

DR. J. C. SHREVE GIVES ASSEMBLY ADDRESS, JUNE 16

Criticizes Different Concepts
of Education; Discusses
Formal Education

SAYS ESSENTIALS NEEDED

Outlines Two General Divisions of
Teaching — Conservative
and Progressive

By John Rogers

"Functions of schools should be to simplify the educative environment, to purify and provide a balanced social environment and to co-ordinate the different influences," said Dr. John C. Shreve, head of the education department, in an assembly address Wednesday, June 16.

Dr. Shreve made the foregoing statement after criticizing standard concepts of education, such as: Education is direction, is growth, is preparation, is unfolding and is training of faculties, the last of which is the old classical theory.

Formal Education

Formal education supposed "the mind could be trained by hard exercises. . . . It may easily become remote, unused and dead."

The opposite of formal education is personal education, which "is the better, but is still too slow and should be supplemented by formal education."

He added that education of the past years went on the supposition that "knowledge is power," but modern education stresses skill in the use of knowledge, and believes education is training of the responses, not of faculties.

Conservative vs. Progressive

Dr. Shreve made two general divisions of education—conservative and progressive. Conservative education uses a uniform method of instruction of which the steps are preparation, presentation, comparison, generalization and application.

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WILL ATTEND TOURNAMENT

Ocelus Fitzwater to Accompany
Pupil to Marble Meet

Ocelus Fitzwater, a student in the College, left Saturday to accompany Stanley Sloan, Nicholas County marble champion, to Wildwood, N. J., where the national marble tournament is being held.

Sloan was a pupil of Mr. Fitzwater's the past year and Mr. Fitzwater expects his protege to return the national marble champion.

Atlantic City is only fifty miles from Wildwood and Ocelus expects to "get a taste of resort life before returning."

The Clarksburg Exponent is sponsoring the West Virginia entries.

College Faculty to Sponsor Reception Thursday Evening

The College Faculty Club will give an informal reception in the recreation room of the new dormitory Thursday evening from 7 to 9 o'clock, announces Miss Bessie Bond Bell, president of the Club and chairman of the committee on arrangements. All adult persons of Glenville and surrounding communities are invited. The invitation does not extend to College or to high school students.

in the family cemetery.

Dr. J. C. Shreve



GLENVILLE GETS RECORD RAINFALL

Little Kanawha River Reaches
27-Foot Mark; Smaller
Streams Do Damage

Three and one-half inches of rain fell Monday afternoon, June 21, in Glenville and vicinity in less than three hours to surpass the total precipitation during the summer of the drought in 1930.

The water in Glenville reached the twenty-seven foot mark and parts of Main Street were covered with a sheet of water. Boats were used to convey persons to and from their homes in South Glenville.

Three deaths were reported. Mrs. Ollie Vankirk, 55, of Burnsville, was swept into the Little Kanawha river and her body was not found until several days later.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lemley, uncle and aunt of Miss Leora Elliott, student in the College, were drowned in Walker Creek, about seventeen miles east of Parkersburg.

MR. SHAW'S BOOK PUBLISHED

Dean H. L. White Receives Copy of
"The Hope of America"

Dean H. L. White recently received a copy of "The Hope of America," a book by Mr. John C. Shaw, published by Meador Publishing Company.

Mr. Shaw, principal of Glenville State Normal School from 1901 to 1908, was here Wednesday and spoke briefly preceding Dr. Walter Barnes' assembly address.

The book is a dissertation on the problems confronting all who arrive at a sense of responsibility, and Mr. Shaw points out that "men are inferior, too often, because they are content to be inferior and that it takes courage to escape mediocrity and mold a career."

All Critic Teachers Hold Degrees

Mention of the degree held by Miss Jeanette Alderson, critic teacher in the training school, was omitted in the past issue of the Mercury. Miss Alderson received her A. B. degree at Concord State Teachers College and also attended Marshall College, Columbia University and West Virginia University. This year is the first time that all critic teachers have held degrees.

If you don't think you are working very hard the chances are you are not. The hardest workers don't look upon work as work.

PRES. ROHRBOUGH IS RE-ELECTED AT STATE MEETING

Will Again Head West Va.
Athletic Conference; Other
Officers Named

TOURNEY, MARCH 3-4-5

Pres. W. H. S. White of Shepherd
State Teachers College Is
Secretary-Treasurer

President E. G. Rohrbough will again preside over the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, it was announced following his re-election as president of the Conference at a meeting in Charleston, June 21. Other officers, also re-elected, were: Secretary-treasurer, W. H. S. White, president of Shepherd State Teachers College; and vice-president, President Roy McCuskey of West Virginia Wesleyan.

