

New Students Arrive

Freshman Orientation Begins

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On August 17, the long and lazy days of summer were drawn to a close as the first day of freshman orientation began. After hours of unpacking, meetings with student and faculty advisors, and becoming acquainted with roommates and hallmates, students bid their parents farewell and began a six-day orientation filled with an exciting introduction to Meredith College and to the rest of their lives.

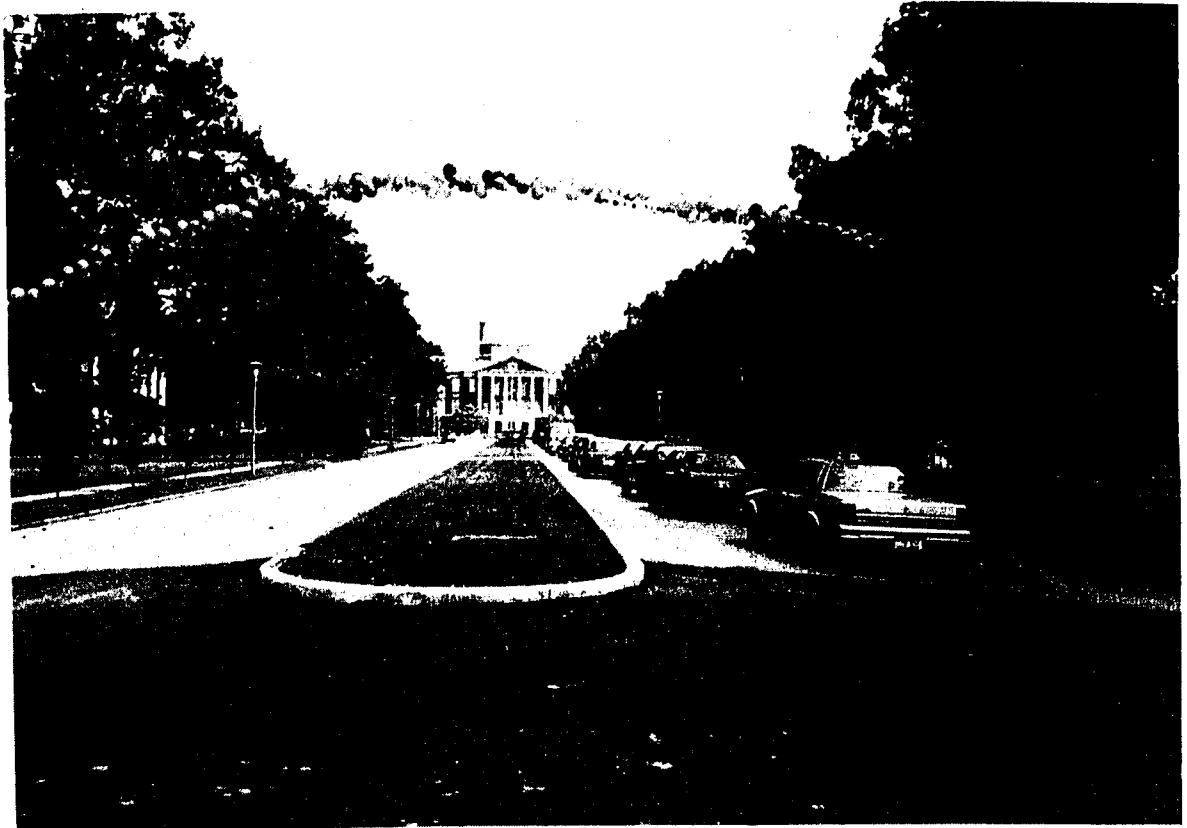
The next few days were filled with placement tests, hall meetings, picnics, games and time to meet new friends.

"Although orientation was long, it was a very informative time with lots of information on the different services such as Cam-Tel and Cablevision," said freshman Mandy Dill.

"Some of the programs such as Serendipity and Kalaidoscope were interesting and were helpful in letting you decide which classes to



Taking a break from unpacking.



Freshmen are introduced to one of Meredith College's favorite traditions as they come down the front drive for the first time -- they are welcomed by upperclass students and the beautiful balloon rainbow. *Photos by Jayne Potter.*



take and were also presented in an interesting way," said freshman Sala Clark.

On Sunday, August 20, freshmen dressed in their formals and ate

dinner in Belk Dining Hall with President Weems. A highlight of the dinner was a reading from "The Importance of Being Ernest," performed by Drs. Nan Stephenson and