

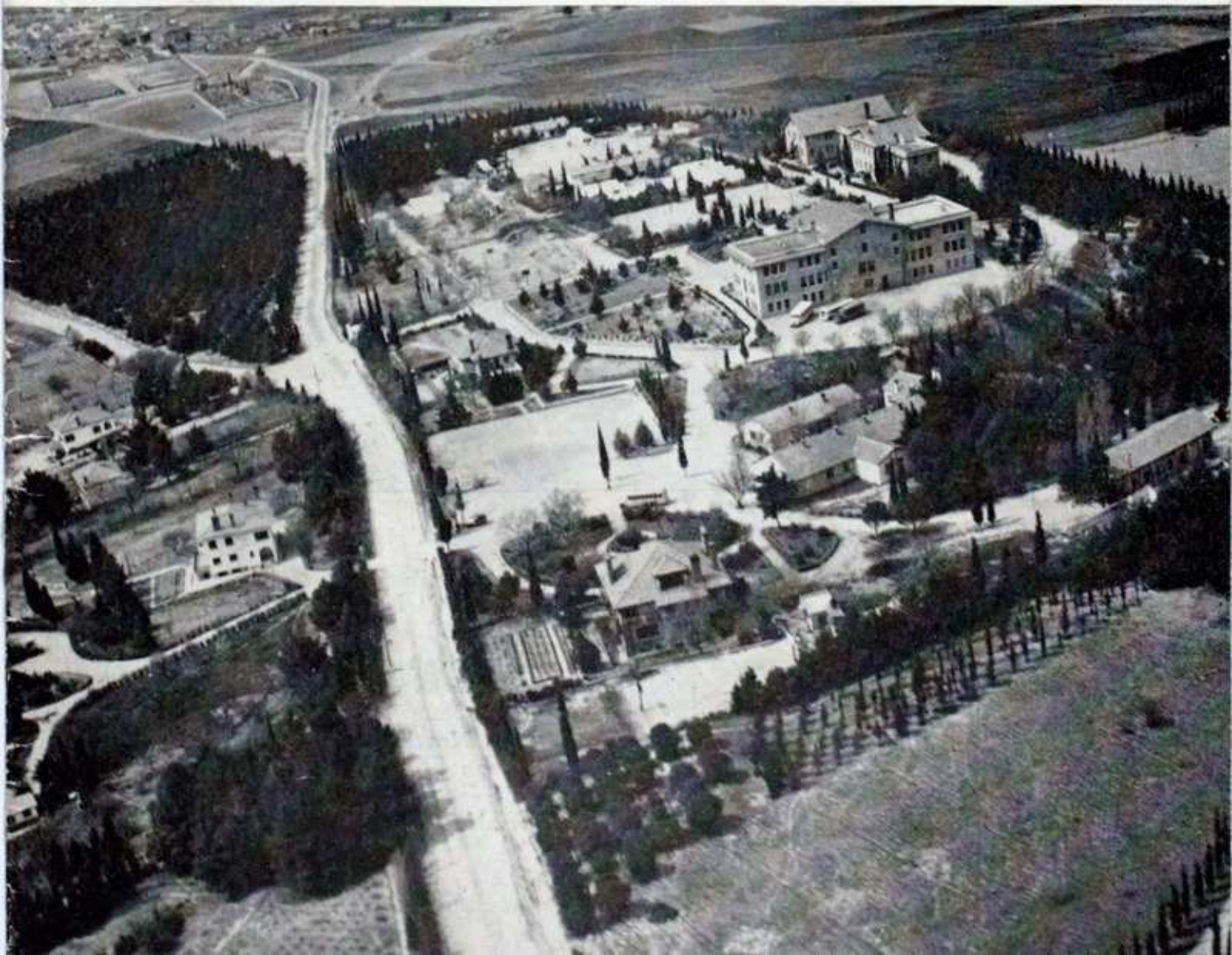
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