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Radial relevance is coming to Meredith

by Maggie Odell

William Stringfellow, internationally noted author, lawyer and theologian, will speak at the convocation hour Monday, October 7 on the topic "Conscience and Obedience in Church and State".

Stringfellow, often hailed as a radically relevant Christian, has long been involved in working with and provided legal aid for black and Puerto Ricans in New York City slums.

His concern for expressing his Christian commitment in the political arena made him an early critic of the Vietnam War. He called for Nixon's impeachment for his part in the secret bombings of Cambodia long before the former President's complicity in Watergate became an issue.

After having been dismissed of charges of harboring the fugitive Father Daniel Berrigan, Stringfellow was defense counsel for the Reverend Philip Berrigan in the Harrisburg trial, a trial involving the rights of antiwar demonstrators.

In reference to the Vietnam War and, more recently, to Watergate, Stringfellow sees a correlation between the absence of American moral outrage and criticism and the

silence of German citizens when Hitler was establishing his Nazi state.

The silence of German churches and individuals during the Hitler crisis is easy to point to in hindsight. Stringfellow maintains that American churches are presently making the same mistake. Such silence, he feels, is a neglect of the church's major responsibility to criticize the government for injustices and power abuses.

Stringfellow is coming to Raleigh under a joint sponsorship of the Religion and Philosophy Departments of Meredith and NCSU. He will speak at State Wednesday evening at 8:00 on "Anarchy and Eschatology". His lecture is open to the public.



Mr. Shaw explains the significance of his gift at the Friday dedication of the Shaw Fountain. His wife, a Meredith alumnae, sits in front of Mrs. Weems and the Reverend John M. Lewis. Dr. Weems later expressed his appreciation for the gift.

Board vetoes visitation, ups tuition \$150

by Genie Rogers and Jean Jackson

On Friday, September 27, members of the Meredith College Board of Trustees met on campus for their fall meeting and other business.

Activities began with a memorial service for Dr. Luther M. Massey, followed by

meetings of Standing Committees of the Board. After a luncheon by committees, the full Board convened in the afternoon, where committee reports were given and various actions passed.

The Student Affairs Committee, chaired by Dr. L. H. Hance, recommended that the full board endorse Dr.

Weems' veto of male visitation as proposed by the S. G. A. last spring. The motion was passed unanimously.

Dr. Hance also presented results of a survey of all members conducted since the last Board meeting concerning Meredith's speaker policy. The majority opinion of the Board is that the policy remain as is

stated in the By-laws of the college.

Mr. Baker gave the Finance Committee report in which he proposed a \$150 increase in tuition. The motion carried. One hundred dollars of the increase will be applied to tuition, the other fifty dollars to board. Baker also presented the Audit Report which was adopted by the Board.

The Building and Grounds committee report tentatively proposed a site on West Campus somewhere between Cate Center and Weatherspoon Gymnasium for the new music building. This met with favorable responses from Board members, although no action was taken.

Also advocated were more landscaping of the back campus area near I-40 and the gym. Future goals are air conditioning in more dorms and replaced elevators in dorms in the quad.

Dr. Thomas was introduced to the Board and gave a brief address in which she called for more opportunities for leadership for students, expanded placement, and an increased global perspective.

Dean White reported developments in improving security, noting that campus police now have firearms training which equals that of Raleigh City Police and are beginning intensive classroom instruction.

Dr. Weems proposed an amendment to the By-laws creating a Vice President for Student Development, which automatically passed. He also reported that slightly over 50 percent of the faculty now hold Ph. D. degrees and named a figure of 75 percent as a goal.

The afternoon meeting of the Board was followed by the dedication of Shaw Fountain and a dinner at which the Harris and Bell award was presented posthumously to Dr. Luther M. Massey for his distinguished service to the college.

TWIG newsbriefs

CAPITAL CITY

The Department of History and Political Science will again

be offering the Capital City Semester in the Spring of 1975. Seventeen students participated in the program, which

is open to all North Carolina colleges, last Spring. The participants met twice weekly at the First Baptist Church on

Capital Square for intensive seminar and research work on North Carolina state government. A total of nine credit hours is earned by each participant.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Ms. Fairchild at x289 or in Room 122J.

YDC MINUTES

Highlighting the first Meredith Young Democrats Club meeting on September 16 were discussions with coordinators for several Democratic candidates. Harvey Stewart spoke to the group about Rufus Edmisten, Democratic candidate for Attorney General; Bill Bost spoke on behalf of Robert Morgan, candidate for the U. S. Senate; and Don Songer spoke on behalf of Ruth Cook, contender for the N. C. House from Wake County. Club officers elected at the meeting are: Ruth Butler, Membership Chairperson; Vicki Branch, Treasurer; Betsy Porter, Corresponding Secretary; Katie Jenkins, Recording Secretary; Tina King, Vice President; and Ann Wall, President. The club agreed that a concentrated get out the vote-absentee ballot effort will be made in early October. Plans for attending the upcoming state convention in Raleigh, October 18, 19 were discussed.

Society holds inductions

On Monday, September 30, 1974, Kappa Nu Sigma, honorary scholastic society founded at Meredith in 1923, held its fall induction of new members at a reception held in their honor at the MacGrimmer house.

Those seniors who have maintained a 3.5+ average over three years of work are eligible for membership in the organization. New senior members and their majors are: Jean Jackson, English and Religion; Emily Johnson, History; Sarah Manning, History; Tina Mayo, Psychology; and Myra McCachren, Psychology and Sociology.

Alumnae who were members of the organization while students at Meredith and are currently serving on the faculty or Administration were also inducted. They are Miss

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