

VARSITY G. CLUB IS TO GIVE DANCE FOR ATHLETES APRIL 4

Miss Alma Arbuckle in Charge
of Arrangements — Mrs.
Max Lynch Is Caterer

DAVIDSON ORCHESTRA TO PLAY

Sixty Couples Including Guests and
Members Are Expected
to Attend

Miss Alma Arbuckle, school social chairman, is in charge of arrangements for a dance which is to be given by the Varsity G Club of Glenville State Normal School in the gymnasium on the night of April 4. The athletic dance was instituted last year as an annual affair.

This year's dance is to be given by those boys of the school who take part in some form of athletic activity. Those who will attend are the athletes, a chosen group of invited guests, and their partners. About sixty couples are expected to attend.

Miss Arbuckle has planned a program dance lasting from 9 to 1 o'clock. Music will be furnished by John Davidson's orchestra of Weston.

Catering is to be done by Mrs. Max Lynch of Glenville. The refreshment committee includes Frank Harrison, Robert Prim, Carlos Ratliff, and Marvin Lee.

Decorations are to be in charge of Archie Morris, James Creasy, Frank Vass, Stanley Jeranko and Charles Anderson. The gymnasium is to be decorated with crepe paper in the school colors of blue and white.

Guests are being selected and invited by a committee made up of William Heckert, Fred Wilson, Paul Davis, Richard Selby, and Elmer English.

The dance is being sponsored by the Varsity G Club, but the plans include all who take part in athletics.

Y. M. C. A. DISCUSSES PEACE

Club Votes to Pay Assessment to
Field Conference

At a Y. M. C. A. meeting Wednesday evening a report was made by Bruce Brannon on "The Path of the Peacemakers." He brought out in this the two ways in which peace could be made. One by destroying all ideas of militarism; the other by forming a group of men and women who will practice peace and exhibiting a way of life which defeats the war mind and the war spirit.

The Y. M. C. A. has been asked to pay \$10 to the field conference as the assessment for this school. This was brought before the organization and passed upon.

The meeting adjourned with prayer by Dewey Anderson, chaplain for the meeting.

Ruth Smith Leads Y. W. C. A.

The Y. W. C. A. held a short meeting Wednesday at eight o'clock. The club continued its discussion of the race problem in America. Miss Ruth Smith as leader opened the program with a suggestion for open discussion. Short talks on racial problems of education and taxation were made by Misses Ruth Blake and Gladys McCenkey. A business meeting was held following the program.

Mid-Semester Grades Due April 8

President E. G. Rohrbough announced in chapel last Wednesday morning, that teachers were expected to have in the office by Tuesday, April 8, all mid-semester grades. They will be listed in figures, the same as they were last term.

PRES. ROHRBOUGH TALKS IN CHAPEL

Takes As Theme Parable of
Ten-Pounds and Applies
Moral to College Students

President E. G. Rohrbough gave a short talk in chapel last Wednesday morning concerning, what might be called, "Making the Best of What You Have." He took as his text the parable of the ten pounds.

Mr. Rohrbough said this story might apply to students who, being specially gifted in some kinds of work, made little use of their abilities. They depend on their talents to carry them through life, without involving much effort upon themselves. On the other hand, there is the student who thinks he has exceptional ability and tries to "get by" without working, but finds, in the end, that he is just an average person with average ability. Mr. Rohrbough said college freshmen were prone to think this about themselves, but usually find they are mistaken by the end of the first year.

In most cases, the person having the normal amount of ability, and who applies himself thoroughly, is the one who finds material success in life, rather than his specially talented brother.

ATTENDANCE AT PARTY LARGE

No Dance to Be Given This Week
Because of Tournament

A school dance was held in the gymnasium on Friday night from 6:30 to 9:30 o'clock. A large number of students attended in spite of the fact that many had gone home for the week-end. Miss Alma Arbuckle social committee chairman, was in charge.

Music was furnished by the radio. For the greater part of the time radio music was played, so that the Victrola combination did not have to be used but very little.

There will be no school dance either this week or the next because of the basketball tournament and the athletic dance.

Many From G. N. S. Attend Tourney

Many faculty members and students of the Normal attended the State High School Basketball Tournament which was held at Buckhannon on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Among those who were there are President and Mrs. E. G. Rohrbough, A. F. Rohrbough, Carey Wooster, Misses Bessie Bell and Wilma West, and H. Y. Clark, Richard Selby, Gilbert Jones, Howard Gwinn, Ralph Boyles, Dorsey Hines, Frank Harrison, William Rafferty, and Herbert Nottingham.

Wagners' Have Pennsylvania Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Wagner and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dutt of Stone Church, Pa., motored to Glenville Friday evening and spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. John R. Wagner, both of the Glenville Normal School faculty. Mrs. Dutt is a sister of the Wagner brothers.

GLENVILLE DEBATERS WIN OVER FAIRMONT TEAM HERE 3 TO 0

Miss Moore Has Constructive
and Rebuttal Material
Greatly Strengthened

G.N.S. MEETS W.V.W. TONIGHT

Affirmative Speakers Will Argue
Question With Broadness
There Tomorrow

Seldon Brannon and Warren Blackhurst will debate Argyle Knight and James Hutchinson of Wesleyan College there, tonight, in Glenville's last match in the triangular meet. Should the Normal debaters defeat Wesleyan, they will win the series.

