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Eighty-five members of the North American Air Defense band will present a concert in the Elva Bryan McIver Amphitheater on March 26 at 3:30 p.m. In case of rain, the "Commanders," a part of the NORAD band shown above, will perform in Jones Auditorium. Although the NORAD band's primary duty is to play at military ceremonies and greet digni-taries at the headquarters in Colorado Springs, Colorado, they also have extensive road tours. In the more than eight years since its beginning, the NORAD band has toured most of North and Central America, and has given concerts in Carnegie Hall, the Hollywood Bowl, Disneyland, the New York World's Fair, and the Canadian EXPO 67. The group is composed of musicians in the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, and the Canadian Armed Forces. The musicians split into separate groups, such as the "Commanders," according to the type of audience that they entertain. After the concert, the musicians will eat with Meredith students in the dining hall.

Drama Tells Story of Henry VIII and Six Wives **Cast Readies 'Royal Gambit'**

By CATHEY RODGERS

The production of the dramatics department March 29-30 in Jones auditorium promises to be colorful, exciting and timely.

"Royal Gambit" by Hermann Gressieker is the story of Henry VIII and his six wives. But, as one character in the play states, "facts don't always tell the story." The story itself is a point of departure for the author. Henry VIII may

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have really had no wife, for as this play implies, none of his wives ever understood or satisfied him. Nor was Henry ever pleased with any of his accomplishments.

His struggles with his first wife symbolize the eternal clash between the old and the new. Henry, representing the spirit of modern man, sees the dawn of a new age.

The trend of modernization ushered in at the Renaissance is apparent to Henry. The new ways of thinking are logically justifiable but generally unacceptable because no one wants change or departure from the familiar. The author takes interesting liberties with the time factor. To indicate the timeliness of the play, Gressieker's characters are aware of the modern world, for the play is set in "Sixteenth Century to the Present Day." They refer to the fact that in spite of many advances, we have not learned how to prevent senseless war and economic depri-

vation.

The author suggests, that like Henry, modern man is on the verge of a new age. Katarina says of our own past as well as that of the sixteenth century, "It was the forceful, restless surge of a mighty age. But that age is now near its end. A new one approaches. It must be different, or there'll never be another for the creatures of this earth."

A message so appropriate and timely is added to the play's deftly dispersed humor, excellent plot, and colorful period costumes.

Garrett, Price, Others Win In Second Slate Elections

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An actress and a religion major were among those chosen in second slate elections on March 14 to hold campus positions.

Bet Garrett, a Raleigh resident soon to be seen in the Meredith Playhouse production of "Royal Gambit," was elected chairman of the Student Activities Board. Carol

Two Candidates For Public Office **Appear On Campus**

The two political organizations on campus have recently invited political candidates to speak to the student body.

Mrs. Margaret Harper, Democratic candidate for lieutenant-governor, will speak in Chapel March 28, according to Julianne Parham, president of the Young Democrats Club. Mrs. Harper of Southport, who "decided to practice what I preach," is a former president of the North Carolina Woman's Club. For many years she has advocated more female participation in politics, and her candidacy as first woman to run for lieutenant-governor in North Carolina is the result.

The Young Republicans Club headed by Linda Hollingsworth arranged for the Charlotte businessman and Republican gubernatorial candidate John Stickley to speak at Meredith on March 11. An active Republican for many years, Stickley discussed the value of the two-party system in North Carolina.

Price, Vann president from High Point and a religion major, will serve as chairman of the Legislative Board.

Brucie Starkey, freshman hall proctor, will be the chief counselor for next year, and Anne Bryan, National Merit scholar, will be secretary of the Legislative Board. Betty Alligood, a freshman representative to the Judicial Board, will serve as its secretary.

Other officers include Sandra Hamill, treasurer of the student government association; Eva Neal, worship chairman of Meredith Christian Association; Cathy Walston, Poteat president; and Jeanne Spach and Ann Carroll, upperclass dorm presidents.

Poteat hall proctors will be Kelly Knott, Judy Wright, and Bea Rivers. Upperclassmen hall proctors include Margaret Whitlow, Mary Jo Jewell, Patsy Peacock, Paula Tudor, Dwan Thomas, Ryllis Miller, and Paula Rogers.