The eligibility committee for the coming year will be composed of chairman, President S. O. Bond of Salem College; President Joseph Rosier of Fairmont State Teachers College and Dean O. D. Lambert of West Virginia Wesleyan.

The Conference decided to continue the West Virginia Intercollegiate Basketball Tournament next year. The dates set are March 3, 4, and 5.

BOARD REDUCES OUT-STATE FEES

New Rates Will Be Effective
At Opening of First
Semester

A decision made by the State Board of Education will allow a reduction this year in the extra fee to be paid by out-of-state students, announces Dr. E. G. Rohrbough, president of the College. Beginning with the first semester of the winter term, such students will be admitted for an extra fee of \$20.00 instead of \$50.00.

The Board decided that the former fee would probably be prohibitive to many students from other states.

A decision to lower extra fees for such students has already been put into practice at Potomac State College.

Cains Announce Birth of Daughter

Mr. and Mrs. John Gilbert Cain, of College street, announce the birth of a daughter on Sunday, June 20. The baby girl weighed nine and three-fourths pounds and has been named Loretta Anne Cain. Mrs. Cain is the former Eunice Gerwig of Glenville. Mr. Cain is assistant cashier in the Glenville Banking & Trust Company. Both the parents are alumni of the College.

Students to See Free Show

A free ticket to any one show coming during the week of July 29 will be given to each student of the College by Mr. C. W. Marsh, owner and manager of Pictureland Theater. Plans for distributing tickets will be announced later, says Miss Alma Arbuckle, chairman of the College Social Committee.

In our plans for helping others—let's not overwhelm those who must earn the money to pay the bill.

Heads Alumni



COLLEGE ALUMNI ELECT OFFICERS

Stanley ("Joe") Hall Succeeds
Miss Pearl Pickens; Mrs.
Rollyson Vice-President

Stanley ("Joe") Hall, '29, instructor in English and social science in Glenville High School, was elected president of the Glenville State Teachers College Alumni Association for 1937-38 at a meeting in Room 101, Thursday, June 17, at 8 p. m. Mr. Hall was vice-president the past year and succeeds Miss Pearl Pickens, '20, of Glenville.

Other officers are: Vice-president, Mrs. E. G. Rollyson, '27, of Glenville; Miss Hazel Fisher, A. B. '37, and Nelson Wells, A. B. '34, both of Glenville, re-elected secretary and treasurer, respectively.

FIRST TWILIGHT SING HELD

Miss Moore Conducts Half-Hour
Music Program on Campus

The first twilight sing of the summer session was held Wednesday night on Verona Mapel Hall lawn with approximately 100 students and faculty members attending. Old favorite melodies made up the program.

Goff D. Ramsey, principal of Cairo High School, was a visitor.

"The sing was a success," said Miss Katharine Moore, instructor in music in the College. "We will have another one before the summer is over and students will have an opportunity to request their favorite songs."

Shirley Richardson Breaks Leg
Shirley Richardson of Mt. Nebo, a student in the College, received a double fracture of the right leg just above the ankle when he fell yesterday evening about 7 o'clock while playing tennis on the single court in the rear of the Old Building. He was treated by Dr. W. T. Smith and removed to the City Hospital at Weston.

Richardson is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Richardson of Summersville and is a cousin of Miss Hilma Nutter of Verona Mapel Hall. He probably will be unable to return to school this summer.

One-Act Plays to Be Presented

Miss Lillie Mae Bauer, instructor in speech, announces that several of one-act plays probably will be given within the next few weeks.

Guard against that vanity—courts compliments of

DR. W. E. BARNES, FORMER TEACHER, IS GUEST SPEAKER

Taught Here From 1907-1914;
Is Professor of English
in N. Y. U.

JOHN C. SHAW PRESENT

Says, "I Do Not Want America to
Be a Hive of Bees or a
Hill of Ants"

A former instructor in the College who began his teaching here thirty years ago returned the past Wednesday to:

1. Address students, faculty and visitors in the weekly assembly exercises.
2. Praise highly the progress of the College under the leadership of Pres. E. G. Rohrbough.
3. Meet Mr. John C. Shaw, who was principal of Glenville State Normal School from 1901 to 1908.
4. Renew faculty acquaintances, and
5. Say, "I do not want America to be a hive of bees or a hill of ants."

Teaches in New York

Dr. Walter E. Barnes, the speaker, is now professor of English in New York University, where he went after having taught here seven years and at Fairmont from 1914 to 1928. He is nationally known as an author, a lecturer and as an authority on the English language.