The Glenville State Normal School negative debating team defeated Fairmont Teachers' College 3-0 in the auditorium here Monday night. The question, "Resolved, That the Attempt to Direct the Public Conscience by Means of Legislation is Futile" was affirmed by John Detch and Joseph Viggiano of Fairmont and denied by Fred Wilson and Warren Blackhurst of Glenville.

The index of the contest were Dean T. W. Haught, G. L. Glauner, and R. E. Lembers, all of Wesleyan College. Hunter Whiting of the Normal acted as chairman.

Miss Vinco Moore, Glenville debate coach, had her team to strengthen their constructive speeches and prepare better rebuttal material after the defeat they received from Broadus College. A considerable improvement was noted in the Normal team.

This meet with Fairmont was the first one in a triangular series being held by Fairmont, Wesleyan, and Glenville. The final contest will be tonight at Buckhannon between the affirmative team representing the Normal and the Wesleyan negative team. The winner of this meet will win the series, as the Wesleyan affirmative team has already won from the Fairmont negative.

Tomorrow the Glenville affirmative team will go to Philippi to meet the Broadus negative team in the concluding debate of the dual meet which Glenville has with that school.

ENGLISH TAKES THIRD IN DASH

Race Is Part of Intercollegiate
Meet at Morgantown

Elmer English of the Normal placed third in the preparatory school 70-yard dash run at the West Virginia University field house Saturday as a part of the intercollegiate indoor track meet. His time was 7 2-5 seconds. Of the sixteen entrants in this race, thirteen were state university freshmen. Frazier of W. V. U. took first place with a time of 7 1-5 the equal of the field house record; H. Kelly of Georgetown University placed second, only a few inches behind; and English finished a yard behind Frazier. A bronze medal was awarded to third place.

It is reported that Athletic Director A. F. Rohrbough has said that track and field sports will be begun at the Normal again, after a lapse of several years. He is said to have ordered or is going to order immediately equipment.

Regdon to Box W. V. U. Captain

Alex Regdon, boxing instructor in the Normal, will meet Capt. Crebbes of the West Virginia University boxing team in a bout at Carmichael Auditorium, Clarksburg, Thursday night. This fight is part of a sports medley for the benefit of crippled children being held there. They will box in the 168-pound class.

BASKETBALL MEN TO GET SWEATERS

After Game Is Canceled, Local
Civic Clubs Consider Mak-
ing Second Award

Coach Natus Rohrbough has announced that sweaters will be given by the school to eight members of the 1930 basketball squad. The men who will receive them are Frank Harrison, Frank Vass, Thomas Rogers, Dorsey Hines, Howard Lindell, William Rafferty, Harold Burk, and Harry Hamilton.

The basketball game scheduled between the Pioneers and an all-star team of Glenville scheduled for last Thursday has been cancelled by Coach Rohrbough because he said that it would be a farce and not worth the 25 cents admission which was to have been charged. He explained that the better condition of the Pioneers would give them too much of an advantage. The Normal team, he added, had wanted to play the game in order to give the boys something in speaking of no light weight match.

After a suggestion made by Coach Rohrbough, the Rotary and Lion clubs of Glenville are considering the raising of \$40 with which to buy the extra awards.

TEACHERS' DUTY DISCUSSED

Better Speech Club Talks on
Communities and Schools

The discussion at Better Speech Club on Tuesday evening centered around teachers and the teaching profession. The main point brought out was whether or not a teacher should be influenced to give more than just school hours to the students and the community. Nearly every member took part; so there were conflicting opinions. Most of the members agreed that the community had no right to ask the teachers for their time; however, most communities expect the teachers to take part in their activities.

Miss Helen Snodgrass had charge of the topic. The entire hour was spent in discussion of this subject.

The critic advisor, Miss Willa Brand, made her report. In this she suggested that the club was getting away from its original purpose of improving conversation and English to become a debating club.

Miss Bodkins is in charge of the conversation for the next meeting.

PLAYS ARE GIVEN IN CLASS

Vincent and Eberle Direct First Two
in Expression

The Expression 3 class in play production has presented two one-act plays in class work, this past week. The plays were "Night Brings a Councilor," directed Kahle Vincent, and "Moonshine," directed by Fred Eberle.

Three other plays will be given soon. They are "The Deceivers," directed by Howard Lindell, "The Weak Spot," directed by Mrs. Phyllis Rohrbough, and "Miss Civilization," directed by Fred Wilson.

16 TEAMS INVITED TO TOURNEY HERE OPENING SATURDAY

Sessions Will Begin at 9, 1, and
7:30 O'clock in Normal
Gymnasium

CUPS, PRIZES TO BE AWARDED

All But Traveling Expenses Will Be
Paid by G. N. S.—Alumni
Are Coaches

Saturday morning will see the opening of the third annual Little Kanawha Valley Basketball Tournament which will be held at the Normal gymnasium. Sixteen high school teams have been invited to take part in the meet; however, it is doubtful that all of them can attend because of the distance they would have to travel and the condition of the roads. The first game of the tourney will get under way at 9:00 a. m.

