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### SECOND-RATE LEADERS

Indignation may oftentimes be the mother of progress, but indignation at inferiority too commonly wastes one of man's best emotions. As we consider the present political and economic situation, we may pour out our life's blood in wrath at Democrats and Republicans, socialists and capitalists, pacifists and militarists—and certainly wrath may be justified, yes, even a requirement of duty, were it not to be dissipated on our stupid government conducted by second-rate leaders. We could begin with examples of elective officers in this county who can neither read nor write and show a not sharply rising scale of ability to the highest positions in our federal government. That is not necessary. As a consequence, we might as well consider calmly whatever is done about reparations and Manchuria, tariffs and industry, letting our statesmen scurry to and fro in their sock and buskin, and concentrate on a way to train really first-quality minds for politics.

In the extreme infancy of our republic lived Jefferson, Madison, Hamilton—men who made statesmanship their vocation and avocation as well. Schooled in the fundamentals of government, sincere, and of really first-rate intelligence, they saw beyond the broad corners of their antiquated hats with such clear perception that the United States suffered fewer attacks of the colic of infancy than any other nation. But our virgin county needed to be explored and developed, and naturally, with political stability and ability seeming assured, the intellectual inheritors of Jefferson and Hamilton built railroads, erected factories, financed industry. Consequently, desks in the senate chamber came to bear the names of "good citizens"—those solid and frequently stodgy men who are called the backbone of every community—and schemers, as the late James J. Hill, ripe for mighty enterprises. It is their kind that has guided us since into internal mazes and international blunders. It is their kind that directs us today.

Perhaps the brains of industry have become somewhat sluggish because the wheels, powered by that abundance of raw materials every new country has, turned too easily. Science this time received the legacy of intellect which it now possesses.

Meanwhile, business, boasting of "rugged American individualism," is saying to the government, "Give us a free hand to solve the problems of depression." This plea Charles A. Beard denounces, for he says that it was business that secured the tariff, the Federal Farm Board, the Interstate Commerce Commission, the Shipping Board, in fact all of the government controls of industry. Now it is saying, "Hands off!" Rugged individualism he rightly calls a myth.

Nor is our government weathering the storm of mediocrity any more smoothly than is business. At home we have the purely political problems of prohibition and armament unsettled; abroad we have reparations and disturbances of security. A Hitler government is predicted any day by many, and since the second Japanese cabinet of the past year has resigned after aggravating the Manchurian sore, there is a chance that the newest one will make Far Eastern matters even more critical. Yet, as we look forward to the final results of our present Congress and to the presidential election of this year, we find not one possible candidate who has a combination of first-rate ability and sincerity. They are no longer bred and trained. With the exception of a few appointed officers as Justice Holmes and Justice Brandis, there is not one in government office. Until they again appear in American life we must suffer second-raters.

### JUDGE LINDSEY ON LEAP YEAR

Beware, men, beware. Leap Year is with us again and your state of single-blessedness may be in danger.

Judge Ben Lindsey, noted advocator of companionate marriage, told the press on Jan. 3, "1932, as Leap Year, should result in more marriages, and both men and women should bend every effort to consummate more unions and work harder to make them successful. Woman is justified in proposing in this age of economic depression, but she does not dare because of prevailing hypocrisy and social custom."

Long, long ago, before women had the vote and the hob, Leap Year was rather symbolic of feminine rights. People liked to talk about it and for a whole year it was a more reliable conversational filler than the

weather.

It was then, as if that lordly creature, the male, had waved his arm, and said, "On one year out of four, we shall give women the right to take the initiative."

Now women have taken the initiative in many matters four years out of four. And as for marrying, only the wisest of the poor males even knew that scarcely any man talked of love, in or out of leap year, before some bright-eyed girl had made up her mind that he should do so.

Leap year is still a good weapon in the feminine armory. It helps to make men believe they are running the world, at least three-fourths of the time.

Girls, Judge Lindsey challenges you. Men, the girls may take Judge Lindsey's advice about doing the proposing, with Leap Year and the depression as instigators.