He was presented by Dean H. Laban White, who also introduced Mr. John C. Shaw. Confining most of his remarks to the subject, "Solitude and Society," Dr. Barnes asserted:

"The most important function of society is to give individuals a chance to develop as they see fit. . . . Even if I try to live a sequestered and scholarly life, I can't help getting mixed up with people and with outside influences. . . . Geographically, physically and literally we are much closer together today, which makes it even more difficult for us to live a solitary life. . . . So

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167 ATTEND OPEN HOUSE

Guests Received by Pres. and Mrs. Rohrbough, Dean and Mrs. White

One hundred sixty-seven students and faculty members attended open house in the recreation hall of the new dormitory Wednesday, June 16.

Guests were received by President and Mrs. E. G. Rohrbough and Dean and Mrs. H. Laban White.

Refreshments, consisting of cakes and punch, were served by a group of College and Glenville High School girls.

Editor C. W. Marsh to Speak on "The Futility of Peace"

Students, faculty and visitors will hear a College alumnus in assembly tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock when C. W. Marsh, editor and publisher of the Glenville Democrat, World War veteran and former state senator, speaks on the subject, "The Futility of Peace." H. Laban White, dean and director of the summer school, will introduce the speaker and preside over the assembly exercises. Group singing will be led by Miss Katharine Moore, music instructor in the College.

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TIME OUT FOR SOLITUDE

Many college students do not know the meaning of solitude. Those who do, fear and shun it. To most of us a few hours alone spells unpopularity.

A quiet evening at home is a major catastrophe, something to be avoided by fair means or foul. Instead of using it to advantage we spend it wishing we had some place to go, something to do.

Our interpretation of Robert Herrick's lovely lines:

"Gather rosebuds while ye may,
Old time is still a-flying
And this same flower that smiles today,
Tomorrow will be dying."

has changed to the nonsensical, vulgar lines:

"Gather lip rouge while you may,
You'll never grow much younger.
Why not appease that hunger while you may?"

Taking time out to think never occurs to us. We see as many shows, dance as many dances, take in as many "joins" as our shattered and overwrought nerves will stand.

But where is all this rushing getting us? All great artists, scientists, writers, spend plenty of time in solitude. Until we get over this senseless running around in circles, we can not get anywhere in spite of our hurry.

If we were to take a day off just to be alone maybe we would like it and come back for more.—Phyllis Stealey.

OUR UNUSED WEALTH

No matter what we have, we are always wishing for something else. We are especially inclined to feel sorry for ourselves because we do not have more money and other forms of material wealth. Many of us would still go in search of an Eldorado if we thought we could find it. The things we do not have seem very important.

We do not always take full advantage of the things we have. Many people live for years without seeing a sunset, thrilling to the song of a bird, or feeling the stir of life in the spring. The inspiring beauty of the hills around them entirely escapes them. But there is one kind of wealth in our possession which we are even more likely to overlook. That is the wealth that lies all around us in the form of newspapers, magazines, pamphlets, and books. Even if we do read a small percentage of the matter which comes into our hands, we do little more than scratch the surface. We do not delve deep into the thought content and try to assimilate the ideas read. Consequently, we gain very little from our reading. The farmer who sits down after supper and reads until nine o'clock, digesting ideas as he reads, gets more from his work than some of us.

Books contain more than isolated facts. They contain ideas which have the power to give enjoyment, variety of experience and emotional satisfaction. No life needs to remain drab and uninteresting. There are new scenes and new experiences to be had all the time. Through reading we can enjoy, vicariously, experiences which with our limited means we may never be able to afford. We can see distant lands, meet distant peoples, and come in contact with new ideas. Under the covers of a book we can find color, glamour, and romance.

We can venture into the field of science and become informed about many things. There is a definite joy in possessing ideas and knowledge just as there is a joy in possessing material things. And these things are ours. They are always within our reach. But our lives which might be enriched, remain impoverished. Newspapers are merely scanned and books lie unopened, while we go on wishing.—May Beal.

MISS HELEN M. SHANNON,
HARRY B. TAYLOR WED

Miss Helen M. Shannon, of Blind Brook Lodge, Rye, N. Y., daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John M. Shannon, of Boston, became the bride of the Rev. Harry B. Taylor, of Linn, on June 8.

Taylor, of Linn on June 8. Mr. Taylor is a brother of Teddy Taylor, A. B. '37.

Viola Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Young of Sutton, became the bride of Orphie J. McClout, of Linn, on June 8. Both Mr. and Mrs. McClout are students of the College.

Twenty-Nine Years a College President

The remarks of Dr. Walter Barnes the past Wednesday were certainly timely when he said, "It was then a one-room building and now it is spread out all over the country-side. The growth of the Normal School into this modern teachers college can be attributed to the fine ideals and self-control of President E. G. Rohrbough." Dr. Barnes publicly expressed his appreciation to President Rohrbough for his "sound advice and inspiration" while he was an instructor in the Normal.