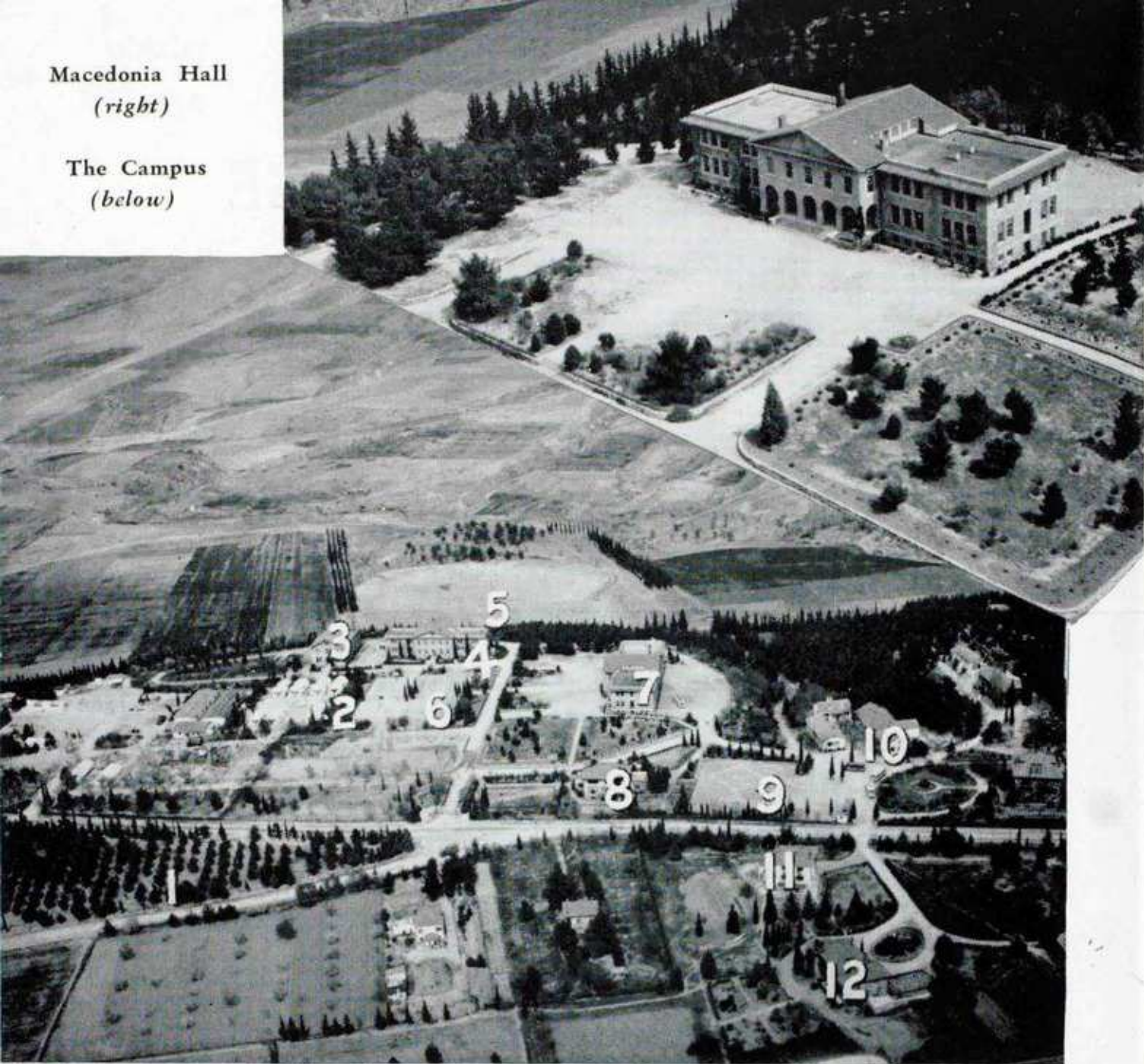
An American College for Greek Youth

