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On All-State Play Cast.

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COLLEGE SHARES HONORS IN STATE SPEECH FESTIVAL

John Bohensky Named on All-
State Play Cast; Rexroad
Best Debater

IS HIGHLY HONORED

Speech Instructor Elected to Mem-
bership in Alpha Omega,
National Honorary Group

By Vorley Rexroad
Glenville State Teachers Col-
lege was awarded three dis-
tinct honors at the fourth an-
nual West Virginia Inter-col-
legiate Speech Festival held in
Fairmont over the week-end.
John Bohensky, senior, was
made a member of the all-state
play cast; Vorley Rexroad was
chosen a member of the all-
state debating team, and Miss
Kathleen Robertson, instructor
in speech, was elected to mem-
bership in Alpha Psi Omega,
national honorary dramatic
fraternity.

Nine colleges and approxi-
mately 150 students attended
the festival which lasted
Thursday through Saturday. Open-
ing features were extemporaneous
speaking contests, a tea and a
party.

C. W. Lomas is Judge
Charles Wyatt Lomas, of the
speech department of the University
of Pittsburgh, acted as critic judge
of the extemporaneous speaking and
debate.

Four colleges were represented in
the extemporaneous speaking di-
vision, Concord, Marshall, West
Liberty and Fairmont. "International
Peace" was the general topic dis-
cussed.

Nine colleges entered teams in
the debate division. The colleges
and their respective coaches are:
Concord, William E. Robertson;
West Liberty, Frank G. Lewis;
Glenville, Kathleen Robertson; Mor-
ris Harvey, J. Marvin Glenn; Mar-
shall, A. Otis Ransom; West Vir-
ginia University, J. B. Lowther;
Fairmont, B. B. Chapman.

Debate Held Friday Morning
The debates were held Friday
morning and afternoon and were
climaxed by the selecting of nine
outstanding debaters from
the various teams represented to par-
ticipate in a Chicago plan debate
which was held at 8 p. m. Students
selected to take part in the debate
were: George Moore, Fairmont Col-
lege; Marshall Budew, Morris Har-
vey; Calvin Snider, Salem; Dwight
McClung, Concord; John Saunders,
West Virginia Wesleyan; Leo Oa-
ley, Marshall; Vorley Rexroad, Glen-
ville; William Leontart, West Vir-
ginia University; Harold Jefferson,
(Continued on Page Two)

Honored at Speech Festival



Vorley Rexroad, senior, of Cam-
den-on-Gauley, was honored at the state
speech festival held in Fairmont over
the week-end, where he was made a
member of the all-state debate team
and was one of the four college stu-
dents selected to sum up the case in
final arguments on the question:
Resolved: That the National Labor
ed to arbitrate all industrial dis-
putes.



John Bohensky, senior, of Cam-
den-on-Gauley, for the second time in three
years has been awarded a place on
the all-state cast at the annual West
Virginia Intercollegiate Speech Festi-
val. Bohensky this year placed on
the all-state group for his excellent
portrayal of "Sire de Maltrou" in
the one-act drama, "Hospitality Fan-
cy." Bohensky is a son of Mr. and
Mrs. George Bohensky of 125 Thorn
Street, Clarksburg.

FOR PROFESSIONAL UNITY Prof. H. O. Lovejoy Voices Sentiments on Academic Freedom

NEW YORK CITY, (ACP).—A
stirring appeal for professional unity
on the subject of academic freedom
and the abandonment of the univer-
sity controversy that is splitting
faculty ranks was made here by
Prof. A. O. Lovejoy of Johns Hop-
kins University.

"The need for this united front is
especially urgent today, when free-
dom of thought and inquiry within
and without educational institutions
is menaced from the right and left,
and many of those who most vocifer-
ously demand it for themselves
would be the first to deny it to others
and, in particular, to convert the
universities into instruments of propa-
ganda, collections of regimented,
servile and obsequious pedagogues,
conforming always to the party line,
to pass prejudice, or to the opin-
ions of non-professional governing
boards," he asserted.

