

THE DIALETTE

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AS A NEW YEAR BEGINS . . .

As President of your S. C. A., I want to take this opportunity to wish each one of you a very happy New Year. When we look ahead we often wonder just what this year holds in store for us. That we cannot know. But you have often heard the saying that we don't get any more out of life than what we put into it. And so, to a certain extent we can determine what we are going to get out of this year together. Let's all try to do something each day that will add to the joy and happiness of our life here on the campus.

That same saying can be applied to our spiritual life - we will only get out of it what we put into it. How can we expect God to guide us and give us spiritual blessings if we are not willing to give Him part of our time? May we all strive this year to give of our time, our talents and our all to Him who gave Himself for us; and we will find that our lives will be much happier because we are living for Him.

Betty Attwood

"Today the year is young and clean
 Like freshly fallen snow,
 The ruts and scars are gone,
 And we are called to new and brave adventure."

Adventure! That's a wonderful word! It brings to mind various visions of great ships, of exciting expeditions, of thrills and dangers, of something new. This year let's answer the call to adventure - not the lion-killing, hair-raising kind - but adventure into comradeship and happiness. The hurts we caused yesterday by unkindness or by negligence can be healed even now by smiles and friendliness and especially by love.

Adventurers have to be brave! This term let's not be afraid of tests, of term papers, or of any such "demons" of learning. Thousands before us have lived through such terrible things, and are now leading almost normal lives.

Let's not be afraid to try anything - whether it be a short story in English, a talk in vespers, or a long-shot in basketball. This year let's go forward expectantly, and get the best out of Montreat, by putting out best into it - our abilities, our school spirit, and our love.

Evan Wrenn

—Campus Reflections—

By Betty Gibbs

Facts on the Feudal Hierarchy are whizzing through my brain in sad disorder and I find I have no reflections except some rather bitter ones on the subject of EXAMS. From the general atmosphere around Montreat, though, I have found that I'm not alone -- everybody is in the same state of mind! And that is comforting - if it's possible to be comforted before Tuesday at five!

But I don't believe the "general atmosphere" mentioned above can be blamed entirely on exams. It's hard to say what an atmosphere consists of, but I've noticed that it includes rather wan appearances, soft mutterings, and vague attention on the part of the girls. Uh-huh, exactly the same symptoms as Spring Fever! And is it any wonder? This beautiful weather we've been having is more than enough to bring on such an illness. Those of you who enjoy it are lucky - twice in one year!!

Over in Fellowship the girls are stepping high on the new floors -- and are mighty proud of the covers on the sofas and chairs in the lobby. Barkis has nothing on F. B. -- she's had a face-lifting, too! And her new neighbor is getting to be quite presentable looking from the outside. The new building is quite a handsome structure -and is well on the way to completion. I noticed today how bare the side looks without the cement mixer, elevator and whatever else was filling all that space. Bare - but kind of nice.

I don't guess there was a girl in school that wasn't inspired by Dr. Eddy's chapel talk - and especially by her challenge to go out and try seeing the world ourselves. Her stories of women in the Orient were inspiring (to try to describe them), encouraging, and fascinating. And I think we could put Mrs. Eddy right with that group of women she spoke of - she's doing her part.

Don't think those facts on the Feudal Hierarchy are still in my head -- they aren't! So now I can start all over again! Good luck on exams, fellow students! I sympathize sincerely.



Everyone shared, with equal enthusiasm, the wonderful news that Dr. and Mrs. McGregor are recuperating nicely in Florida. We appreciated their kind letter to us, and in return we want to send them this message: "Come back to us soon!"

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Montreat can certainly be proud of her faculty members. For the second consecutive year Dr. Kennedy and Mrs. White, our two English professors, have had their poems published in the Annual Anthology of Teacher's Poetry. Just goes to show that they not only inspire others, but create gems themselves. We express heartiest congratulations!

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To the three new students who are entering Montreat this second semester, we want to extend our warmest welcome!

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With all this balmy, beautiful weather, is there any wonder that we have to pinch ourselves to realize that it's FALL examinations we're taking, and not SPRING? The sight of a shrub blooming outside Miss Anderson's classroom almost convinces us otherwise.

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With the beginning of a new semester before us, let's make those resolutions about studying and applying ourselves to the job that we forgot to make about 30 days ago. And let's keep them!

HENNESSEE

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When asked recently about her job as House President she replied: "I enjoyed working with all the girls very much, and I appreciate their co-operating so well in whatever we undertook. I know their next president will do a fine job, and I'm sure they will like her as their leader and will give her their earnest support."

Evelyn Hennessee has moved up one position to take Joan's place, and now holds the office of House President. Carolyn Williams has been chosen as Assistant House President.

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