The sixteen high schools that have been given invitations are as follows: Tanner, Sand Fork, Glenville, Normantown, Grantsville, Cedarville, Troy, Alum Bridge, Weston Junior High, Jane Lew, West Milford, Walkersville, Gassaway, Sutton, Burnsville, and Brown. The teams that have already notified their intentions of attending are Tanner, Glenville, Troy, Alum Bridge, and Weston Junior High.

ACCOUNT Silver Trophies

Three sessions are to be held, one Saturday morning at 9, one Saturday afternoon at 1, and the finals Saturday night at 7:30. A silver trophy will be given the winners, a silver loving cup will be given the runners-up, and individual prizes will be given. The silver trophies are donated by the Glenville State Normal School, while the individual prizes will probably be given by the city merchants and business men. The awards and prizes will probably be made by President E. G. Rohrbough following the finals Saturday night.

Should it be necessary for any of the teams to come to Glenville the day preceding the tournament, Athletic Director A. F. Rohrbough, who has charge of the meet, has announced that their expenses while in the city will be taken care of and that all teams will be given board free while the tournament is going on. He further stated, however, that no traveling expenses could be allowed any of the visiting teams. Many of the high schools are now located on hard surfaced roads and their traveling expenses should be a small matter.

While in Glenville each of the teams will be assigned a student who will give any aid or attention that might aid to the convenience of the team and who will be in charge of lodging and looking after the team during the day.

Several Alumni Are Coaches

The drawings for the tournament will be made just as soon as all the teams have been heard from. President Rohrbough will make the drawings.

For the past two years the Little Kanawha Valley basketball meet has proved very successful. It has served as a meeting place for both young and old, and old grads have met each other here that might not have met otherwise. When the tourney opens here Saturday, fans will see "Pete" Rogers, former Glenville State Normal School athlete and now

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THE HIGH FLYING GRADUATES

Perhaps it is the boy and perhaps it is the college; it might even go back to the parents, for most bad things eventually are charged to parents. But for some reason the average young fellow these days thinks an ordinary job and reasonably good pay entirely beneath his rank. He feels that an apprenticeship for technical, practical training in his profession is a hopeless waste of his time. If a small salary chances to be his remuneration, he is sure that he is being sadly unappreciated. This feeling quite frequently prompts young men recently out of college to feel that they would rather keep their feet under the family table, and do nothing, than to take a common job with beginner's pay.

Just where does today's young man get the idea that he is to start at the top and get top pay? Who tells him that? Does the college intentionally impart this characteristic to its students? Of course, some people are that way chronically, having either inherited it or had it instilled into them early in life; but the ordinary young man certainly has nothing to warrant this attitude.

As much graft as is prevalent and as much as "pulls" count toward getting a position in the business world, there is still quite a bit of truth in the principle of the survival of the fittest. Although it may after a fashion sometimes be acquired by other means, as a usual thing success comes through hard work and earnest application.

There is one thing, however, that has undeservedly become almost an axiom on the lips of the older American people. It is that success comes from doing the little things of life well. Much depends upon how one construes "little things," but those who are so precise in doing little things to a nicety often never attain proficiency in doing big things. And no one can deny that the big things really count more. *For Sports* that is a good word to do well, or small, but a mantown. *Living Room* the hob-goblins of their little minds.

True success, then, is still a process of working up, being the office boy and proceeding thence to the presidency of the firm or corporation. The sooner over-ambitious youth learns this, the earlier it will be prepared to start toward the attainment of each man's true goal—real success.

MAN'S PLACE IN CREATION

It is always the tendency of the human mind to exaggerate conditions, and one extreme usually follows in the wake of a preceding one. From an overestimate of the importance of man we have now swung to the underestimation of his value. Often do we hear the cynical question: "Oh well, what does it all matter anyway?"

Prior to the discoveries of Galileo and the astronomers who followed him, it was generally believed that the earth was the center of the universe, that the sun and moon were created to give it light, and the stars to adorn its heavens. With the modern astronomical discoveries which reveal the immensity of the stellar universe and the comparative insignificance of the earth, together with the geological evidence of the great length of time the earth has existed and the comparatively short time that man has been upon it, there has been a complete revolution of feeling and speech.

Instead of the old view of the importance of man for whom all this had been prepared, we hear humanity described as minute insects crawling around on a second or third-rate planet which is circling about another immense star that forms its center of attraction. This new attitude tends to depreciate the importance of the intelligence and moral qualities of man as much as the old attitude tended to exaggerate them.

It is true that man is bound down, physically, to the earth. But while that is true, his mental and spiritual qualities elevate him above the ordinary so that it may not be fairly claimed that man is so insignificant and commonplace as this present belief makes him.

Mentally and morally, man stands separate and apart from the physical universe. The universe is commensurable. Man's moral and spiritual possibilities are incommensurable; they having measured the universe to a wonderful degree. And what of those who by study of the best that is in man and of the course of his development, can point out spiritual and ethical heights for which he evidently was intended and toward which he is moving?

Man's place in creation is determined far more by his mental and spiritual qualities than by his physical ones.

ENTER THE YO-YO BUG

His invasion has been postponed or withheld and his victory slow of achievement; but no amount of Paris green, arsenic compounds, or emulsions could prevent his taking the place, and now the yo-yo bug (unclassified as yet by entomologists but adequately placed by psychologists) seems to have complete possession of the castle. He has bitten practically every student in Glenville. To us this is not unpleasant, because it affords that opportunity for which we have waited long of saying something about the thing.