Other offices named who ran unopposed are Susan Fletcher, MCA vice-president; Mary Turner, MRA vice - president; Barbara Pilloud, business manager of Oak Leaves; Barbara Pritchard, business man-ager of the Twig, Libby Mangum, business manager of the Acorn; and Carol Lemley, secretary-treasurer of Non-resident Students.

RESCHEDULED EVENTS

Senator Sam Ervin has rescheduled his lecture on "The Credibility Gap" for April 10.

"Alice in Wonderland" is scheduled for April 4, not April 6 as previously reported.

Alice" **Production Includes Traditional Secret Casting**

For almost fifty years, the Mere- does not serve much lunch. This

Recognizes Three At Annual Lecture

Three juniors were recognized as associate members of the Kappa Nu Sigma, Meredith honor society, at the society's annual spring lecture, Tuesday, March 19 in Jones auditorium.

Linda Sears, Donna Soyars, and Cathy Walston were recognized as as associate members by Carole Evans, president of the society.

Also recognized were Lisa Oates and Paula Tudor, sophomores with the highest scholastic average. Paula also holds the Helen Price Scholarship given by the Kappa Nu Sigma to the freshman with the highest average.

Dean Edwin Graves Wilson of Wake Forest University spoke on "The Rainbow and the Hapless Faun." The lecture was preceded by a banquet for Kappa Nu Sigma members and their guests. After the lecture, faculty members and seniors attended a reception in the blue parlor.

Members of the Kappa Nu Sigma include Beth Porter, vice-president; Ginny Sutton, secretary; Theresa Ayers, treasurer; and Brenda Carole Jones, reporter.

Other members are Judith Alexander, Barbara Bailey, Nancy K. Boyd, Ann Hill Daniel, Beth Smith, and Jane Waller Smith. Dr. Norma Rose is sponsor.

The play will be staged impressionistically with a minimum of props and scenery. The effect will depend upon unique lighting arrangements and sixteenth century costumes, especially ordered from a Broadway costumer. Recorded sound effects will lend an air of credibility, and songs that were composed by King Henry VIII may be used.

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Playhouse cast prepares for "Royal Gambit." Pictured above are Ann McCarty, Rachael Blanton, Gordon Fields, Mrs. Ruth Baker Phillips, Jane Brookshire, Bet Garrett, and Carole Evans.

dith faculty and administration have entertained students with the production of Alice in Wonderland, the first performance being held when Meredith was located in downtown Raleigh. Each student has the opportunity to see Alice in Wonderland once during her college career, since the production is given once every four years. This year on April 4, the faculty will again share its talent with the Meredith student body.

The production has gradually expanded through the years, as acts were added to the original play. Such expansion allows for more humorous entertainment and a wider variety of characters.

The parts of the characters, however, cannot be revealed. Students will recognize the characters by the sound of their voices. The following are clues to characters:

A dignified Ph.D. will play the role of a queen who likes to depopulate dominions. Her husband, the king, a sweet, mild, and gentle soul, is the intellectual head of the faculty.

The Cheshsire cat is really much stronger than she looks. Her sweet smile should not fool anyone.

Humpty Dumpty will, of course, be present. Chemistry, however, will meet the following day despite all accidents.

The smallest character on stage, the mouse, will be head of one of the largest departments next year. Students on April 4 will not be too alarmed when the dining room

lack of service will result from fact that the busy kitchen staff will be preparing cherry tarts for Alice in Wonderland.

Alumnae Will Hold March 23 Seminar

Meredith alumnae will gather at the college on Saturday morning, March 23, for their twenty-sixth annual alumnae seminar. The topic for this year's seminar is "New Di-rections for Education."

The key speaker for the morning session will be Dr. J. Steele Gow, Jr., vice-president of planning and development of Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania.

The afternoon session will be a panel discussion, of which Dr. Lois Edinger, Meredith graduate and former president of the National Education Association, will be moderator. Taking part on this panel, which will also carry out the theme, "New Directions," will be Dr. Margaret Ball, dean of the Woman's College of Duke University, discuss-ing "Education of Women"; Dr. Robert O'Kane, dean of School of Education, University of North Carolina, speaking on "Public Education."

The seminar is being sponsored by the education department of which Dr. David Reveley is chairman. Other faculty consultants in the department are Mr. Harry Dorsett, Miss Lila Bell, and Mr. R. G. Fracker.