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Linda Weston, Carol Goodes, and Aleen Easterling performed a dance of their own creation during the winter dance recital.

## 40 Modern Dance Students Give Annual Winter Recital

Under the direction of Mrs. James Stevens of the department of health and physical education, members of the modern dance classes gave their annual dance recital on Friday, January 13 in Jones Auditorium. Sixteen original dances were performed by the forty girls participating in the recital.

The dancers presented a wide variety of dances ranging from modern jazz numbers to native dances from other countries. Special emphasis was placed on various techniques which the girls had learned during the semester. In keeping with the modern theme, modern ballet, interpretive dances, and technique studies were a few features of the recital. "Laura," "Study in Pink," "The Bumble," and "The Caterpillar" were some of the names chosen by the students to represent the

moods of their dances.

Narrating the recital was Diane Kirkman, and the programs were designed by Frances Floyd. Stage director for the performance was Florence Glover, while Sandra Bridgman was in charge of costumes.

## Vaughan Announces Senior Superlatives For "Oak Leaves"

Brenda Vaughan, editor of the 1967 *Oak Leaves*, has recently released the names of twelve seniors who were elected to be included in the "Senior Superlatives" section of the *Oak Leaves*.

Members of the Senior Class voted on the various superlatives, and the following girls were elected: Carolyn Bennett, class beauty; Paula Marks, friendliest; Barbara Jean Carver, most dependable; Margaret Hall, class spirit; Mimi Holt, most likely to succeed; Betty Webb Brewer, most intellectual.

Also selected were Janie Bostick, most talented; Sandra Newton, most athletic; Kay Cockerham, best dorm student; Sandra Hobbs, best day student; Cissy Miller, wittiest; and Ellen Kirby, Miss Meredith.

## Rev. Killinger to Interpret Man Through Literature

"For God's Sake, Be Human" is the challenging theme which Religious Emphasis Week, under the direction of Kathy Booth, will issue. Leading the February 12-17 week will be Reverend John R. Killinger, Jr., associate professor of preaching at Vanderbilt University. Reverend Killinger holds doctorate degrees both in theology and in literature. The theme for the week—"For God's Sake, Be Human"—was suggested by Killinger himself as a result of his effort to de-intellectualize his subject so that student identification would be possible.

The week, according to Kathy, will be centered in man's search for an authentic relationship to God from within his modern situation. It will explore man's need for the "freedom to be" through the media of the written word — from the Bible and contemporary literature. Four chapel addresses by Killinger and one by Dr. D. W. White of St. Andrews College will contribute to the presentation of the theme.

Two afternoon seminars — one on the "death of God" and the other on the church in the modern situation — will be held by Rev. Killinger. His two evening addresses will center in literature itself as he shows the contemporary artist as prophet of our times.

A special feature on Tuesday night will be the film "The Pawnbroker" to be shown at the Colony (Continued on page 3)



Reverend John Killinger

## Astros, Phis Anticipate Annual Rivalry

## Societies Plan Rush Week

The week of February 7-10 has been designated as Rush Week for the Astroekton and Philetarian societies this year. On Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, the two literary societies will court the freshmen and transfers from morning until night in anticipation of Decision Day on Friday.

On Tuesday, Phi Day, and Wednesday, Astro Day, members of one society will keep silence while the other conducts rush. In addition to serenades and surprises throughout the day, the societies have planned special parties on their days. At 1:30 on Tuesday and Wednesday there will be parties for the transfers and day students in Brewer Parlor, and at 6:00 the traditional supper clubs are scheduled. Details of the parties and supper

clubs are secret; but according to Martha Ann Butler, Astro president, and Laura Page, Phi president, the rushees are in for a treat. (Continued on page 3)

## Dr. Cochran Writes Article On Church-State Relations

By ANNE STONE

Dr. Bernard H. Cochran, a member of the Meredith religion department, is the author of an article on contemporary church-state relations which appeared in the December 28 issue of *The Christian Century*. In the article, entitled "Southern

Baptist Dilemma in Higher Education," Dr. Cochran proposes that "the denomination must rethink its traditional view that any federal aid to church-related schools represents a violation of church-state separation." He states that "The dilemma of Southern Baptists on this issue bears striking resemblance to the difficulty of Roman Catholics in coming to terms with such issues as religious liberty and birth control; namely, that of resolving crucial problems in the light of changed conditions without sacrificing principles or traditions."