In the first place, the yo-yo is something like a top, but it does not spin like an ordinary top. Instead, it runs up and down on a string, and, simple as it looks, it is much more difficult to achieve skill in this spinning than one imagines.

Yo-yo apparently has no purpose. Perhaps in Japan, where it is said to have originated, large tops on strings were employed as weapons. There is no like need here, although some students have been known to use them as means of tantalizing and annoying those who were so unfortunate as not to possess one and not as proficient as they in its manipulation.

But now it is just being able to keep the pesky thing going that apparently fascinates the yo-yoers. And there is something fascinating about it. Seemingly so simple, it is altogether surprising how difficult it is to keep the top spinning up and down the string. A novice can easily spend an hour learning the knack of simple yo-yo spinning, and then he has the bug so bad that he will probably spend several more learning to do fancy little tricks with it. No doubt this waste of time is really the greatest objection to the yo-yo, and yet probably the faddists would be spending their time just as uselessly anyhow.

If this last conjecture be true, then there really is little indictment to be brought against the yo-yo. To all appearances it is only a harmless, amusing fad fostered by novelty salesmen and street fakirs, and no doubt in a few weeks it will disappear into the nothingness from which it came and the child-like simplicity of its faddists will find something equally new and interesting to engage their adroit, dexterous technique.

WHAT OTHERS SAY

EATING BY THE CLOCK

of the late Dominica on the London Times Supplement.
If meals are said to be digestion; but starthey good for the man "Who digests? Is it good to eat when one is not hungry? To get up when one is full of sleep? To go to bed when one's eyes are open?"

Eating by the clock is like thinking by the clock. It lacks appetite, and therefore fails to arouse enthusiasm. The habit becomes a tyranny which ends, often, in eating for eating's sake—that is to say, in gluttony.

Thinking by the clock achieves an equally disastrous effect, a mental smugness which, in moments of crisis, degenerates quickly into panic.

Still, a certain degree of regularity is necessary if only because we must consult our neighbor's convenience. The problem, therefore, is how to combine this irreducible minimum with the exercise of a legitimate freedom of mind and body.

It is no easy problem to solve. Each man must make the best terms he can for himself. Making terms becomes easier, however, if we close our ears to the doctrine that regularity is a virtue in itself and recognize it as a mere compromise between our own and our neighbor's wishes.

The advocates of regularity are fond of quoting the body itself—and nature generally—in support of their views. This is a great fallacy; nature is seldom regular except in her broad outlines. Our bodies are examples not of "clock-work" but of "fits and starts." This applies even to the heart, which, though it beats at a given rate, is constantly changing the degree of its activity.

Let us get away from the machine, with its exasperating revolutions and self-satisfied achievement; we were not made that way, and can only weaken ourselves by yielding to the idea that its continuing "tick-tick" is the voice of a worthy spirit. It is the voice of an unworthy servitude.

When one lives by his emotions alone, one becomes as dry as a soda biscuit.

—Joseph Hergesheimer.

"The life of an American business woman is the happiest life I have ever known."—Grand Duchess Marie.

The reason American cities are so prosperous is that there is no place to sit down.

—Judge Alfred J. Talley.

My motto is the one word Service.

—Al Capone.

It is better to be mercenary than miserable.

—Peggy Joyce.

MY FAVORITE LOVE SCENE

From the London Daily Express

By May Edginton

Unhesitatingly I choose Prosper le Gai and his lady Isoult for my favorite lovers of fiction.

These are rather hard days for romantic love. The light is bright; the heart is wise; the eyes are unveiled; and the tests are shrewd. We all want truth. We all want perfect and eternal love before we will really love; and nearly all of us say there is no such thing.

There is such a thing; that I declare. But is very rare; and to tell the absolute truth—which most of us say we are so eager to hear—the perfected, patient, practiced, truly sacrificial love is found more often between the married than between any hot young people or fervent lovers spectacularly scorning the chains of law and order.

This is meant to explain why I go to a medieval story for my choice of the loveliest romance. No one can question it! No one can say: "Ah, but it wouldn't really have lasted," or, "Oh, but it only begins like that." I shall not question it myself; I shall have no doubts about the power and the glory of it; for it is wrapped enchantingly far back in medieval mists.

Being a woman, I like it so. I do not want to question or to be wise over love; I want to believe in lovers. In Prosper and dark Isoult I can believe.

Read this:

"... She must woo, she saw; dare she trail this steelarmed lord of battles, this grim executant, this trumpet of God, as a led child by her girde-ribbons? ... so the maid was thawed to be the mother of her man. Isoult knew she must beguile, him now for his soul's ease and her own. When the ride grew broad and ran like a spit into a lake of soft dark she stopped. ... Prosper dismounted and helped her down. ..."

"I will disarm you"—had she not done it indeed!—"and dress your hurts. Then you shall rest and I look at you at last."

Is not that the ordinary eternal pleasure of all lovers of all time: "I look at you. ...?"

We read on.

"Isoult!"

"Yes!"

"Oh, my dear love, Isoult! Now I shall wed thee, Isoult, the much-desired!"

"She began to shake. But she put her hands up till they rested on his shoulders. She laughed in a low, thrilled tone.

