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Elon gets hot win on cold day

*Christians
gain NAIA
title again*

by Joel Maness

Coach Jerry Tolley compared the Elon Fightin' Christians second consecutive NAIA football championship with going to Disney World. The second time around is not quite as exciting, but still very gratifying.

In bitterly cold Memorial

Stadium on Dec. 19, the Fightin' Christians beat Pittsburg State (Kansas) 3-0 in a fierce defensive battle.

The Elon kicking game proved to be a deciding factor. Defensive MVP Chris Worst set up the game's only scoring by blocking a Gene Wayenburg

punt, which Kenny Angel recovered on the Gorillas' eight-yard-line.

Elon ran three plays, keeping the ball in the middle of the field. With 11:59 left in the game, Phil Renn kicked what proved to be the winning field goal, a 23-yard effort.

Pittsburg State Coach Ron Randleman praised the Elon kicking game. "Their punter (Kelly Stanley) did a fine job (eight punts for a 41.5 average.) And of course, their kicker is experienced while ours is a freshman."

Randleman was referring to PSU's Dave Hammons, who missed four field goals. "They were all telling me to keep my head," Hammons said, "and not get down on myself. I tried, but..."

The statistics tell the story. The Christian offense generated only 140 total yards. Quarterback John Bangle passed for 87 of those yards. The Suffolk, Va., junior completed six of 16 passes.

"They are the best defensive team we've faced all

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BOUND FOR GLORY—Kelly Stanley [89] clears the way for Jessie Jones [17] in Elon's victory over Pittsburg State.

Photo by Ken Lipstein. Another picture on p. 4.

*Wright Anderson
succeeds Tolley
see stories, p. 4*

Opinions vary on renovations

by Jo Craven

Cracked concrete, large trucks, and swarming workmen on the outside gave evidence of the metamorphosis that was occurring on the inside. Although the outer shell was not shed, new centers have been forming within the worn walls of Alamance Building. Ceilings have been lowered and new paint applied producing a brighter, more energized atmosphere.

Now that renovations have finally been completed on the multi-story building, faculty and staff members moved into their permanent surroundings. Upon entering the structure earlier this week, one observed bustling employees getting their jobs done. Several found time to comment on the freshly evolved interior.

"I love it," said staff member Ellen Gagnon, "but I'm cold!"

Apparently, the heat was not functioning well this

week, and staffers were inclined to remain well bundled up.

Gagnon went on to comment, "The offices seem to be convenient, and the color is good. We are real happy to have our own place rather than the Student Center."

Registrar Mark Albertson is also happy with his move from Powell Building. "I am so pleased with my office; there is more space, and a lot of thought was put into the arrangement." Albertson continued, "I like being located with the counseling, student affairs, business and deans' offices. The fresh feeling is conducive to good work habits."

Albertson pointed out that the new setting had already been "tried out during winter term registration, which came off smoothly."

Anne Melvin, a student worker, also seemed pleased with the outcome. "I think it is more convenient, and the computer makes work

easier. Student workers have it good this year," smiled Melvin.

On a more critical scale, Elon student and employee Bill Payne pointed out that "they are six months behind schedule, and from what I understand, over budget. I don't like the faculty lounge; it is extremely uncomfortable. Aside from that, I think it looks pretty good." Payne added, "I'm glad to get the business department out of the Learning Resources Center."

"It looks like a hospital," said student Beth Mebane, "and it smells like one." Mebane confided that she hates change.

Among other transformations taking place at Elon College are office reconstructions in Caroline E. Powell building. The financial aid office will occupy three of the new spaces, and the development office will be enlarged. A few spaces remain unclaimed.



ELON EMPLOYEE—Elon Gagnon expresses pleasure over her new location in the recently renovated Alamance building. Photo by Nader Hamidpour.