Pres. E. G. Rohrbough

There can be no doubt as to the sincerity of these remarks, coming as they do from a man who twenty-nine years ago served his apprenticeship under President Rohrbough, and who now is professor of English in New York University.

No less fitting is this tribute, paid to one who has faithfully served the same institution for the past twenty-nine years, "I always could go to President Rohrbough for advice and get it—same and wise."—Thomas L. Dotson.

Parking — Twilight Sings — Education

Between Columns

LEARNING TO PARK

Considerable confusion has been caused recently in getting automobiles in and out of the parking lot in the rear of the Old Building. The passage way is generally blocked by one automobile. It seems the last car driven into the lot is often parked in such a way that it is impossible for one either to enter or leave. This could easily be avoided if all drivers would park in such manner as not to interfere with the driveway.—James W. Curry.

MORE TWILIGHT SONGS

The past Wednesday as the sun was going down behind the hills, approximately 100 persons gathered on the lawn in front of Verona Maple Hall to sing for an hour.

An uplift in spirits of those who attended could not help but follow their singing of old familiar tunes while Nature rendered her silent song of colors of the sunset.

It is such occasions as this, after the day's work is done, that make us know that life is joyous.

For this reason we hope twilight sings become established as part of the summer recreation program.—James W. Curry.

KNOWING ONE'S SELF

Dr. Walter Barnes spoke in assembly Wednesday of the joys of solitude and brought to his audience the thought that nothing is more worthwhile in creative thinking than of meditation and to be able to assemble to be able to get away for brief periods of meditation and to be able to assemble the hazy ideas that one may have stored away for just such a time.

To most busy people it is pure joy to get away from the crowd and the hurry and bustle of every-day life.

Life will become much more exciting and worthwhile if a part of it at least is spent in solitude—maybe just an hour or so, but long enough

to become acquainted with one's self.—FAY GIVEN.

THE EDUCATIONAL DILEMMA

Is it a mill or threshing machine? We know that a mill takes the raw material in wholesale quantities and turns out the finished commodity in mass production. On the other hand the threshing machine separates the chaff from the grain.

If the mill should be a lumber mill, the offal such as the slabs, sawdust, etc. can be manufactured into by-products—often worth more than the chief product. Even chaff and straw as by-products, have utilitarian value when in the hands of the scientist. For example, forty gallons of gasoline can be made from one ton of straw.

What is meant by mass education? The admonition, "send everybody to school," Yes, tell them all to come. What happens? Through the "weeding-out" process we ship them back home. This appears to the public as the game we used to call "Tug of War." The captain on one end of the rope shouts "Pull!" and likewise the captain on the other end of the rope shouts "Pull!" Now which end of the rope is the prospective student going to grab?

If we are going to have democracy in education, why not send our raw material to college or the university, providing, that the preparatory requirements have been met in institutions of this nature. If democracy means anything in education, it would then appear, that everybody should have an opportunity to develop all the cardinals of education that are capable of being developed.

How can these possibilities be developed? One means is through developing individual differences. We talk of individual differences but we do not find time to put our theories into practice.—Creed H. McCue.

A Thought This Week

THE ROW THE EDITOR HOES:

I am confident that all newspaper editors will go to heaven. No matter how eloquently the editor may boost for the development and progress of his community, no matter how diligently he may labor to build up his home county, no matter how loyally he supports a friend in politics, extolls the virtues of a famous native son, stretches the truth to praise a local prima-donna-to-be, or

gently lays a metaphorical wreath on the grave of a departed, he seldom hears a "Thank you." Rarely does anyone say, "Well done." Almost never does he hear, "We appreciated that." But let him make a slip...—W. Earle Dye in the July "Rotarian."

Rodney Turner Recent Visitor Here
Rodney Turner, of Gilmer County and a former student in the College, was here the past week, representing Classroom Teacher, Inc., of Chicago, Ill.

FRANTIC :—: ANTICS

With the summer social committee increasing activities on the campus, school life peeps up its pace...Let us take a look at those fly-by-nights whose sole enjoyment seems to be contact with people, who also flutter about bright lights like moths until they fall to the ground, spent and broken...The Calhoun County table under the leadership of Brother Yoak sends its gawfaws across the dining hall...Sybil is having a hard time getting organized...Miles gives her the go-by as she passes on to Beth...Then Collins stays for a brief time, only to be attracted by Anna Mae, who lets Staley go...Shela begins where she left off the past summer...Kitty Elliott gives dancing lessons...FLASH! Max comes out of seclusion to try a hand at dancing...Adeline makes her presence known to White, Jr...He makes five smackers after fifteen minutes of high pressure salesmanship...Bob Shreve returns after New England sojourn...He looks around but finds nothing promising...He's too late...All possibilities have been signed up...Lloyd and Velina become ready willing and able...NOTICE! Bob Starcher looks in vain for woman in twenty-five...Woody and Janetta take long walk...Roy takes Lucille Sutton under his wing...Clyde changes tables just to be near Lucille...Willis and Ollie are becoming that way...Bill Workman bets five bucks that Joe Louis did not k. o. Braddock in the eighth round...It sounds so fishy that no one covers...Kirk says he is either a nincompoop or a smart guy...If I had a fin, I would take the bet just to find the catch...THE INNOCENT ABROAD.

