

Personality Parade

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Luke O'Hara is a senior majoring in Business Administration. He holds the office of Treasurer of the Student Government Association. Luke came to Elon because he realized the advantages of education in a small college, and because of the congenial atmosphere which is present. "I like Elon because of the people here. My friends here, I feel, are the greatest group of individuals I've ever been associated with. When I graduate, I'll feel I've lost something very dear to me."

Luke does feel, however, that there are some things that could stand some improvement. "A studious atmosphere is lacking, especially in finding adequate places for study and facilities for recreational activities. This is especially true as far as incoming freshmen are concerned." He also thinks that, "something would be done to improve relations between the administration and student." He feels the recent teas held in West Dorm Parlor are a step in the right direction, although, "it is only the first step, and much more can and should be done." He added, "the Last Lecture Series were also very valuable in strengthening rapport between the faculty and the students. Some of the academic departments here should be improved if the student is to get anything out of the courses he takes."

He also believes that the Pan Hellenic Council should be revised and be placed under the jurisdiction of Student Government. "The fraternities and sororities should be given more freedom so that they can do more for the school."

Luke feels that the communication between Elon and the outside world is very poor. "There should be a telephone on every floor of the dormitory because of the possibility of emergency telephone calls."

The problem of school spirit is an old one at Elon. "Better participation in campus activities, such as the Homecoming and May Day dances would lead to better school spirit. The students must take an active part in these activities in order to feel a part of the school and be proud of it."

In addition to carrying nineteen hours this semester and performing his duties as Treasurer of the SGA, Luke is president of his fraternity, Sigma Phi Beta, for which he served as Parliamentarian his sophomore year, and vice-president last year. He has been a member of the Men's Interdorm Council for two years and was Secretary of that organization during his junior year. Last year he was Chairman of the Food Committee and was appointed a marshal during graduation last year. He has belonged to the Business Club, serving as vice-president last year, and he has been active in intramural sports all four years. This year Luke is also sargeant-at-arms of the Senate and a member of the staff of the MAROON AND GOLD.

Luke, the oldest of 8 children, is from Falls Church, Virginia, which was recently named an "All-American City."

THINK

-SALLY MCDUFFIE

Do you think? Are you sure that it is you who are thinking? How many times have you let your own conclusions or ideas become subserviant to the "voice of society"? Now, I would not direct any malice toward conformity. For I believe that the fault is not in conformity, but rather, it is in our worship of it.

There is no degradation in being dominated, but there is immense degradation in surrendering. I say, let no man tell you what to think. Society may issue and enforce rules of conduct governing our behavior. But why should any man be allowed to tell you what to think? It was Voltaire who said, "I may disagree with what you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it."

I am not advocating a mockery of authority. But I am advocating the right of everyone to think. Not only should everyone think--but he should think his own thoughts. I believe the voice of dissention has a right to be heard by everyone. I salute those persons of dissenting or affirming views who make them known. I would challenge all who read this article to re-evaluate critically their concepts, and to voice their opinions. A defense of the right to think is indeed a farce if all that is heard is silence. The right to think is one of the greatest gifts one can possess. Use it! Don't become a puppet to conformity--THINK.