

WELCOME HOME!

In 1913, the Board of Directors of the Mountain Retreat Association authorized the President, Dr. R. G. Anderson, to offer the use of Montreat grounds and buildings to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States for school purposes.

In 1914, the General Assembly appointed an ad interim committee to consider this proposal. The following year, the General Assembly adopted the report of the committee: "That the property of the Mountain Retreat Association be used for a normal school and that the establishment of the school be referred to the Synods."

The Synods of Appalachia, Georgia, Alabama, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia elected trustees who met in Montreat on May 2, 1916, and elected Dr. Robert F. Campbell of Asheville, North Carolina, Chairman, Mr. W. T. Thompson, Jr., of Knoxville, Tennessee, Secretary, and Ruling Elder L. S. Morrison of Asheville, North Carolina, Treasurer. The Montreat Normal School opened its first session in October, 1916, with eight students.

Montreat Normal School was made a Junior College in 1933 and re-named Montreat College. From 1945 to 1959 it was a four year college for women. In 1959 it was

made a co-educational Junior College and the name was changed to Montreat - Anderson College in grateful recognition of Dr. R. G. Anderson, who was President from 1916 to 1946, and Mrs. R. G. Anderson, its principal benefactor throughout its history.

The President of Montreat - Anderson College have been Dr. Robert Campbell, D. D., 1916 to 1947; Dr. J. Rupert McGregor, Th. D., 1947 to 1957 and Dr. Calvin Grier Davis, Th. D., 1959.

Welcome home! Today you are greeted by a new and changing Montreat. This is not the Montreat that

you knew even if you were a student last year. The 1967 class will notice that the women's dormitory that was once only a tall structure of steel is now nearing completion. The new convocation hall adjoining Assembly Inn will soon add a definite touch of dignity to college services and functions. Even returning students found it hard to get used to the fact that Fellowship is once again a girls' dorm.

Also, there is a larger number of men's dormitories created from private homes: McMillian, Crosby-Adams, Lookout Lodge, and Sylvan Heights. Along with all the physical
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NEW WOMEN'S RESIDENCE HALL

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

Montreat - Anderson College is involved in its first Capital Improvement Program. The Capital Improvement Program is the first step in an over-all expansion program to provide for a student body enrollment of 600 by the 1969-70 school year. Already Montreat is beginning to feel the need for housing, office and classroom space. In 1965 a study of the needs of our school was begun by a committee of experts to find the needs and make suggestions for correcting them. The committee's finding was reviewed and approved by the Board of Trustees.

At the beginning of 1966 a funds campaign was launched to raise approximately \$2,082,500.

Today we can see the beginning of this program as the new five story women's residence hall, being built behind College Hall, is nearing completion. The dormitory was begun in November of 1966 and will be completed in June of 1968.

Other near future projects are, a science and mathematics building, the L. Nelson Bell Library and an athletics field and amphitheatre which will seat over 3,000.

The proposed science complex

will house natural science labs, lecture rooms, four faculty offices and a mathematics instruction lab. This facility will be built at a cost of \$450,000.

The most urgently needed building at the present time is the new library, which will be named after Dr. L. Nelson Bell. Without this new facility to house our cramped library, Montreat could be in danger of losing accreditation. The new library will be built at approximate cost of \$710,000.

Another building included in the capital funds campaign is a new athletic field and amphitheatre which will consist of a quarter mile running track, a soccer field and a baseball diamond. With this facility an intercollegiate sports program will most definitely grow. The estimated cost of this complex will be \$200,000 of which \$100,000 has already been raised.

Out of a goal of \$2,081,500 only \$655,000 remains to be raised. It seems that we will have a bright educational future at Montreat - Anderson College if these developmental plans become no longer a dream but a reality.

1967 MERRIMACS CHOSEN

Introducing the new 1967 Merrimacs! Members of the highly selective group include: Eddie Allen, Roanoke, Virginia; Tom Behrens, Morris Plains, New Jersey; Linda Drye, Charlotte, North Carolina; Becky Edwards, Haysi, Virginia; Meg Grote, Walla Walla, Washington; Gene Miller, Miami, Florida; Bev. Keith, Agircula, Virginia; Jim Sandridge, Roanoke, Virginia; Pat Sheehan, Arlington, Virginia; Bob Smith, Montclair, New Jersey; Jack Williamson, Knoxville, Tennessee; and Jill Wolff, Miami, Florida.

Officers this year were elected at the first Merrimacs' meeting.

They are Eddie Allen, President; Meg Grote, Secretary - Treasurer; and Jim Sandridge, Business Manager.

Last year the Merrimacs performed after the M-A choir during the April Tour. They also appeared on a local television station and sang at a number of civic gatherings in the Asheville area.

This year the Merrimacs have already received invitations to entertain in this vicinity. This year's group, however, will make its debut right here on campus during convocation shortly before the Christmas holidays.



Four Students Injured In Accident

Four Montreat - Anderson students were injured in a single car collision November 14. The accident occurred at eleven o'clock p.m. in front of Assembly Inn.

Terry Grice, from Charlotte, N. C. and driver of the 1962 Fairlaine said that "after crossing a hill the car left the ground." It landed both on the shoulder and the road. Trying to straighten the path of the auto, he was unable to avoid hitting a telephone pole. The car was then, knocked to the left of the road where it came to rest against a brick

wall.

Other occupants of the car were Van Dotson of Fairview, N. C.; Larry Mullins of Charleston, S. C., and David Reel of Alexandria, Va.

Grice received cuts on his forehead, nose, and left arm. Both Mullins and Dotson incurred lacerations of the head and face.

David Reel, most seriously injured, was admitted to Memorial Mission hospital with three broken ribs, a left punctured lung, and lacerations. Grice, Mullins, and Dotson were released in fair condition.