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A Tribute

"I'll stand right here and pop popcorn until everyone has eaten as much as they can hold," Mr. Tony Hardee promised, and so he did. Girls ravenous from too much studying or too many exams or neither poured through the dining hall during those 9 p.m. exam breaks, and Mr. Hardee popped bushel after bushel of popcorn. The popping was in addition, of course, to putting out more brownies and making sure there was enough peanut butter and crackers.

The exam week experience was definitely not an isolated one, however. In a life where the highlight of a really dull week is mealtime, food can definitely become an important factor in one's life. Mr. Hardee has done wonders in making institutional food something to look forward to. Working on a budget that can't possibly increase as fast as food prices do, Mr. Hardee and the cafeteria staff have still managed to treat students to luaus with loads of fresh fruit, multi-item salad bars, cake give-aways on Valentine's Day, and those all-important exam breaks. The Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners he produced were works of art. And the monotony of regular meals was kept from becoming too boring by special surprises every month.

In addition to pleasing culinary feats, Mr. Hardee somehow managed to run everything in an organized manner. Whether it was Play Day, Cornhuskin, the nights we had salad bars, or one of those interminable times when there was a special luncheon going on, the serving line always seemed to run smoothly, food didn't run out, and everything was efficiently organized.

Mr. Hardee has always been interested in the students' needs and opinions too. When the spring diet madness hits, Mr. Hardee has helped out by posting calorie counts and by serving dietetic foods. When it snowed and sleds were needed, Mr. Hardee lended serving trays. If you had a question, Mr. Hardee would give you an answer as long as he knew it. Always he worked with the students.

To be sure, Mr. Hardee has done none of this single-handedly. An excellent cafeteria staff has backed him up all the way, and they most certainly deserve a warm thanks from the student body. But Mr. Hardee has been the coordinator of the staff efforts. That students at Meredith can actually say they've had enjoyable eating experiences in their college dining hall says quite a bit for the staff's good work, especially if one has ever listened to a friend's horror stories from her college.

Thanks, Mr. Hardee, for everything.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I admit, I was one of those Freshmen who felt that since I was now a college student, such activities as Cornhuskin and Stunt were just too immature for me. Even while watching all my friends and fellow students enjoying themselves during the weeks of preparation, I still held onto my impressions of what a college girl did and did not do. However, this year I participated in both Cornhuskin and Stunt and truly enjoyed it. I became better acquainted with a lot of the girls, developed quite a bit of class spirit and just had a good time. I hope other people who have felt the way I used to will become active in some of the recreational activities offered at Meredith. Even if you don't feel you have any talent to offer, there are other meaningful and important essentials to be completed, such as imaginative ideas and support. Believe me, I learned the hard way that there are more things to college life than such "mature" events as watching your friends have fun while you sit in your room miserable.

Thank you,
Jeanne Vivona

Middle East Peace Treaty: Is it a step forward?

by Regine Nickel

In a diplomatic blitz-mission, in some papers referred to as "high risk gamble," President Carter finally pulled off the peace treaty between Egypt and Israel as laid down in the Camp David accords of last fall. Yet, the euphoria of last fall is gone. The reason for this is firstly, the length of time it took to finally conceive the terms of the peace treaty and secondly, the tremendous amount of pressure President Carter brought to bear on Prime Minister Begin. As a matter of fact, when the negotiations were on the brink of failing Carter displayed publicly his dissatisfaction with the Israelis. This was shown when the President summoned the Israeli ambassador to the White House and in the cool atmosphere that prevailed during the first couple of days of Begin's visit to Washington.

Now the treaty appears to be ready to be signed. But is it

really an historic step forward as some papers said this week? Could it not also be one of those steps forward that effect two steps backward?

According to some alterations in the treaty, American commitments to both Israel and Egypt are now stronger than ever before. Both countries expect heavy military aid, the amount of which borders on billions of dollars. Israel also expects a guarantee of oil. In Begin's words: "Oil is life." It must never be forgotten that Egypt is an underdeveloped nation which thus far has received its foreign aid largely from the oil rich nations around the Persian Gulf. Now these Arab nations threaten to cut off foreign aid if Sadat signs the treaty. The Egyptians will naturally look to their new friend, the U.S., for help.