Dr. Cochran first began intensive study in this area when he did his master's degree thesis on John Leland, a leading figure among Baptists in the establishment of religious freedom in Virginia. Since then, his interest in the religious liberty issue has broadened into the whole question of the separation of church and state on the American scene. (Continued on page 3)

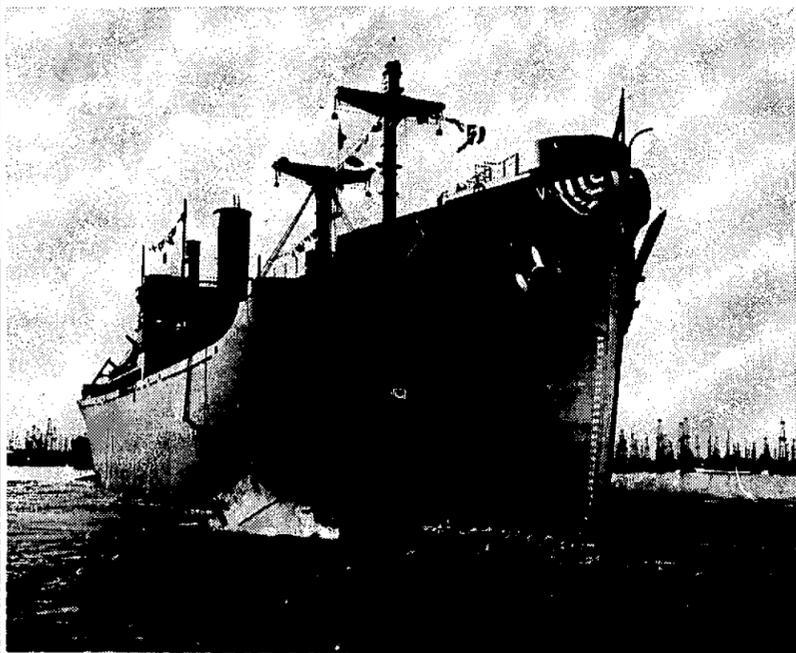
## Meredith's Merchant Ship Proves What's in a Name

### Our Own Namesake Returns to Active Military Duty

By MRS. FAYE HUMPHRIES  
Director, Meredith News Bureau

Meredith College's name is off to the wars again, via the *SS Meredith Victory*, a merchant ship named

for the college in 1945 after students at the school had contributed nearly \$200,000 to the U. S. Defense Department "mercy units" during World War II.



The "S.S. Meredith Victory," named for Meredith College during World War II, has been reactivated for use in Southeast Asia.

According to information sent to the college by the Maritime Administration of the U. S. Department of Commerce, the *Meredith Victory* has been taken from mothballs at Puget Sound, Washington, and recommissioned as a member of the U. S. Navy Sea Transportation Service.

The notice says the ship was reactivated in November, 1966, "because of the increasing (U.S.) requirements and commitments in Southeast Asia." It is assumed the *Meredith Victory* will be calling on ports in Viet Nam.

Although the *Meredith Victory* was built during World War II, her most well-known action was during the Korean War. Congress proclaimed the vessel a "Gallant Ship" in special ceremonies on March 23, 1960, for a 1950 rescue action described at that time as "the greatest rescue by a single ship in the annals of the sea."

The *Meredith Victory* carried out a successful supply run to Hungnam, Korea, in December, 1950, while the city was surrounded by Communist troops. On their return to Pusan, Korea, the crew took on 14,000 refugees, squeezing men, (Continued on page 4)

## Carroll to Present Address on Jan. 28 For Commencement

The date has been set for Meredith's winter commencement exercises which will involve some thirty seniors. On Saturday morning, January 28, at 10:30 in Jones Auditorium, the first-semester graduates will be presented their diplomas.

Dr. Charles Carroll, Superintendent of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, will deliver the commencement address. Dr. Carroll's topic is, as yet, undisclosed.

All relatives, friends, and fellow students of the graduating girls, as well as members of the faculty and the college administrative staff, are invited to attend the commencement exercises.