Quotable :—: :—: Quotations

By Max Ward

The unifying principle of a university is the pursuit of truth for its own sake.—Robert Maynard Hutchins.

Broadmindedness is the result of flattening high mindedness out.—George Saintsbury.

How a minority, reaching majority, seizing authority, hates a minority.—L. H. Robbins.

Laws should be like clothes. They should be made to fit the people they serve.—Clarence Darrow.

I can tell the kind of student you are by the kind of teachers you think you have.—Anonymous.

Conversation is an art in which man has all mankind for competitors.—Emerson.

For in much wisdom is much grief; and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow.—Ecclesiastes 1:18.

Paradox: Trying to organize a lesson in the early hours with a radio blaring the top-o'-the-morning. Says the text: Flood control looms as one of our major unsolved problems. Says the radio: It ain't gonna rain no mo'. Student conclusion: The flood or the radio?

Law of diminishing returns: Student gets B minus on report on which predecessor drew an A.

Malthus was right (suggested one student): Kanawha Hall dining population increased recently.

Mark Two: Young men emulate appearance of Tom and Huck in wading to evening meal.

Acme of thoroughness: The is the engine across the river that diligently repeats with emphasis nose explosions on which it has a trifle indefinite.

Sullivan, Kimbie, Cutlip, Bryant Are Captains of Reorganized Softball League

Four teams instead of six will make up the intramural softball league this summer, it was learned the past week following a reorganization meeting in the College gymnasium. Members of the two teams dropped were rechosen by the four remaining squads, each of which is headed by a captain.

Members of the teams and their captains are:

No. 1. Captain, Dallas Sullivan; players, William Workman, Don Atkins, Willis Tatterson, John Husk, David Hall, Max Ward, Roy Smith, Harold Wilson, John Rogers, Hoyt Dean, John Barrett, Lincoln Cox, Hull Collins, Oley Wilson, Ernest Mearns, James Curry and James Hall.

No. 2. Captain, Joy Kimbie; players, Alva Jones, Glendon Yoak, Vic-

tor Price, Lawrence Hill, Lloyd Britton, Frank Marsh, Perry Hays, Lloyd Singleton, Fred Garrett, Burley Clayton, Gary Conley, Oakford Deitz, Kennie Hatfield, Gerald Cummings, Jack Bailey, and Denver McKinney.

No. 3. Captain, Paul Cutlip; players, Kirk Whitman, Glenn Brown, Alfred McCauley, Victor Berry, Cecil Reed, Joe Haight, Glenn Starcher, James Moore, Robert Starcher, Creed McCue, Myles Spencer, Staley Gibson, Edgar Richards, Glen McCutcheon, and Marple Lawson.

No. 4. Captain, Roy Bryant; players, Fred Barnes, Eldon Atkins, Charles Creasy, Dexter Dotson, Benjamin Rhoades, Wilford Miles, Trola Morrison, William Hamilton, Robert Miller, Clyde Marsh, Gerald Starcher, Clyde McClung, James Young, and Daniel Jones.

Final Examinations on August 4-5; School to Be in Session On July 5

July 5 will not be observed as a holiday in the College, was the decision made at a faculty meeting, Tuesday, June 21. School on the Fifth will make up part of a two-day holiday at the end of the term. A new examination schedule has been made allowing the last two class periods at the end of the term to be set aside for examinations and classes to end on Thursday, August 5. Ordinarily the term extended through Saturday, Aug. 7.

This arrangement was made for a three fold purpose, says Dean H. L. White: To save time for the stu-

dents by excusing them early; to save time in the examination schedule by restricting examinations to the last two class periods instead of extending them through a whole week; and to give the teachers ample time to have grades ready for inspection by the end of the term.

Mr. White added that a petition signed by many of the students "was not just ignored. The request was refused only because the foregoing arrangement seemed better for all concerned."