COMPLETE COVERAGE THIS WEEK

This week the Mercury brings
you complete coverage on the an-
nual meeting of the Central West
Virginia Round Table. Just as an
experiment, the two-day session
was divided into ten units and one
member of the Mercury staff as-
signed to each unit. Students
stories will be found in this issue.
Much College routine news, of
necessity, is omitted.—The Ed-
itors.

Former Governor John J. Cornwell Denounces 'Oxford Pledge' for Peace

By John Rogers
Denouncing certain trends
of modern education former
Governor John J. Cornwell,
general counsel of the Balti-
more and Ohio Railroad Com-
pany, addressed the first gen-
eral session of the Central
Round Table in the College
Auditorium Friday morning.
A loud speaker system was ex-
tended to various points
throughout the building to ac-
commodate those who could
not find seats in the auditori-
um. More than 750 persons
heard the morning program,
not find seats in the auditori-
um.

Mr. Cornwell accused educators
of thinking they had solved the
economic, social and political prob-
lems of our country at the expense
of neglecting to train the mind of
the student. "These educators think
it is necessary to change our form
of government. The trend is to poi-
son the public against capitalism,
which is to poison the people
against our form of government
which is based on private property
and ownership."

In his indictment of peace organi-
zations, he said that they tend to dis-
courage patriotism. "This," he
said, "comes out of the fact these
organizations concentrate on col-
lege students. I do not believe
peace organizations can do any-
thing to improve relations between
countries." He added, "Students

(who are members of these organi-
zations) could be more helpful if
they tried to lessen the toll of auto-
mobile accidents and crime in this
country."

In conclusion Mr. Cornwell said,
"I wish it could be burnt into the
minds of every young man and
woman that our whole situation will
be weakened if the idea is further
advanced that we must look to the
government for economic support.
I still believe that it is the duty
of citizens to support the government
and not for the government to sup-
port its citizens. I wish I could im-
press youth that life holds what one
puts into it and nothing else."

Dr. E. G. Rohrbough, president of
the College, welcomed visiting
teachers to Glenville and com-
plimented them on their choice of
"The Responsibility of Education"
as their subject for discussion.
The Glenville County Band, under
the direction of Frank Beall, Jr.,
and the College orchestra, directed
by Miss Bertha E. Olsen, instructor
in music, opened the session with a
musical program.

Mr. Cornwell was accompanied
here by J. Z. Terrell, manager of the
West Virginia Transportation
Company, and Robert H. Pritchard,
editor of the Weston Democrat and
former president of the National
Editorial Association.

Both Mr. Cornwell and Dr. Rohr-
bough were introduced by Virgil B.
Harris, president of the Round
Table.

PARKER C. BLACK NAMED PRESIDENT OF ROUND TABLE

Principal of Widen High
School Succeeds Virgil B.
Harris, of Sutton

757 PERSONS REGISTERED

Meeting Will be Held at Webster
Springs Next Year; Executive
Committee Chosen

By Ernestine Harrison
Parker C. Black, principal of
the Widen High School, was
elected president of the Central
West Virginia Round Table at
the close of the two-day ses-
sion here Saturday. Mr. Black
who is the ninth president of
the organization since its re-
birth in 1930-31, and the first
from Clay County, succeeds
Virgil B. Harris, superintendent
of Braxton County schools,
who was chosen vice-president
for 1939.

Accepting an invitation from
Leon Bickel, Superintendent of
Webster County schools, the or-
ganization will hold its 1939 ses-
sion at Webster Springs.

Mr. Black named five members
of a six-member executive committee,
which includes one member from
each of the six counties. The five
are C. R. Ramage, of Braxton
County; C. H. Conway, of Webster
County; Robert Campbell, of Nich-
olas County; Paul Low, of Clay
County, and Marvin Cooper, of Gil-
mer County. The program commit-
tee will name the Round Table se-
cretary and the executive committee
will choose the secretary.

A total of 757 persons registered
for the two-day session. Braxton
County led with 215; Gilmer second,
with 153; Nicholas third, 127; Clay,
117; Calhoun, 75; Webster, 51;
and counties contributing, 15.