Air View of the Campus — Looking Toward the City



Macedonia Hall
(right)

The Campus
(below)



THE CAMPUS LOOKING TOWARD THE MOUNTAINS

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| 1. Triangle — site for Church and Faculty Residences | 7. Macedonia Hall — Classrooms, Library, Offices |
| 2. British Military Camp, Temporary | 8. Residence |
| 3. Alumni Hall — Dining Room and Dormitory | 9. Playground — Tennis Courts |
| 4. Minnesota Hall Dormitory | 10. Girls' Class Buildings — West, North and East Halls |
| 5. Main Athletic Field | 11. Personnel House for Dean of Girls |
| 6. Playing Fields | 12. Dormitory — Faculty Residence |

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A Strategic City

On the hills across the bay from Mount Olympus, home of the ancient Greek gods, Anatolia College looks down on Thessaloniki — the city to which Paul addressed his Epistle to the Thessalonians. Modern Thessaloniki — a city of 350,000 people — is the capital and port city of Macedonia, the gateway to the Balkans. It is the birthplace of the late Turkish President Kemal Ataturk, and served as Army Base for the Allied Forces in the Gallipoli campaign of World War I. The College is said to have the most beautiful campus in Greece. During the recent war, the German Army of Occupation took it over for headquarters.



Anatolia means 'the dawn'

The word Anatolia comes from an ancient Greek word meaning the dawn, and in keeping with the name, the College motto is "The Morning Cometh". The name and motto are appropriate: a new day is coming in Greece, and Anatolia College is helping to bring it. The school was originally founded in Merzifon, Turkey, in 1886. Most of its students were Greeks and Armenians, and when these people were settled in northern Greece in the exchange of populations following the first World War, the College migrated with them and reestablished itself in Thessaloniki in 1924.

Two Schools on One Campus

The College follows the "Classical Gymnasium" program, similar to that of the Greek State secondary schools, with the addition of thorough training in English. Students enter the school upon completion of six years of common school work. They spend the first year in a Preparatory Class, largely devoted to giving them a start in the English language. This is followed by a six year course of study which corresponds roughly to that of an American High School and Junior College.

The "College" is really two schools, one for boys and one for girls, on the same Campus but in different buildings. The present buildings which accommodate 300 boys and 230 girls, are usually filled to capacity and many are turned away because of lack of room. The tuition fee is \$180.00 per year while the charge for board and room is \$552.00 per year. A class of sixty-eight members was graduated in June when Mr. John Nuveen of Chicago, Head of ECA for Greece, was guest of the College and made the Commencement address.

The Teaching Staff

The College has a faculty of over forty men and women, thirty of whom are Greek. Many of the Greek teachers have been with the school for years and several of them are outstanding teachers in their fields. They have shown unwavering loyalty to the College and to its ideals and purposes. The present fine reputation of the school is largely due to the steady and constructive service of the Greek teachers, particularly during the war, when at considerable personal risk they continued to conduct classes in a school in the City.



President and Mrs. Ernest W. Riggs

**"A Teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where
his influence ends."**

Education of Henry Adams



Dean Carl C. Compton



Dean Ida Mary Ingle

The Campus

As noted, Anatolia College has a strikingly beautiful location in the hills above the city. The Boys' School has substantial and attractive buildings built of grey marble, quarried from a nearby hillside. The Girls' Building in the city, was destroyed by fire during the war, and the girls are now occupying quarters at one end of the boys' Campus until new buildings can be provided for them. The present College property consisting of buildings, land and utility plants cost \$232,533.00 but would have a much higher market value today. The beauty and peace of the Campus with its trees and gardens and playing fields, and the matchless view of the city, the sea and neighboring Mount Olympus, all contribute to "an atmosphere in which ideals are born."

The Primary Aim of the College

The primary purpose of the College is to prepare its students for capable and public spirited citizenship and for effective and satisfying personal living. Its distinctive contribution lies in method rather than in program. It emphasizes the development of self-reliance and independent thinking, through sharing in classroom discussions and participating in extra-curricular activities. The College is nonsectarian, but tries to be thoroughly Christian in its spirit and atmosphere. School begins every day with a brief chapel service, and on Sunday morning a Greek Orthodox service is held in a chapel in the main building. Students are encouraged to share in various forms of campus and community service and to recognize individual responsibility for the welfare of the group.

English is taught for its utilitarian value and also as a means of opening to Greek youth the treasures to be found in English and American literature.

