

Time—Master or Servant?

We hear a great deal about the danger of majoring in extra-curricular activities. Such warnings are important to heed. There are definite hazards in spreading ourselves too thin over a number of activities, in that when examination time rolls around we may be found lacking in essentials of academic requirement.

However, much can also be said of the jeopardy of keeping our noses constantly in the book. If we are following such a course, we are not getting the education which will be required of us later as graduates of Meredith.

The answer lies in the intelligent use of abundant opportunities right here on our campus to broaden our scope and become well-rounded citizens. How many times have we heard that "you can find time to do what you want to do"? The "finding time," however, is no haphazard thing; it involves discerning choice and careful budgeting of hours and minutes.

What are some of the opportunities at hand to widen our outlook? What about the biology major who has an interest in creative writing but no time to work the course in her schedule? Contributions to THE TWIG or The Acorn might answer her need. What about the English major with a flair for music and no time for lessons? For her, the college chorus or even the B. S. U. choir. The list is endless.

A good suggestion for the new year might be—examine yourself, make discerning choices, and—find the time!!

S.R.

THE ESSENCE OF MEREDITH

The beginning of a new year is traditionally a time for reconsideration of goals and purposes and for incorporating new life within the old. Particularly is this process a part of the life of a college. Already we have been challenged by new courses and new ideas, by the enthusiasm of a new group of students, and by the prospect of a year ahead whose history for us may be determined largely by ourselves.

As returning students and as new students at Meredith, we have been reminded more than once of the purpose of our school, of the ideals for which she stands, of our responsibilities to her. Perhaps the proper consideration for us at this point is "What is Meredith?"

There are several obvious answers to this question. Physically, she is an institution located on a hill at the western city limits of Raleigh occupying almost two hundred acres on which are erected numerous buildings. Academically, she is a center of higher education offering two degrees to her graduates and noted for her high scholastic standards. Culturally, she is the center of various contributions in the arts, not only to her own students but also to the city of Raleigh. Economically, she may be represented by figures and symbols on paper.

Yet, what is Meredith spiritually? Here is the essence of the question. Here is her true being, that which makes possible all the other aspects of her existence. Being a small woman's college with a foundation laid within the Christian religion, Meredith occupies a unique position. She is a community, a family, and within this assertion there are profound implications.

A community cannot exist without persons, and they must be persons who are related to each other in a somewhat mystical sense. There must be individuality, but more importantly there must be self-sacrifice and devotion. There must be a rapport between individuals which makes personal involvement and communion a reality. Community life demands that the persons within the society be able to communicate with each other on the basis of common desires and considerations.

Meredith is her students. For her life she depends upon their insights into her purpose and her heritage. As Meredith students we stand within a rich tradition to which we can contribute positively or negatively. We will contribute whether we desire to do so or not. Thus, it behooves us to consider our relationship to this community of which we are a part and to determine what our role will be.

S.L.

Music Notes

By SUSAN LEATHERS

With a new school year beginning, there are many summer experiences to hear about, practice hours to sign for, and schedules to slave over. Some of the faculty members are experiencing great difficulty in fitting a schedule to that of their students. Miss Swanson is still starry-eyed and full of vices for her theory students after a summer of studying in France.

Trying to schedule new and convenient hours for the chorus members who each seemingly have a different schedule is occupying much of Miss Donley's time. Miss Haesler's student teachers are nervously anticipating the ingenious pupils they are sure to find in their classrooms. Our department welcomed several new freshmen into our group. Good luck to you!

This is the first year Meredith College has offered a church music major. Several students are taking advantage of the new course. There is an expressed need for graduates with this major all over our state. Combinations of this course and others, such as religion, will prove popular.

U. S. Department of State To Hold Exams

The United States Department of State will hold its next written Foreign Service Officer Examination on December 10, 1960, in approximately 65 cities throughout the United States and at Foreign Service posts abroad. In announcing the examination the Department is seeking to interest undergraduate and graduate students who have studied in such fields as economics, public and business administration, language and area studies, history and political science.

