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Curriculum reform proposal is submitted by Task Force

The Task Force on Curriculum Reform has submitted one of its reports to the Curriculum Committee,

Election is scheduled

1976-77 student elections are scheduled for February and March. Elections and Handbook chairman, Barbara Heath Talley has announced the elections dates. Filing for first slate officers is scheduled from Monday, February 2 through Thursday, February 5. Candidates will deliver speeches in Student Government Association (SGA) convocation on Friday February 6. The deadline for submission of 1st slate platforms for the publication in the Thursday, February 12 TWIG is Sunday February 8. The 1st slate election will be held on Friday, February 13 with the runoff scheduled for Monday, February 16.

Filing for second slate offices is scheduled for Monday, February 16 through Thursday, February 19. Candidates will deliver speeches in SGA convocation on Friday, February 20. The deadline for submission of second slate platforms for publication in the Thursday, February 26 TWIG is Sunday, February 22. The second slate election is scheduled for Friday, February 27 with the runoff on Monday, March 1.

The offices included on each slate are listed on page 72 of the College Handbook.

according to Task Force Chairman Sally Horner.

The Task Force recommends that the college's general educational requirements be divided into six areas and that each student be required to take from 49-51 hours in those areas.

The Task Force began its studies two years ago to determine whether or not Meredith could incorporate a career emphasis into the curriculum without losing the college's liberal arts emphasis. Dr. Horner observes that the recommendations submitted to the Curriculum Committee deal with only one aspect of the Task Force's three-part thrust. The Task Force, she said, is concerned with studying the structuring of individual courses, with critiquing the faculty advisory system and with studying the curriculum. In addition to studying the general education requirements, the Task Force is studying the individual majors and the career preparatory courses on campus.

The Task Force's general education recommendations are, Dr. Horner says, "a good affirmation that we like pretty well the kinds of things Meredith is currently doing as a small liberal arts college."

The ten member Task Force is composed of faculty, students and administrators. Members are Allen Burris, Roger Crook, Charles Davis, Lois Frazier, Pam Holt, Sarah Lemmon, Betsy Porter, Norma Rose and Helen Turlington.

The Task Force's recommendations, Dr. Horner says, outline a general college curriculum which "forces more breadth" of study and which does not exclude from general college requirements the area of the student's major. Under the present system a student does not have to take courses in her area outside her major. The number of hours remaining for electives after the student's proposed general and major requirements have been met is little different from that remaining after the

current requirements have been completed.

The five areas of general college requirements delineated in the Task Force's report are communication skills, human values and value systems, appreciation of one's physical self, understanding of society, understanding the natural universe and life directions.

In the area of communication skills, the Task Force recommends that each student register for three to four hours of principles of writing credit and six hours of

language study.

The student with less than two high school units of one foreign language would take the Track A courses in the language study category. In Track A, the student would take one foreign language through the 200 level, and-or courses in advanced grammar, composition, conversation and phonetics in the same language. The student could complete the 100 and 200 level with two three-hour courses.

Students with more than
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College plans include replacing demolished Hut

Many Meredith students returned to campus after the summer holidays surprised to find that the Hut, previously located on the construction site of the new Fine Arts Building, had been demolished.

Many students agree that the decision to destroy the structure in order to make way for the much-needed addition to the present music building was warranted. Still, many are upset that the decision was not announced to Meredith students nor were any student body leaders contacted about the plans.

Rebecca Askew, SGA president, stated her feelings about this lack of communication as, "I left for the

summer and it was there; I came back and it was gone." Askew added that Jean Jackson, 1974-75 SGA president, was as surprised as she was. Neither she, she said, nor Jackson knew of the demolition before hand.

When the Board of Trustees met in the early fall, Askew said, she told them that the students were upset about the demolition since the Hut had been used for such activities as parties, meetings, and one-act plays. She was told that the board would consider rebuilding the Hut after the Fine Arts Building was finished.

No "hard and fast" plans exist concerning replacement of the Hut, according to Joe Baker, college Business

Manager, though general plans have been made for taking action immediately following completion of the Fine Arts Building.

Baker stated that the executive committee of the Board of Trustees made its decision last May to tear down the structure because the space was needed for the new building. He added that the student body was notified "unofficially" by passing mention to several students.

Options considered by the committee were whether to move the Hut or to tear it down. Though moving the building was favored, the lowest bid received by the committee for this operation was \$35,000, Baker said.

The great expense was due to the nature of the structure, making the moving process almost a matter of taking the building apart log by log, as well as moving water and sewer lines. Moving

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K-3 Course

A new course in "Rhythm, Music and Movement" is recommended by Dr. David Lynch for K-3 students according to Anne Dahle, co-director of Meredith's Continuing Education program. The course, to be taught by Inge Witt, will offer one hour credit and will meet from 3-5 pm Tuesday afternoons. Registration fee is \$40.00. Registration forms are available in the Office of the Registrar.

Ms. Witt who has a North Carolina K-3 teacher's certificate says the course is developed to teach students to instruct young children in music. Ms. Witt has herself taught regular and special education courses in elementary schools. The course will, she says, have three facets--eartraining; physical expression, and rhythmic and physical creativity and improvisation.

United Nations

A ten member Meredith delegation will participate in the Harvard National Model United Nations. The delegation will represent Sweden in mock sessions of the General Assembly and the Security Council.

Potential Meredith delegates are preparing for

the March 6 & 7 sessions in a one credit hour module which is being taught by Dr. Erika Fairchild.

The Executive Committee of the Raising the Sights of Women program has voted to help finance the delegation by giving \$500 toward the total cost of approximately \$1500-\$2000. According to Dr. Sarah Lemmon, chairperson of the Raising the Sights of Women Executive Committee, the Committee hopes that Meredith will be involved in future Model United Nations

both in Cambridge and in the Raleigh area.

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Unfolding is 1976 REW theme

R.E.W., "Unfolding", exemplifies according to Larry Williams, campus minister, the growth process which a person undergoes in

developing spiritual maturity. Various events have been planned to deal with the phases of this unfolding, he said, process from the "childhood" stage of accepting taught beliefs, through the "adolescent" stage of questioning and doubting, to the "adult" stage of discovering and accepting real faith.

Dr. Gene Owens, pastor of Myers Park Baptist Church in Charlotte, will be the guest speaker for the 10 a.m. Wednesday worship service.

He also will be available on Tuesday and Wednesday to visit some classes. He is the author of *Confessions of a Religionless Christian*, copies of which are available in the library and the Campus Ministry Office. Dr. Owens is a graduate of Wake Forest University, Southeastern Theological Seminary, and Union Theological Seminary.

Library plans study

The Carlyle Campbell Library is planning to conduct an in-depth evaluation of its facilities and services to the Meredith College Community during the week of February 9th, according to librarian Michael Dodge.

The survey represents a concerted effort of the library staff to access the strengths and weaknesses of the general library program in actually meeting the needs of its patrons, the faculty, staff and students of Meredith College, he said.

The evaluation will consist of two parts. Part I, a general survey of the library's

facilities and services, will be automatically distributed to all of the students and faculty. Part II, will be distributed only to those patrons using the library during the week and represents a survey of how the library is meeting actual problems of patrons while using the library for specific reasons.

Any meaningful information obtained from the survey will be reported back to the college community through the TWIG, and will, most importantly, provide the library staff with some insight as to how to improve the quality of library service.