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## 286 New Students Complete Orientation

### NEW STUDENTS REPRESENT 12 DIFFERENT STATES

On Wednesday, September 8, approximately 286 new students were welcomed to the Meredith community. Hailing from twelve different states, the girls found their newly acquired sisters from Raleigh, North Carolina, to lead the group in number — there are twenty-six new Raleigh students including dorm students, day students, and transfers. With fifteen girls, Charlotte gains second place. Durham runs a close third having fourteen new students here. Both Winston-Salem and Greensboro have nine girls entering this fall. Next on the list is Richmond, Virginia, with seven girls claiming it as their hometown.

Burlington, Fayetteville, and Goldsboro each add five new students; while, Clinton, Mount Airy, Tarboro, and Wake Forest add four apiece. Having three natives from their cities are Asheboro, Kinston, Lexington, Lincolnton, Louisburg, and Williamston.

There are two new students from Belmont, Camden, South Carolina, Clayton, Chapel Hill, Dunn, Fairmont, Henderson, High Point, Lynchburg, Virginia, New Bern, Raeford, Red Springs, Salisbury, Southern Pines, Selma, Sanford, Smithfield, Wilmington, Whiteville, and Yadkinville.

Having the sole responsibility of representing their hometowns are girls from Ahoskie, Ayden, Atkinson, Albemarle, Aulander, Burgaw, Bear Creek, Beaufort, Bennettsville, South Carolina, Black Mountain, Bailey, College Park, Maryland, Chester, Virginia, Conover, Cary, Concord, Candor, Covent Station, New Jersey, Clemson, South Carolina, Chowchilla, California, Columbus, Ohio, Como, Carolina Beach, Colerain, Enfield, Edenton, Elizabeth City, Fremont, Fuquay-Varina, Farmville, Faison, Gastonia, Glen Allen, Virginia, Graham, Grimesland, Hamlet, Hartsville, South Carolina, Herndon, Virginia, Hallsboro, Hershey, Pennsylvania, Jacksonville, and Jacksonville, Florida.

Kannapolis, Lewisville, Luther-ville, Maryland, Lillington, Leaks-ville, Micro, Monroe, Marion, Murfreesboro, Moyock, Madison, Morganton, Morrisville, Mocksville, Milton, Nags Head, Old Lyme, Connecticut, Painter, Virginia, Pickens, South Carolina, Plymouth, Pittsboro, Plant City, Florida, Roxboro, Rocky Mount, Rock Hill, South Carolina, Roanoke Rapids, Rockingham, Robbins, Robersonville, Reidsville, Red Oak, Rutherfordton, Rochester, Minnesota, Spencer, Skyland, Springfield, Virginia, Sandston, Virginia, Spartanburg, South Carolina, Suitland, Maryland, Sebring, Florida, Suffolk, Virginia, Sims, Trumbull, Connecticut, Tryon, Thomasville, Turney, Virginia, and Zebulon each have placed one new student at Meredith.

Those who transferred to Meredith come from Atlantic Christian College, Campbell, Duke, George Washington University, Hershey Junior College in Hershey, Pennsylvania, Mars Hill, Mt. Olive Junior, Peace, Roanoke College in Old Salem, Virginia, St. Andrews, St. Mary's Junior College, Stratford, West Liberty College in West Liberty, Virginia, and Western Carolina College.



Here Judy Parker, transfer from Duke, and Janet Rosser, from Whitakers complete those countless number of cards on registration day with the aid of two counselors.

### Frosh, Transfers Undergo Series of Tests, Meetings

The regular schedule of classes began this morning. For the past few days freshmen and transfers have been involved in a full schedule of tests, guidance sessions, group meetings and social events. The councils of the Student Government Association, the Recreation Association, and the Meredith Christian Association as well as other campus leaders have been serving as guides and assistants in the execution of the entire program.

Classes have been conducted by faculty and staff members in the areas of catalogue training, health orientation, and library training. The members of the student government association have been leading discussion periods aimed at explaining the policies and regulations of the association.

#### Parents Orientation

For the first time, an orientation session was held for the parents. Dr. Crook explained to the parents that they must expect certain changes in their daughter and accept them.

Thursday afternoon the counselors entertained at a Big Wheel party in the amphitheater in order to introduce campus leaders to the new students. Thursday and Friday night the students were presented to the college officials in formal receptions in the Blue Parlor. At the same time hall parties were arranged for students not attending the reception.

#### Weekend Activities

Registration for classes was held on Saturday for the new students. The program for Sunday included church attendance and an open house in the court given by the counselors. The Granddaughters Club also held a reception in the Mae Grimmer Alumnae House for those students whose mother or grandmother attended Meredith.