To be eligible to take this examination, candidates must be at least 21 and under 31 years of age as of October 24, 1960. Persons 20 years of age may also apply if a college graduate or a senior in college. American citizenship of at least nine years' standing is required. The starting salary for officers ranges from \$5,625 to \$6,345 per year, depending upon the qualifications, experience, marital status, and age at the time of appointment.

Application forms and other information may be obtained immediately by writing to the Board of Examiners for the Foreign Service, Department of State, Washington 25, D. C. The closing date for filing the application is October 24.

MADMOISELLE ANNOUNCES COLLEGE BOARD CONTEST

Mademoiselle Magazine announces that its 1960-61 College Board Contest is now open to women undergraduates under twenty-six years old who are regularly enrolled in an accredited college or junior college. The contest offers a chance at winning one of twenty guest editorships for a month on the staff of Mademoiselle.

Written, Drawn Tryouts Accepted

To try out for membership on the College Board a girl may write a criticism containing 1,200 words or more of the editorial section of a current issue of Mademoiselle or depict in words or drawings the follies of her campus. Entrants will be notified by January 1, 1961, whether their tryout has been accepted.

Each College Board member will do one assignment for Mademoiselle. The list of assignments to choose from will appear in the January issue of the magazine. There will be a variety of selections enabling persons to choose one suited to their own interests. Prizes will be given for both tryouts and assignments.

Winners Are Guest Editors

College Board members who are among the top twenty on the tryout and assignment program win a salaried month in June in New York as guest editors on the staff of Mademoiselle. Besides working as apprentices to Mademoiselle editors,

Aid For Graduate Study Is Available

Among the scholarships which are available for graduate study are the Fulbright Scholarships for those who wish to study abroad, the Woodrow Wilson Scholarships for those who plan to become college teachers, and the National Science Fellowships for college graduates and secondary school teachers studying for a master's or more advanced degree in science, mathematics, or engineering.

Dean L. A. Peacock will be glad to talk with any seniors who are interested in doing graduate work in either American or foreign schools, and he suggests that those who are interested in applying for scholarships should send in their applications by the middle of October. He also urges that sophomores and juniors begin early to consider the possibilities of graduate school.

SEEN AROUND CAMPUS

Primary education majors displaying their dramatic abilities on the floor of Joyner with "Billy Goat Gruff."

People, people, people—all in the dining hall lines.

Biology students making the rounds to inspect Meredith's trees.

Enormously envious looks being directed toward the occupants of fourth Stringfield.

Billy Astro and Milton being groomed for their debut in forthcoming rush activities.

Meredith girls assuming partisan roles in the current political situation. Feminine pulchritude adorning the first Faircloth hall as people primp and preen for annual pictures.

Signs of the industrial revolution reaching the Meredith campus: hair dryers, new drink machines, modern sign-out desks with neon lights!

Two English professors sporting new go-carts and Mr. Eads being walked by his new pup.

Dr. Tilley's namesake causing some people to be concerned about the weather.

Seniors starry-eyed over wedding plans and freshmen enthralled with rush parties.

guest editors will be featured in the August issue and will represent the college girl in editorial meetings held to plan articles and fashions for forthcoming issues of the magazine.

November 30 is the deadline for submitting the tryout assignment. For more detailed information one should write to College Board Contest, Mademoiselle, 575 Madison Avenue, New York 22, requesting the Contest Rules Book.

Stables Receive New Horses and Saddles

Mrs. Mary M. Edwards, equitation instruction for Meredith College, has announced that there are four new horses in the stables this year.

