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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

FORM 8-K

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) March 22, 2002

Commission file number 1-5128

Meredith Corporation (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Iowa 42-0410230 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1716 Locust Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50309-3023 (Address of principal executive offices) (ZIP Code)

515 - 284-3000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Item 5. Other Events

On March 22, Meredith Corporation issued a news release updating the earnings outlook for the third fiscal quarter which will end on March 31, 2002. That news release is attached as an exhibit.

Also on March 22, Meredith Corporation issued a news release announcing a television station trade agreement with News Corporation and Fox Television Stations, Inc., and a new affiliation agreement with respect to all of Meredith's Fox affiliates. That news release is attached as an exhibit.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

MEREDITH CORPORATION Registrant

(Suku V. Radia)
Suku V. Radia
Vice President - Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and
Accounting Officer)

Date: March 22, 2002

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