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Corn Huskin' Revel Tonight Classes to Fight for Title

EDITOR'S NOTE: These pictures from past years' programs show the students and faculty involved in the simple, but hilarious fun of Corn Huskin'.

Corn Huskin' is tonight! Mary Turner, vice-president of the MRA, has gathered the pumpkins, read the scripts and set the stage for the evening of class competition.

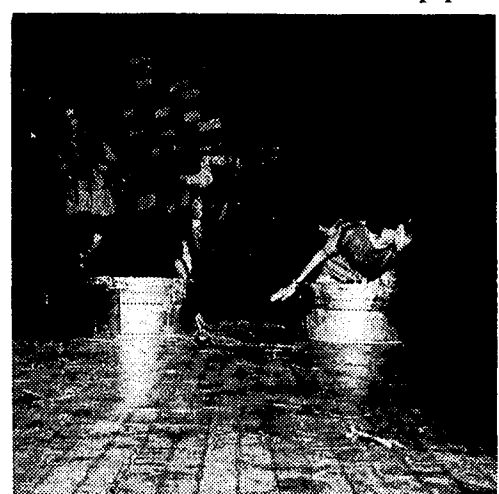
Making a final attempt to capture first place, the Senior Class Corn Huskin' is headed by Mary Watson Nooe and Betty McNeill.



The juniors are spurred on by Cherry Heedick and Jaime Thomas. Judi Carter and Anne Luter are leading the Sophomore Class. The first freshman fling is organized by Sandy Bunas and Linda Griffin.

Corn Huskin' is a relatively recent Meredith tradition. Begun when the MRA was first called the Athletic Association, the event was first called a Corn Husking Bee. Describing the festival in her *A History of Meredith College*, Dr. Mary Lynch Johnson writes, "At the Corn Husking, couples are often unrecognizable in blue jeans

and calico, torn straw hats and sunbonnets, galluses and pigtailed, with bandannas and corncob pipes.



The contests bring out unexpected talents. . . . The students' nimble fingers give the faculty small



chance in corn husking. Folk dances and games end the hilarious evening."

The modern celebration is one of class parades and themes, corn husking, hog calling and tall tales.

U.N. Celebrates Anniversary

Today marks the twenty-third anniversary of the United Nations, which has also been proclaimed by President Johnson as "United Nations Day."

This year, members of the U. N. are emphasizing the theme "International Year For Human Rights." The purpose is to revitalize man's fundamental principles relating to human rights.

U Thant, Secretary-General of the U. N., in his "Message for Youth," said, "Human Rights Year is, or should be, a reminder of the human basis on which all our efforts ultimately depend, and on the place of the individual in the bewildering developments of modern society."

"It is not surprising that many people throughout the world are bewildered and discouraged at the present turn of events. But that is all the more reason for people everywhere to ask themselves what can be done to improve matters. What can you, the Youth of the world who will be tomorrow's citizens, do to shape the world you will inherit?"

Linda Sears, Anita Burt Considered for Scholarship

Danforth Nominees Chosen

Danforth Fellowship nominees recently selected to represent Meredith College in the 1968-69 national competition are Linda Sears, an English major and Anita Burt, a voice major. Each fall the various departments submit names of eligible seniors; from those eight or nine suggestions, two girls are nominated from this college.

The Danforth Graduate Fellowship program, established in 1951, is awarded only to college seniors or recent graduates who plan to study for a Ph.D. and plan to make college teaching a career.

The aim of the Danforth Foundation is to further the cause of secondary and higher education and "to emphasize the human values of the Hebrew-Christian tradition" by giving financial aid to students who plan to do graduate work and to teach on the college level.

Although Linda and Anita will not find out whether they received the fellowships until next spring, the nomination alone is quite an honor, for the standards include, "Evidence of intellectual power which is flexible and of wide range, . . . Evidence of concerns which range beyond self-interest and narrow perspective and which take seriously the questions with which religious expressions attempt to deal."

Linda has made a tentative choice of schools, University of N. C. at Chapel Hill or Duke University, and will study English. Anita has considered, among others, Washington University in St. Louis and State University of New York, as her choices for graduate study

in music.

Competition for a Danforth Fellowship is particularly keen since only thirty-five fellowships are granted to applicants from colleges all over the United States. Should Anita or Linda win a scholarship,

they would be eligible for a grant of as much as \$2,400 a year, renewable for four years. Last year one of the Meredith nominees, Ginny Sutton, a religion major reached the final stages of selection of the Danforth Scholars.



Anita Burt and Linda Sears (foreground) are Danforth Nominees.

School of Christian Studies To Hold Meeting in October

The Meredith School of Christian Studies, open to ministers, laymen and students, will hold its 16th annual meeting here October 28-30. Dr. Roger Crook, chairman for the school, described the meeting as "a continuing education program for both ministers and lay people." He further explained that the school is "a source of information and a forum for free discussion on topics that are live issues in the life of the Christian community."

This is the first year that the school has been held during the regular academic year instead of during the summer. The new time will enable students to attend lectures also.

One of Meredith's graduates, Dr. Phyllis Tribble, will lecture this year on "the Elijah Narratives." Dr. Tribble completed her work here in 1954, then studied at Union Theological Seminary in New York and obtained her Ph.D. from Columbia University. She is currently a member of the religion department at Wake Forest University. She will lecture at 10 each morning of the conference.

Dr. Arthur McGill will lecture at 11:30 each morning on "The Religious Crisis of our Time." Dr. McGill received the A. B. degree from Harvard University, the B. D. from Yale Divinity School and the

Ph.D. from Yale. He is presently on leave from his post as professor of religion at Princeton University. He has written *Reason in a Violent World*; *The Celebration of Flesh*, and co-authored *The Many-Faced Argument*.

Dr. Jack Boozer, co-author of *Faith to Act*, is chairman of the department of religion at Emory University. He received the Ph.B. and B.D. degrees from Emory, attended the University of Edinburgh and received the Ph.D. degree from Boston University. He will speak each night of the School at 8. His topic is "The Morality of Faith," a discussion of the new morality.

Pictured are Dr. Phyllis Tribble (left), Dr. Albert McGill (top) and Dr. Jack Boozer (bottom right), featured speakers at the Meredith School of Christian Studies.



Sadi Discusses Israeli Conflict

By KAY C. KENNEMUR

The October 18 convocation took on an international air as Waleed Sadi, Counselor from Jordan's Washington embassy, spoke on the Arab-Israeli conflict. The student body was informed of what Mr. Sadi described as Jordan's forced position in the conflict. The counselor seemed particularly intent on correcting the popular view of Jordan as the aggressor.

As well as speaking to the whole student body, during his two day stay, Mr. Sadi held many discussions with International Relations Club members, who sponsored his trip to Raleigh. Mr. Sadi showed a keen interest in the United States and its internal affairs. He explained that his interest first began as a student in this country. He received degrees from Southern Methodist University and the University of Chicago Law School.

When asked about his future plans, Mr. Sadi stated that his next assignment would be Moscow where he would likely be after January of this year.

NOTICE

The TWIG is pleased to announce the selection of Patsy Brake, Debbie Brown, Jean Jackson, Vivian Matthews and Linda Kimbrell as freshman staff members.

The next issue of the paper will be published November 7. All suggestions, articles, letters and contributions should be given to the editor by November 2.