### A FACE NEEDS WASHING

When we were children, we were taught to wash our faces and hands, and we should have laughed if we had been told to wash our faces and black our hands. But this applies to the college clock. It is quite true that its face should be washed and its hands need to be blackened. Because the face is dirty and the hands faded, it is difficult to tell the time of day by glancing at the clock.

Students going to and from the library find that it takes more than a hasty view of the clock to tell just what time it is. Even he boys who dash to the "smoke hole" for a bit of relaxation and refreshment before they face the instructor for another hour, must watch the clock intently to be sure of the exact minute when they must return to the classrooms.

### PEDESTRIANISM

Stand in front of the postoffice for a few moments any evening and notice the young men and women as they move back and forth across the street. You will see that only a few cross the street at the corner; the great majority step into the street from behind parked cars and walk diagonally to the other side.

If any of these "jay-walkers" were hit it would be the same old story "Pedestrian Hit by Careless Driver." Is the driver necessarily careless because he cannot be looking three directions at the same time? Is he careless if he strikes a person on one side of the cars and walk diagonally to the other side. Emphatically "No." One's car must be driven in second gear down Main Street to avoid accidents, for a speed of fifteen or twenty miles would prove fatal to many. Maybe a course in Pedestrianism would help.

### TOO MANY STUDENTS

From The Herald Tribune

Among the things needed today are, obviously, more men and women with sufficient training to run a world that is continually becoming more complicated, more difficult to manage, more in want of talents that are technical and expert. Yet, paradoxically, there are signs on the horizon that a considerable part of the present crop of such men and women may never be consumed, that many of those who are now sharpening their teeth in schools and colleges will find nothing to bite on when they emerge with a degree.

The oversupply of engineering students is so great in Germany that several technical organizations have begun to issue warnings and call a halt. Within three years, they say, Germany will have 130,000 graduates of the higher faculties who cannot possibly find jobs. Before the war these institutions had half as many students as they have today. The young people are under the delusion that a diploma in engineering will automatically provide them with a good job. These jobs simply don't exist—even in normal times there would not be enough of them to distribute among these students, however trained or gifted.

Though no one has yet bothered to collect the facts and figures, it is certain that the same state of affairs applies to some degrees in this country as well. Public utility corporations that used to take on eighty of the graduating class of technical schools now have room for a dozen only. Law school graduates, unless they are "A" men, find nothing open to them. All over the country bright young people, perhaps more because of anxiety to avoid becoming salesmen and automotive mechanics than because of any definite inclination, are learning to make the wheels go around, which, when they have been graduated, will never return them a penny. For the genius and the man of first-rate talent in any walk of life there will always be a job, but thousands of the others are going to spend many sad years deflating their ambitions.

This is a condition that the depression exaggerates, but one that a return to better times will certainly not cure. If we go on telling the young people, as we do now, to educate, educate, educate themselves to as high a point of technical and professional proficiency as possible, without at the same time giving them an idea of their chances of landing a job, they have a perfect right, when they are graduated and realize that nothing is open to them higher than a grocery counter, to turn and rend us.

### PAUL FLOYD, '22, TO MARRY

Was Business Manager of Paper and Member of Grid Squad

Announcement was made recently of the engagement of Miss Edith May Steere to Ernest Paul Floyd, G. S. T. C. '22.

Miss Steere, whose home is in Providence, R. I., is a graduate of Miss Foxcraft's School. She teaches in Fitchburg, Mass.

Mr. Floyd, whose home was formerly in Glenville, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Floyd of Huntington. He was business manager of The Tower, former school publication here, a member of the football and tennis squads and of several organizations. He is also a graduate of West Virginia University, where he was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, and of the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration in 1928. He is employed in an executive position by the Simmons Saw and Steel Company of Fitchburg, Mass.

### WILL GIVE BRIDGE-LUNCHEON

Mrs. A. F. Rohrbough and Mrs. J. W. Beall to Entertain Saturday

Mrs. A. F. Rohrbough and Mrs. J. Wilbur Beall will entertain at the Whiting Tea Room Saturday with a one o'clock bridge luncheon.