"... Love was awake and crying between the pair. He drew her nearer, kissed her on the eyes and on the mouth; and she grew red and loved him dearly. ... So in the soft night, under the forest trees, in the hush that falls before dawn, those two kissed and comforted one another ... she was loved ... she was loved! ..."

"... Warm arms stole round Prosper, a warm cheek was by his; warm lips kissed him awake."

There I can finish my comparison between the love of the Forest Lovers and love as we talk of it in the present.

There needed to be no standards of prudence or behavior for them; no one asked, "Were they mad to stay out in a green forest all night? What did people say? Should he take this advantage of her?" Mrs. Grundy was born much later than Prosper le Gai and the dark Isoult who became his wife; Isoult who knew a wise secret: "What I desired was another's desire"—perfect excuse and perfect reason.

No. We do not question the Forest Lovers. They remain as symbols of beauty and love, untouched by the contentions that would surely have raged about them in these "free"

and modern days.

We are less sophisticated than Isoult, although we should be surprised to hear any one say so.

These direct, simple, knowledgeable lovers of Hewlett's delight me with their wisdom and its ways; their passion and its fulfillment.

11 SCIENCE BOOKS RECEIVED

E. R. Grose Calls One Work Best Of Its Kind

E. R. Grose, instructor of natural science, announces that several new books have been added to the reference shelf of his department. Among those received are Walter's "Biology of the Vertebrates" which Mr. Grose says is probably the best text now published on the comparative anatomy of the vertebrates; Olcott's "Star Lore of All Ages" which deals with the star myths and gives outlines of the constellations; and "Anatomy of the Cat" by Reighard and Jennings.

Other books just recently added to the department are "Davison's Mammalian Anatomy," by Stromstedt, which compares the anatomy of the cat with that of man; "Manual of Tree Diseases" by Rakin; "Organic Evolution" by Lull; "Man's Prehistoric Past" by Wilder; "Trees in Winter" by Blakeslee and Jarvis; "Botany of Crop Plants," third edition, by Robbins; "Microbiology" by Marshall; and, "Text-Book of Zoology," volumes one and two, fourth edition, by Parker and Haswell.

Ralph Lee Visits Brother Here

Ralph Lee of Clendenin High School was visiting his brother, Marvin Lee, of Kanawha Hall on Thursday. Lee is a member of the Clendenin basketball squad which was on its way to the Buckhannon tournament.

Rest Room to Be Installed

A woman's and children's rest room is to be made from the small room adjoining the music room in the old building, according to George Firestone of the maintenance department of the Normal. It is to be completely equipped, and Miss Ivy Lee Myers of the faculty will have charge of it. The need for such a room has been felt particularly in the past few days when several of the children in the Normal training department have become ill in school following inoculation for typhoid fever.

Girls Sell Candy for Hall Fund

Candy is being sold at school by girls of Verona Mapel Hall for a dormitory fund. The profits from the sale of candy is used for buying supplies for the kitchenette and for other things.

Rohrbough, Woofter Attend Meet

Athletic Director A. F. Rohrbough and Registrar Carey Woofter attended the state basketball tournament at Buckhannon last Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

PERSONALS

Carlos Ratliff spent the latter part of last week at the basketball tournament at Buckhannon.

Mrs. Rhea Kee Johnson and Miss Justine Jones spent the week-end in Clarksburg.

Burton Butcher and Clifford Clem visited at their homes in Weston Saturday and Sunday.

Harry Miller went to his home at Tanner Friday and returned Sunday. Lionel Heron and Archie Morris spent the week-end at Spencer.

Miss Estelle Newlon visited her parents at their home in Spencer over the week-end.

Posts Spend Week-End in Clarksburg

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Post of the geography department left here Friday evening for Clarksburg and Bridgeport where they spent the week-end.

ROHRBOUGH TO BEGIN BASEBALL TRAINING PERIOD NEXT WEEK

Several Candidates Are Now
Taking Exercises to Get
In Shape

SEVEN REGULARS WILL RETURN

Hamilton, Rogers, Davis, and R.
Burk of Last Year's Team
Will Try Out

Although no official announcement has been made as to the exact date for the starting of baseball practice at the South Glenville park, Coach Natus Rohrbough did intimate that he would issue his annual call for baseball candidates sometime next week.

It has been rumored about the campus that spring football practice would be held for two weeks; however the equipment has not yet arrived and that idea will probably be dispensed with.

Already one can see the lovers of the diamond sport trotting out after school with a glove and ball in hand, looking for some one to catch a few while they twirl their famous over or under-hand curves. Just who will land the battery positions is not known and will not be until after several days of practice.

Hamilton, Rogers, Davis, Creasey, Deitz, Wilson, and R. Burk, seven last year's regulars, are ready for action, and one might guess that the second, third, and maybe first sacks will find these men on them when the first ball is rolled across the plate in the initial baseball game. Hamilton and Rogers are both former Hinton High School boys; Davis hails from Barracksville and carries his certificate of creditable performance on the diamond with him, while Burk is a Sand Fork product and has played baseball in almost every little town in this section. Burk usually locates at the shortstop position, but can work as a second baseman.

So, with the foregoing dope in mind, one may rest assured that Coach Natus Rohrbough is going to have a baseball team and it may even equal the record attained by the 1930 Pioneer basketball quintet.

