



More than 1,350 people participated in the CROP Walk for Hunger Sunday. The route was covered by walkers, runners, wheel chairs, baby buggies, and roller skates.

Opinion

Over-population leads to hunger

Lines of marchers, helping raise funds for the hungry of the world last Sunday, reflect a growing awareness of the sad plight of millions of human beings on this earth. World health studies show that more than 800 million live in conditions below what is considered human.

What is frightening for the future is the fact that, given the world population in 1980, in 40 years the number of people on this earth will double. In the short space of 20 years, that is, by 2000 A.D., 80 percent of the world's people will live in the developing countries where population is racing ahead fastest. Production of food in these areas is increasing at 2.2 percent, and if present practices continue, surpluses will go to the already developed countries and still more people will starve.

The philosophy of CROP is good, of course, because its goals are to help people in developing countries help themselves produce more food. But the crux of the problem lies in population growth. Even if families were limited to two children in the underdeveloped areas, the youthful population would still be enormous.

There are signs that some nations are becoming aware that population should (and can) be limited. China, with already one billion inhabitants, is promoting the idea that a one-child family is good. Colombia and Costa Rica are publicizing family planning. India has for years had birth control clinics, but with 500,000 villages where large families have been the tradition, change has been slow. When I was in India some years ago, I visited several of these clinics and talked with young mothers who had come for help because their mothers had died in their 30s and 40s,

worn out from numerous childbirths and hard work. The young women wanted a better life for their fewer children and themselves.

We must be concerned about starving people and we must help them. But the larger picture calls for assistance in educating great numbers of people, in increasing communications and awareness of the necessity of decreasing population growth. The United States and most developed countries are reaching zero population growth.

Foreign aid from developed countries to the developing populations should be stepped up in education and communications. In the long run, such aid will be more than repaid to the developed countries as the underdeveloped become self-sustaining, then producers with populations that are healthier and better able to lift the quality of life around them.

Mary Ellen Priestley

Open House

Zeta Tau Alpha will hold an Open House for the faculty and staff of Elon College on Sunday, Oct. 12, from 2-4 p.m. It will be held at the Zeta house, 310 Haggard Avenue.

Cancellation

Elon's Women's Club has cancelled the picnic for the faculty which was scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 11 at 5

Health Hints

How to choose a doctor

By Mildred B. Lynch

Students at Elon have an advantage when it comes to seeking the services of a doctor. The Health Services center in Long Center not only offers treatment and advice but also assists in arranging appointments with local physicians off campus.

Most conditions can be treated by a general practitioner or family physician. If a specialist is needed, the family physician will refer the patient.

There are many different specialists, and it can be pretty confusing. The following list of specialists may help:

Dermatologist — diagnoses and treats skin disease.

Endocrinologist — diagnoses and treats disorders of the glands of internal secre-

tion.

Ophthalmologist— diagnoses and treats defects, injuries, and diseases of the eye; skilled in delicate eye surgery; also called oculist or eye specialist.

Gastroenterologist— diagnoses and treats diseases of the stomach and intestines.

Gynecologist — often, but not necessarily, paired with obstetricians; deals with functions and disorders of the female organs. Obstetricians treat women during pregnancy, childbirth and just after.

Neurologist— diagnoses and treats disorders of the nervous system.

Orthopedist— surgeon who deals with the preservation and restoration of the function of the skeletal system, its articulations, and associated structures.

Pediatrician—specializes in

the treatment of children.

Podiatrist— specializes in the care of the foot, including anatomy, pathology, medical and surgical treatment.

Psychiatrist— a licensed medical doctor who specializes in the treatment of mental illness and emotional maladjustments.

Psychologist— Not a mental doctor, but one who treats mental and emotional illness in its relation to human and animal behavior.

Urologist— specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the urinary system in the female and the genitourinary system in the male.

If you are suffering from some disorder that your physician has been unable to alleviate, ask him to refer you to a specialist. If he does not seem to think that this is necessary, but you are not satisfied and desire a second opinion, call an appropriate specialist and make an appointment for diagnosis.

S.A.M. plans meeting

A featured speaker will provide the program for the meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Management on Thursday, Oct. 16, at 9:30 a.m. in Alamance 302.

Maurice Jennings, president of Biscuitville, will speak on his experiences as an entrepreneur. All members of S.A.M. are urged to attend.

Those members of S.A.M. who have not paid their dues are reminded that the deadline is tomorrow, Oct. 10. The amount is \$13 for the year.

Also of interest to business, accounting, economics,

and secretarial science majors is the Business Students Communications Committee. The BSCC is an organization on campus whose main function is to improve and maintain open communications between the student and his/her departments.

The BCSS will promote the interests of the department throughout the campus. Contact the BSCC, Campus Box 5264, or see Professor Toney, ext. 412.

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