Those invited are: Mrs. E. G. Rohrbough, Mrs. C. W. Post, Mrs. Otis G. Wilson, Mrs. John R. Wagner, Mrs. John E. Arbuckle, Mrs. Erle Arbuckle, Mrs. Herbert F. Withers, Mrs. C. W. Whiting, Mr. B. W. Craddock, Mrs. A. M. Cross, Mrs. Haymon Boggs, Mrs. A. S. Dooley, Miss Willa Brand, Miss Bertha Olsen, Miss Margaret Dobson, Miss Goldie James, Miss Grace Lorentz, Miss Bessie Bell, and Miss Ann Lorentz of Weston.

### FORMER STUDENT TO WED

Brooks Britton of Auburn to Marry Moundsville Girl

The announcement of the engagement of Brooks Britton of Auburn and Miss Mary Elizabeth Deku of Moundsville was made Dec. 22. Mr. Britton was a member of the Bell Class of 1928. At that time he received a standard normal diploma. For the past three years he has taught in the public schools near Charleston. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Britton of Auburn. Miss Deku, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Deku, is a graduate of Moundsville High School. She is employed by the Moundsville Journal as a typist.

This announcement was made at a bridge party given by Miss Doris Yingling and Miss Deku at the latter's home. The wedding will take place early in the summer.

### Miss Bell Entertains With a Tea

On Jan. 4 at 4:30 o'clock Miss Bessie Bell entertained with a tea at the home of Mrs. Ernest Arbuckle. The guests were Mrs. Paul Bennett of Martinsburg, Mrs. Ernest Arbuckle, Mrs. Erle Arbuckle, Miss Willa Brand, Miss Margaret Dobson, Miss Mary Elizabeth Boggs, Miss Juanita Bell, and Ernest Lee Arbuckle.

### Misses Arbuckle, James Entertain

Miss Ivy Lee Myers, Miss Mabel Myers, Miss Rachel Myers, and Miss Alice Arbuckle were entertained recently at a dinner in the Stonewall Jackson Hotel in Clarksburg by Miss Alma Arbuckle and Miss Goldie James.

Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Rohrbough, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Arbuckle, and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Arbuckle, were entertained at a bridge-dinner by Mrs. Sylvia Heck of Spencer, Dec. 26.

### LABORATORY IS ENCLOSED

Exhaust Fan Will Be Installed to Remove Fumes

The organic chemistry laboratory, situated in the upper hallway of the newer part of the administration building and adjoining the inorganic and analytic laboratories, was recently partitioned from the hallway. Early in the fall a large work table was installed in the space enclosed. This table has places for twenty students. There are gas, steam, water, and electrical connections.

The wall inclosing the organic laboratory is finished in white plaster to a height of seven feet. The upper portion consists of large windows which extend to the ceiling.

A powerful fan has been ordered for this laboratory. It will be installed in the outside wall and will be used to remove any fumes or odors that may be produced during experiments.

### FORMER STUDENT MARRIES

Willis McClung Is Wed to Clarksburg Girl in Hagerstown, Jan. 4

Announcement was made Thursday of the marriage of Miss Mary Elizabeth Goe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Goe, of Clarksburg, to Willis J. McClung, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McClung, also of Clarksburg.

The marriage took place Jan. 4, at Hagerstown, Md. The bride was a senior in Miami High School, Miami, Fla. She previously attended Washington Irving and Parkersburg high schools.

Mr. McClung is a graduate of Victory High School, and was a student here in 1929-30, and a member of the Pioneer football squad.

The couple will make their home in Berkeley Springs where the bridegroom is operating a filling station and garage.

### Debate Contest May Be Mar. 18

The State Debating Contest will be held in Fairmont, probably on Mar. 18 if none of the schools competing objects to that date. Miss Margaret Dobson has announced. A couple to represent Glenville has not yet been selected.

### Instructor Has New Hampshire Guest

Robert Crawford, physics and mathematics instructor, had as his guest at Firestone Lodge, from Saturday until Monday of the past week, L. F. Lea. Mr. Lea is an instructor in chemistry in St. Paul's preparatory school, Concord, N. H. Crawford and Lea were students at Harvard University at the same time.