SOFTBALL LEAGUE SCHEDULE

Twenty-two Games Listed For the Summer Term

The schedule for the summer softball league has been completed and is as follows:

| Date | Teams |
|----------|---------|
| June 29 | 1 vs. 3 |
| June 30 | 2 vs. 4 |
| July 1 | 1 vs. 4 |
| July 5 | 2 vs. 3 |
| July 6 | 1 vs. 2 |
| July 7 | 3 vs. 4 |
| July 8 | 1 vs. 3 |
| July 12 | 2 vs. 4 |
| July 13 | 1 vs. 4 |
| July 14 | 2 vs. 3 |
| July 15 | 1 vs. 2 |
| July 19 | 3 vs. 4 |
| July 20 | 1 vs. 3 |
| July 21 | 2 vs. 4 |
| July 22 | 1 vs. 4 |
| July 26 | 2 vs. 3 |
| July 27 | 1 vs. 2 |
| July 28 | 3 vs. 4 |
| July 29 | 1 vs. 3 |
| August 2 | 2 vs. 4 |
| August 3 | 1 vs. 4 |
| August 4 | 2 vs. 3 |

month while she was ill during the second semester.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkerson are at home at 612 Ninth Avenue, Apartment 2, Huntington.

Tennis Team to Play Salem
A tennis team representing the College will meet the Salem College netmen on the College courts Thursday at 2 p. m., Coach A. F. Rohrbough announced yesterday.

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Pool and Billiards
Corner Main & Court Streets

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For Best of Eats and Good Dance Music
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Ask For Trade Cards and Get a \$2.00 value for 99c
Meats, Vegetables, and Groceries

At The Library

"Library closing hours have been changed," says Miss Alma Janet Arbuckle, librarian. Instead of closing at 8:30 p. m. the library will close at 7:30 p. m. from Monday through Thursday and at 5 p. m. on Friday. No more new books will be catalogued during the summer term.

SHOES AND SOCKS GO AWRY AS DRIVING RAIN SWEEPS OVER CAMPUS

By Oakford Deitz
Whittier's "Barefoot Boy" all but became a reality on the College campus Monday afternoon, June 21, during the season's most destructive rainstorm.

This time, however, it was the "barefoot boys" from the new dormitory parading to the dining hall for their dinner.

Joe Haight and Hull Collins conceived the idea of reverting to their early childhood days to cope with the complex situation of a driving rain and a call for dinner. These ingenious chaps easily solved the situation by shedding shoes and socks and wading to the dining hall. They were followed by a large number of imitators who also chose this method of arriving at the hall with the least amount of damage.

Upon interview it was learned that the parade of the bare feet was effected as a compromise to those who suggested going attired in bathing suits.

MR. WILKERSON, MISS WALKER MARRIED MAY 29

Announcements of Miss Gladys Ora Walker's marriage to Mr. Herman R. Wilkerson, May 29, at Covington, Ky., were received recently by several persons in Glenville.

Mrs. Wilkerson taught biological science in the College the first semester of this year while Miss Goldie C. James attended Columbia University. Mrs. Wilkerson also substituted for Miss James for about a

Assembly :—: Sidelights

By Oakford Deitz

The following are pertinent comments made by Dr. Walter Barnes during his recent assembly address:

We are much closer together today than we used to be, which makes it more difficult to lead a solitary life. Society is crowding in upon us.

Society is going into a more complicated, intricate state all the time.

It is the chief duty of education to teach us to live with others comfortably and effectively.

I do not want America to be a hive of bees nor a hill of ants.

I am not excited over Russia or any other society where the state is sovereign.

The most important function of the state is to give the individual free way to develop in his own way.

Any change that makes it difficult for students to be alone is a bad one and cannot be visualized.

I think nothing in my lifetime has been more important to me than teaching.

We must have solitude and society and know when to use each.

I think as time goes on and we are more thrust together in that intricate, complicated social gathering we must learn to get alone.

We must learn to get away, but at the same time keep and learn to keep friendships.

What we want is the proper ratio of solitude and society.

TENNIS CLUB REORGANIZES

All Girls Invited to Participate in Summer Sports Program

The first meeting of the Girls' Tennis Club was held Monday, June 14. Present were: Elizabeth Andrews, Sally Young, Marjorie Craddock and Edith Gaston.

The club is open to beginners and all girls are invited to join. Miss Marjorie Craddock, past president of the Club, presided in the absence of Mrs. Earl R. Boggs, instructor.

Nicholas Teachers Placed

Twenty-one Nicholas County teachers, now enrolled in the College, were among those assigned to particular schools at a recent meeting of the board of education. They are: Runa Summers, Ocelus Fitzwater, John Husk, Hoyt Dean, Irene Murphy, Hazel Kessler, Oakford Deitz, Bessie Hanna, Shirley Richardson, James Young, Forrest Dorsey, Bertha Bays, Charlie Creasy, Ollie Hinkle, Roy Bryant, Glen McCutcheon, Clyde McClung, Anna Mae Cunningham, Effie White, Clyde Marsh, and Ada Scott.