BOXING TEAM DOES 'FADE OUT'

Men Will Practice Only Before an
Exhibition, Regdon Says

Just what has become of the powerful boxing team that Alex Regdon was developing a few months ago, no one knows. A fine start had been made and some exhibitions of the new sport were being looked forward to when the report came out that the thing had gone ticktape.

Regdon stated that his men had just about quit practicing and that they would not come out except when they knew they were going to get to perform in public. The first and only exhibition series will be remembered as being very good, and some more of them would have gone over with a bang.

Since most of the other schools have finished their season, it is not likely that any scheduled meets with other schools will be held this year. Equipment was called in Saturday.

Ginn & Co.'s Salesman Here
Homer A. Toothman of Fairmont, representative of Ginn and Company, publishers, was here on business Thursday. Mr. Toothman was formerly athletic director of Fairmont Normal School and has been here several times with his teams.

Linn Hickman, who was ill the first part of last week with tonsillitis, returned to school on Friday.

Roland Butcher went to Clarksville Saturday where he spent the week-end.

1930 Glenville Normal School Pioneers



Back row, left to right: Hayhurst, student manager, Carey Woolter, Richard Selby, assistant coach, and Coach A. F. Rohrbough. Second row: Hamilton, Rafferty, Heckert, Jones, Deitz, and Jeranko. First row: Rogers, Hines, Harrison, captain, Lindell, Vass, and Burk.

How Basketball Got Started at G. N. S. and the Popular Sport It Has Become

Just how basketball got its start at Glenville State Normal School is not definitely known, but somehow and somewhere, someone got a basketball and with the aid of the rest of the boys about school made a set of rules by which they could sometimes play without even a single argument.

Probably the first basketball that was ever played at the Normal was during the year of 1904 on an old tennis court in the rear of the oldest administration building and down over the hill. At that time only one basket was used and every one shot at the same mark. Since the sport was new, every student in school took a try at developing into a professional. They practiced whenever the weather would permit, and some of the boys got what we might still to-day call pretty good.

Time went on, and the boys each year had their fun tossing and shooting the basketball round on the tennis court, but yet no school team had been chosen to meet other schools. About 1909 Glenville Normal School was to be represented by a real basketball team. Esty Berkhouse, present manager of Tierney's Drug Store on Main Street, who played on the first team to represent the school, relates the following story regarding their first trip abroad to play ball. A game had been scheduled with the Weston Independents. John McGinnis, a student, had agreed to drive them over in his two-seated hack. Of course they must take at least eight men, but there was only room for four so that meant that half of them would take turn-about riding. When they came to the hill just this side of Camden on the Glenville-Weston road, McGinnis said, "Boys, do you see that wagon coming there? Well, that is a glycerine wagon and there is enough explosive juice in the tank on that wagon to blow all the hills in West Virginia down into the valleys and make the state level. All it takes to set the stuff off is a slight jar."

Glycerine Wagon Scared Team
That was enough. The basketball boys knew they had to pass the wagon on if they rode with McGinnis. They had not seen such a funny looking wagon before and to think of all that explosive power being drawn on one wagon. What if the McGinnis

buggy should run into the glycerine wagon? The thoughts were enough to start them; so every last one of the members of the team left the buggy and ran down across the meadows getting just as far away from the glycerine wagon as possible. They caught their driver and their buggy about two miles down the road and from there on did not have any more scares.

When the game started at Weston, everything went well until all at once the Weston quintet stopped and began squawking about how the Glenville boys were playing and that their court conduct was not according to the rules. Berkhouse explained the fact when he said that Glenville had been using a girls rule book since they did not have any other and that they had never noticed the difference. Weston soon took the joke and started the game once more. Glenville now played ball as they never had before, and they defeated Weston 18-8.

The first team to represent the school on a foreign floor was composed of the following men: Rupert Woodyard, Esty Berkhouse, Harry Stern, Arnold Summers, Upton Rohr, W. W. Lovell, and perhaps Russell Bell.

Henderson Plays For Pioneers

The following year the Pioneers played Sutton at Sutton. Cam Henderson, now head coach at Davis-Elkins College, was a regular at that time. Newton Kee of Glenville was also a member of the team. Both of these boys were over six feet. They had been practicing on the tennis court and in any old barn loft they could find vacant. Sutton played on the skating rink floor which was about 120 feet long and 60 feet wide. It was some floor for the Pioneers to step out on, as some of the players said. Glenville got the ball of course every time at the tip-off and continued to score when they pleased. They beat Sutton 40 to 2.

In a Sutton newspaper, President E. G. Rohrbough said that an article similar to this appeared: "If our boys live for forty years more and continue to grow all the time, they may get to be tall enough to beat those Glenville Normal boys."

Then came the famous class games at the Normal that almost every one has heard about. Every class had a

team. Rivalry was intense, in fact so intense that at times the battle on the floor was only a taste of what came after. With the finishing of the new administration building and the completion of the small gymnasium beneath the president's office and the library room, the teams had a better place to play. Games were arranged often, and the crowds packed the sidelines until standing room was at a premium.

Mr. Rohrbough in speaking of class games said that several times the best players would decline a berth on the varsity quintet in order to be a star for his class team. Because of the class fights and intense rivalry between the classmates, the games were discontinued.

