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Reaction is "gut level" to oral more than to print media

"How can a man who is too tender-hearted to slap a child drop bombs on a sleeping family?" asked a leading news commentator. It is indeed the purpose of the television news media, she said to bridge this "distance between the eye of the bomber and the actual human condition."

Ms. Shana Alexander, a regular commentator on the CBS television program "60 Minutes," presented her views on news coverage today to a Meredith audience at convocation Monday,

of "McCall's" and a writer for "Life", and "Newsweek" Ms. Alexander examined both the oral and the printed media of news coverage.

Pictures, unlike words, said Ms. Alexander, are concrete and visual experiences that solicit "gut-level" reaction which are lasting. Television is where "it hits the fan," related Ms. Alexander. She noted the example of the recent national reaction to comments made by Betty Ford on national television. Those same views

December 1. As a past editor of Ms. Ford were printed in McCall's Magazine several months before the television coverage with national reaction.

Concerned with the media's presentation of what actually does exist, Ms. Alexander told of her unwillingness to participate in less than truthful publications. Citing the tragic and tormenting events of the 1968 Democratic Convention, Ms. Alexander relayed her own experience at the convention. Smelling the rancid tear gas, and watching the seriously injured, said Ms. Alexander, she watched Hubert Humphrey though smelling the same gas, pretend as if nothing was wrong, and for the sake of positive publicity, kiss his wife's television image. Mr. Humphrey and many politicians, she said, are indeed "diseased to please."

Responding to questions posed from the audience in relation to the absence of women on the Supreme Court, Ms. Alexander firmly supported President Ford's

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Shana Alexander

Social work program is accredited

Meredith's Social Work Program has been accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CWSE) which provides broad guidelines and grants status to social welfare programs.

This accreditation can mean more job opportunities for students in the program, according to Ms. Helen Turlington, program coordinator. In some cases, students can obtain a Master of Social Work (MSW) in one year rather than the customary two at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, the only college in the state which offers the MSW.

Currently, there are 76 students enrolled in the

Meredith Social Work Program which offers
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Credit is offered for internship

Several new opportunities for student internships with state agencies are available for Meredith students during the spring semester and in future semesters according to Dr. Erika Fairchild. These internships are with the Department of Justice and with the New Pioneers program of the Department of Education, and have resulted from discussions between Dr. Sandra Thomas and the agency officials concerned, Dr. Fairchild said. The Department of Justice internships will be with the Criminal Justice Training and Standards Council. The interns with the New Pioneers program will be assigned to various divisions in the Department of Education to do research and writing on the incidence of sex bias in textbooks and teaching materials used in North Carolina. Up to three academic credits are offered for these internships, Dr. Fairchild noted, and a student is expected to devote either one or two afternoons or mornings each week to working in the agency. Students who are interested in discussing these internships should contact Dr. Fairchild in Room 122 Joyner.

Board passes comprehensive reform

A new sign out procedure was endorsed by Legislative Board at its December 1, meeting.

The bill, introduced by Betsy Rowlett and Cathy Pickett, outlines a procedure with which a student would only sign-out on her dormcard for an overnight. A student with a date would do nothing with her dorm card, she would sign a date list at the sign-out desk. A students using Self Determining Hours (SDH) would sign-in with the guard when she returns and would not use her dorm card.

Ms. Rowlett and Ms. Pickett noted that their rationale for the bill is that "In light of the Handbook's purpose for dorm cards to aid in location of students, this bill omits that portion of the present procedure that does not comply. Due to the simplicity of the outline procedure, the new sign-out procedure will encourage students to sign-out for their

own protection."

The bill reads as follows:
Under Sign Out Procedures Pg. 52:

Change A 2) to read:
- On dorm card envelope the student writes the day, date, and time of her departure and her expected return. On the dorm card inside she writes the name of hostess, address and phone no.

New A. 3. will read:
A student will sign out on her dorm card when taking an overnight.