120 Persons Attend Square Dance

Old-time rural rhythm attracted approximately 120 persons to a square dance in the College gymnasium the past Tuesday night from 8 to 9 o'clock. Music was furnished by a student orchestra consisting of Thomas Dotson, piano; Jearl Nelson, mandolin, and Helena McCutcheon, violin. The program was in charge of Miss Alma Arbuckle, chairman of the summer school social committee, and was divided into three parts—getting acquainted, group singing and dancing.

Two Get Lifetime Certificates

Marvin Cooper, S. N. '12, assistant superintendent of Gilmer County schools, and W. J. Radcliff, of Ellis, recently received lifetime teaching certificates.

Are Dinner Guests at Myers Home

Mrs. E. B. Wamsley, of Beverly, and Pres. and Mrs. E. G. Rohrbough were recent dinner guests of Mrs. A. F. Myers and Miss Ivy Lee Myers. Mrs. Wamsley is a sister of President Rohrbough and recently visited here.

Miss Ruth Evelyn McWhorter III, Miss Ruth Evelyn McWhorter, a resident of Verona Mapel Hall, was ill and missed classes June 17, 18, and 19.

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Way of the World

IN THE WEEK'S NEWS—

Soviet fliers reach Vancouver after flight across top of the world . . . Germany masses twenty-five warships off the coast of loyalist Spain . . . Tallman, of West Virginia University, is appointed head of state police . . . Pres. F. D. Roosevelt goes into three day conference with Democrats on Jefferson Island in Chesapeake Bay . . . Grant, Budge, Parker reach quarter finals at Wimbledon, England, as American tennis squad remains intact in tournament . . . Mary Pickford, 43, and Buddy Rogers, 34, marry in Bel Air, exclusive suburb of Los Angeles . . . Steel mills open gates to workers, who are under protection of the National Guard.

—DO YOU KNOW THAT

10,851,706 man days were lost by strikes during the first quarter of this year?

About eleven per cent of all tillable land in China is covered with graves?

Teeth with a yellow tinge are usually more healthy than glistening white ones?

Admission charges for a woman at a California college's dances are thirty-five cents if she has red hair, forty-five cents if she is a blonde, and fifty-five cents if she is a brunette?

AND A THOUGHT—

Men show their character in nothing more clearly than by what they think laughable.—Goethe.

—AND SOME HUMOR

Grandmother: "I wouldn't slide down the banister."

Johnny: "Wouldn't! Hell, you couldn't."

Kittie: "Whom are you going out with tonight?"

Bell: "I don't know."

Kittie: "What's the matter, a blind date?"

Bell: "I hope not."

Farmer's wife to drug clerk: "Be sure and write plain on them bottles which is for the horse and which is for my old man. I don't want nothin' to happen to that horse afore spring plowin's done."

He: I dreamed last night that I kissed you. What is that a sign of?

She: That you have more sense when you are asleep.

What have you girls been talking about?

The same thing you men have. Why, you foul-mouthed things.

STUDENTS SHOULD KNOW—

Bow legs are few and far between. A seven day kiss is the kind that makes one weak.

A Ghandhi table is one with two legs and no drawers.

A woman's instinct is the thing that tells her she is right whether she knows it or not.

A gentleman is a man who doesn't get fresh until the second date.

AND SOME POETRY—

One last remembering, one minute more

One glance around my room, then break the spell

And pack away my books. No use to dwell

On winged hours passing—other girls before

Have said good-bye and softly closed the door,

Have looked down from this window, seen the swell

And fading out of sunsets, loved as well

As I the feel of misty nights, the muffled roar

Of trains through darkness.

—Helen F. Blachshear.

Forty is the old age of youth—

DR. J. C. SHREVE GIVES ADDRESS IN ASSEMBLY

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"These steps," he said, "are supposed to be uniform, applicable to all subjects, for all pupils of all ages."

On the other hand, progressive educators claim all methods should be specific. Their program is: "Discontinue feeding children on bookish facts, make the school true to life, and leave the child free to choose and execute his tasks."

Need of Thorough Knowledge

In commenting upon these views of education, Dr. Shreve concluded, "My own notion is that there are some good and some bad features in all of the various theories. It is not necessary to cast aside entirely the sequential curriculum just for the sake of being new and so-called progressive. I would not want to be so narrow as to go back entirely to the three R's, but I do believe we should place more emphasis upon a thorough knowledge of the fundamental subjects or tools of knowledge—language subjects, social studies and mathematical sciences."

DR. W. E. BARNES IS GUEST SPEAKER

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ciety is rapidly taking the place of the individual and we are more and more faced with the necessity of learning to live together and to be able to break away and enjoy moments of solitude."