Some of the coaches in basketball that have done their share in placing the Pioneers on the known list and have given them the high rank they now hold are R. L. Cole, M. P. Boyles, Richard Hamill, W. W. Lovell, "Bix" Dawson, and the present coach, Natus Rohrbough.

Wins 19 Games in 20 Starts

Probably the greatest season of basketball that the Pioneers have ever experienced, however, has been the one just finished. With nineteen victories in twenty starts, the Pioneers scored a total of 879 points to 557 for their opponents. Double victories have been scored over West Virginia Wesleyan, Salem, Broadus, New River, and single wins over Marshall, Morris-Harvey, Potomac State, and Concord. In addition, double victories have been scored over several Clarkaburg and Fairmont independent teams which are recognized as being strong aggregations in this section.

Dorsey "Shumie" Hines, former Victory High School boy was high point man for the season with a total of 262 points. Frank Vass was next highest with 233 points. Vass is a former Beckley High School boy. Of the twenty games played, ten were on foreign courts and ten on the home floor.

The individual point record for the first eight members of the squad follows: Hines, 262; Vass, 233; Lindell, 112; Burk 81; Rogers, 63; Harrison, 41; Rafferty, 38; Hamilton, 18.

Only two members of the squad this year will be lost by graduation and with the addition of a wealth of new material for the coming year and the regulars of this year to rely upon, things look very bright for another season at the Normal.

QUINTETS PLAY LONG GAME

Buckhannon Team Fails to Appear;
So Locals Tussle

James Young's Six-Footers from the Normal were to have played the Buckhannon Independents Wednesday night, but somehow the visitors did not appear. Young took his men to the gym anyhow, and after a few minutes of persuasion, got a game scared up between his tall quintet and Clarence Maynard's lads. They played from 7:30 until 9:30. The Six-Footers won the contest 69-42 but not without a terrible struggle, because the Sharpshooter Maynard looped them in from all angles and was high point man for the losers. The probable cause of the victory for Six-Footers was the presence of one Harold Burk who made a basket every time he got the pill.

Young is planning to get the Buckhannon team to come to Glenville soon and feels confident that he and his elongated colleagues can make them over.

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Civil War Veteran Tells of Offering \$100 to Girl for Silk Handkerchief

Riley Bush died March 14, 1930, after this article was written. He was buried near his home on March 16.

Riley Bush, Confederate veteran aged 88, living near Glenville, is a picturesque individual as well as one of the increasingly fewer survivors of the Civil War. His individuality does not all lie in his appearance; a quaintness of mind, a desire for plain speech with no subterfuges, and a feeling that the days of his youth were the days of his glory might make Mr. Bush of special interest to the psychologist or philosopher.

Naturally short in stature and now shortened more with the stoop of age, with a thicket of long white whiskers covering his face, and with a grey round-brimmed hat with a round low crown worn on the back of his head, Mr. Bush sat on the tiny porch of his tumbled little farmhouse and talked eagerly with a Mercury reporter about the Civil War, saying, "Some of the best times I have ever had was while I was in the army."

Has Narrow Escape From Enemy
He does not look upon the war as a celebration of a gala event, for he experienced many of the horrors of it; but the seclusion and hard work demanded by his life as a farmer upon the narrow bottom lands and steep hillsides of Leading Creek have kept Mr. Bush from being conversant with many of the affairs of government and the changes in manners and morals that have taken place within the last fifty years. While he shelters no bitterness, in him there is still a deep loyalty to the South, increased perhaps by the lost cause, increasing little by little as the years pass. That the big thing in the war was the loss of the South is his opinion.

Enlisting in the Confederate army shortly after the first call for volunteers, Mr. Bush was placed under the command of Gen. Bill Jackson, a relative of Stonewall, (this lacks historical proof) and engaged in the battles of Beverley, Droop Mountain, Lynchburg, and Lowden County. It is the last engagement and what followed it that he best remembers.

The Unionist forces made a successful charge which drove the Confederates back. In the skirmish in which he was last to leave the battlefield, Mr. Bush was cut off from his company. He concealed himself behind a rail fence and fired bullets that not always went wide of their marks into the rear of the advancing Federalists. After an unsuccessful pursuit, the Unionists returned to the battlefield and took up a position that placed Mr. Bush between the two armies. His escape from here was made with more fortune than cunning. In a few words he described it, "I walked across a muddy field to my own lines, and the enemy poured a volley at me, but I paid no attention."

But Mr. Bush did not stop at his lines, as best one can understand. He said, "I wanted to go home; so I got a drink of water at a house then started on my way. I met a girl coming toward me, and she had to step out of the path because I did not have manners enough to get out."

Offered \$100 For Silk Handkerchief
Unfortunately, this old veteran can not talk easily now. He can recall without any sequence or order only fragments of events. How the girl reproached him, as she must have, and who she was will probably never be known. What methods Mr. Bush used to become her friend might have been well suited to the attractiveness and nonchalance of a Robin Hood or D'Artagnan. He explained only that he went home with her, lived there a week, and left after offering her \$100 in Confederate money for a silk handkerchief. The

nature of his infatuation and whether or not he obtained the handkerchief have passed out of his memory.

