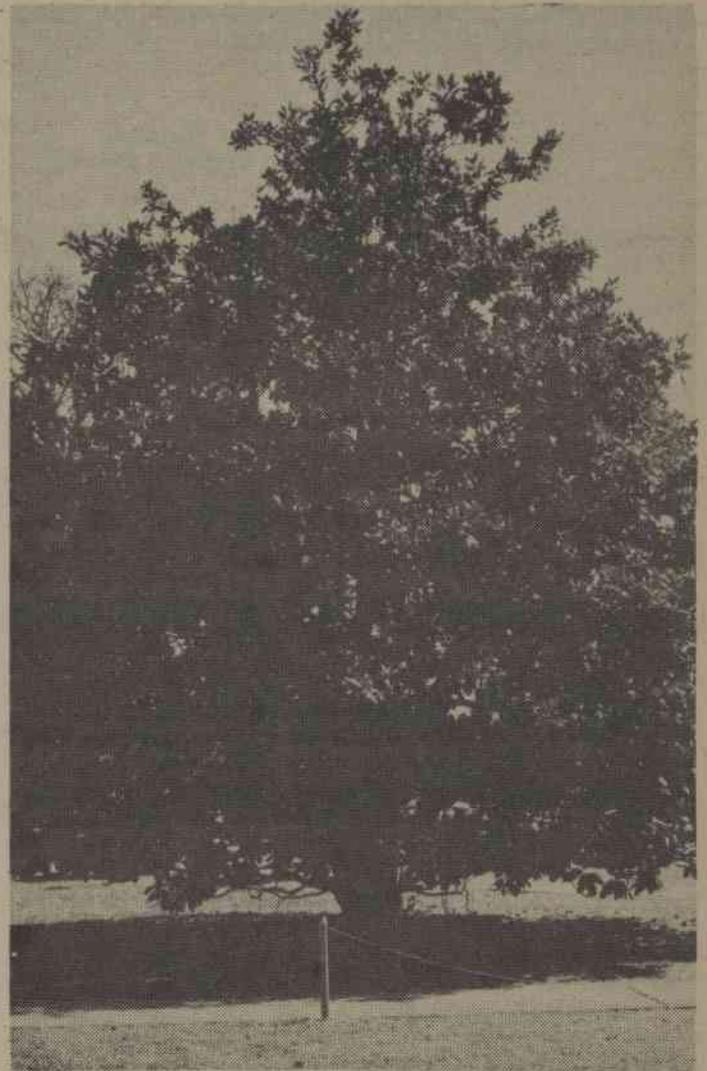




Founders' Day ceremonies Sept. 1939. Dr. J.U. Newman and Dr. William S. Long plant a magnolia tree in the quad in front of Mooney Building . . .



. . . 40 years later that very same magnolia tree stands several feet higher but signifying the same unity that our founding fathers displayed 40 years ago.

Photo by Mark Richards

March 7 is Founders' Day

This year marks the 90th anniversary of the founding of Elon College, and many special events are planned for the celebration. The original date was March 11, 1899.

Beginning on March 6, Founder's Day starts with an anniversary dinner in both the Harden and McEwen dining halls at 4:30 p.m., topped off with a huge 90th birthday cake. At 8 p.m. the anniversary Lyceum Program features William Stokes playing the pipe organ and his wife Ann the cello in Whitley Auditorium.

The Founder's Day Convocation follows the next day, in the Memorial Gymnasium. The faculty will proceed into the gym at 10:30 that morning dressed in full academic regalia. Governor James B. Hunt will be the chief speaker, amid other political, civic and educational leaders from throughout the state.

Elon College will present Governor Hunt with an honorary doctor's degree. The

Elon College Choir performance will feature the playing of the new pipe organ. College program credit will be given to students for attending this event. Classes will be dismissed that day from 10-12 and all students are encouraged to attend.

On March 12 the 90th anniversary of Elon's magnolia tree will be planted at 3 p.m. opposite the existing magnolia tree in the quadrangle between the Alamance and Long Student Center buildings. The existing tree was planted during the 40th anniversary of Founder's Day back in 1929. At 3:15 a coffee, open to the general public, will be held at the West Lounge following the planting.

The McEwen Library now has a display featuring Elon College and how it has progressed through the years. In all, this year's Founder's Day promises to be one of the best ever.

A native of Wilson, Governor Hunt received his B.S. degree in agricultural education and M.S. degree in agricultural economics from North Carolina State University. He was awarded his J.D. degree from the University of North Carolina Law School.

While at NCSU he served two terms as student government president.

90th anniversary to bring Hunt

Gov. James B. Hunt Jr., will speak at Elon College Founders Day ceremonies March 7 at 10:30 a.m. in the Alumni Memorial Gymnasium as the college celebrates its 90th anniversary.

"We are extremely honored that our governor would take time out of his busy schedule to honor Elon College and help us celebrate this important date in our history," said Dr. J. Fred Young, president.

"His commitment to higher education in North Carolina and his dedication to new educational concepts on all levels provide an atmosphere of pride among educational leaders and concerned citizens in our state."

Governor James B. Hunt Jr., will receive the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws when he participates in the 90th anniversary of Elon College's Founders' Day.

The event will be held Wednesday, March 7, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

In addition to Gov. Hunt, the convocation program lists other participants which include Calvin Michaels, president of the Elon College Alumni Association; M. Robin Moser, president of the Elon College Student Government Association; James A. Moncure, vice president of the college; and James H. Lightbourne Jr., conference minister of the Southern Conference of the United Church of Christ.

Workshop on careers

Would you be interested in a career awareness workshop? If so, mark your calendar for March 15 from 1:45 p.m. This is to give every student a chance to talk informally with a representative from every major sector of business and government that offers job opportunities to Elon graduates says S.A.M. and BSCC.

Representatives from personnel management, market-

ing, insurance, banking, real estate, CPA firms, the IRS, state auditing, retailing, industry, local government, retail food and fast food chain business, outside sales, administrative secretarial positions, and health and agency administration will be present.

There will be more information available as soon as all plans and commitments are completed.

Vandalism spreads

by Bob Henritze

Vandals have struck Elon College again. Last Thursday night the attack was aimed at the Alamance Building. Adding to the previously damaged poster boards and windows were the offices of Dean W.G. Long and Dean Frank Rhodes as well as the business offices.

"I think it is more vandalism than theft we are dealing with here, and it must stop," said Dean Long. The most recent damage was a break-in to both the Dean's offices resulting in minor theft but a considerable amount of scattering of files and papers.

The thieves also broke in

across the hall in the business offices, taking a calculator, a clock radio, and disarranging files and desks.

Dean Rhodes, the first staff member to arrive on Friday, discovered the broken door glass and called the police. Chief Jerry Mitcham of the Elon College Police Department is investigating the break-in.

"It costs money to repair the damage, money we could use elsewhere," said Dean Long. "People must know about this and should help stop it," Dean Long added. These costs always, in the long run, come back to the students, he points out.