ROTARIANS HEAR DR. C. H. MCKOWN

Speaker says an Educated Man
Never Laughs at a New
Idea

Glenville Rotarians and visiting
civic club members heard Dr. C. H.
McKown declare that "an intelligent
man never laughs at a new idea,"
at the special luncheon Friday in
the Whiting Tea Room. Thirty-one
guests and eighteen members of the
local club attended.

Dr. McKown used the subject
"Fools and Foolishness," pointed
out the numerous instances of a na-
tion's condemning new ideas, and
closed with the thought that "I en-
vy youth and the wonderful things
they will live to see."

Among those present were former
Governor John J. Cornwell, J. Z.
Terrell, manager of the West Vir-
ginia Transportation Company, and
former warden of the West Virginia
state penitentiary, and Robert H.
Pritchard, editor of the Weston
Democrat and former President
of the National Editorial Association.

Other guests were Parker C.
Black, Roy B. Cartright, Clay Mar-
tin, Homer C. Toothman, Fred
Smith, C. N. Hill, Charles Barnett,
Gilbert Reed, Robert T. Crawford,
Fred P. Wehl, Fred Chenoweth, Vir-
gil B. Harris, Bryan Stonestreet,
Leon Bickel Ray Harris, Ernie
Harris, Charles H. Hoover, Mrs. C.
McCune, Roy Jackson, Vaughn
Duffield, Rawley Baker, Linn Har-
dman, Lloyd Elliott, John I. Allman,
James Cressy, L. O. Bobbitt, Charles
Newhart, J. O. McLaughlin, and
James Cox. H. Y. Clark, president,
presided.

Will Held Operetta Try-Outs

Miss Bertha E. Olsen, instructor
in music, announces that tryouts for
parts in the operetta, "Pinafore,"
will be held soon after the Easter
vacation. The operetta, a Gilbert
and Sullivan production, will be pre-
sented here this spring.

Ping Pong Club Is Organized

A girls' ping pong club was or-
ganized here Wednesday afternoon
in the Y. W. C. A. room. Miss Ger-
aldine McClain, sports leader who
assisted in organizing the club, asks
that all girls in the College who are
interested join the club. A fee of
twenty-five cents will be charged
and the money will go to the Wo-
men's Athletic Association.

ALL-SCIENCE DAY EXPECTED TO ATTRACT CROWD OF MORE THAN 1000 TEACHERS AND STUDENTS



Miss Ione Brown, above, of Glen-
ville, will direct the activities of the
Chemistry Club when the organi-
zation puts on its big show of the
year—All-Science Day—Friday and
Saturday. Miss Brown is a daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Brown. Her
father is an auditor in the office of
the state tax commissioner.

COLLEGE CO-EDS NEED INSPIRATION, BRASS AND PERSPIRATION

ITHACA, N. Y. (ACP).—What
are the keys to success for today's
college women?

At a recent Cornell University
conference here, the following were
handed to Betty Co-ed and her sis-
ters in learning as fitting the locks
in the door that opens on success:

Health, mental, physical, and
moral.
Enthusiasm at all times.
Every possible assistance to the
consumer.

Education, perspiration, inspira-
tion and just plain brass.
Stand on your own spiritual
and physical feet.
Keep up your special interest
contacts.

Y. M. C. A. NAMES DELEGATE

Denzel Garrett Will Represent Club
At State Convention

The College chapter of the Young
Men's Christian Association will send
Denzel Garrett, senior, to the state
conference at Jackson's Mill, April
8, 9 and 10, it was agreed at a meet-
ing Wednesday.

A program for the meeting in-
cluded scripture reading by Olin
Hill, prayer service by C. W. Post
and talks as follows: "What God is
Like," "The Nature and Reality of
God," and "The Pause That Re-
freshes" by Junior Losh, Davy Mc-
Clung, and Wallace Bonar, respec-
tively. A special feature included
string music.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tyson of Spen-
cer attended the informal dance
given at the College gymnasium
Friday night.
Edwina Thorne visited her parents
at Elizabeth the past week-end.