### Mrs. E. G. Rohrbough Entertains

Mrs. E. G. Rohrbough entertained with a 1 o'clock luncheon followed by bridge at the Whiting Tea Room Saturday. The guests were Mrs. Paul A. Bennett of Martinsburg, Mrs. A. S. Dooley, Mrs. C. W. Post, Mrs. Erle Arbuckle, Mrs. John E. Arbuckle, Mrs. Otis G. Wilson, and Miss Grace Lorentz.

### Miss Brand Entertains Hall Girls

Miss Willa Brand entertained the girls of Verona Mapel Hall with a tea Sunday afternoon from 3:30 to 5 o'clock at her apartment in the hall.

Miss Addie Cokeley, a former instructor, spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. John R. Wagner. She returned to her position as dietitian at Wooster College, Wooster, O., a few days ago.

Glen Brown spent the week-end with his parents, who live in Weston.

### CONFERENCE HAS MIGRATORY RULE

#### State Body Tightens Athletic Eligibility Laws in West Virginia Colleges

More weight has been placed upon the rules governing athletics in the West Virginia colleges. At a meeting of the West Virginia Athletic Conference held in Clarksburg, Friday, stricter eligibility rules were decided upon for next year. President E. G. Rohrbough, who is also president of the conference, and Coach A. F. Rohrbough attended the meeting, representing Glenville.

Considerable attention was given to rules governing the migration of freshmen. Freshmen who have finished their first year of work in one college and then decide to attend another college for the next year must do a year's residence work in the new college before they can participate in athletic games with other conference colleges. This rule applies to those colleges not having a freshmen rule as well as to colleges having the freshmen rule. The rule which formerly required athletes to carry twelve semester hours of work a semester has been changed to fourteen hours, and instead of having to pass eight hours of work a semester, ten hours must now be passed.

Glenville, since it has been made a college, has been affected by the conference rules. All athletes who made sixty-four hours of work in this school while it was a junior college and were still in the school when it was made a senior college had three years to play in senior college providing they remained at Glenville. Thus, since Glenville has been a senior college two years, all her athletes who are not graduating this year may still play next year, regardless of number of years already played.

Morris Harvey was reinstated into the conference.

### Y. M. C. A. PLANS COLLEGE LEAGUE

#### Eight Basketball Teams May Start Play Next Semester

The Y. M. C. A. reports that it will supervise a basketball league for the men of the school who are not members of the Pioneer squad selected by Coach A. F. Rohrbough to represent the college. This intramural league will probably consist of eight teams: one from the Lodge, one from the Ark, two from Kanawha Hall, one from the Y. M. C. A., and three from the persons who live out in town.

Play in this league will probably begin with the opening of the second semester.

Kahle Vincent has been appointed by the Y. M. C. A. to be director of the league. Vincent stated that a small admission fee would probably be charged to defray expenses. There will be four games played each week and at the end of the regular playing season a tournament will be held.

The schedule and definite arrangements will be announced after the next meeting of the Y. M. C. A. A similar league was organized last year by the Y.

#### Three French Stories on Program

All stories to be told at the meeting of the Canterbury Club Wednesday evening are by Guy de Maupassant. "Ghosts" is to be told by Miss Lyla Greathouse, "The Coward" by Sigel Taylor and "Mademoiselle Perle" by Miss Pauline Roberts. No new members are to be taken in at this meeting.

Charles Wilson and Woodroe Radcliffe went to Philippi for the Glenville-Broadus game Saturday night.

#### Educational Journals Are Received

Nine bound volumes of the "Journal of Educational Research" have been received at the library, Miss Alma Arbuckle says.

### WESTON CLEANERS LOSE TO PIONEERS

#### Hines and Vass Lead Glenville Scoring as Locals Win 48-28

The Glenville Pioneers defeated the Weston Cleaners, on the Weston Armory floor Jan. 1, 48 to 28. This was the first game for the Pioneers this season, but they proved to be too much for the Cleaner outfit. The Weston team had four former Pioneer athletes on it. They were Rafferty, Harrison, Heckert, and White. Shumie Hines, forward, and Vass, center led the Pioneer scoring with six field goals each, while White for the Cleaners got seven. Glenville was leading 24 to 14 at half time. Coach Rohrbough substituted a new team in the last quarter.

