



Homecoming
1953



Shrieks of joy and cries of welcome. Students ran from one group to another, laughing, hugging and talking. Freshmen looked bewildered. Were the upper classmen insane? Who were all these strangers on campus? The freshmen were witnessing their first homecoming.

The alumni were amazed too — amazed at the growth and improvement of AC and at the festivities planned for their welcome.

One of the biggest surprises was the band. When the forty-five blue and grey uniforms passed down

Nash St. on parade Friday, students and alumni couldn't help but be proud. Saturday the band showed its abilities for playing concert music as well as marching. The program, directed by Dr. Burt, was given on front campus. The band played a variety of music, from reminiscences of the "Old South" to a modern review of television programs, "The T. V. Suite."

Another hit on the music program was the Mixed Chorus. Their rendition of "Tribute to Romberg" was greatly enjoyed and warmly applauded. In fact, they had to give an encore. The most amazing thing to the

alumni was probably AC's basketball team. This year we really have a team! Alumni who have mildly blushed when they read the basketball score can now read the scores proudly — aloud. With a crushing defeat over the Cherry Point Marines and a promise of

more to come, the team gave alumni a real welcome.

These were all big surprises for the alumni, but next year they will be even bigger. We will have new buildings to show them. They will see that AC is growing in size, in spirit, and in importance.

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