

# Have fun . . . in style

Early last week some Elon students took part in a medieval battle, laying siege to Carolina and Sloan dorms. Women fought back with panties, eggs, flour, and shaving cream.

Neither siege was successful, even though both dorms were invaded. Casualties were light in spite of the apparent human sacrifices which took place at the lake, judging from the screams of victims.

For the next skirmish, the male participants should add a touch of melodrama by wearing masks, or preferably hoods to avoid being recognized by an R.C. Recognition could lead to all kinds of trouble. Armor is acceptable. If a man does not have access to steel plate or mail, he may rip up a garbage can and bend it to fit. Warhorses do pose a problem.

Some suggestions for the defenders might be molten lead and large rocks. These have a devastating effect if used properly. Boiling oil is a bit too expensive nowadays, what with the energy crisis.

Some interesting group projects might be battering rams, ballistae and catapults. These are interesting devices. They will throw almost anything. Any Western Civ. instructor can supply drawings, or you can look them up in the library.

We like to see students having fun — in style.

# The arts are for all

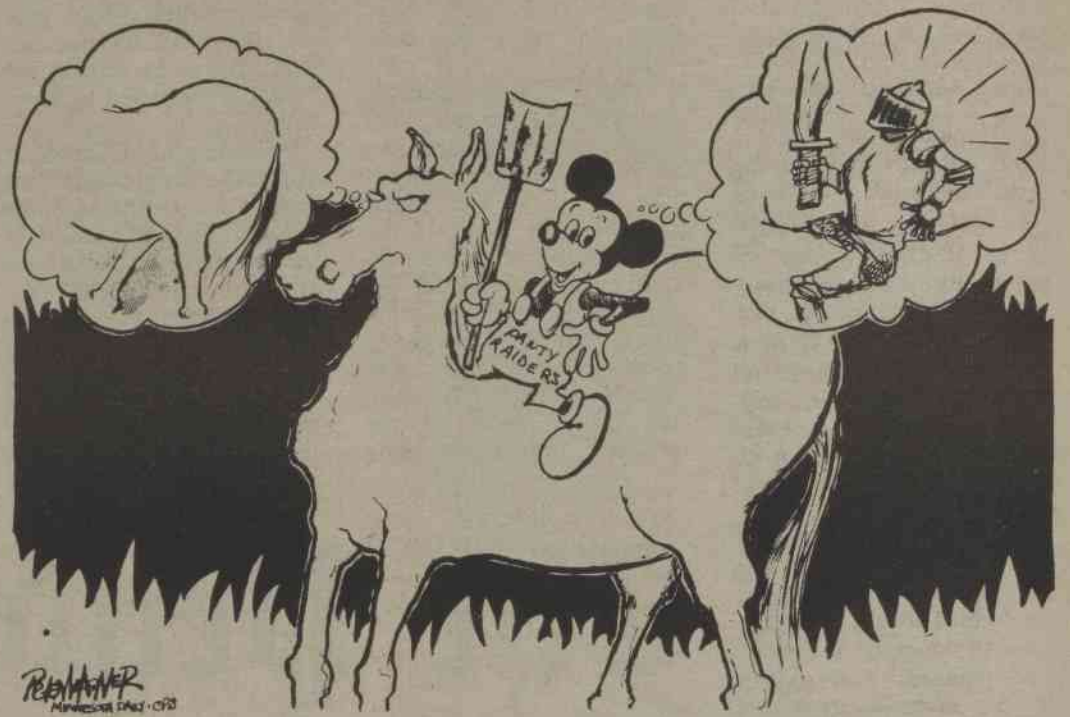
On Monday evening the North Carolina Symphony presented a pops concert at Cummings High School in Burlington. The state symphony has won acclaim in New York, Chicago, and other centers known for their fine orchestras. It is, in short, no bunch of amateur fiddlers and horn players. It is good. The 612-seat auditorium was almost full, but noted for their absence were most students, staff and faculty of Elon College.

