



## **Racial prejudice noted by BVU**

In a meeting with the Admissions and Student Aid, Curriculum, and Instructions committees and several students last Saturday, the Black Voices in Unity appealed for better circumstances and conditions on the Meredith campus. Attempting to bring into light several injustices and problems faced by the BVU on campus, the group of students organized an open discussion which resulted in a realization that several of the questions raised were valid grievances for both white and black students on campus.

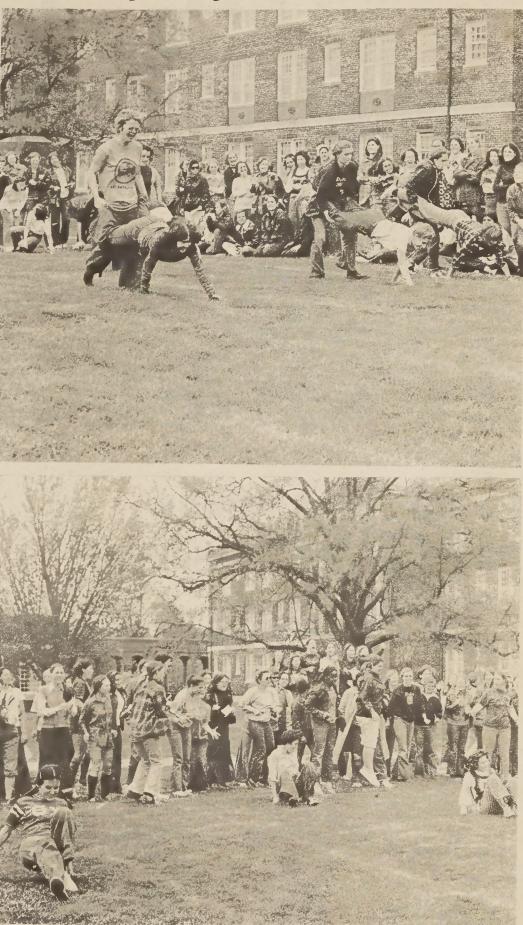
As a result of continued harrassment from various factions on campus, several of the black students at Meredith have been publicly embarrassed while dating or accompanying other blacks on campus. Financial aid students have been similarly humiliated by actual Meredith students themselves. This type of immaturity in a college atmosphere is completely ridiculous, and it suggests that more prejudice exists on campus that we would like to admit.

For instance, some of the questions raised are worthy of examination. Why were no blacks, who have exhibited continual service to the school, elected either to positions of leadership or to the Silver Shield? Can we attribute this to blatant racism or merely to the fact that the blacks themselves are outnumbered in voting processes?

Another point in question is the admissions policy. Certainly a minority representative is needed in the Admissions Office, whether it depends on hiring a new staff member or paying those black students who are involved now in recruitment, Brochures, pamphlets, and catalogues need to express integrated situations if good black-white relations are to be a part of Meredith College.

Part of the curriculum itself could be changed to indicate minority studies. More black professors could be sought after, or a Black Studies Department could be incorporated from which both white and black students could benefit. Counseling situations, which are desperately needed for the entire community, could also be oriented to answer to black needs. What is to be recognized and appreciated from the BVU questions is that these students have made several committees realize that there is much more to be done in creating interpersonal relationships which are challenging, creative, and rewarding for the entire Meredith community. Racism as an institutionalized force is definitely not dead at Meredith College, but as a result of student effort the problems surrounding the issues are being brought out into the open and discussed with definite plans for solutions being realized.

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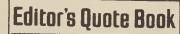


The "Wheelbarrel Race" spurred a lot of excitement during last week's Play Day activities as the dorms tried hard to outdo each other!

A struggle to the finish line proved a bit difficult for these Play Day participants, as they tried their luck in the "Crab Race,"



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