



Frieda Farmer



Sue Ennis

Silver Shield Taps Juniors As Associate Members

Silver Shield, an honorary organization for girls possessing outstanding qualities of leadership, Christian character, service, and scholarship, tapped Sue Ennis and Frieda Farmer as associate members on November 20, 1962.

Sue Ennis, junior from Dunn, North Carolina, has been active in Student Government and in the Athletic Association. She has served on the Nominating Committee and has been a freshman counselor. At present she is treasurer of the Student Government and a member of the Colton English Club.

Frieda Farmer, junior from Lynchburg, Virginia, has worked with the B.S.U. and with Student Government. Last year she was

B.S.U. social chairman and Y.W.A. mission study chairman. At present Frieda is secretary of Student Government and a member of the Colton English Club and the French Club.

At the tapping chapel service, Mrs. Jim Reid, a Meredith graduate, was guest speaker. In her talk entitled "The E's of Leadership," Mrs. Reid pointed out that all Meredith graduates are potential leaders. Mrs. Reid emphasized the fact that although some lead with ease, true leadership can be fully realized through effort, enthusiasm, and example.

The full members of Silver Shield are Dianne Simmons, Harriet Rivers, Mary Francis Carver, Jane Link, and Velma McGee.

English Office Has Variety of Records

From the English office one may check out a rewarding source of relaxation from papers, labs, and tests in the form of forty-three recordings ranging from the works of Geoffrey Chaucer to those of Robert Frost. Recorded in *Early English Poetry* are excerpts from "The Seafarer," *Beowulf*, and Chaucer's "Wife of Bath's Tale." *The English and Scottish Popular Ballads* are supplemented with *Highland Pipes*, a recording of the pipes and drums of the Scot guards. Others are the moral play *Everyman*, Christopher Marlowe's *The Tragical History of the Life and Death of Doctor Faustus*, narrations of poetry from Chaucer to Browning by Mark Van Doren, and *An Evening with William Shakespeare* on which there are acts from *Hamlet*, *the Merchant of Venice*, *Henry V*, *King Richard II*, *Twelfth Night*, and *Macbeth*. In addition, there are *Seven Sonnets* of Michelangelo and an anthology of the Scottish verse of Robert Burns. *The Poetry of Browning* features "Fra Lippo Lippi" and "Andrea Del Sarto" read by James Mason, who puts himself especially well into the character of the honest monk - artist, Fra Lippo Lippi. Among the others are selections from Walt Whitman's *Leaves of Grass* and the poetry of William Butler Yeats and T. S. Eliot. Robert Frost reads his own "Mending Wall."

As the Christmas season approaches, your whole suite may enjoy Charles Dickens's *Christmas Carol*, with carols sung in the background, and "Mr. Pickwick's Christmas," appropriately narrated by the English actor Charles Laughton. To check out records, sign your name and the date on the back of the cards in top drawer of the desk under the dictionary.

"Once Upon a War" Captures Honors As Class of 1963 Wins Coveted Cup

The class of '63 walked away with the honors Stunt night with their presentation of "Once Upon a War." They not only walked away with first place, but they won the cup, which has not been won by any class since 1942. The class of '50 won first place twice in a row, entitling them to keep the cup, but for some unknown reason they did not do so. Second place went to the class of 1965.

Stunt night, an unbroken tradition at Meredith, was begun March 6, 1915. Sponsored by the Athletic Association, it was "instituted to foster class spirit." As early as 1922, it is known that the senior class won the cup and continued to win until 1927. It was the general feeling of the students that the senior class would win regardless of the merit of the stunts presented, but in 1927, the junior class broke this tradition.

In 1935, Palio, a parade of costumes by classes, was begun. This

event came in the afternoon with Stunt following in the evening. The student body of 1951-52 voted to discontinue this phase of the annual celebration.

Between the year 1935-40, there was no limit to the money which could be used for stunt and no limit to the length of the presentations. The plays became expensive and elaborate; and as a result, the Athletic Association placed limitations on expenses. At present each class is allotted sixty dollars. There is also a stipulation concerning the presentation of take-offs on individuals, musical comedies, and vaudeville.

Judges have always been special guests at Stunt night. This year Dr. Wallace, past head of our history department, Dr. Lemmon, present head of the history department, Dr. Johnson, present head of English department, and Mrs. Edward Kiley, president of the Raleigh Children's Theater, served as judges.



The juniors entertain Stunt audience with their comedy entitled "Once Upon a Wa

Dr. White, Duke Professor, To Lead B.S.U. Forum

On December 5 in 103 Joyner Hall, Dr. W. D. White will conduct the B.S.U. forum on the topic "Modern Literature—An Index to Culture." Dr. White will also address the student body at morning chapel. At 4:00 p.m. in the hut, he will lead a book review discussion of *The Power and the Glory* by Graham Green.

