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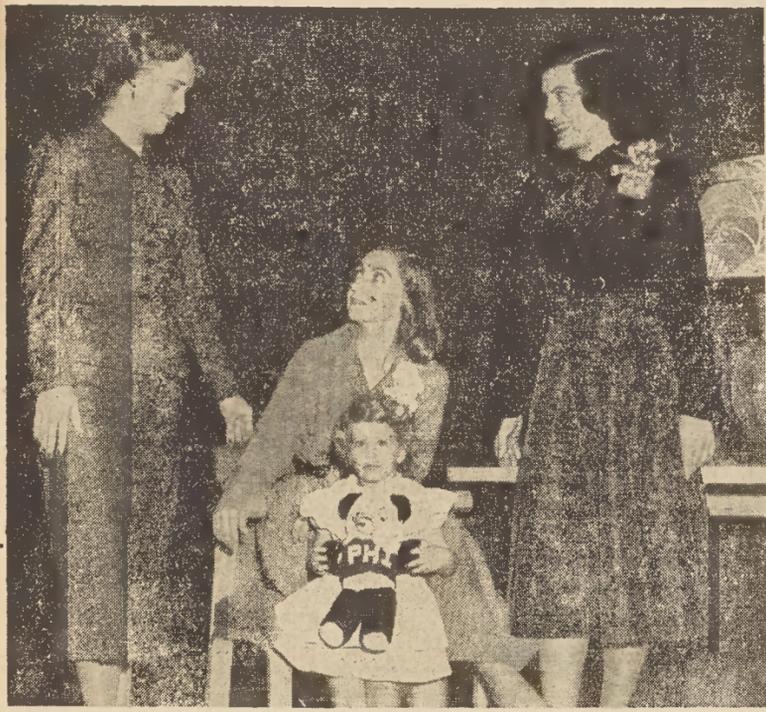
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Who Builds  
Beneath the Stars"

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## WHICH WILL WIN? ASTRO OR PHI?



Connie Moore, Phi President, is shown here at the Phi Fashion Show with Miss Forestine Whitaker, Phi sponsor; Mary Jo Issacs, Fashion Show Narrator; and Bonnie Huckabee, mascot.

### FRESHMEN BESEIGED WITH FUN AND FAVORS

Hear those voices so persistently ringing, "Mother Astro, Mother Astro," or "Behold, O Philaretia fair."

The big rush was started last Friday with the Astro picnic at Allen's pond and the Phi bonfire later that night. The Phi Fashion Show was a great event of Saturday with the life of a Meredith girl modeled from breakfast to the big dance she attended that night. Then Billy Astro responded with a wedding featuring a real live goat in the leading role. Monday marked the beginning of more feverish activities with a Phi and Astro day students' luncheon. Later in the week the Phi Supper Club added memorable moments for all who attended, and thoughts of it had not passed from mind when the high spirit of the Astro Pep Rally tumbled into an already confused brain. Luxuries such as a midnight snack with the compliments of Phis or Astros, beds neatly made by mysterious forces, and favors and remembrances appear this week as at no other time in the year. The most impressive event of all of Rush Week was the forming with lighted candles of emblems in the court. As a new student looked from her window upon that sight, she was filled with a new sense of gladness that she was a part of Meredith.

The struggle that shall decide the victor has been valiant. Now it is over and only a little time remains. Which will it be, time remains. Which will it be?

### BSU SUPPORTS SERVICE FUND, PLANS RETREAT

Again this year the B S U is sponsoring a drive to raise money for the World Student Service Fund. Leon Marion, a traveling representative to colleges and universities from the Service Fund, spoke in chapel on October 2 to inaugurate the fund raising drive on our campus.

Mr. Marion has a deep conviction that students and teachers have a vital role in the struggle for world peace.

The first B S U Retreat of the year will be held October 25 with Dr. Roger Crook and the Reverend M. N. Delaney as co-speakers. The subject for the retreat will be "My Faith and My Community."

The discussion, beginning at three p. m., will emphasize ethics for the student as she faces her responsibility on the campus and in the local community. A supper and fellowship will follow this discussion.

This retreat is for all Meredith students. Students from Shaw University have also been invited.

Founders' Day will be held this year on Friday, October 31.



The Astro Wedding featured Mary Ann Godwin as Ima Newgirl and her Bridegroom William Astro, Jr.

### Playhouse Gives "On Stage" Party

By ALYCE EPLEY

Among the many teas, receptions, and parties honoring our new students, was the "On Stage" party given by the Playhouse members. New students were invited to add their talents to those of the old members to give an informal program. With Beth Morgan, vice-president of the Playhouse, acting as mistress of ceremonies, the following entertainment was presented.

Carol Everett, Martha Ann Stockton, Betty Lee Rogers, Joan Blowe, Jody Strickland, Pat Woodworth, Nellie Floyd, Kirksey Sink, and Dottie Garet, potential Playhouse members, participated in a skit, "Mary Had a Little Lamb." This skit portrayed Mary during different stages of her life—small girl, tom-boy, college flapper, sophisticate, mother, and old lady.

