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Dr. Lemmon spoke to a large, enthusiastic audience Oct. 3. as the second speaker in the Cultural Affairs series. Her book, *FRUSTRATED PATRIOTS*, went on sale last week, after two years of research and writing on N. C. in the War of 1812.

## Winnie-the-Pooh tryouts slated

Christopher Robin, Pooh, Rabbit, Owl, Eeyore, Piglet, Kanga: familiar names? These friends of A.A. Milne will be the characters in the final production of Meredith Playhouse's experimental drama semester. For this production Meredith is calling in the first guest director in its history. Cathy Thompson has had extensive experience in experimental productions. During her undergraduate years at the University of Wyoming she directed *THE SUMMER IN-BETWEEN* as an adaptation of a reader's theatre. She was so impressed with this dramatic form that she will further develop it in *WINNIE-THE-POOH*. She was the Assistant Director for a children's production which toured the state of Wyoming. She finds the creativity to be

"limitless in this kind of production." Plays adapted from children's novels "shouldn't be billed as kiddie shows. They are just as funny and stimulating to an adult audience as for a pre-adolescent."

Reader's theatre normally is merely a medium for oral-interpretation; in this production Cathy Thompson will introduce "innovative movement" and acapella music. The sets will contain the traditional reader's theatre stools plus platforms for movement and a few suggestive flats. The production will demand from the actors and audience "uninhibited imagination".

Tryouts for *WINNIE-THE-POOH* will be held October 15th at 6:30 in Room 202, Jones. All the characters will be female. If someone cannot attend tryouts on the 15th, please contact Mrs. Bamford. The production dates are November 14th and 15th.

## Workers recruited

By SUSAN STONE

"If you are interested in working with the elderly, pre-schoolers, the mentally disturbed, or the juvenile delinquent, please talk to me," urges Sheree Jenkins, student co-ordinator of the volunteer program at Meredith. Sheree is working with Dr. Gloria Blanton, Dr. Leslie Syron, and Mr. Sumner in organizing Meredith's volunteer program this year. The program, the first officially co-ordinated one here, began last summer when Sheree began an internship-like individual involving interviewing agency officials. Setting up volunteer work guidelines, and

## Dr. Lemmon publishes new history book

North Carolina's support of the War of 1812 was defeated at every turn, Dr. Sarah Lemmon, chairman of the history and political science department at Meredith College, points out in her new book *FRUSTRATED PATRIOTS*.

The book, published by the University of North Carolina Press, details North Carolina's efforts during the War of 1812. It points out reasons for the state supporting the war and how

## Merit weekend planned

Meredith's fourth annual National Merit Weekend for high school students is scheduled for the weekend of November 9-10. National Merit Semifinalists and Commended Students from North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia will be invited to the campus for a discussion of the topic "The Economy: Master or Servant?"

Under the chairmanship of Suzanne Martin, a junior religion major, a planning committee is currently developing the weekend program. The guest speaker will be Dr. Arnold S. Nash, Professor of the History and Sociology of Religion at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Other members of the planning committee are Norma Heath, junior; Peggy Jordan, Margaret Taylor, and Kay Wyche, sophomores; Robin Morgan and Margaret O'Dell, freshmen; Dr. Roger Crook, Dr. Lois Frazier, and Mrs. Evelyn Simmons of the faculty; and Miss Mary Bland Josey and Mrs. Sue E. Kearney of the admissions office.

Detailed information about the program will be given in a future issue of *THE TWIG*. Meredith faculty and students will be invited to attend the lecture and to participate in all general discussions.

lack of federal support during and following the war resulted in injury to the state's economy and growth.

Citizens who wanted to fight in the war never reached the front, those who opposed the war were unable to stop it, and when British troops invaded Ocracoke, the federal government sent no help and refused to pay state soldiers defending the coast, Dr. Lemmon says in her book.

Original sources used in documenting the book present public reaction to the war in a way that has definite parallels to reaction in the United States to the unpopular Vietnam War a century and a half later.

*FRUSTRATED PATRIOTS* is on sale at the Meredith College Supply Store, at other bookstores in the state, or may be ordered from the University of North Carolina Press in Chapel Hill.

Dr. Lemmon was cited by the Raleigh-Wake County Pilot Club as being their 1972 "Woman of the Year" for professional achievements and outstanding participation in community affairs. She is the author of *PARSON PETTIGREW* a history of the first Episcopal Bishop in North Carolina, and editor of the *THE PETTIGREW PAPERS*, Pettigrew family letters from 1750-1820.

## Rules revamped for Cornhuskin'

Corn huskin' is going to be better than ever this year and plans are already well underway! Cornhuskin' will be held in Jones Auditorium on Thursday, October 25 at 6:45 pm. Folding chairs will be set up to accommodate the large crowd expected. Practice will begin on Monday, October 22, and continue Tuesday and Wednesday nights from 7:00 until 11:00 each night.

Scoring this year will be new. Instead of the percentage system previously

used, each different category will be worth a certain number of points. This new point system of scoring will be better in the case of ties. There will also be someone to help the judges calculate the scores, increasing accuracy. Five judges, including alumni and faculty, will take the place of the three judges used before.

MRA Vice-President Sue Grant, serving as chairman of Cornhuskin', promises an exciting Cornhuskin' with surprising new themes.



The Astro Fashion Show, presented in the CEA Thursday night, showed fall and winter fashions from Virginia Crabtree. The fashion show is an annual event with money raised from the tickets going to the Shelley School.

Girls modeling the new styles included Mary Beth Andrews, Cindy Godwin, Robin Rhodes, Hope Faircloth, and Janet Michaels. Christy Farris, Linda Evans, Chris Prichard, and Vivian Craig also wore the graceful, "unconstructed" fashions.

Most popular styles shown were the jacket with skirt or dress. In sportswear "chunkier" accessories with straighter skirts and pants legs were changes from last year. Romantic dresses with glittering and metallic fabric were popular for after-five wear.

All clothes were from Virginia Crabtree. Susan Merit was the lucky girl who won the \$50 gift certificate door prize from the store.

### LEMMON PREVIEWS

Dr. Sarah McCulloh Lemmon, chairman of the Meredith College History Department, has finished a book entitled *FRUSTRATED PATRIOTS - NORTH CAROLINA AND THE WAR OF 1812*. Sneak previews of the book will be given at the following times:

- (1) On October 15 at 7:40 a.m. WPTF radio will play a taped interview they had with Dr. Lemmon. The program is called "Assignment People."
- (2) On October 24 Dr. Lemmon will appear on the Betty Elliott program at 10:00 A.M. on channel 5.
- (3) Also, on October 24 the Public Affairs Department of the Raleigh Women's Club is giving an autograph luncheon in honor of the author.

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