Dr. Baldwin Urges Greater Amount Of Professional Control Over Schools

By Jarrett Jones

A greater amount of professional
control of school organization in
West Virginia was urged by Dr. R.
D. Baldwin, professor in West Vir-
ginia University, in a talk to school
administrators in a group meeting
in Room 101 Friday afternoon. The
second principal speaker on the ses-
sional program was C. H. Conway,
principal of Webster Springs High
School, who spoke on the "Responsi-
bility of School Organization to Ef-
ficiency." Following the talks, a
brief general discussion of effective
school organization was held under
the direction of C. H. Young, su-
perintendent of Clay County schools,
who was chairman of the meeting.

Speaking on the subject, "Inter-
Relationships Among Boards of
Education, Superintendents, Prin-
ciples and Teachers," Dr. Baldwin
outlined his ideal school adminis-
tration plan whereby greater effi-
ciency in the functioning of the school
organization might be achieved. He
emphasized that lay control of the
election of county school board
members is necessary in "keeping
the school organization close to the
people so that it will be subject to
their will."

The choosing of a superintendent,
Dr. Baldwin pointed out, is the most
important duty of a school board,

Will be Seventh Annual Event
Under Auspices of the
Chemistry Club

J. R. WAGNER IN CHARGE

F. Oliver Edwards Will Give Organ
Recital Friday Night; Will
Also Play Saturday

By John W. Mowrey, Jr.
Final plans have been com-
pleted for the seventh annual
All-Science Day program to be
presented here Friday and Sat-
urday, it was announced yester-
day by John R. Wagner and
Dr. C. L. Underwood, director
of this year's meeting.

The program will be opened
Friday night at 8:15 by F.
Oliver Edwards, representa-
tive of the C. A. House Com-
pany, Wheeling, who will pre-
sent a recital on the Hammond
electric organ in the College
auditorium. Admission will be
15c single, or 25c a couple.

The Hammond organ, one of the
truly great inventions of musical
history, is a comparatively new at-
traction. It produces, with con-
summate beauty, rich organ music with-
out the use of pipes or reeds. By
electrical impulses it creates all the
familiar tone families and, in addi-
tion, many new tone colors
never heard before. It is rapidly
gaining favor with many of the sym-
phony orchestras in the country, and
is used at the present time by many
of them. Because of their reasonable
price many of them are being in-
stalled in homes throughout the
world.

Saturday's program will feature
four principal addresses, a high
school chemistry teachers' confer-
ence, and the exhibiting of some
450 individual displays.

Dr. H. C. Guinier, of the E. I.
DuPont de Nemours Company, will
speak at 10 a. m. on "The Growth
and Development of the Dyestuff In-
dustry of the United States." Troop-
leader Karl V. Shanbolyer, of the West
Virginia Department of Public Safe-
ty, will speak at 11:15 a. m. on
"Scientific Crime Detection." Dr. C.
C. Russell, of the Koppers Company,
Pittsburgh, will speak at 3:15 p. m.
on "Modern Coal Carbonization,"
and Mr. Floyd Bonar, physics teacher
in Washington Irving High School,
will speak at 3:50 p. m. on "Demon-
strations in Physics."
Indications are that the All-Science
Day this year will be bigger than
any previous event of its kind ever
held here. More than 1,000 visitors
are expected to attend. Mr. Wagner
says.

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cer attended the informal dance
given at the College gymnasium
Friday night.
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at Elizabeth the past week-end.

Campus Weather

Tomorrow, rain; Thursday, rain;
Friday, clearing; Saturday, mild;
Monday, mild; Tuesday, foggy.
Tomorrow the sun rises at 5:37
and sets at 6:28.

	1937	1938
Temperatures Max. Min.		
March 27	71 53	62 32
March 28	65 32	72 28
March 29	73 33	74 29
March 30	79 38	73 50
March 31	78 40	74 50
April 1	63 24	72 41
April 2	60 30	59 36
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WEST VIRGINIANISM

"Were you born in West Virginia, or was West Virginia born in you?" queried Dean H. L. White recently. This question may mean much or little to the "run of the mill" college student, depending on how he chooses to take it.

West Virginians are apt to assume an apologetic attitude upon disclosing to others the name of the state in which they live. This attitude is difficult to understand when we weigh the facts of what our state is and what we might attain if we set ourselves to the task. The point, to which our state might advance, is high on the scale, and it could be reached if her sons and daughters were to "boost" and make good the things to which they lay claim.