From Marshall, Texas

Dr. White, who was a discussion

leader at Religious Emphasis Week last spring, is originally from Marshall, Texas. Receiving his B.A. and M.A. degrees from Baylor University in English literature with a minor in German literature, Dr. White went on to study at the University of Texas. There he received an M.A. and a Ph.D. Later he earned his masters in the history of Christianity from Princeton University.

Browning Professor

For several years, Dr. White was

Browning Professor of English at Baylor and assistant professor of English at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota. At the present time he is assistant professor of religion at Duke University.

Traveled in Europe

Dr. White, who has traveled extensively in Western Europe and Mexico, is married and the father of two children, Brenda Joyce and Jonathan Paul. Tennis and biking are chief among his hobbies.

No Miss Meredith

Election Stirs Controversy

The controversy over the election of the senior superlatives remains unsettled. On November 20, the senior class held a call meeting for the purpose of electing superlatives. However, this meeting was very sparsely attended (fifty-seven to begin with, but the number dwindled to approximately thirty (and therefore, some disagreement arose as to the validity of the election.

Upon returning from Thanksgiving holidays, a petition, which asked that seniors who felt another election should be held, was circulated among the class members. This petition was begun by a group of seniors, headed by Sandra Fisher, who felt that the election should include the opinion

of more seniors than were present at the meeting. According to Miss Fisher, the group is not petitioning against those who were elected, but against the method by which they were elected. At the present time fifty-eight seniors, which is not half of the class, have signed the petition.

Those elected at this meeting were as follows: "Most Intellectual," Velma McGee; "Friendliest," Harriett Rivers; "Most Attractive," Ann Barnhardt; "Most Versatile," Nancy Jones; "Wittiest," Brenda Bunn; "Cutest," Joan Strickland; "Best All Around Dorm Student," Jane Link; and "Most Athletic," Kappie Weede. The May Court representatives elected at this meeting were Beverly Huff and Annette McFall. The election of the "Best All Around Town Student" is to be elected at a later date when more day students can be present.

Since the class felt that the "Best All Around Dorm Student" and the "Best All Around Town Student" included all the qualities of a "Miss Meredith," they voted to omit this title in the 1962-63 *Oak Leaves*.

Another call meeting of the senior class will be held in the near future at which time an announcement will be made as to whether there will be another election or if the present election will stand.

Dr. Pearey to Give Lecture Tonight

Tonight, November 30, at 7 o'clock in 103 Joyner Hall, Dr. Henri R. Pearey will present the last in a series of three lectures on Utopias. The topic for this final lecture is entitled "Later Utopias, Especially Those Which Have Influenced the United States."

The two lectures which led up to this one were entitled "Utopias in Ancient Longing-Both Jewish and Pagan" and "The Development of Utopias in the Middle Ages from the Christian Outlook."

Immediately following the lecture, a reception will be given by the history department. All who attend the lecture are invited to stay for refreshments.

LIBRARY RECEIVES BOOKS

Books have been given to the library in honor of two Meredith professors who retired last year.

Imperial Peking by Lin Yutang was given by Betty Smith, class of 1956, in honor of Dr. Wallace.

Colonial Virginia by Richard L. Morton was given by Catherine Atkins, class of 1956, in honor of Dr. Keith.

December Events

1 Honor Week begins at St. Mary's with a series of chapel programs and an investigation into the full meaning of HONOR.

2 The State College Union will sponsor its annual Christmas Decorating Party beginning at noon.

4 St. Augustine's President Boyen will speak at a chapel program at 8 p.m.

Free tickets will be available in the main lobby of the College Union for State students and their dates for the Raleigh Little Theatre production, December 3-9 from 4-5 o'clock.

7 At 9:30 a.m. a white elephant sale will begin at St. Mary's. This sale is sponsored by the junior class and all profit will be donated to the school.

8 Basketball — State vs Wake Forest at 8 o'clock in Reynolds Coliseum.

9 "The World of the Flesh and the Devil" will be shown at St. Augustine College at 6 p.m.

11 State's Annual Christmas Concert will be presented by the Symphony Band and Men's Glee Club at 8 p.m. in Reynolds Coliseum.

The Music Department of St. Augustine College will present its annual Christmas concert.

16 The Peace College Student Christian Association will present a Christmas program.

18 St. Mary's Glee Club will present its Christmas concert.

The English Department of St. Augustine College will sponsor a chapel program at 8 p.m. with Dr. Ann Tolliver speaking.

Peace College—Christmas caroling, party, and open house at the home of Dr. Presley, President. 4:00 choir Christmas program 6:00 Christmas dinner and program with Santa Claus presenting gifts to the kitchen help.