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Richard Altork Nov. Personality

Editor's note: The Dialectte and the Cabinet of the Student Government Association have chosen Richard Altork as the November Personality. The love and respect that Rich has gained is described below by Robert Hann.

"Richard Altork, a freshman student here at Montreat, was recently named personality of the month. Rich, a transplanted "yankee," comes to us from Miami, Florida, where he attended high school and was a member of Key Biscayne Presbyterian Church.

"Since arriving at Montreat, Rich has been involved in college activities. He is an ardent football player; he has worked hard as co-chairman of the freshman talent show; and he was one of the first freshmen to volunteer to speak in chapel. His warm smile and friendly personality have been seen by all on campus. Even as he goes about his class day, works in the library, plays football, does homework, he is never too busy for a friendly chat with anyone.

"Rich is a person who takes his Christian faith seriously, and exhibits it in his life and in his speech. Although Rich does not flaunt his convictions, it is obvious to all that he has convictions driving him, and that he is always ready and willing to share them with others."

Loftquist Fills Music Position

This year Montreat-Anderson College is privileged to have Mr. Henry Loftquist as piano instructor in its music department.

Mr. Loftquist, the son of a Presbyterian minister, originally comes from Brookhaven, Miss. He, his wife Eleanor, and their two daughters are now living in Asheville.

He attended the University of North Carolina, where he received his B.A. Degree, and was a member of the Phi Mu Alpha, a music fraternity. In New York he attended summer school at Columbia University, where he received his M.A. Degree. During his schooling in New York, he was organist and choir director at the Douglaston Community Church.

Mr. Loftquist's many positions include instructor of organ and piano, and choir director of four choirs. He fills these positions Tuesday through Sunday at Montreat-Anderson College, Warren Wilson College, and First Presbyterian Church in Asheville. He is also a member of the American Guild of Organists. "Monday", Mr. Loftquist declares, "is a 'Day of Rest'." —B. P.

SOPHOMORES ELECT

At the sophomore class meeting on October 7, 1961, the class president, Anne Gilliland, presided over elections that completed the higher echelon of the sophomore class. The new officers are: Jim Nance of Fayetteville, N. C., who was elected the president of the class of '62; Fran Black of Morristown, N. J., who was elected secretary; "Frosty" Moore, the new "keeper of the green," from

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MONTREAT: PAST AND PRESENT

The idea of Montreat began back in 1895 as a plan for a health and rest resort for religious and educational purposes. In 1905 the Presbyterian church bought the Montreat estate to be used in church work not to be controlled by the church. Under the early leaders of the Mountain Retreat Association, Montreat developed into a nationwide and world-wide conference ground often having as many as twenty to twenty-five thousand persons in attendance.

In 1915, the Board of Directors was authorized to establish a school upon the grounds of the Mountain Retreat Association us-

ing the facilities of the Association. The school's first classes began in October of 1916 with an enrollment of eight pupils. The object of the school as stated in the certificate of incorporation... "shall be to give instruction in ordinary branches of academic and collegiate education, in domestic science and in the Holy Bible... with special reference to the training of Christian teachers..."

In 1933 the name of the school was changed from Montreat Normal School to Montreat College, bringing about also the change from a high school and two year junior college to a four year college.

Some of the original buildings of Montreat have long been replaced due to fire, modernization and expansion. Gaither Hall was first used as the administration building in 1935. Fellowship, built in 1937 was used then as now for a dormitory. College Hall and the old infirmary, now used as the music building, were built in 1942. Howerton and McAllister Hall have been added since 1950.

1959 brought about other changes in Montreat. Again her name was changed. This time it was to Montreat-Anderson College in memory of Dr. R. C. Anderson and in honor of his wife who have both been influential factors in the development of Montreat. The school was made a co-educational junior college and in 1960 became an affiliated Presbyterian college, a member of the North Carolina College Conference, the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and the American Association of Junior Colleges.

Feeling the pressure of the growing number of young people who desire a college education, the goal of the future is to establish Montreat as an excellent college

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Sun Dial

Work on the 1962 Sun Dial is well underway. Hewitt Publishing Company of Atlanta, Georgia, is the company doing work for us this year. The staff for the Sun Dial this year is as follows: Editor, Janee Howard; Associate Editor, Georgianna Swan; Assistant Editor, George Boney; Business Manager, Roberta Debnam; Advertising Manager, Daphne Jolly; Assistant Advertising Manager, Richie Weaver; and Literary Editor, Shirley Pound. The theme has been selected but will be kept until the annual comes out.

