

### Ride Your Hobby Horse

M. Gonano

Everyone has a hobby. Maybe some just haven't put it down in black and white or just don't have another piece for that collection which is in its first stage or perhaps the scrapbook hasn't been bought or made for that collection of snapshots, leaves, or flowers.

After Christmas there will be a display of hobbies in the Home Economics room, and how wonderful it would be if every student and faculty member had something to display! Hobbies of all sorts are expected. A variety of collections, writings, paintings, sketches, stamps, portfolios of favorite music and poems, knitting, needlework, wood carving and etc.

So work on your hobby during Christmas and be proud to display it. But just don't end it there - keep it up as long as you live, for hobbies add to joy, health, social, spiritual, and mental well being of an individual. Hobbies are fun! Hobbies are valuable! So start riding your hobby horse now!

### Many Alumnae Return For Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving week end was entirely too short - at least, that is what all the guests and their hostesses thought. From the first shout of welcome to the last wave of a hand in farewell, Montreat girls and former Montreat girls tried to crowd all kinds of fun into the short time. Some had 24 hours; some had four days. The church service, the soccer game, the banquet, the dormitory fests, and the glimpse of rules again - all were a reminder of days at Montreat. All of us were glad to welcome Pat Cox, Betty Jean Genoble, Sybil Mackorell, Martha Atkinson and her sister, Winnie Ferguson, Betty Mae Hoylman, Polly Powers, Betty and Billie Whittle, Ruth Fisher, Anne McClintock, Mildred Jones, and Isabelle Robertson.

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## Staff Requests Your Support

We're going to have an annual. Sounds simple, doesn't it? But it's not so much a statement of simplicity as it is of determination. We're DETERMINED to have an annual, and we're asking everyone to help us finance it. It's no secret that advertisers are reluctant to part with their money this year, and right now we are in danger of falling below our budget. If that happens, we'll have to cut the annual. That thought is repulsive to us, so we're doing the only thing we know to do: issuing a call for help.

While you're home Christmas ask your parents, uncles, neighbors - ask anyone - if they wouldn't like to give \$2 or \$3 and have their names put on our Sponsor's page in the annual. Any contribution will be accepted, but the lowest amount entitling a printed name will be \$1.00. Our goal is at least one dollar for every student in High School and College. Surely you can raise that much! Remember that our annual depends on you. Won't you help us make it the best one ever?

The S. P. S. is offering a prize to the person getting the most contributions for our Sponsor's page. Three weeks will give you ample time to work for that prize. Come back with your pocket books bulging!

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### COLLEGE & H. S. ELECT

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tor of the Montreat School Publications, are the College and School representatives as GRACIOUSNESS.

Evan Wrenn of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, is the College choice as SPORTSMANSHIP. She is President of the student body. Ann Combs of Anchorage, Kentucky, is the High School choice. She is vice-president of the School student body.

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### Well-Known Artists Exhibit Work Here

A. Mereness

As Mrs. Ledford, our speaker of the fifth, said in her introduction, "the gallery of oil paintings on exhibition this week is on its maiden voyage." Among the artists whose work is being shown are both local and nationally known men and women. Mrs. Ledford herself is a landscapist of note in Asheville.

To the assembled group of Montreat faculty and students, she gave an informal discussion on the art of watercolor painting, while working on a snow scene to illustrate her points. Two short stories by Mrs. Ledford were highly appreciated.

After the lecture, the audience adjourned to view the paintings and enjoy refreshments served by some of the girls. Predominately landscapes, the pictures ranged from the smaller size to larger canvases. Some of the finest were "Shelby" by Dorothy Green, "Piazzo" by White, and "First Snow Fall" by the lecturer.

We strongly recommend your seeing this collection if you have not already done so. It is unfortunate that more of us have not taken advantage of this opportunity. After you have studied the paintings, vote for the one YOU would most like to possess. But whether you feel inclined to cast a vote or not, visit the gallery. You will find it well worth the time it takes.

### SIX COLLEGE POEMS ARE PUBLISHED

We are proud to congratulate six of our Montreat college students who submitted poems which were selected to be printed by the National Poetry Association. These six, and the names of their winning contributions, are as follows: Rachel McGill, "White Clouds"; Evan R. Wrenn, "Day and Night"; Margery Ann Washburn, "A Thought"; Joan Guthrie, "A Gumdrops Tree"; Betty Gibbs, "The Secret"; Ann Mereness, "Sonnet to Suzanne."

The ANNUAL ANTHOLOGY OF COLLEGE POETRY in which these poems will appear, is a compilation of the best poems of American universities and schools. It is expected to be out this spring. In recent years Montreat has stood among its foremost contributors, one year having the largest number of individual poems printed in the United States. This forthcoming issue marks repeat performances for five of the six girls on the list - Betty Gibbs, Ann Mereness, Margery Washburn, Evan Wrenn, and Joan Guthrie.

Again we want to say congratulations, and to all those who did not make it this year - try, try again!

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