The difference between "Rosie O'Grady" and the "Governor's Lady" is that they were supposedly born on different sides of the track. But might not "Rosie" become civic minded enough to pull her side up and make "Her Highness" understand that the "track" was only a product of someone's imagination? This is a principle is true concerning West Virginia. We have long been content to allow the attitude to prevail among the people of other states that we live on the wrong side of the track (or mountains—if you will).

To achieve success in any business we must first guard against two fatal mistakes—overestimation and overestimation, for either of these may lead us down. The only need is to know our state and then put it on the map. If we use the many beautiful things West Virginia actually possesses there will be no reason why we cannot sell our state.—Hazel Smith.

Robert Wise Pleads for Classroom Guidance at High School Sectional

By Mary Allen Boggs

That the responsibility of the school to the individual pupil deserves more consideration than the routine of regular school work was the general attitude of the teachers who spoke at the high school sectional meeting of the Central West Virginia Round Table in Room 209, Friday afternoon.

"By having a better understanding between high school teachers and elementary teachers we can decrease student mortality," said Robert Wise, Calhoun County, in discussing "Proper Adjustment as a Means to Lower Student Mortality." "A large per cent of the student mortality can be lowered by having guidance in the schools, but this guidance must be in the classroom as well as in the homeroom."

Means of securing closer cooperation between elementary and high school were given by Walter J. Moore, principal of Burnsville High School. Such activities as the curriculum, a guidance program, the teacher personnel, adequate building, equipment and supplies, reorganization of teacher-training program, and the spirit of the community will tend to do this, he said.

"I doubt if there is twenty per cent of the tenth year class that read well enough to perform with skill and enjoyment the work expected in high school," said Christine White, Nicholas County. "One reason we have poor readers is that pupils lack a vocabulary. They have never learned to comprehend." In conclusion, she said, "Reading must mean intellectual development and social adaptability."

Professional ethics for the high school teacher were discussed by Laura Rector, Clay County, who said, "The teacher's code of ethics would take into consideration the following: A teacher should connect himself with the local, state and national organizations; he should encourage the best to enter the profession and discourage those who use it for a stepping stone; and he should maintain teaching skill and cooperate with administrators."

Dr. Harry C. McKown, formerly of the University of Pittsburgh, in a brief talk, told the high school teach-

ers, "you won't recognize English in five years if it is in a modern school. We are going to throw away that nasty word 'appreciation'—we are going to enjoy it."

"At present," said Dr. McKown, "our schools place emphasis on the subject. In the school of tomorrow emphasis will be placed upon pupil needs."

Dr. F. W. Stemple, professor of secondary education in West Virginia University, was introduced to the teachers; after which, Dr. John C. Shreve, head of the education department in the College, gave a resume of the program.

"I think final examinations are a waste of time, for I find that very few students have changed their semester grade by taking a final. The time spent on those exams could be better used for further study."

Purdue University's Prof. Siebert Fairman states a view held by exam-oriented students for many a year. "If I had enough money of my own, I'd buy a little college in the sticks where I could develop football teams without interference from faculty or alumni." Jumping Joe Savoldi, University of Notre Dame All-American, has a new formula for making gridiron greats.

"Unselective, mass education is in no sense a substitute for the more highly specialized instruction and training of the gifted individuals in each generation." Columbia University's Prof. W. C. Bagley, however, does want individuals trained to meet changing situations.

"Prunes Burst Barn" From Calhoun comes a headline reporting the flooding of a storehouse, "PRUNES BURST BARN." A timely hint to the faculty—beware the possible effects of a sudden deluge of "A" grades if released too abruptly on the student body.

The Massachusetts legislature has killed a bill which would tax college and university dormitories in that state.

On Good-Will Tour This Week



JOHN W. MOWREY, JR.



JOHN BARNETT

Speech Festival

West Liberty.

The question for debate was "Resolved: That the National Labor Relations Board should be empowered to enforce arbitration in all industrial disputes." As the close of the debate Friday night eighteen of the contestants voted informally on the merits of the question discussed. Four favored granting additional powers to the National Labor Relations Board, and fourteen opposed such a move.