#### Line-up and summary:

Hines ..... F. .... Wyatt  
Burke ..... F. .... Bleigh  
Vass ..... C. .... White  
Porterfield ..... G. .... Rafferty  
Eloor ..... G. .... Wood  
Substitutions: Glenville, Lindell, Pyles, Jeranko, Wells, Sappington, Weston, Harrison, Hurley, Worley, and Heckert. Field goals: Hines 6, Burke 3, Vass 6, Porterfield 2, Lindell 1, White 7, Rafferty 1, Wood 1, Harrison 1. Fouls: Glenville 12 in 19; Weston 8 in 12. Referee, Art Ward, Marietta.

### PIONEERS NAMED BY PAT BEACOM

#### Morris, Jeranko, Vincent, and O'Dell Are Placed on All- Conference Teams

In naming the all-conference team of West Virginia, Pat Beacom mentioned five of the Glenville Pioneers. No men were placed on the first eleven, but Arch Morris, Glenville center, holds that position on the second team. On the third team are Stanley Jeranko, end; Kahle Vincent, tackle; and Wendell O'Dell, fullback. Robert Prim, guard, received honorable mention.

Heading the list as West Virginia's foremost football star is Clifford "Gip" Battles of Wesleyan.

Beacom selects his team from observation of games and from newspaper reports. In speaking of this year's team he says, "Football was never played better than in the season of 1931 just concluded."

His first and second teams follow:

First Team		
Player	Position	College
Whitfield	E.	Davis-Elkins
Speiser	T.	West Liberty
Unrue	G.	New River
Edmundson	C.	Wesleyan
Blondin	G.	Wesleyan
Ingram	T.	Davis-Elkins
Hunter	E.	Marshall
Battles	Q.	Wesleyan
Rado	H.	New River
Zontini	H.	Marshall
Campiglio	F.	West Liberty
Hawley	X.	Davis-Elkins
X—Alternates.		

Second Team		
Player	Position	College
Duncan	E.	West Liberty
Fordyce	T.	Wesleyan
Crites	G.	Wesleyan
Morris	C.	Glenville
Markowitz	G.	Davis-Elkins
Reep	T.	Salem
Dupke	E.	Bethany
McCoy	O.	Marshall
McCracken	H.	West Liberty
Shelton	H.	Davis-Elkins
Hull	F.	Wesleyan

Miss Willa Brand spent Saturday in Clarksburg on business.

### BOBCATS TO PLAY HERE TOMORROW

#### Concord and Morris Harvey Will Also Invade Glen- ville Within Week

The Glenville Pioneer cage team will play three conference games here on Wednesday, Friday, and next Tuesday nights. The West Virginia Wesleyan Bobcats will be here tomorrow, the Concord Mountain Lions will be met Friday, and the Morris Harvey Golden Eagles will invade Glenville Tuesday night.

Wesleyan has proved to be one of the leading teams of the state by defeating West Virginia University and Bethany College on a recent trip in northern West Virginia and in Pennsylvania. Glenville has won the past four contests with the Bobcats, who will come here fully determined to turn the trick on the Pioneers.

In the last battle with Concord Glenville met their only defeat of the 1930 basketball season. Concord ran up a score of 75 to 23 against Alderson Saturday night, but one can bet that the Pioneers will be out to tame the invading Mountain Lions Friday night.

Morris Harvey is expected to present a stronger team this year than they have had in the past few seasons. The Pioneers seem to be in for three hard conference tilts.

The team is in good condition for the game Wednesday night, and Coach Natus Rohrbough hopes to iron out the mistakes which were shown in the Broadus game Saturday.

### PIONEERS SELECT BEST OPPONENTS

#### Wesleyan Has 3 Men and West Liberty and Morris Harvey 2 Each on Team

The members of the Glenville football team have announced their all-opponent team for the season just closed. Unanimous choices were Battles, of Wesleyan, at quarterback, who was also named captain; Duncan, stellar end of West Liberty; Smith, the flaming red-haired tackle of Appalachian State, (Boone, N. C.); Blondin, Wesleyan's great guard; and Edmundson, Wesleyan center.

