

From a Student Viewpoint

In September of last year a young man assumed the presidency of a small Baptist liberal arts college for women in the capital city of North Carolina. In the eight short months he has been associated with the college he has grasped the essence of the college and the traditional factors which have made the college in many ways unique. On the basis of careful analysis and evaluation he has taken giant steps toward improving the academic status of the college so that it can rightfully claim to be "a truly distinguished liberal arts college for women." In addition to his efforts to achieve academic distinction for the college, the president has said that "a college that calls itself Christian must pay attention to these needs," thus indicating his intentions to continue and to improve the standards of religious integrity which the college has always cherished.

Two days from now this man, E. Bruce Heilman, will be inaugurated as the fifth president of Meredith College. Amid the pomp and ceremony of the elaborate inaugural activities, it is possible that one aspect of President Heilman's position at Meredith—his keen awareness of the needs of Meredith's students and his concern and respect for their opinions and convictions—may be understandably subordinated to his larger accomplishments. This quality of genuine interest in students as individuals and as the major portion of the Meredith community is, however, a commendable characteristic and one which is vital to the all-too-frequently precarious relationship between students and their administrators.

President Heilman has shown his concern for Meredith's students in a number of ways. At the beginning of the year questionnaires were sent to representative students asking them to evaluate Meredith and to make suggestions for improvement in various areas of campus life. Throughout the year the president has invited a group of student leaders to have lunch with him almost weekly. These sessions have involved mutually beneficial discussions and the sharing of ideas and plans, in addition to samplings of student and administrative opinion on a variety of campus issues. By attending campus programs and traditional events, President Heilman has become aware of the many aspects of student life. Thoughtful, sincere letters of commendation and recognition have come from the president's office to individual students on many occasions. Finally, even a chance meeting with President Heilman brings to light his concern for an individual even if no more than a friendly "Hello" or "How are you?" passes between the president and one of his students.

President Heilman's qualifications for his position at Meredith are beyond question. Even a cursory look at his experiences and his background and training in the fields of education and administration is sufficient to indicate the heights which this young man has achieved in his lifetime. Yet from a student's point of view, this is a man who is a human president, one who is concerned not only for the academic and religious training of students but also for their needs as individuals, and one who holds a high degree of respect for students as mature persons.

On this significant occasion the students of Meredith College congratulate and salute their president.

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A Tribute

Dr. Sarah Lemmon and the many people who have helped her have shown in the last few months what can be accomplished when a competent leader works with willing followers. Everyone concerned in any way with Meredith College will be proud of the inauguration of its new president, Dr. E. Bruce Heilman, to take place Saturday.

Plans for this special occasion have been under way since late fall when Dr. Lemmon assumed the chairmanship of the general steering committee for the inauguration. Eleven committees functioned under the able leadership of Dr. Lemmon, and all facets of the school's life became involved in the hours of planning and hundreds of details that were necessary for a fitting inauguration of Meredith's fifth president.

Dr. Lemmon called on faculty, administration, alumnae, and students alike to help with this enormous job; and the response she received showed in a microcosm the real value of the spirit of the Meredith community.

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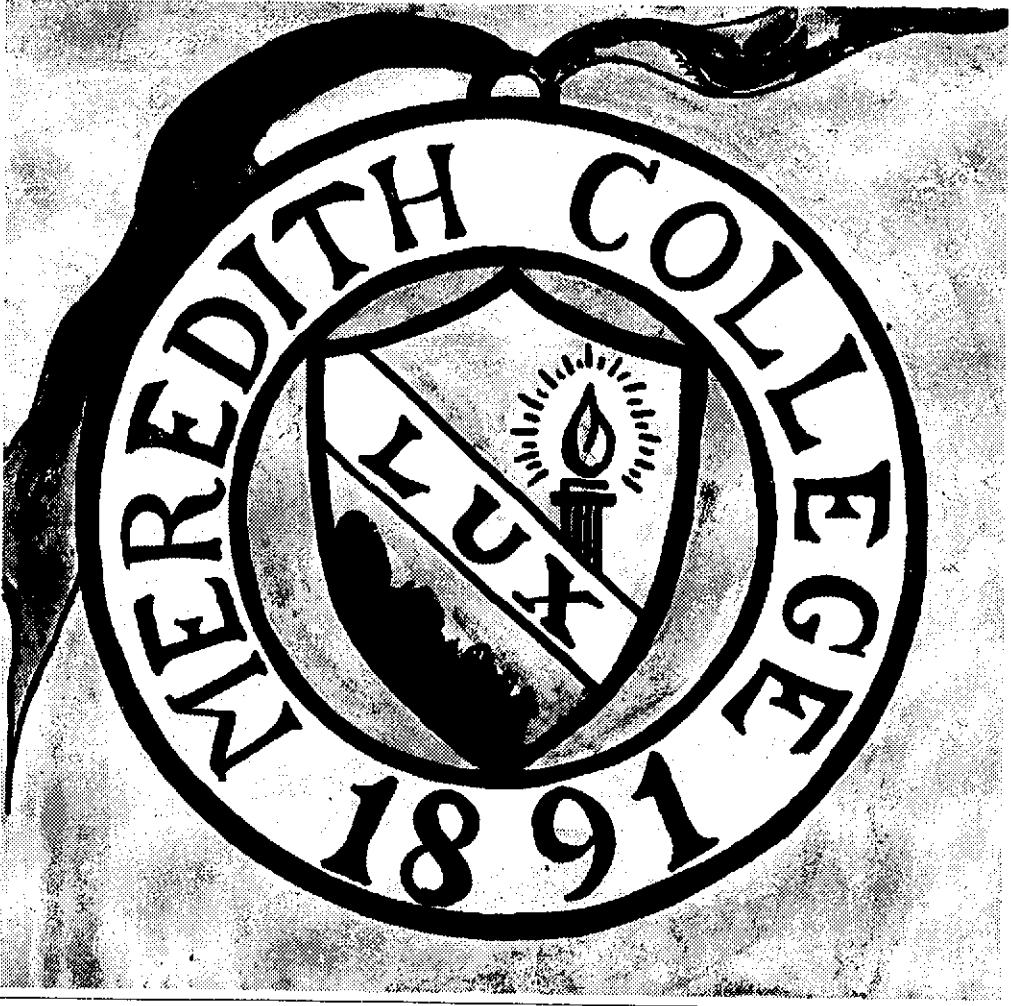
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AROUND CAMPUS

