

Meredith Stables Are Scene of Varied Activities: Horse Shows, Riding Classes and Contact Lenses

By **BETH HOLLEMAN**

Spring means swimming, shopping, short hair cuts and academic apoplexy, but for Meredith equestriennes it also marks the beginning of the 1963 horse show season. This year to begin the circuit, Meredith will become host for the Raleigh Capitol Horseman's Association at a horse show at the college stables Saturday, March 16.

Flashy walking horses, sleek hunters and high-stepping walk-trot horses with Meredith students astride will be competing for ribbons and honors. Some 25 girls and boys, including town students, will

Michael Smith, also of Fayetteville, will be judging the hunter classes. Dr. Jeff Senter, the college physician, is show chairman for the association and will be in charge of the day's activities. Mr. W. E. Kistler of Raleigh will act as show steward.

One of the Meredith horses to be shown on Saturday is Crebilly's Lou, a rather distinguished horse in that recently he became the first equine ever to wear a contact lens. He did not wear it long, however, for with an arrogant toss of his head he successfully dislodged the foreign matter (for so it was to him), afterwards snorting his satis-

lege stables for instruction. In addition, Mrs. Edwards holds the reins on a stable of close to 40 horses. Several students have their own horses and board them at the stable during the year but, for the most part, the horses are owned by the college. At any rate, Mrs. Edwards is responsible for the welfare of all of them and she readily admits that this alone is a full-time job.

Among her other activities, Mrs. Edwards spends much time grooming the keener riders on campus for show competition. In past years Meredith's riders have won wide recognition in shows all over this area. Immaculately turned out in habits and derbies astride equally spotless mounts, the girls have withstood stiff competition and continued to bring home the blues. Meredith's reputation will be upheld this year as they compete in the Raleigh, Fayetteville, Greensboro and Enfield shows. Of course, the May Day Show held at the college stables and sponsored by the Hoofprint Club will highlight the season and give all Meredith students the opportunity to see the college horses and students in action.



Mary Beth Hughes and Beth Holleman practice for horse show.

be representing Meredith in the different events. They will be competing against riders from Durham, Raleigh, Chapel Hill, Creedmoor, Rocky Mount and other surrounding areas.

Spectators will enjoy seeing the different types of horses perform. Saddle horses with their high head carriage, spritely action, and flowing tails will present an action-packed picture as they compete for the blue ribbon. The traditional running walk and rockinghorse canter will be seen in the Walking Horse competition; and, as always, jumping will be the order of the day for the hunters and their riders.

Judging the Saddle and Walking horses on Saturday will be Mr. Joe Gibbs of Fayetteville. Mr. and Mrs.

faction. Drs. Herbert Ridgeway, III and G. T. Thornhill, makers of the lens, were not to be disheartened, however, for they immediately declared plans for making another.

Mrs. Mary Edwards, Meredith's riding instructor, tells how the contact lens came to be made. "It's not to help him see," she states, "because Lou is blind in his left eye." She adds that, instead, the lens is to help hide white scar tissue which formed in his eye due to the accident which blinded him. Lou's contact lens is just for beauty's sake; and, if all goes well, he may have his new one in time for spring.

Mrs. Edwards, a bouncing brunette with blue eyes who always finds time for special highlights such as Lou's new eyepiece, is kept plenty busy with just the more routine part of her job — if anything that deviates as much as the horse world could be called routine. Meredith's equitation instructor teaches over 150 students a week, the majority of which are college students but a large number of which are town students who come to the col-



Mary Israel examines Lou's left eye.

Trading Stamps Are America's Latest Fad

By **NANCY ELLIS WILLIAMS**

The old saying, "He has a green thumb," no longer refers to a successful gardener, but to one of the millions of Americans who has been busily trading stamps in a book.

Despite the fact that glue does leave grass-colored fingers, 84 per cent of the estimated 54,600,000 households in the United States are avidly collecting trading stamps. According to the survey made by Benson and Benson, Inc., "just about everyone is doing it." The survey revealed that consumers in the 35-49 age bracket with some high school education and a middle range income tend to be the best collectors. As could be expected, more women save stamps than men, and the number of large families dominates the number of smaller families in collecting stamps. According to the results of the survey it seems

ODD JOBS PAY OFF SAYS BET BOOKER

By **GAIL STEVENSON**

Like to go to Harvard University for Jubilee Weekend? Bet Booker, freshman, has a sure-fire method.

The first step is to be invited. This is no problem for Bet, who is pinned to a Harvard freshman. The second step is to persuade mother to pay for half of the \$96 round-trip flying expenses, on the condition that the other half will be paid by Bet. This step has also been accomplished by Bet, who is now working on the third step, that of making her half of the money.

Bet, by doing odd jobs for girls on campus, now lacks only four dollars to reach her goal.

The following are a few of the jobs Bet has been doing to raise money: ironing blouses, polishing shoes (with borrowed shoe polish), cleaning bathrooms, making trips to the Beehive, laundry, and library, washing hair and clothes, and selling food (charged to her unsuspecting mother on a trip home).

One money-making scheme has failed, Bet admitted. She was unable to sell her old and "very stylish" clothes.

Bet, certain that the fourth step — that of making the trip — will be accomplished, plans to leave for Harvard April 25. Besides combo parties, dances, and a candle-light banquet, the weekend will be highlighted by the United States Elephant Racing Championship sponsored by the Planter's Peanut Company.

America is not a nation of sheep but rather a nation of stamp collectors.

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Stealing the fashion

honors in the new dorm

is Mary Lou Davis as she

models her new cocktail

dress from Mac Joseph's

for the approval of the

seniors on her hall. Mary Lou

feels that seniors should be

practical in their selection

of dresses for the annual

Junior-Senior. "Something

that can be used later for

receptions and formal

dinners," she stated. With

her own advice in mind,

the Senior Class president

chose from Mac Joseph's

a silk dress with a fitted

black bodice and molded

black and white floral

spring skirt. The two-piece

effect compliments Mary Lou's

not-so-short-5'8" height.

Another senior making plans

for the dance (as well as

for big weekends at Duke) is

Nancy Jones who found

a smart black crepe

after-six dress at

Mac Joseph's also.

With new cocktail dresses

arriving every day at

Mac Joseph's, Nancy yields

to the temptation to linger

just a little longer over

the stunning array of rustling

silk and organza dresses

but finally chooses a stunning

black crepe sheath that

will be perfect "for all

occasions." The ultimate

in sophistication is seen in the

new dorm as Mary Lou and

Nancy dream ahead to soft

music, dimmed lights,

and many dancing feet

at the Junior-Senior.