A Secondary Aim

Another aim of the school is the promotion of international and inter-racial understanding and goodwill. While largely Greek, the College community also includes Armenians, Jews, Americans, British and often other races and nationalities, and the students represent all classes and conditions, from destitute orphans to the sons and daughters of the rich. As they work and play together in the happy comradeship of school life, all distinctions other than those established by character or personality, soon disappear.

Greece Looks to America

By an overwhelming majority, the Greek nation has definitely cast its lot with the western democracies. The Greek people look to America for ideas and ideals as well as for material aid. Our government sent experts and spent millions to rehabilitate Greek industry, agriculture and transport, and to help the Greek Army in its struggle with the Communists so that invasion and seizure no longer constitute serious threats. Indeed conditions have shown so much improvement that the 700,000 peasants who fled from their farms to the large cities for safety are again flowing back to the villages. But Greek schools have lost so much that it is physically impossible for them at present adequately to meet the educational needs of the country. With the intention especially of increasing the number of teachers of English,



Above: Girls' Choir

Below: May Pole Dance

Anatolia College is an outpost of democracy



Above: Soccer Game

Below: Volley Ball Game

We shall lose if Greece loses

the Fulbright Fund of the United States Department of State has granted the College funds for the support of four additional American members of the faculty for the present school year, while it is probable also that funds will be granted to worthy but indigent Greek students for tuition scholarship aid. These current educational needs of Greek youth and the confidence shown in Anatolia College, both by the Greek people and by the United States Government, open the greatest opportunity we have ever had.

Alumni Association of Thessaloniki

The Thessaloniki Alumni Association is an unusually active organization. It rents a building in the city which serves as a social and educational center for the graduates themselves and a night school for nearly 500 young people attending English classes. Most of the teaching at the English school is done by the graduates themselves, advised and assisted by members of the College faculty.

Interest of Alumni in Welfare Work

Because of widespread destitution in Greece today our graduates have taken a great interest in welfare work. They give many hours of voluntary service in sorting, packing and distributing relief supplies sent from America. With the help of the Congregational Christian Service Committee and the newly organized Thessaloniki American Women's Club they are using a part of the old Girls' School building, salvaged from the fire in 1945, as a feeding station and nursery school for 350 refugee children. In the summer they conduct camps on the College Campus for groups of undernourished refugee children

who need special building up as a preventive against tuberculosis.

Greek Business Men Support Anatolia College

A group of prominent members of the Thessaloniki Chamber of Commerce recently organized a "Friends of Anatolia College Association". They were impressed by the public spirit of our graduates and by the fine records they were making wherever they were working. The Association's contribution of about \$8,000 the first year is most gratifying, and, given peace and normal economic conditions, it should increase from year to year. But the Greeks have suffered such terrible losses and their national resources have been so diminished that they will urgently need and desire outside help for some time to come.

War Damage and Immediate Needs

Anatolia College also suffered much war damage. When the Girls' School building was destroyed by fire its equipment also was lost or destroyed. It will cost about \$100,000 to restore the Boys' School buildings, grounds and equipment to their prewar condition. Contributions of \$24,107 have been received toward the girls' new Dormitory Fund. It is thought that \$50,000 would build the central unit, containing the kitchen and dining room equipment of a three unit open U type of plan. (See the architect's sketch on the inside of the back page of this brochure.) This is a most urgent building need. It is our earnest hope that several friends of means, both men and women will combine their efforts to obtain the \$26,000 still needed to meet the minimum building needs of the Girls' School.

This 'oasis' of green trees is also an intellectual oasis.
Ships can be seen in the bay and the village of Pylea
between the Campus and Thessaloniki.



Ancient Olympus guards thee from far,
Symbol of constancy, calmness and strength,
Glories of sunset in sky and in sea
Bathe thee in gold, as the day fades at length.

Girls' School Song

Reasons for Reassurance

Our confidence in the worthwhileness of the Anatolia College enterprise is based both on the quality of work our students do on the Campus and upon the service they render after graduation. Their knowledge of English and their understanding of the elements and processes of democracy combine with their high rating in personal industry and integrity to place them in great demand for employment in commercial firms, relief agencies and government service. No greater good could come to the nation than to pour into its life each year an increased number of educated young people of the spirit and quality of our graduates.