It is time now to subscribe to the 1962 Sun Dial. You may subscribe by seeing the following people in your dormitory: College Hall: Bob Jarman or George Boney; Fellowship Hall: Virginia Durham or Melinda Little; and Howerton Hall: Sarah Todd, Millie Ray, or Carol Holder. If you pay the full amount before December 15th the price will only be \$5.00. If you wait and pay a little at a time and it extends past December 15th there will be an extra 50c charge.

The Freshman Talent Show



From left to right: Phyllis Shinn, Ann Harper Williams, Margaret Gentry, Margo Fraser, Judy Jettner, and Jo Bost.

Saturday, October 14, at 8:00 p.m., the freshman class held their annual talent show in Anderson Auditorium. The theme of the show was the "Roaring Freshmen" and the setting was Cosmo's Coffee Shop, a "beatnik hangout." The master of ceremonies was Ronnie Williams. The beatniks

on stage were Chris Chow, Pat Rausch, Paulette Petty, Curtis Hastings, Judy Gray and John Philsing.

The acts in the show were "Charleston"—Shirley Pound, Jimmy Wilburn; "The Face on the Barroom Floor"—Sharon Hudler;

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Tuesday, October 11, thirty-two students and six faculty members set out for Mt. Mitchell. It was the right kind of day for a hike. Knowing there were 18 miles ahead of them, the hikers were eager to get started. By 8:30 everyone was ready and we were on our way.

Our first stop was the waterfalls on Greybeard, where we were to eat our lunch. It was only six miles to the falls, but most of it was rough climbing. Statements like these could be heard: "Why did I ever do this?" "You won't catch me doing this next year!", and "I have got to make it."

After lunch and a short rest period, we started on our way again. The next six miles over a dirt road were probably the easiest part of the hike. The last six miles were on the highway and were the hardest part of the hike, for our goal seemed so near; yet it was so far.

By five o'clock all 32 students who had begun the hike were there, having hiked all 18 miles. The first hiker to reach Mt. Mitchell was Bob Talsmellage, a sophomore. He was able to get there before the 50 students on the bus. About six o'clock we ate an excellent supper prepared by the Inn. After supper everyone, especially the hikers, were ready to start back for Montreat.

Some of our faculty members hiked part of the way. They were Miss Buchanan, Miss Maxwell, Miss Williams, and Dr. Snyder. Mr. Maddox was the only faculty member who hiked all the way. Our heartiest congratulations go to Mrs. Harvey who slowly but surely made it.

Homecoming

Thursday, November 23, there will be no classes and chapel will be held at 11 o'clock. After chapel many of the Sophomores will be awaiting the arrival of the alumni who will spend the day with them. When lunch is over, everyone is invited to come to the soccer field where the alumni will challenge the chosen Montreat team.—Men, this is your chance to be cheerleaders for our women. After recovering from the soccer game, the men will play football.

COME TO THE FIELD AT 2 O'CLOCK AND SEE THE ACTION.

Thursday night there will be a Formal Thanksgiving Banquet in the Inn. A guest speaker will be present. When the feast is over, there will be dancing, games and get-togethers in Howerton and the gym.

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Assembly Men's Council Holds Week-end Meeting At Montreat

One week-end of October 27-29, 1961, was a crowded one not only for classes, but also for the 152 delegates to the Assembly Men's Council of the Presbyterian church in the United States. The council was meeting to learn about, study, and discuss the 1962 theme for Men's work, "Christian Vocation."

Dr. John Oliver Nelson, Director of Religious Field Work and Professor of Christian Vocation, Yale University Divinity School, was the keynote speaker for the conference. He gave his first address on "Christian Vocation" and his second on "Every Day Serving Christ on the Job." They provided much for these leaders to digest in preparation for their 1962 work stressing the theme "Christian Vocation."

Perhaps there was something in Dr. Nelson's talks for us to grasp. There was mentioned in his keynote address that the Christian vo-

cation is not a matter of seeing life as two golden rails going into the future, rather it is as one standing on the stern of a ship looking back at what has passed and evaluating in preparation for the future. "God is calling everyone to make a ministry of their jobs, wherever they are, in banks, hospitals, stores, offices... this is Christian Vocation." In this keynote address Dr. Nelson ended by saying that Christian Vocation has never seriously been tried and that there is no "golden age" for us to look back on, but one can begin now twenty centuries after Christ.

Perhaps his Sunday address-sermon could have been for the students of Montreat-Anderson College as well as for Assembly Men's Council. It was drawn from the Sermon on the Mount and continually stressed the phrase, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God."