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## Faculty discusses waiver; Thomas cites need for 2nd store

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At its Sat., Feb. 15 meeting the faculty discussed several issues including the present college policy concerning the Buckley Amendment, a proposal for a new bookstore on campus, and ways to increase awareness of the traditions behind Founder's Day.

Mr. Baker began with a report on the budget and stated that money is primarily being spent on instruction and maintenance, with the situation becoming "tighter all the time."

In response to a question from Ms. Brewer about what is being done to help maintenance persons cope with increasing inflation, Baker replied that their salaries have been increased by the 5½ per cent all other employees have received.

### Twig newsbriefs

#### Adjust clocks

Daylight savings time goes into effect this Sunday. On February 23 at 2 p.m. clocks should be turned ahead to 3 p.m. Notices on campus will explain the effect of the time change on closing hours.

#### Vocal work club

The February meeting of the Social Work Club will be held on Wednesday, February 26 from 6:30 to 7:30 in the Faculty Lounge of Cate Center. Mrs. Jeanne Boyd, social worker at the Developmental Evaluation Clinic of Duke University Hospital, will be the guest speaker. Mrs. Boyd supervises Meredith students who are placed in this agency for their senior year field experience. The Clinic, one of a growing number of DECs throughout the state, works with children who are experiencing developmental problems. Attendance at the

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Baker also stated that their retirement plans have been adjusted to their benefit. He promised Ms. Brewer to investigate the matter further.

Dr. Weems then elaborated on the finances of the college, stating that Meredith's situation is sound with a "beautiful cash flow". He related that economy measures have kept electricity costs reasonable, but heating costs have risen rapidly due to the price of oil. Weems assessed that Pres. Ford's plan if enacted will cost Meredith an additional \$30,000 - \$40,000 for heating.

Mr. Kanipe reported that development is healthy, with two-thirds of the funds needed for the new music building already committed. He also stated that Meredith is \$150,000 ahead of last year in terms of gift income as of February.

Kanipe announced plans for Founder's Day, after which Dr. Rose asked what was being done to make the occasion more meaningful to students. A discussion followed in which several suggestions were made including library displays, the planning of Stunt on the night before ceremonies begin and better explanation of the meaning behind Founder's Day and its relation to women's education now.

Dr. Thomas gave a report describing the efforts being made to incorporate non-resident students in to the mainstream of affairs. Several faculty members suggested that one or two established bulletin boards might include them by keeping them informed.

The faculty then discussed the waiver that is presently placed on all recommendation forms which allows a student to give up permanently her right to see how she was rated.

Dr. Thomas explained that the waiver has been used in order to give the student the most options possible. Other faculty members felt that it was not in the best interest of students.

Mr. Birkin raised the issue that libel suits might occur if the student can see her files, to which Dr. Fairchild replied that the possibility of the success of such a suit was extremely doubtful.

In other action, Dr. Thomas proposed that investigation be made into the feasibility of opening another bookstore on campus to carry paperbacks of current interest. This suggestion received general approval, and Dr. Lemmon suggested that perhaps an established bookstore might open a branch at Meredith. A committee will be formed to study this proposal.



The National Theatre of the Deaf will present "Priscilla, Princess of Power" and "The Dybbuk" at Meredith College in Jones Auditorium on Monday, February 24th, at 8 p.m.

## Spring forum to focus on action

"How can I bring about any changes in the unjust situations that I know exist in my community?" "How can I influence the public vote regarding local, state or national legislation?" "How can I possibly make an effective difference?"

These are mere sampling of the questions that will be explored at Spring Forum Tuesday night, February 25, at 7:00 p.m. The two-hour session is planned with YOU as the focal point. It will be devoted to stimulating awareness of yourself and your involvement, and helping you realize how you can make a difference in the political, social and economic issues of your community, state and nation.

Citizenship, and more specifically, Christian citizenship, will be discussed from various points of view by a panel of five members: Wade Smith, who is a Wake County representative to the N. C. House of Representatives, Collins Kilburn, who is presently director of Social Ministries of the N. C. Council of Churches, directing the organization's legislative program; Betty Ann Knudson, president of Wake County Women's League of Voters; Dr. Sara Lemmon, chairman of Meredith's Department of History and Political Science, and Jean Jackson, president of Meredith's Student Government Association. Jim

Greene, director of the Campus Ministry Department of the Baptist State Convention, will moderate the panel.

Can an individual have any impact on public policy? Does being Christian make any difference regarding political matters? Can an elected official maintain his Christian commitment as his point of reference in the public arena? Should the church as an organization actively push political issues? How can one person become involved?

Come to CEA Tuesday, February 25, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. and plug in!



Bloomsbury Park L. to R.: Wade Hargrove, Lemma Mackie, Mel Williams, Wade Smith.

## Bloomsbury Park tops Hospitality Weekend

What is Bloomsbury? Seventy years ago it was a park where people could go to ride the carousel, laugh, sing, and play.

Today, it is a Raleigh-based singing group which recreates the turn-of-the-century Bloomsbury experience. They will be singing for Meredith and her Hospitality Weekend guests Sat., Feb. 22, at 8:00 in Jones Auditorium.

The folk quartet consists of banjo and guitar picking lawyers Wade Hargrove and Wade Smith, Clergyman Mel Williams of Pullen Memorial Church, and lyrically sensitive Lemma Mackie. They describe themselves as "a fully part-time professional entertainment venture", and have sung in New York's Central Park as well as local

night spots.

Their generation-spanning popularity is based on what the Raleigh NEWS AND OBSERVER has called a "minstrelsy which is spontaneous and unaffected." Their style is a pleasant combination of traditional ballads and up to date arrangements.

Hospitality Weekend at Meredith will begin at 10:00 Sat., Feb. 22, with registration and tours of the campus. After lunch a general session will be held in the CEA followed by panel discussions and informal conversations with the faculty.

Afternoon entertainment in the form of a fashion show and a riding exhibition will be given. Hall parties after the Bloomsbury park concert will conclude Sat. activities.