

FALL FEATURES MANY SPORTS

By BARBARA SNIPES

Well, girls, the season for playing intramural hockey and volleyball has hit Meredith again with a bang, even though hockey isn't being taught in physical education. Hockey is played on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4:30 and volleyball on Mondays and Wednesdays at the same time. Come on out, you sports lovers—it's fun!

Annie Laurie Kee, the representative for hockey on the A.A. Board, reports good attendance at practice so far, but she's wondering where all those freshmen are who put sports as their main interest on entrance tests. The hockey players want you, you, you, and you to come out once; then you'll wanna' come again. Give it a try gals; for, after all, the team is gonna' go to Wake Forest for a game, and Duke is coming here. (Sorry, but girl players only.)

Hockey is a challenging game; for the most outstanding "frosch" player wins a hockey stock, and the honorary varsity members receive gold medals. Isn't this enticing?

If you've ever played speedball or soccer, you can easily play hockey, but no experience is needed. Miss Williams and some of her prize players, Mary Edna Grimes, Kathy Yates, Kay Cone, and Hilda Myers will teach you how to play.

Dottie Wampler, Sandra Stancil, and Faye Williamson, freshmen players, have done exceptionally well so far. When I asked Sandra why she came out to practice she said, "I had never played hockey before this year — had just seen it on television, but I love sports, and hockey is fast, intriguing and there is plenty of competition."



Yeah, Volleyball!!!

Volleyball is being played on the upper court near the pool, and there's plenty of room for 32 players. Pat Corbett is the representative on the A.A. Board. Two freshmen, Sandra Stancil and Carolyn Roberts, are players with the upperclassmen; so why don't you? Start soon!

Everyone needs fresh air other than that one gets walking to and from classes; so "flush" the books once in a while to take in the intramurals. The exercise in sports can also easily knock off a couple of inches here and there.

In every team sport, there are always games with other schools for the fun and fellowship. If you are really interested in sports, you'll enjoy playing for your school or dorm. Come on out, gals!

Be sure to watch the coming editions of the TWIG for an exciting hockey event in the future.

The Green Room

By MARGARET TUCKER

Because many of you have asked about the story which lies behind the fall Playhouse production, I shall try to retell the legend of "Jason and the Golden Fleece," and the incidents which lead to the tragedy of Medea.

Long ago, a generation before Odysseus went on his travels, a certain king of Colchis had in his possession a valuable golden fleece, from a ram sent by Zeus. Far away in Greece, the king sat uneasy on his throne; for he was a usurper, and anticipated the return of the true ruler. Jason, to whom the crown rightfully belonged, did come to Greece, saying that he had travelled a long way to reclaim his kingdom.

The false king was crafty; he also wanted to retain his position. He told Jason that he could be ruler of all Greece if he first captured the golden fleece, a practically impossible feat, due to the arduous journey. But Hera, the wife of Zeus, was on Jason's side, and planted in all the brave Greek warriors a desire to accompany Jason on the adventure. With her help, the crew of the ship "Argo" surmounted all kinds of difficulty and succeeded in reaching the shores of Colchis. Once there, Jason told the king that he and his men would perform any task for him if, as a reward, he would give them the precious fleece.

In the meantime, Hera, suspecting treachery, had enlisted the aid of Aphrodite for her cause. They sent Cupid down to earth, and at the exact moment that Jason had entered the king's court, the sprightly god had pierced with his arrow the king's daughter, Medea, so that she looked at Jason, blushed, turned pale, and fled from the room abashed. She was hopelessly, irrevocably in love!

Hera had guessed rightly. The king, suspicious of foreigners, gave Jason and his men an impossible duty. But Medea had mysterious magical powers; and, torn between conscience and love, at last betrayed her father by giving Jason a

magic ointment which enabled him to do the task. The king was enraged. Medea helped Jason get the fleece, by charming the serpent which guarded it, and prepared to flee with him. Her brother came with the army of the Colchians. The girl, now completely estranged from her country, did a terrible thing — she had him killed!

"When you are once more safe at home," she told Jason, "remember Medea, as I will remember you forever." He answered her passionately, "Never by night and never by day will I forget you. If you will come to Greece, you shall be worshipped for what you have done for us, and nothing except death will come between us."

How strange that, although Jason lied, part of his prophecy was destined to become the horrible truth!

Jason and Medea were married. They lived in Greece happily, and eventually had a family of two beautiful little boys. But Creon, king of Corinth, had different ideas. He offered Jason his kingdom, if he would merely declare null and void his marriage to Medea, a foreigner, and marry Creon's daughter.

The daughter was young, and Jason was ambitious. He was not at all reluctant to carry out such a bargain. He did not, however, foresee Medea's reaction. Cupid's arrow had done its work well; an excess of love, unwanted, fermented into a terrible hate. Dangerous to the mental health of Corinth, Medea and her children were exiled — banished for life, and doomed to wander over the face of the earth begging for crusts of bread. She could go home and be killed for her treason and murder for Jason's sake, but what would happen to her children? And should the man who promised so much be allowed happiness while she suffered? For a long time, Medea had had no use for her black arts; now a magnificent vengeance would be hers. The powerful story of this revenge is told in Robinson Jeffers' tragedy, *Medea*.

PRINT AND PROPAGANDA

By ANN CASHWELL

It is that time of year when the strategic attacks of the ants diminish, and warm nights cool, leaving many optimists frozen in their beds.