The great flaw of the treaty is the uncertain way in which the Palestinians will be treated. It must be remembered that only a few Palestinians are involved in

terror action such as happened during the Munich olympics in 1972. The majority of the Palestinians are a people entitled to a homeland. They are a people that have lived in refugee camps for too long.

All the Arab nations are in the process of, in one way or the other, turning against the treaty. Saudi-Arabia, Jordan and the PLO have sharply criticized the treaty and the Saudis are threatening the cutting off of foreign aid to Egypt. Syria is openly threatening with military action. On the Westbank and in Jerusalem, radical Arabs and radical Israelis have clashed. Thus far, the situation in the Middle East is unrest.

Any peace treaty ought to be a step forward, but the precarious situation under which the Middle East is, demands extra caution. Not only Israel and Egypt are involved in peace, but all the Arab nations as well.

The Meadowline Files

by Ann Stringfield

September 3 - Paradise Lost
or The Red Death

A college boy in moccasins
and khaki pants-
I met him at a fraternity
dance

One Friday night
He was a prep but I was just a
Meredith Angel
And they told me-

You'd better watch out for
those State guys
All they do is tell you lies
They never call when they say
they will
They'll break your heart

That college boy in preppy
pants-

We've dated three times since
the dance
But it's Friday night and he
hasn't called

I'm climbing the walls
But they told me-
You'd better watch out for
those State guys

All they do is tell you lies
They never call when they say
they will
They'll break your heart

It's 9:00 and I'm still home-

I'll break his face next time
we're alone

But they told me about those
State guys

How they tell you lies
They'll break your heart....I'll
break his face

ARGUMENT

by Tom Parramore
Tis maidenly to sit and wait
for khaki pants to seek a
date;

But face for heart is scarce a
trade,

Grind his butt to marmalade!

March 15 - Paradise Regained
or The Return of Khaki
Pants

Trying to find a date while
watching "Mork and
Mindy"

I answered the phone and
thought "You've got to be
kiddin' me"

From the other end of the line
Was something that blew my
mind-
Khaki pants was back!

Scarely able to control my
emotions
I went through gesticulating
motions
And wrote his name on my
roommate's handbook
For which I received a dirty
look!

Hoping he'd ask me to Zak's
I was having happy feet at-
tacks

When then to my surprise
For reasons hard to surmise
He asked me to the fraternity
ball

Trying to act cool but utterly
failing
I fell on the bed, my arms
flailing
I breathlessly accepted him
whom I hadn't seen in 6
months
And fervently prayed I
wouldn't contract mumps

I hung up the phone with a
grin
My roommate exclaimed,
"It's khaki season again!"
Now all is right and will be fun
All that's left is to pass
English 201!

Campus Paperback Bestsellers

- The Women's Room**, by Marilyn French. (Jove/HBJ, \$2.50.) Perspective on women's role in society: fiction.
- My Mother/Myself**, by Nancy Friday. (Dell, \$2.50.) The daughter's search for identity.
- The Amityville Horror**, by Jay Anson. (Bantam, \$2.50.) True story of terror in a house possessed.
- Watership Down**, by Richard Adams. (Avon, \$2.50.) Tale of exile and survival in the rabbit world.
- Bloodline**, by Sidney Sheldon. (Warner, \$2.75.) Thriller about heiress who inherits power and intrigue.
- Coming into the Country**, by John McPhee. (Bantam, \$2.75.) Voyage of spirit and mind into Alaskan wilderness.
- Your Erroneous Zones**, by Wayne W. Dyer. (Avon, \$2.25.) Self-help pep talk.
- Midnight Express**, by Billy Hayes with William Hoffer. (Fawcett, Popular, \$2.25.) Young American jailed in Turkey for smuggling.
- The Thorn Birds**, by Colleen McCullough. (Avon, \$2.50.) Australian family saga: fiction.
- The Hobbit**, by J. R. R. Tolkien. (Ballantine, \$2.50.) The fantasy world of Middle-earth creatures.

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