Following an original interpretation by Bernice Limer, Playhouse members dramatized several titles of plays in a game of charades. These plays included "Harvey," "Romeo and Juliet," and "Little Women." Betsy Cannady, president of the Playhouse, introduced Miss Mary Hatley, publicity director of Meredith College, who took pictures of the occasion. Ellen Westmoreland, president of Alpha Psi Omega, encouraged new students to take an active part in some form of play program.

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Registrar releases capacity enrollment figures for fall semester 1952-53:

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| Seniors                     | 114 |
| Juniors                     | 135 |
| Sophomores                  | 123 |
| Freshmen                    | 192 |
| Total                       | 564 |
| Total number in dormitories | 508 |
| Total non-resident students | 87  |
| Grand total                 | 595 |

### PARTY TONIGHT HONOR FRESHMEN

The B S U Councils of State and Meredith are sponsoring their annual fall party tonight in honor of the freshmen of the two schools. The party, which is primarily for the purpose of giving the new students a chance to get acquainted, promises to be most enjoyable. The auditorium will be decorated with leaves, pumpkins, and various other autumn ornaments. A mixer game will begin the evening, and other entertainment will follow. During the party a surprise skit will be presented, and Mrs. Eudell Smith will lead the group in folk games. Refreshments will be served by the council members. All new students are asked to be at the old auditorium tonight at 7:30.

### Dean's List Students Named by Mrs. Marsh

Mrs. Vera Tart Marsh, registrar of Meredith College, has authorized the release of the Dean's List for the spring semester. Included in this list are the following names:

Doris Irene Allen, Ruth Jeanne Allen, Betty Joan Ball, Katherine Anna Barbehenn, Frances Eugene King Barber, Faye Horne Barnes, Nellie Ruth Barnes, Jettie Rea Bradshaw, Molly Jeannette Britt, Nancy Franklin Brown, Ona Allene Brown, Anne Bruton, Elizabeth Ann Cannady, Sally Sue Clark, Ruth Jeannette Cole, Ruth Ernestine Cottrell, Kathryn Anne Creech.

Beverly Janne Dawson, Frances Flinton DeWitt, Jean Bradley Dula, Mary Rebecca Edge, Asha Estelle Farrior, Frances Sue Fitzgerald, Mildred Ivans Green, Elizabeth Ann Hamrick, Allen Wilkinson Hart, Martha Jean Holland, Jeannette Joyner Humbert, Elizabeth Irene Hunter, Marjorie Evelyn Krause, Mary Elizabeth Lane,

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### TWELVE FACULTY MEMBERS ADDED

Twelve new faculty members have joined the Meredith College staff for the 1952-1953 year. The departments of music, English, and physical education each have two new professors, and the departments of business, science, religion, language, sociology, and art each have one new instructor.

Mr. Chester E. Colson comes to Meredith College from Allston, Massachusetts. After receiving his B.S. degree in Art Education at the Massachusetts School of Art, he attended Columbia University, where he received his A. M. degree in Fine Arts. Mr. Colson was supervisor of art in the public schools of Springfield, Vermont, and later he taught art at the Chicago Teachers College.

A native of Montgomery, West Virginia, Miss Wanda Baumgartner received her A.M. degree from West Virginia University, where she was a Phi Beta Kappa. Later she received her M.S. degree from the University of West Virginia and served there as an assistant in the department of biology.

Another native of West Virginia, Miss Nellie Ellison of Beckley, is a new addition to the business department here. Miss Ellison received her B.S. degree from Concord College and her M.S. degree from the University of Kentucky. She served as an assistant professor of business at Concord College before coming to Meredith College.

The English department added to its staff this year Miss Irma Lang of Cambridge, Massachusetts, and Mrs. Evelyn Da Parma of Rock Hill, South Carolina. Miss Lang attended Ohio State University where she was a Phi Beta Kappa. After receiving her A.M. degree from Radcliffe College, she was awarded a fellowship which entitled her to a year's study in Berne, Switzerland.

Mrs. Da Parma, who will sponsor the Meredith College

Playhouse, was graduated from Ithaca College with a certificate in dramatics. Before coming to Meredith, she taught dramatics at Ouachita College and directed the Rock Hill Little Theatre.

A native of Raleigh and a graduate of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Miss Helena Williams joins the physical education department on the campus this year. At Agnes Scott College, Miss Williams served as an assistant and later, as an instructor in physical education. At Chatham Hall in Virginia, she taught biology as well as physical education courses.

Also joining the physical education staff this year is Miss Mary Mackay who hails from Detroit, Michigan. Miss Mackay attended Stephens College in Missouri and received her A. A. degree there. She then went to the University of Missouri for further study before returning to Stephens as an instructor in equitation.

Joining the music staff this year are Miss Suzanne Axworthy of Montclair, New Jersey, and Mr. Edwin K. Blanchard of Athens, Georgia. Miss Axworthy graduated with distinction from the University of Rochester. Here she was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and she was awarded a Graduate Fellowship to the Eastman School of Music. She received further training at Columbia University, and then taught music at Albion College.

Mr. Blanchard also attended the University of Rochester where he received both his B.Mus. and his M.Mus. degrees. Before coming to our campus, he was an instructor in music at the University of Georgia.

Meredith's new Director of Religious Activities, Miss Maxine Garner, is a native Carolinian coming from Liberty, N. C. At the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, she was a Phi Beta Kappa. After receiving her A.B. degree there, she studied at Columbia University for her master's de-

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