Eight Plays Given

Eight colleges presented plays in the festival. The plays were presented in the Fairmont College auditorium with sessions at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon and 8 o'clock that night. Buell W. Whitehall, of the dramatics department, at the University of Pittsburgh, acted as critic judge.

Don C. Jones' drama, "The Inn of Return," was presented by West Virginia Wesleyan, and was directed by Mrs. C. Edmund Neill, Fairmont College's Masquers gave "Knives From Syria," a comic episode, by Lynn Riggs, directed by L. A. Wallman. "Andante," a serio-comedy, by Wesley Coult, was presented by Morris Harvey, under the direction of E. Virginia Williams. "The Singapore Spider," by Edward Finnegan, was given by West Liberty College, and was directed by Frank Hipps. Concord College presented "The Man in the Bowler Hat," by A. A. Milne, and was directed by Mrs. C. Shreve. West Virginia University's presentation was the "Terrible Meek" by Charles Ran Kennedy, with J. B. Lowther as director. A comedy, "If Men Played Cards as Women Do," by George S. Kaufman, was given by Marshall College under the direction of Mr. L. E. Tucker. Glenville's presentation was "A Hospitable Fancy," by Manta S. Graham, and was coached by Miss Kathleen Robertson.

The festival next year will be held at West Virginia University Morgantown.

BETTER CHEMISTRY DAY

On Friday and Saturday of this week the College will be host to more than a thousand high school students and teachers who will come here for the seventh annual All-Science Day. The success of the event will largely be reflected in the cooperation of the students of the College with those who will directly be in charge and in the students' efforts toward making the visit of those in attendance both pleasant and profitable.

From its humble beginning the event has proved worthy of its purpose. Beginning seven years ago under the sponsorship of the Chemistry Club, it has added new features and broadened its programs until it has become recognized as a major campus event. Its popularity and importance is attested by the fact that an increasing number of exhibits is contributed each year by industrial concerns. Both large

RAMBLINGS . . .

By John W. Mowrey, Jr.

A Conjugation . . .
I think, you think,
He think, all think,
I copy, you copy,
He copy, all flunk.

—Northwestern.

Fun of the Week . . .

A prize goes to the Idaho Argonaut, whence came this intellectual remark: "Is the situation over in Europe simply nazifying?"

This Wise Man . . .

That there is no such word as can't. Wonder if he ever tried to scratch a match on a cake of soap. Kalamazoo College.

Speaking of the Mercury . . .

A college paper is a great investment.
The college gets all the fame.
The printer gets all the money.
The staff gets all the blame.

Definism . . .

A woman is a person who can hurry through a store aisle 18 inches wide without brushing against the piled up tinware, and then drive home carefully and knock off one of the doors of a 12 foot garage.—Missouri Miner.

The LETTER BOX

Glenville, W. Va.
April 4, 1938.

Dear Sir:

Within the past there has been many a friendship broken up on the College campus due to the fact that we have in our College paper a very rude column called the Frantic Antics.

According to my idea of a College life in a College paper is not that but something besides a Mugwump column as this.

Therefore I ask that the name of this column and mine be never more mentioned in the contents of this column. I consider this one way to cause less trouble, and your help will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

A STUDENT

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Archie O. Morris of Shinnston are the parents of a baby boy, Archie O. Morris II, born March 28. Mr. Morris, A. B. '32, is a former college athlete. Mrs. Morris before her marriage was Miss Virginia Keener of Berghoo. She received the Standard Normal certificate here in 1934.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles P. Harper are the parents of a son, Charles Prices Jr., born at the St. Mary's hospital in Clarkburg the past Saturday. Dr. Harper is a professor of political science in the College. This is the second child and the first son.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Theron Rogers of Northfork are the parents of a daughter born at the St. Luke's hospital in Bluefield on March 28. This is the third child and the second daughter. The mother before her marriage was Miss Mary Whiting. Both the father and mother are alumni of the College.

and small, and that among its speakers are many prominent authorities and leaders in the industrial and scientific fields. This year the event promises an even greater variety of exhibits, entertainers and speakers.

