

Weems To Be Inaugurated

RALEIGH, N. C.-- Meredith College will inaugurate its sixth president, Dr. John E. Weems, during formal ceremonies in McIver Amphitheater Friday, September 22, at 11 a.m. The inauguration is open to the public.

Dedication ceremonies for Meredith's first on-campus president's residence will be held at 2:15 p.m. as part of the inaugural activities. The residence is located on north campus and will be named in honor of Dr. and Mrs. L. M. Massey of Zebulon. It was provided by restricted gifts from many friends of the college who will be honored during the dedication. The dedication is open to the public.

Representatives from colleges, universities and learned societies and educational and professional organizations are expected to attend the inauguration, along with trustees, faculty, staff, students, alumnae, and other friends of Meredith.

Dr. Weems, 40, was elected president of Meredith in October, 1971 by the college trustees and assumed the presidency on January 1, 1972. He was vice-president for finance and administration at Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro, Tenn. prior to becoming president of Meredith.

He is married to the former Frankie Gooch of Chapel

Hill, Tenn. and they have three children: John Mark, 18; David Van, 12; and Nancy Carol, 10. Dr. Weems holds the B.S., M.A. and D. Ed. degrees from George Peabody College in Nashville, Tenn.

Special on campus events are scheduled through the day in conjunction with the inauguration. A display and sale of the "Second Edition of A History of Meredith College" will be in Carlyle Campbell Library, an exhibit of work by Meredith art department faculty will be in the College Center, an exhibit of paintings by Claude Howell, chairman of the art department at UNC-Wilmington, will be in Bryan Rotunda.



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"CAROUSEL" CAST FOR NOV. PRODUCTION

The world of the New England coast and Mrs. Mullin's Amusement Park will take over Jones Auditorium stage on November 15, 16, and 17, when Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Carousel" becomes Meredith's 1972 musical.

MRS. BAMFORD,
DIRECTOR

The play will be directed by Mrs. Linda Bamford, speech and drama instructor at Meredith. Choral director is Mrs. Jane Sullivan, voice instructor at Meredith. Assistant director will be sophomore Marlene Hart, Choreographer for the musical will be Susan Ervin, and assistant choreographer will be Gail Klutz. Susan Ervin is a senior at Meredith. Gail Klutz is a sophomore and has had 11 years' instruction in tap and ballet, and two semesters of modern dance here at Meredith. She has appeared in productions of "Oklahoma" and "Carmina Burana".

"CAROUSEL" SET IN NEW ENGLAND

"Carousel", set on the New England coast in 1873-1888, is the story of Billy Bigelow, barker for Mrs. Mullin's Carousel, and Julie Jordan, a young girl from the local mill whom he marries. Julie's best friend is Carrie Pipperidge, who is a naive, direct, normal girl of the period. Both girls work for Mr. Bascombe, a wealthy townsman. Carrie is in love with Mr. Enoch Snow, a very proper, overbearing type who returns Carrie's affection. Among the other main characters are Billy's friend Jigger, who is a n'er-do-well sailor, and Nettie Fowler, a wise, big-hearted woman who runs a spa on the ocean front. The Starkeeper and the Heavenly Friend are two residents of "up there", who guide and instruct Billy when he awakens outside the "Pearly Gates", having killed himself following an ill-conceived scheme of Jigger's. Billy is allowed to look down and view what is taking place on earth. He sees his daughter Louise, now an unhappy teenager, being taunted by her peers. Billy is told he may return to earth for one day, so that he may help his wife and daughter,

something he could never do while he lived.

FOUR NIGHTS OF TRYOUTS.....

Director Linda Bamford has announced the cast members after four nights of try-outs. Senior voice major Angela Hanchey will play the role of Julie Jordan. Angela is a member of both the Meredith Ensemble and the Meredith Chorale. Junior voice major Lissy Wall has won the role of Carrie Pipperidge. Lissy has appeared in Meredith's production of "The Sound of Music" and other productions of "Oklahoma" and "The Fiddler On The Roof". Jackie Hardy, senior voice major, will be seen in the role of Nettie Fowler. Jackie has appeared in productions of "Dino", "Carousel", "Oklahoma", "Finnian's Rainbow", and Meredith's "The Sound of Music". Freshman Sharon Ellis will play the role of Mrs. Mullin. Sharon has had three years of drama lessons and has appeared in productions of "H.M.S. Pinafore", "Cinderella", "A Christmas Carol", and "St. Joan". Freshman Ashley Clemmons will appear in the role of Louise. She has belonged to a professional ballet company and has had eight years of ballet and modern dance.

ANDY FERRELL IS BILLY BIGELOW

Billy Bigelow will be played by Andy Ferrell. Andy is a member of the N. C. State Varsity Men's Glee Club and has appeared in productions of "Cabaret" and "Irma La Douce", as well as Meredith's "The Sound of Music." Mr. Enoch Snow will be played by Bill Fletcher. Fletcher has appeared in productions of "Carousel", "The Fantasticks", "Annie Get Your Gun", "L'il Abner", "Brigadoon", and "Oliver". He has also sung in college choirs and attended opera workshops. The role of Jigger will be played by Gary Greenburg. He is a member of the N. C. State Varsity Men's Glee Club, has attended opera festivals and appeared in summer stock.