Delete A. 4.
Under Self-Determining Hours Pg. 51:

Delete 3
Change 4 to 2
Delete 5
Change 6 to 3
Change 7 to 4
Change 8 to 5
Change 9 to 6
Change 10 to 7

Change 10A to read:
...and has signed up on the
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RSW theme is selected

"A Festival of Creativity" was the theme chosen for the spring program to be sponsored by the Meredith Raising the Sights of Women program (RSW). The theme was selected through a recent poll of the Meredith freshman class.

Artists from numerous creative fields will be invited to the campus in the spring, according to RSW program

director, Dr. Sarah Lemmon. She anticipates that individual sculptors, composers, novelists, and painters will spend two days on campus as

resources to students. The individual visits will be staggered throughout the semester. The "Festival's" main emphasis, Dr. Lemmon says, will be on women creators or couple who work together.

The RSW program committees have, in addition, Dr. Lemmon says, ordered books on the psychology of women and value classification for the library. Three periodicals Signs, Psychology of Women Quarterly and Sex Roles: A Journal of Research have also been ordered.

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Christmas Dance

Meredith's annual Christmas Dance will be held this Saturday, December 6 in Belk Dining Hall from 9:00 P.M. until 1:00 A.M. Dress will be semi-formal to formal. The Castaways, known for their 50's floorshow and their top 40 dance music, will be the featured band.

Student Directories

Student directories are now on sale at the information booth in the Student Center and from the CCA representatives on each hall. The cost is only 50 cents. The directories contain names, home addresses, and school phone numbers of students and staff.

CCA Meeting

The last general meeting of the College Center Association (CCA) this semester will be Wednesday, December 10 at 5:30 P.M. in the CEA. Next semester's activities will be discussed. All students are welcome.

"Oliver"

The musical "Oliver" will be shown in the College Center Continuing Education Auditorium (CEA) on Sunday December 7 at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. The movie is based upon Dicken's Oliver Twist and has a British cast headed by Ron Moody, Oliver Reed, Harry Secombe, and Shani Wallis. This Columbia film has won six Academy Awards. Tickets for this performance are \$1.00 and will be sold at the door; season tickets will also be honored.

Lovefeast

A Moravian Lovefeast for the Meredith students will be held in the Johnson hall Rotunda on Wednesday, December 10 at 7:00 p.m. The service will include a simple meal of a bun and coffee, a short sermon, and musical presentation.

Dr. John Fulton, minister at Raleigh Moravian Church, will be the guest minister. The Raleigh Moravian Church band and members of the

Meredith Chorus will participate in the service.

The lovefeast is a Moravian tradition of celebrating church festivals by meeting and breaking bread together, signifying union, fellowship, and love.

La Tertulia

La Tertulia Spanish Club will have its Christmas program on Thursday, December 4, at 7 p.m. in the President's Dining Hall. Local singer and guitarist Mark Dugan will present a program of international music. Refreshments will be served. Meredith students, faculty and staff are invited.

TWIG surveys

Results of the Opinion Forum distributed by The TWIG will be published in a later issue of The TWIG.

"Bald Soprano"

Tryouts for Ionesco's one-act play "The Bald Soprano" will be held in 202 Jones at 6:30 p.m. on December 9.

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Candidates are chosen for Danforth awards

Two Meredith seniors and a recent graduate have been honored with selection as Meredith's nominees for the competitive Danforth Fellowships for 1976-77.

Biology major Missy Upchurch, English major Sharna Ellis, and graduate Luanne Jones have been chosen for national Danforth competition according to Dr. Norma Rose, Meredith's Danforth Liaison Officer.

The Danforth Foundation advertises that the fellowship are open to seniors and recent college

graduates who have a "serious interest in careers of teaching and-or administration in colleges and universities, and who plan to study for a Ph.D. in any field of study common to the undergraduate liberal arts curriculum in the United States."

Approximately 65 Fellowships will be awarded nationally this year.

The Danforth Foundation, created by the late Mr. and Mrs. Danforth in 1927, is a national philanthropic organization.