Further events in the orientation program which is designed to inform the new students additional phases of Meredith campus life will be held during the first month of classes.

The orientation program has been planned by the faculty committee on orientation of which Mr. Henry Coffey is chairman.

### Meredith College In Capsule Fashion

**Purpose:** The purpose of Meredith is to develop in its students the Christian attitude toward the whole of life, and to prepare them for intelligent citizenship, homemaking, graduate study, and for professional and other fields of service. Its intention is to provide not only thorough instruction, but also culture made perfect through the religion of Jesus Christ. These ideals of academic integrity and religious influence have always been cherished by Meredith.

**Recognition:** Member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and the Association of American Colleges; Liberal arts member of the National Association of Schools of Music. Graduates are eligible for membership in the American Association of University Women.

**Degrees Offered:** Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Music.

**History:** Founded by the North Carolina Baptist Convention, granted a charter in 1891, first opened to students in 1899. It was chartered as the Baptist Female University, a name changed in 1905 to the Baptist University for Women, and in 1909 to Meredith College. This last name was given in honor of Thomas Meredith, for many years a recognized leader of the Baptist denomination in North Carolina, who in 1838 presented to the Baptist State Convention a resolution urging the establishment in or near Raleigh of "A female seminary of high order that should be modeled and conducted on strictly religious principles, but that should be, so far as possible, free from sectarian influences."

The institution has had four presidents: James Carter Blasingame, 1899-1900; Richard Tilman Vann, 1900-1915; Charles Edward Brewer, 1915-1939; Carlyle Campbell, 1939-.

Honor Code Service at 2:00 on Sunday, September 19 in the auditorium.

## College Life Offers Challenge and Reward

Car doors slam, an animated face greets you and directs you into Johnson Hall. Suddenly, you are here, and the long summer months of planning, shopping, and packing are over. College has opened its doors and your new self coupled with your old dreams and desires are swept inside. Just what is it like to be on the inside for the first time? To be quite frank it's a little frightening, for it is the culmination of a series of events begun as a small child. But the primary emotion is not fear. The true emotion is one of hopeful expectation, and it is this expectation that continually draws you into college life.

After having fully arrived and matriculated, the eager freshman finds orientation to be a full time project. Papa and big brother find the first day of orientation to be a rather back breaking undertaking. But piece by piece everything fits

into place, and one is lurched into a sea of faces each holding within its smile the mystery of an unknown individual and the potential of a lasting friendship.

Days seem to evaporate into a mist of memories as hours of testing, guidance, training, and classroom preparation go by. Classrooms have a familiar air about them, and the regular ringing of bells become a timely reminder. Pigeons fail to wake you in the morning, and the sound of your roommate padding about the room is normal.

Gradually college becomes a word that can be tossed about as freely as a child tosses a pillow. College expands from a dream into a reality, and confusion develops into pleasant routine. Much of the old self remains feeling secure in a changing environment with the growing realization that this endeavor is truly "the fair beginning of a time."

## Raleigh Churches Entertain Students at Welcome Suppers

On Sunday night, September 12, 1965, several Raleigh churches entertained the new students at Meredith with welcome dinners. The purpose of these dinners was to introduce the freshmen and transfers to the churches. Both Tabernacle Baptist Church and Forest Hills Baptist Church held dinners for the Meredith Baptists.

For the Methodists on campus, Fairmont Methodist Church has Wesleyan fellowship every Sunday night. The Presbyterians here at Meredith have the opportunity to attend meeting each Sunday evening at which time very interesting and often provocative programs are led

by Jerry Brooks, the young people's minister. These services are held at West Raleigh Presbyterian Church.

#### WELCOME

Astro president, Kent Thompson and Phi president, Candace Welsted would like to jointly welcome the freshmen and transfers and wish them a happy and successful year.

Each of them hopes that you will attend the meetings which will be open to you in preparation for rush week next semester.

## Seen Around Campus

Upperclassmen looking almost as tired as the freshmen and transfers.

Tired fathers, brothers, and boy-friends lugging suitcases and boxes up to the fourth floors of Stringfield and Vann.

Seniors arriving and unpacking in disbelief that this is the last time that they will make that big move.

Barbara Watson, alais Mrs. Hurst, explaining the infirmary procedures on the campus tour.

Dazed upperclassmen unable to believe the changes made in the cafeteria to make it more pleasant.

Overflowing shelves in the Book Store now dwindled by the Saturday and Monday rush.

Freshmen wondering, "Last weekend was great but what about this weekend?"

A full and buzzing group in the recently remodeled Bee Hive.

Freshmen eagerly waving their first letter from home for everyone to see.