HARRY DORSETT IS STARKEEPER

The role of the Starkeeper

will be acted by Mr. Harry Dorsett, a member of the Meredith faculty in education. Mr. Dorsett has appeared in numerous Meredith productions and approximately 20 Raleigh Little Theatre productions, the latest ones being "Kiss Me Kate", "Forum", and "J.B."

FEMALE CHORUS

The seven female chorus members are Ann Wagoner, Louise Sullivan, Debbie Walker, Susan Tew, Pam Faison, Marsha Wilson, and Jeannie Alford. Ann Wagoner is a junior voice major and is a member of the Meredith Chorale. Louise Sullivan is a music major, a member of the Meredith Chorale, and has appeared in a production of "My Fair Lady". Debbie Walker is a sophomore voice major. Susan Tew is a junior voice major and has appeared in productions of "Stop The World, I Want to Get Off", "110 in the Shade", "Take Me Along", and Meredith's "The Sound of Music". Pam Faison is a junior English major, a member of the Meredith Renaissance Singers, and appeared in productions of "Plain and Fancy", and Meredith's "The Glass Menagerie". Marsha Wilson is a junior voice major and appeared in Meredith's "The Sound of Music". Jeannie Alford is a junior math major, sings in the Meredith Renaissance Singers, and has appeared in Meredith's "The Sound of Music" and "The Glass Menagerie".

FEMALE DANCERS

Female dancers for the play will be Debbie Hess, Linda Fusco, Beth Gray, Ashley Clemmons, Sherrill Crawford, Carol Thompson, and Gail Klutz. Debbie Hess is a sophomore and has had instruction in jazz, ballet, and tap. She has appeared in a production of "Our Town". Linda Fusco is a freshman and has had eight years of tap and ballet lessons. She has appeared in productions of "Hello, Dolly!", "Damn Yankees", and "The King and I". Beth Gray is a sophomore and has had four years of tap lessons and two years of modern jazz lessons. She has also taken modern dance at Meredith. Sherrill Crawford is a sophomore and has had instruction in tap, ballet, and

modern dance. Carol Thompson is also a sophomore and has had tap and ballet lessons.

MALE CHORUS

Male chorus members include Bob Wrenn, Charles Fussell, Lindsey Dietrich, Jerry Helms, Stuart Pike, Mohammad Mansom, and Everett Coates. Wrenn has had one year of voice training and has appeared in "Hello, Dolly!", "Oklahoma", and "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown". Fussell is a freshman at N. C. State University and has sung in "On a Clear Day", has sung and danced in "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying", and has acted in "Historical Review" and "The Case of the Murderer Who Killed". Lindsey Dietrich is a sophomore member of the N. C. State Varsity Men's Glee Club, and has appeared

CONCERT SET

On September 25, Meredith College hosts the North Carolina Symphony Chamber Players at 8:00 p.m. in Jones Auditorium, beginning the 1972-73 schedule of Cultural Affairs Programs. The chamber ensemble is made up of ten of the best players from the 65-member North Carolina Symphony and includes strings, select wind instruments, and harpsichord, as required by the repertoire. Artistic director and conductor for the group is Benjamin Swalin.

This year the Chamber Players will be making their fourth run of concert tours, beginning September 22, 1972-May 10, 1973. Since their revival three years ago, the players have received enthusiastic receptions throughout North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia, notably on college campuses.

Characterized by informality, chamber music has recently regained much popularity. Some have said that in no other kind of music is it so difficult to create a masterpiece, for the various instruments must blend into a perfect whole. Modern chamber music dates from the period Haydn, who, with Mozart, Beethoven, and Schubert, is recognized as a great cre-

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in production of "Bye, Bye Birdie" and Meredith's "The Sound of Music". Jerry Helms has had private voice lessons and is a member of the N. C. State Varsity Men's Glee Club. He attended Governor's School and has appeared in productions of "H.M.S. Pinafore" and other high school plays. Stuart Pike is a member of the N. C. State Varsity Men's Glee Club and has appeared in productions of "Oklahoma", "Brigadoon", "South Pacific", "Showboat", "The Odd Couple", and "Peter Pan". Mohammad Mansom is a member of the N. C. State Varsity Men's Glee Club. Everett Coates is a member of the N. C. State Chorus and has appeared in productions of "The Other Side" and "The Sunny Morning".

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CAROL SWARR TAKES POST

Meredith students welcome back a young alumni to the campus as the Admissions Office welcomes a new member to its staff. Miss Carol Swarr will assume responsibilities in the area of recruiting prospective students for Meredith's next freshman class.

Miss Swarr will help in conducting recruiting efforts during the fall and early winter months. Her work will include extensive travelling around North Carolina, as well as occasional visits to parts of Virginia and South Carolina.

Home Economics was Carol's major at Meredith. She graduated in 1971 after serving as the Chief Student Advisor. She will live in Raleigh.

NEW USE FOR BEEHIVE PLANNED

Our society is challenged by the necessity of conservation and the rebirth of deteriorating facilities. Meredith College has met the challenge.

With the construction of the new student union, the Bee-

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