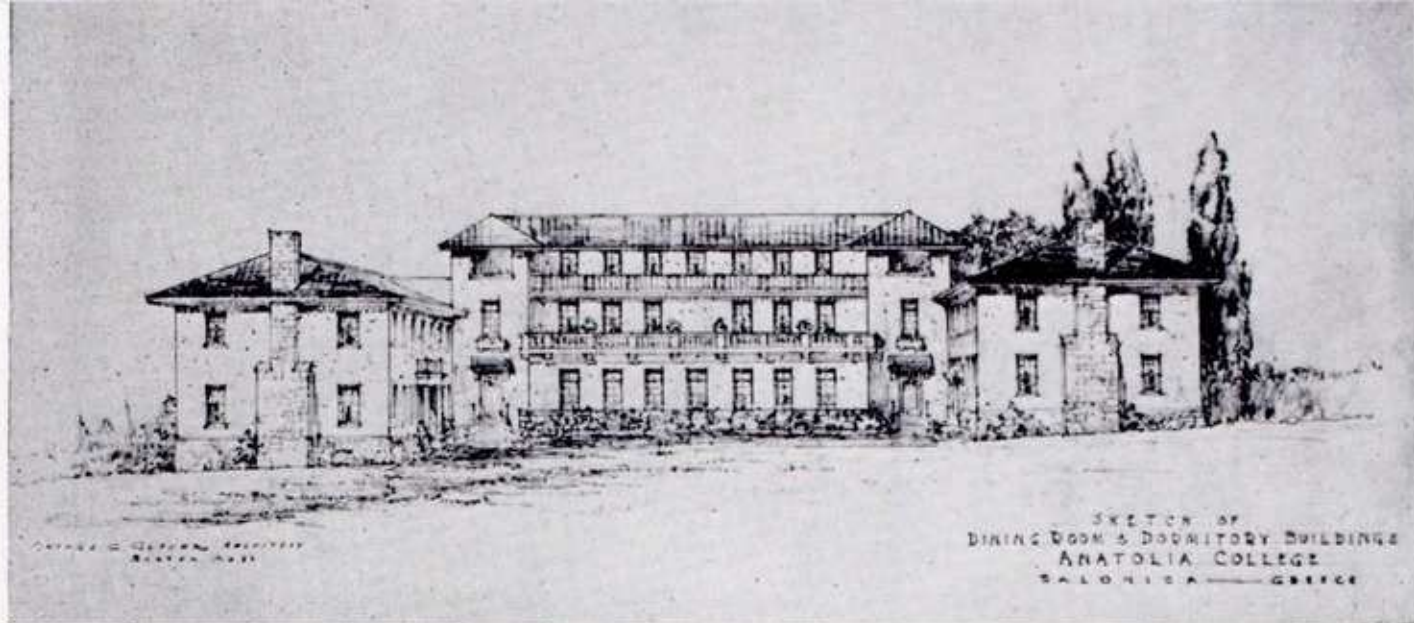
In order that the College might operate at its maximum capacity, the Board of Trustees decided to suspend the Building Fund Campaign and to concentrate attention upon the current operating budget of \$50,000 during the immediate future. Since prices have risen more sharply than wages in Greece, to increase tuition in proportion to costs would force the exclusion of all students except those from wealthy homes.

Since we feel it to be the duty of the school to keep tuition rates within the range of worthy students of moderate means, we seek additional help from friends in America who are interested in promoting international understanding and goodwill now, when the time is ripest and when the need is greatest.

Anatolia College, an American school, founded in Merzifon, Turkey in 1886 operates under a charter granted in 1894 by the Legislature of Massachusetts.



We are indebted to the Greek Air Force for the views of Anatolia College Campus contained in this brochure. Its pictures will give you a finer appreciation of the beauty of the Campus and a clearer understanding of the relative location of its buildings. These assembled views with a statement of purpose of the College and an account of its activities are offered to our friends in America as an inexpensive substitute for the visit we wish you might make to Thessaloniki, Greece.



An Architects Sketch of the Girls' Dormitory
Our most urgent building need.

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"The freedom of the nation can be preserved only
through the light of education."

Adamantios Korais

Air view of the Campus — looking away from the City