MERE DITHER

By DAILEY

There's something about this coming back. One feels a sense of urgency to succeed, to achieve, to outdo oneself. At times this eagerness deceives itself, for those who have come back know that the fire of ambition will not continue to burn so brightly for long, and those who come for the first time soon realize that such a flame must lessen or they themselves will burn away into unnerved ashes. But this conscientious feeling is refreshing, and it thrills even the smug senior's heart; and the junior secretly adds up possible quality points for Dean's List in February; and the sophomore visits the Beehive for paper and notecards and ballpoint pens which she selects carefully with extravagance; and the freshmen, with chill bumps and a racing heart, enters her first class, smiles quite over-indulgently at her professor, and seats herself in a front desk with pen in hand five minutes before the first bell.

Girls meet for the first time, anxious to make another friend, willing to be one. Student assistants diligently check papers two days ahead of time. Rooms are spotless, drawers still straight, closets uncluttered. Blouses are pressed meticulously at night instead of with drowsy carelessness at eight o'clock in the morning. Faculty desks are clear and notes are in neat and correct order. Shoes are shiny, shirttails are tucked in . . . all day!

There is something in the human being that calls for a new start, for as long as a heart can begin anew, it will continue to grow; it will live and breathe afresh each morning, each hour, each passing moment. Yes, there's something about this coming back . . . something very significant about this coming back.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

As the student publication of Meredith College, THE TWIG has long maintained a policy inviting members of the student body to express their views on various matters through letters to the editor. Such letters must be signed, although under certain circumstances names might be withheld from publication. Letters may be given to any member of the editorial staff or left at THE TWIG room on first Brewer.

The staff reserves the right to decline to publish letters of an unsuitable nature, but all letters will be given careful consideration. Student opinion is a vital part of a campus newspaper; therefore, we urge you to make this your paper and to contribute to it.

These horses are the following: Highland Chief of Oakwood, a three-gated horse given by Miss Nancy Blanton of Shelby; High Faluting, a three-gated pony from Mr. Phin Horton of Winston-Salem; (Continued on page three)



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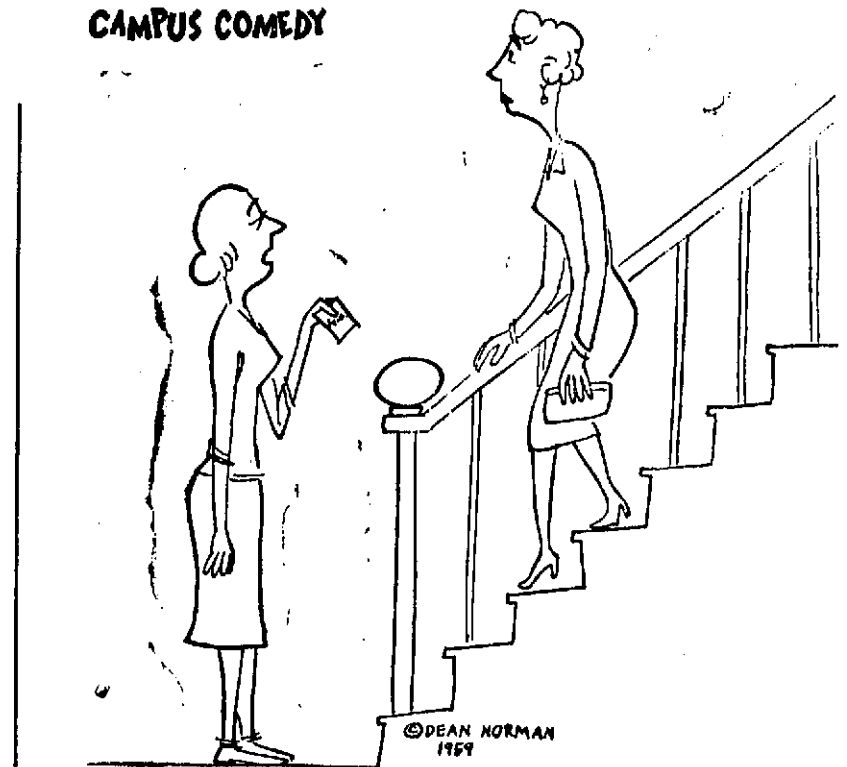
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