"In the spring a young man's fancy," and you know the rest of that familiar saying. Must we wait till spring for fanciful thoughts. There are dusty pages in the library full of light fantasy. Lord Dunsany has written a delightful group of plays given the title *Plays for Earth and Air*. These clever imaginative selections will provide much enjoyment. For a proper background to Lord Dunsany, listen, too, for the humorous "Symphony 5½" (written between symphonies five and six) of Don Gillis, the American composer. The decor would properly be one of these elusive sunny days.

I struggled over an interesting word yesterday — "Gebrauchsmusik" (functional music). I discovered that it was not only a difficult word, but a movement. It represents the endeavor of the modern composers to communicate with his audience, and to make music of a simpler form for the amateurs.

A. A. NEWS

Attention all Robinhoods — The archery tournament begins October 17 and will run through the 21st.

Wanted — for October 28 — the craziest, most mixed-up costumes you can find.

What for? To wear to one Corn Husking Bee, of course. There will be chicken calling, hog-calling, and original song contests between the four classes and the faculty. There will be games and dances that will make your heads spin. So keep the twenty-eighth of October open if you want some real entertainment!

Award Plans Announced

It has been announced by Dr. Mary Lynch Johnson, head of the English department, that a 1919 graduate of Meredith, Ruth Ann Hubbell, has given the college \$500, the interest of which is to be used for an annual award in creative writing.

Miss Hubbell, sister of Professor J. B. Hubbell of Duke, received her Masters degree at Columbia University and is at present a librarian in Washington, D. C.

Definite regulations for this award, which will be given during the Commencement Exercises, will be announced at a later date.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

(Continued from page one) spoon, and Rev. Eph. Whisenhunt were elected to serve on the Executive Committee. Other committee selections were Mr. Lloyd Griffin, Dr. Carlyle Campbell, and Mr. V. Howard Belcher for the Investment and Budget; and Mr. LeRoy Martin and Mrs. Maude D. Bunn for the Buildings and Grounds. Special guests at this meeting were Mr. Claude Gaddy, Dr. W. J. Senter, Miss Louise Fleming, and Dr. Leishman Peacock.

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New Faculty

We Welcome Miss Janet Stallings . . .

By NANCY McGLAMERY

When Miss Janet Stallings first put in her appearance as Director of Religious Activities and a member of the religion department of Meredith College, there was one big question on the lips of more than one Meredith girl. "What do we call her? Janet or Miss Stallings? After all we did go to school with her." Miss Stallings comments, with a twinkle in her eye, that "it's been very amusing," but the mystery remains unsolved.

Sampson County in North Carolina was Miss Stallings' home until the fifth grade when her family moved to Fayetteville. For four years (until graduation in 1953), that she was an industrious student at Meredith was proved by the fact that hers was a double major — religion and primary education. To this she added a long list of honors and activities which included: Silver Shield Honor Society, Kappa Nu Sigma, Folk Dance Club and Chorus. She was president of her Sophomore Class, president of the B.S.U. her senior year, and a loyal Phi during the four years.

From Meredith Miss Stallings went to the new School of Religious Education at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville from which she graduated last May.

She's a real music lover, appreciating various types, but especially classical and semiclassical music. She also loves to read with the emphasis on religious books, but she'd like to find more time to read in other fields. However, our Miss Stallings is not entirely the indoor type; she enjoys getting out and "just walking."

As Director of Religious Ac-



Miss Stallings, consulting with reporter Nancy McGlamery

Miss Stallings works mostly with the B.S.U. Executive Council and the local churches, coordinating our program with theirs. She has made Tabernacle Baptist Church her church here in Raleigh. Her teaching duties include the Old Testament Survey course and a course in Christian Leadership.

The proud resident of her own apartment in Raleigh, Miss Stallings says, "I'm feeling very domestic, and I love it." As for being at Meredith, she smilingly adds, "It's like coming back home."

Maybe if you can possibly pick her out from all the other Meredith girls, you'll have the pleasure of talking with her as I did, but watch out when you go to interview her. Chances are you'll end up being interviewed yourself. She is just that interested in all of us.

. . . and Mr. H. B. Rollins

By ROVILLA MYERS

The English department is now very different from last year. Why? There is a member of the male sex. Mr. H. B. Rollins, occupying the English office with Dr. Rose and Dr. Johnson — teaching freshman and sophomore English.

Mr. Rollins claims North Carolina as his home state even though he was born in Akron, Ohio. His parents are from Shelby, N. C., and many of his early years were spent in Forest City and Cliffside. He received his master's degree from the University of N. C. and at present is spending much of his time working toward his doctorate in American Literature which he hopes to obtain in the spring.

After receiving his masters, Mr. Rollins taught English at the University of North Carolina and Texas Tech. in Lubbock, Texas; and then he joined the Air Force and from 1951-54 he was with the Air Force ROTC at North Carolina State.



Mr. Rollins, enjoying the autumn sunshine.

Mr. Rollins is married to the former Elizabeth Hills of Charleston, South Carolina, and they have three children, two girls and one boy. They are living at 2121 Buckingham Road in Raleigh. He was a week late in coming to classes this year because he had contacted the whooping cough from his little girl (who, in his opinion had a very easy time). He was sick for six weeks, however.

If you haven't met Mr. Rollins yet, please do so as soon as possible. He is a very congenial and friendly person, and he might give you some information about his Air Force ROTC students at State if you are interested.

Mrs. A. J. Smith, an assistant in the Dean of Students' office, has been in Salisbury, North Carolina, for the past week attending a Sunday School Leadership Training Program.

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