Next Wednesday evening John Chappell will appear in Whitley Auditorium as Clarence Darrow, the famous defense attorney who, for one thing, defended Scopes, the biology teacher, in the Tennessee "monkey trail" of the '20's. A "defender of the damned," Darrow, alias Chappel, is sponsored by the college Lyceum Committee. Will the auditorium be filled?

This same committee has given a large chunk of its funds to the Community Concert Series so that students, faculty and staff may attend the Rumanian Folk Ballet! on identification cards only. Three additional programs are in this series, all good.

Art exhibitions must be seen to be enjoyed. The Alamance County Arts Council sponsors the Firehouse Gallery in Graham, now showing David Loren Bass paintings and the Priestley Fine Art Gallery, across the street from the college, is showing a fine collection of British watercolors, again all free of charge.

If Elon College is to build a fine arts center for students and community, we had better start taking advantage of the arts in our midst and participating where we can, or the costly new center will stand empty and mock us.



# England 1980 to offer new sights, places as Elon students visit this January

by Mary E. Priestley

When the group of students, faculty, and friends arrive in London on Jan. 3 to visit Britain, those who went last winter term will see a few changes since last January. At least I found some in June.

My husband and I had returned to England, where we had lived for 15 years, for a brief holiday to visit family and to see some art exhibitions, go to the excellent plays London and the provinces provide, and visit friends in Herefordshire. We saw about two days of sunshine, but we did all we had planned and added a visit to York, the moors of Yorkshire, and Whitby.

In London we found that the new underground line, the Jubilee, had opened after years of tunneling work underneath the central part of the city. The Trafalgar station had opened and the old Charing Cross underground station was now officially called the Embankment. It opens right on the Thames, as those

SGA Senators are reminded by J. King White, vice-president, that the first Senate meeting will be held tonight at 7 p.m. in the Senate Chamber, or 208 Long Student Center.

The editors welcome letters, but can publish only those whose name and address are given. We reserve the right to edit for length and to avoid libel.

who have been to London remember, and is across the Hungerford Bridge from the Royal Festival Hall, the new National Theatre, and the Queen Elizabeth Hall.

Traveling in greater London has become more expensive, so much so that pound sterling no longer gets you very far. The trains were as reliable as ever, especially the Inter-city 125s that zip along smoothly at 125 miles an hour between London and the midlands and the northwest. Still the best buy on the trains for weekends in British Rail's special weekend package of rail fare, first-class hotel room and full English breakfast. We tried this arrangement for York and stayed on the fifth floor of the luxurious railway hotel overlooking the great York Minister or cathedral and the Shambles, the medieval shops and narrow streets near by. York is worth a weekend any time of year, just to absorb history from the ancient Britons to the present. We visited a Viking "dig" in the city under a proposed new market area, and marveled at a well-preserved 1,000-year-old leather boot, jewelry, coins, and bones. As we were leaving, we were given an oyster shell, dug up from

a Viking repast.

Sightseeing bus tours, if you are not traveling by car, are cheap and comfortable out of most British towns and cities. We went to Whitby, across the heather-covered moors, on a Sunday afternoon with a group of Yorkshire people, friendly and talkative.

Any American going to London should plan trips to the continent from there, not from here. Next January, Dr. Crowe may take a group to Greece for the "free" days at the end of the study period. Others may go to Bristol, an interesting city on the west coast from which many sailed to the New World in the 1600s. One trip planned is to Hastings and to nearby Battle. I hope that the students will see Battle Abbey and Senlac hill where the actual Battle of Hastings took place.

The Elon group started going to Stratford-upon-Avon to see a matinee performance by the Royal Shakespeare Company two years ago. This year the play is Julius Caesar.

Students and others who intend to go to England in January should get their \$25 deposits in to Dr. David Crowe as soon as possible.

# Who of you for Who's Who?

Selections for listing in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities will be made by a committee of students and faculty

members. Juniors and seniors who excel in academics, extracurricular activities, and service should submit a brief resume to the Academic Dean before Oct. 1.

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