Others polling a large vote were Roberts, brilliant terminal for Morris-Harvey, who stopped practically every play on his side of the line; Hammett, Salem tackle; Stuart, big, flashy fullback of Appalachian. The team also voted to include Bob Campiglio, of West Liberty, the nation's leading scorer, who was, however, held scoreless and without a big net gain against the Pioneers. His defensive work was good, however, as was that of Duncan, end. Slate, of Potomac State, was placed on the team because of his great defensive play and punting.

The team: ends, Duncan, West Liberty, and Roberts, Morris-Harvey; tackles, Smith, Appalachian, and Hammett, Salem; guards, Blondin, Wesleyan, and Blackwood, Morris-Harvey; center, Edmundson, Wesleyan; quarter-back and captain, Battles, Wesleyan; halfbacks, Stuart, Appalachian, and Campiglio, West Liberty; fullback, Slate, Potomac State.

Honorable recognition was given Rhine, Wesleyan, end; Spicer, West Liberty, tackle; Stafford, Potomac State, guard; Miers, Potomac State, quarter; Beveridge, Wesleyan, fullback; West, Salem, halfback; and McCracken, West Liberty, halfback.

Robert Hawks, of Weston, was the week-end guest of Marmaduke Dent. Hawks made the necessary arrangements, while here, for entering the college the second semester.

#### White Broadcasts 'A Mess of Greens'

H. Laban White, who spent his Christmas vacation with his family in Fairmont, on Dec. 22, broadcast "A Mess of Greens" over radio station WMMN as a part of its third anniversary program. Beginning in 1929, Mr. White broadcast for WMMN for seventy-four consecutive weeks.

Miss Alice Britton, county health nurse, spent three days last week examining the children of the training department of Glenville Teachers College.

Harry B. Taylor, '31, spent the holidays at his home in Troy, and with the Rev. J. C. Musser and Lynwood Zinn in Glenville. Harry is a field representative for the Y. M. C. A. with headquarters at Boston. While in Glenville he preached a sermon at the Baptist Church.

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## HUNTER WHITING TALKS IN CHAPEL

"The Five Distinguishing Marks of an Educated Person" Is Theme

Hunter Whiting gave a short talk in chapel Wednesday morning on "The Five Distinguishing Marks of One Educated."

These five characteristics which Mr. Whiting called attention to were made by Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University. He said if they are the five requirements of an educator we, the college, should consider them.

"They are: first, precision in speech; second, good manners; third, habit of reflection; fourth, power of growth; fifth, possession of ability or power to do."

"How many of these do you possess?" he asked.

"Precision in speech is not getting as important a place in the high school as it should," continued Mr. Whiting. "Students who entered the college years ago were more able to follow simple directions than those students who have entered in the past few years. Therefore, precision of speech is not getting an important place in the high school as it once did."

"Good manners are as important to a person as oil is to a machine. Instructors of the Glenville State Teachers College do not always set an example of good manners. But neither are the students," he added.

"How many people are there that cannot entertain themselves? How many cannot stay away from crowds, or the picture shows, or must turn on the radio in order to be entertained? How many people have the ability to entertain themselves by spending the evening in meditation and reading?"

"To be educated may not necessarily demand a great amount of learning in any particular field."

"The first three major requirements are ones that we should and can acquire," concluded Mr. Whiting. The fourth and fifth he classified as characteristics one inherits.

### CHEMISTRY CLUB TO MEET

Baker, Bailey, Young, Reger to Talk on Program Tonight

The Chemistry Club will hold a regular meeting this evening in the chemistry laboratory. The program is to consist of four reports. They are: "Cracking Hydrocarbons," by O. R. Baker; "Catalysts in Organic Chemistry," by Frank Bailey; and a discussion of proposed lecturers for the club, by Bayard Young; and a report of the scientific motion pictures available to colleges, by Trel Reger.

Two members were chosen recently by the executive committee to assist Hugh Hurst, vice-president, in preparing the programs. They are Frank and Henry Bailey.

At present the club is composed of the members of the organic chemistry class and other students who have completed two years of college chemistry. The members of the inorganic chemistry will be invited soon to join the club.