Opposes Collective Society

"Much of the great work of the world is done in solitude. Poets, novelists, dramatists play up the individual working alone. If Watts had not been alone he would never have discovered the power of steam. . . . I do not believe in collective society where the state is sovereign and I have not been impressed by the system in Russia, which is the annihilation of individual qualities. . . . I don't want America to be a hive of bees or a hill of ants. . . . Any change that deprives students of the privilege of being alone is likely to be bad and should be avoided. . . . A writer is one who sits by himself, bolt upright before a desk and puts black marks on white paper. The 'by himself,' or 'in solitude' is a prerequisite of great work."

"Society is good and solitude is good, but what we need is a proper ratio of the two."

Mystery Dance Well Attended

Mystery packages and a grand march and dance attracted nearly 150 persons to the College gymnasium, Friday night from 8:30 to 10:30 o'clock.

Students to Hold Stunt Night

Students representing different counties in the amateur night program will have a rally in the College gymnasium, July 16. Each county is to present a stunt.

Sixteen New Records Played

Sixteen new records accompanied approximately 100 pairs of dancing feet during the Woolworth ball in the College gymnasium, Friday night from 8:30 to 10:30 o'clock. Miss Alma Arbuckle was in charge.

Miss Walker Is Featured Soloist

Miss Alyce Walker of Clarksburg, a student in the College, was the featured soloist at the evening worship service of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Sunday evening. Several College students attended.

A business which succeeds is one in which the management has a keen eye for details and for doing the immediate task well.

Guest Speaker Praises Fine Ideals, Self-Control of Pres. E. G. Rohrbough

By Thomas Dotson

"Do not overlook your talents, but hold fast to those you have," advises a former College instructor. In response to the question: What do you think of New York City?, he says, "If I must live in a city, it is New York for me. It has everything."

Of the older authors, Chaucer holds the most attraction for him, while Galsworthy is his favorite modern writer. His Hollywood favorites include Norma Shearer and Wallace Beery. He has personally met both these people, and his praise for Miss Shearer's role as Juliet is lavish. He says that "Dead End" is the most gripping stage production that he has seen in recent years.

He enjoys flying, but prefers motoring if he has time. The longest flight he has ever taken was from New York City to the Pacific coast and return.

His favorite sport is fishing. His hobby is writing, and he has collected more than one hundred pipes as a side-line hobby. He is just now returning from a fishing and motoring trip to North Carolina. Because of his wide number of friends, and the attraction of the West Virginia hills, he plans to spend about half his vacation in the state.

The greatest changes he has noticed in Glenville State Teachers College are: The transformation of the two-year school into a four-year college; larger enrollment; and construction of many more buildings.

The great success of the College he attributes to "the fine ideals and self-control of President E. G. Rohrbough."

These are the sentiments expressed by Dr. Walter E. Barnes, former head of the English department of the College, and now professor of English in New York University, who left Glenville Normal in 1914, but returned to address the students in assembly the past Wednesday.

In The Mercury.Seven Years Ago

President E. G. Rohrbough recently announced that Robert T. Crawford of Walkersville has been appointed to the faculty of Glenville Normal School for the coming year. He will teach mathematics.

Forty members of the Glenville Normal School Glee Club gave a vesper program at the state 4-H camp at Jackson's Mill on Thursday evening. The club was directed by Miss Wilma West, instructor in music in the Normal.

Bids for the erection of a garage on the Glenville Normal School campus below the single tennis court and facing the river road are being received by the State Board of Control.

Grading of Rohrbough Field in South Glenville was begun today and expected to be completed within a short time, according to an announcement by President E. G. Rohrbough.

Hunter Whiting, assistant to the president and instructor in foreign languages in the Normal, has been granted leave of absence for the summer and will travel abroad, he said Saturday.

One hundred six students will be graduated from Glenville State Normal School on June 4, according to an announcement by President E. G. Rohrbough. Walter E. Barnes of New York University will deliver the commencement address.

Otis Rexroad has been chosen to take the place of Edward Hood as Horace Ferguson in the operetta, "The Lucky Jade." Rexroad entered school for the special spring term.

Miss Ivy Lee Myers, instructor in education, and Mrs. Natus Rohrbough and Angelo Eagon, students, suffered slight bruises Saturday night when a car in which they were riding went off the Weston road.

The announcement that the Normal is to be made a teachers' college was made last night by E. G. Rohrbough, president of the school since 1908, who appeared before the state board in Charleston, presented his request, which was granted at 10 o'clock yesterday morning.

Sullivan and Bryant Win Games

Sullivan's team won the first game of the reorganized softball league Thursday evening by a score of 12 to 2 from Kimble. The past evening Bryant's squad won 14 to 11 over Cutlip's ten.

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