Societies Choose Officers

On Thursday, April 6, the members of Meredith's two societies elected their officers for the coming year.

The Astrotekton Society chose Betty Duckworth as president and Peggy Noffsinger as vice president. Evelyn Godwin will serve as secretary, Cathy Walston as treasurer, and Mary Turner as sergeant-at-arms. Marshals elected by the Astros include Pam Pernell, chief; Ann Hammond, senior; Sue Wood, junior; and Paula Williams, sophomore.

Ann Crockett was elected by the Philaretian Society as president, and Bet Garrett was chosen as vice president. Elected as secretary was Kathy Goodall, while Karen Watson and Nancy Tyren were elected to serve as treasurer and sergeant-at-arms, respectively. Phi marshals are Norma Hanchey, chief; Puffy Carraway, senior; Suzanne Ware, junior; and Jean Linsey, sophomore. Mary Wayne Watson will serve as devotional chairman.

Horse Show to Be Held

One of the features of the inauguration weekend is an exhibition horse show. The show will be held at 3:00 on Saturday at the new stables, and both hunt-seat and saddle-seat riders will participate.

The first two classes will be a pleasure horse class and a hunter hack class. In addition, there will be a class in which the advanced saddle-seat students will ride the best of the college's show horses. There will also be a class in which several hunters will perform over jumps.

The highlight of the show will be an exhibition of Meredith's five-gaited horses by Mrs. Mary McKay Edwards, director of equitation, and Miss Donna LeRoy, her assistant.

SAI Chooses Members

Leadership, musical talent, and scholarship are characteristics of the new pledges of the Beta Zeta Chapter of Sigma Alpha Iota, a national honorary music fraternity.

The new pledges are Anita Burt, Linda Graham, Ginny Henderson, Becky Hinson, Beth Porter, Charlotte Schable, Fran Wilkinson, and Sue Wood.

The pledges must participate in a training program during which they must learn about the fraternity and its organizational structure. Induction of the pledges will be held on April 25.

Activities of the fraternity include presenting musicals and sponsoring choral groups on the Meredith campus. In addition, the members marshal for musical functions on campus.

Students Attend NCEA

Three students represented Meredith College at the annual North Carolina Education Association Convention April 7-8. Carolyn Hofler, Nan Farabow, Nancy Roebuck, and Miss Lila Bell, associate professor of education, attended the meetings, which were held at the Battery Park Hotel in Asheville.

There were meetings dealing with a variety of educational areas, including student teaching. These student teachers also attended meetings for elementary teachers or secondary teachers in the various teaching areas.

One of the most interesting features of the convention was the general meeting on Friday night when each participant college in North Carolina presented a "Mr. or Miss Student Teacher." Meredith College's "Miss Student Teacher" was Carolyn Hofler. She and the representatives from the other colleges were seated on the stage with the NCEA officers during the meeting.

Dee Dee Carroll Will Serve On Mademoiselle College Board

By JOY O'BERRY

Meredith sophisticates will now have their own ambassador to the world of fads, fashion, and style, for Honour (Dee Dee) Carroll has been elected to the College Board of *Mademoiselle Magazine*. She is one of 1,500 winners of a "contest designed to recognize young women with talent in art, writing, editing, photography, layout, fashion design, merchandising, retail promotion, or advertising." Although Dee Dee is an art major, her entries thus far have been in the areas of writing and editing.

Dee Dee entered the competition last fall by submitting an essay on the trademarks that distinguish people, like clothes and perfume. In January the magazine sent her a congratulatory letter of acceptance that included the instructions for

her next two assignments. First, she had to fill out a questionnaire about Meredith — What is our health center like? What innovations have occurred in learning and extra-curricular activities? Along with this, Dee Dee submitted an article on Directions '67.

For her second project she chose to write an essay on the subject "What objects can you not live without and why?" In a whimsical tone Dee Dee's reply was that she needed food, shelter, clothing, and cosmetics. In the realm of clothing, she said she could not live without something different and zany, like a mini-dress or those big gold earrings that have become her trademark. She told the editors of *Mademoiselle* that she could live without all cosmetics except "false eyelashes, baby lotion, and deodorant."