### Cooks Utilize College Farm Products

Feeding hungry students is not a play job. At least the cooks at Kanawha and Verona Mapel Halls must not think so after making 260 gallons of apple butter, 100 gallons of chow-chow, 46 gallons of sweet apple preserves, 20 gallons of pear preserves, and several gallons of jelly. The fruits and vegetables for these were grown on the college farm.

Sam Wiant spent the week-end with his parents at their home in Burnsville.

## Characteristics of Local Theater Goers Observed by Thad Byrne

Watching the theater crowd brings to light many strange and unusual traits.

The way people come to the show varies a great deal. Thad W. Byrne, of Pictureland, has observed that some come always with a party. Others come alone. For a number of years a certain instructor in Glenville Teachers College has always come alone and about half an hour early. Some younger people will come together for a long period, then suddenly will not be seen together. Maybe the reason is Monday evening and a house meeting at Verona Mapel Hall, but generally there is a quarrel and the two go to the show with different persons for a week or so and then in the end they will be back together again after a sugar-coated make-up.

The places where people sit in the show vary greatly. Some of the students have no choice, while others not only want a certain part of the house, but also a certain row, even a particular seat. Some members of the Glenville Teachers College faculty insist on the back row and the three end seats. One person who is a regular attendant can always be found in his favorite seat on one side of the house. If he arrives late and finds this seat taken, he gives every indication of being greatly annoyed.

### HELEN BODE VISITS CHICAGO

Wins Trip as Prize Offered by Yeast Co. for Bread Making

Miss Helen Bode, a sophomore, bakes bread so well that she travels free in Chicago. As one of the winners of the \$100 scholarship offered by the Northwestern Yeast Co. for superior 4-H club work, Miss Bode, with a group of West Virginia club leaders, made a trip to Chicago to attend the National 4-H Club Conference held there Nov. 26, to Dec. 5.

Their eight days in the city were filled with sight-seeing expeditions and visiting many places of interest. They attended the International Livestock Exposition and saw the judging of the national champions, toured the parks and saw the World Fair buildings for 1933, viewed the stars at the Planetarium as they will appear in the heavens for the next eight years; heard and saw radio artists broadcast programs from the Columbia Broadcasting Studio, and listened to Admiral Richard Byrd speak to them for thirty minutes. The group also visited Soldiers Field, Lincoln Park, the International Harvester Company factory, and Marshall Field's.

They were entertained at luncheons by Sears, Roebuck, Montgomery Ward, and the Chicago Mail Order companies when these places were visited.

The group saw "Green Pastures" and several movies at the large theaters.

### Mrs. Watson Gets Thesis Data Here

Mrs. Elinor Watson Carroll, who taught in Glenville State Teachers College last spring term, visited the college Jan. 4. She is a graduate of Fairmont State Teachers College and West Virginia University and is now a student in New York University, from which she expects to get her Ph. D. degree next June. Mrs. Carroll's purpose in Glenville was to secure material for her dissertation.

Trel Reger spent the week-end with his parents at his home in Ireland.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gall had as their week-end guests, at their home in Phillippi, Miss Genevieve Welch and Miss Edith Ladeaux.

### STUDIES HOME COMMUNITIES

Sociology Class Makes Surveys To Suggest Improvements

Students in Rural Sociology 3, advanced sociology course, are completing surveys of their home communities and making detailed reports with a view to improve them as a part of their research work.

According to A. E. Harris, head of the social science department, the surveys correlate the class work. A complete study is made of the history of the individual communities, the reason for their founding and growth. Maps are being made that show the relative location of the settlement and give the facilities of transportation accessible. Nearness to towns and cities is studied and the results outlined.

Statistical reports on the families are compiled and give the name of each family, information concerning the size of the home, the condition of the lawn and amount of garden or tillable soil, the ownership of the property, topography of the farm if there is any, number of outbuildings, acres of grazing land and acres of woodland, number in family, home entertainment, reading materials, profession of the head of the house, and combined income of the family.

A critical analysis is made of the school system, the churches, the re-

creation of the community, and the available markets. Suggestions for their improvement are offered.

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