One can do no more than conjecture about the loveliness of the girl and wonder why she did not simply give the bit of silk to him. Perhaps in the rather hard sameness of his life since the war, this incident is one of the few bright spots that he can recall. Joseph Conrad might have been prompted in a similar manner to remember and write in "Victory" that fortunate is he who when young has learned to live and hope and love.

Mr. Bush now lives with his third wife who said of him, "I do not know what kind of a man he was when he was young, but he's a mighty fine man now." This old couple seldom leave their home. When they come to Glenville, they drive a small dun-colored jinney hitched to a rickety buggy.

16 TEAMS INVITED TO TOURNEY HERE OPENING SATURDAY

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coach at Tanner sitting on the bench with his subs while out on the floor he will be represented by a pretty neat aggregation.

Another former Glenville boy who is now coaching is Bill Smith of Cedarville. Although the Cedarville boys have no gymnasium they come to Glenville now and then and exhibit some nice ball. Arthur J. Moore, coach at Normantown, will also be at the tournament. He is a former student of the Normal.

The High School winners of the tourney last year, coached by "Red" Wilfong, who is a Glenville product and received some of his early athletic training at the Glenville State Normal School. From Troy will come a smooth-working machine coached by Harry Baker who is a graduate of the Normal. Troy has been coming ahead along the athletic line and for the past few years has been turning out some good teams.

Glenville Has Strong Team
Not knowing just whether all the teams that were given invitations will accept or not, and not having seen many of the quintets in action this year, the writer of this article would have no basis for predicting the winner; however, he does know that Glenville High School is going to give some one a nice chase for the championship honors. This team has a good record for the season, but it did not go so far in the sectional tournament at Clarksburg.

IS BREVITY SOUL OF WIT?

Gillilan Who Talked Here Writes Two Short "Poems"

In Collier's Magazine for March 29, appears an article called "In One Ear," composed mostly of anecdotes which have been told by famous men.

Strickland Gillilan, who lectured here last semester, is mentioned as having written the world's shortest poem. It was called "Antiquity of Microbes," and the poem in full is:

"Adam

Had'em."

Collier's goes on to say that just the other day the same author surpassed his previous efforts towards brevity. This time the caption is "The Country's Condition After Several Volstead Years." And the poem follows:

"Wet
Yet."

Roy and Harold Burk went to Sand Fork on Friday to spend the weekend at their home.

'YOUTH WILL PAY FOR INDULGENCES'

Gorky Says Russians Who Claim Olden Life Was Better Are Abnormal

From The World

MOSCOW. — Is life worth living in Soviet Russia? What is the matter with love in Russia? Is religion really unnecessary, as the Soviet claims?

These pessimistic questions are asked in thousands of letters pouring from every Soviet quarter to Maxim Gorky, the brilliant Russian writer who, because of his health, lives in Italy, but who made a recent visit to Russia, spending several months here.

Being unable to reply to every letter individually, Gorky publishes in Izvestia a long, interesting and exhaustive reply, embracing all questions touched upon in letters he received. Gorky emphasizes that the majority of his correspondents seem to be young people who, because of difficulties in their own lives, declare that "people lived in the past much easier and more freely than now."

This sentiment prevails in most of the letters.

Says Youth Will Pay.

In reply, Gorky says: "Most of my correspondents inquire 'What is love and death?' I shall not speak much of love here. However, I must say that, according to my opinion, the Soviet youth for present indulgences probably will have to pay a high price in the future."

Of death he says:

"When a young man begins to think that in about fifty years he will be transferred from the surface of the earth to below the surface of the same earth or, as some of the correspondents expressed themselves, 'somewhere in the dark,' it means that this young man is already quitting life. Those who are dissatisfied with the present life and who claim that in the future life was better, are abnormal people; sick people; I think."

Adding that the number of such people is increasing, Gorky quotes from a letter received from a peasant: "I don't see any freedom for me in the Soviet collective farms," the peasant writes. "My soul is not free. I would rather become a tramp than remain here."

This man, Gorky explains, has no free soul and never did have one.

"We can't deny the fact," Gorky says, "that individual activity has given and gives brilliant results in science, technique and art; but these results were good only when they agreed with the existing traditions, tastes and interests of the ruling

classes; that is, of the rich class.

"When, however, any scientist went against these interests, tastes and traditions he was driven out, arrested or burned alive, as was the case with hundreds of individuals who tried to shock the fundamentals of habits and thoughts."

"Pessimism Unhealthy"

Gorky comes to the conclusion, that pessimistic moods among young people are unhealthy. "Young people in the Soviet who are inclined to pessimistic thoughts," he says, "had better think about the new forms of life with which the Soviet is experimenting and not about the inconveniences of life."

"It seems to me," Gorky says, "that my young correspondents are extremely sensitive to the inconveni-

ences of life in the Soviet, which is just beginning to build up its existence on new forms. It seems to me that the sensitiveness toward personal inconvenience, or insults, or unhappiness is developing here among the youth in an extremely sickly form. This is a poor sign. It shows poor adaptation to life. Life demands strong individuals, able to suffer."

Referring to religion, Gorky says: "Aside from human good sense and strong will, no other sensible powers exist in this world."

He finishes his reply with the advice not to take things in a philosophical way because he says philosophy has not given the world a single remedy against death, the secrets of which, he says, Soviet youth is now trying to discover by philosophy.

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