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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
(AMENDMENT NO. \_\_)\*

MERITAGE CORPORATION  
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(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK  
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(Title of Class of Securities)

59001A102  
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(CUSIP Number)

October 31, 2000  
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(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- Rule 13d-1(b)  
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 Rule 13d-1(d)

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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS

Alan D. Hamberlin  
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2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\* (a)   
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY  
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4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States  
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5 SOLE VOTING POWER  
320,226  
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NUMBER OF  
SHARES 6 SHARED VOTING POWER  
BENEFICIALLY -0-

OWNED BY -----  
EACH 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
REPORTING 320,226  
PERSON -----  
WITH 8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
-0-  
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9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

320,226  
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10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\* [ ]

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11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

5.41%  
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12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

IN  
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ITEM 1. (a) Name of Issuer:

Meritage Corporation

(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

6613 North Scottsdale Road, Suite 200  
Scottsdale, Arizona 85250

ITEM 2. (a) Name of Person Filing:

Alan D. Hamberlin

(b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence:

5333 North 7th Street, Suite 305  
Phoenix, Arizona 85014-2803

(c) Citizenship or Place of Organization:

United States

(d) Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock

(e) CUSIP Number:

88554L108

ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13D-1(B), OR 13D-2(B),  
OR (C), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A:

- (a) [ ] Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act.
- (b) [ ] Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act.
- (c) [ ] Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Act.
- (d) [ ] Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act.
- (e) [ ] An investment adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f) [ ] An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g) [ ] A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h) [ ] A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act;
- (i) [ ] A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act;

ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

(a) Amount Beneficially Owned:

320,226

(b) Percent of Class:

5.41%

(c) Number of shares as to which the person has:

(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

320,226

(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote:

0

(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

320,226

(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

0

ITEM 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following [ ].

ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON

Not Applicable.

ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY

Not Applicable.

ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

Not Applicable.

ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP

Not Applicable.

ITEM 10. CERTIFICATION

Not Applicable.

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After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

1/12/01

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(Date)

/s/ Alan D. Hamberlin

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(Signature)

Alan D. Hamberlin

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(Name/Title)