The past success of All-Science Day must be attributed to the untiring efforts of Mr. John R. Wagner, instructor in physics and mathematics, and Chemistry Club adviser. Now that it has become an established feature of the College's annual entertainment program, we, as students, can do much to make it even more of a success this year. Can we not find a little time during the two days to offer our services? A friendly attitude toward all visitors, an extra effort on our part in extending courtesies to those who may be unacquainted with the College campus, and assistance in carrying out the program, will undoubtedly add to the success of this year's event.—Jarrett Jones.

In 1880 Dr. Atticus G. Haygood of Emory University preached a sermon on "The New South" which was so well received that George I. Senley contributed \$150,000 to the school.

Teachers Talk on Responsibility Of School to the Individual Pupil

By Page Carr

Mrs. Rhena Cookman, Webster County, Miss Pauline Richardson, Nicholas County, and Linn Holstein and James Bramlett of Gilmer County discussed the "Responsibility of the School to the Individual Pupil" at the rural teachers' sectional meeting here Friday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock in the College auditorium.

The Gilmer County Choral Ensemble presented the cantata "The Courtship of Miles Standish" under the direction of Miss Mary Louise Lewis, Gilmer County music instructor, as an opening feature of the meeting. Following this, the teachers went into an open forum, using the topic "The Responsibility of the School to the Individual Pupil."

Mrs. Rhena Cookman of Webster County spoke briefly on "How May Our Limited Library Facilities Better Serve the Pupils?" She said, "Books are the doors by which we enter the world treasure house of knowledge. We should create an atmosphere favorable to the growth of the reading habits of the pupils and stimulate an appreciation of reading. This can be done best by careful planning of a library corner. Instruction should be given in the care and the use of books."

Mrs. Cookman said that parents should be induced to read books and that the proper place to do this would be in the Parent-Teacher Association meetings. She concluded with the remark, "In serving the parents we are serving the pupils."

Another responsibility of the school to the pupil is the improvement of instruction was the general theme of instruction. This was the theme of Nicholas County, who said, "Nicholas County is a pioneer in the use

of the unit method of instruction in the one-room school. Some of the things we have found could be accomplished including the providing the greater interest for the child, the combining of more than one subject into a single unit of instruction, the saving of time through use of the unit method."

In discussing "The Professional Ethics for the Rural Teacher in His Educational Relationship," Lynn Holstein, a teacher in Gilmer County, said, "The educational relationship of the teacher very readily falls into four main divisions, namely:

First, The relationship between the teacher and his pupils—the ethics used are comparable to the ethics used in the medical or other professions.

Second, the relationship between the teacher and his patrons. The success of the teacher will depend upon this relationship.

Third, the relationship existing between the teacher and his fellow teachers. We should all remember we are working toward one end. The better education of more people, not a better reputation at the expense of our fellow teachers.

Fourth, the relationship between the teacher and the school executives.

James M. Bramlett, principal of Normantown High School, concluded the session with the two pertinent observations that "in library work we are working at the wrong end of the string—we should first secure a good set of tools to work with; and second that more teachers fail because of their inability to adapt themselves to the communities in which they work than because of any other reason.

Merry Maidens' Movie Moments

ON SCREEN SHOWINGS, CURRENT AND COMING

By L. Mason and E. Harrison

Shall we see "dinner at the Ritz," with Annabella, Paul Lukas, and David Niven tonight and tomorrow night? And then "Rosalie" with Eleanor Powell and Nelson Eddy, Thursday, Friday and Saturday; and finish the week with "Man Proof" with Myrna Loy, Franchot Tone, Rosalind Russell and Walter Pidgeon. . . . Annabella, the French star of two continents gets her name from one of Poe's poems, "Annabel Lee" . . . Franchot Tone was so much interested in his role as a cartoonist in "Man-Proof" that he is now studying art with a private teacher. . . . Myrna Loy learned to act by imitating actresses before a mirror.

CAN YOU TAKE IT? Jane Withers has a woman come once a month to dress the hair of the 605 dolls she owns. . . . Latest rage in Hollywood is predigestion—"magic" to you. . . . Anita Louise has it in her contract that she doesn't ever

smoke before the camera. . . . There's a dictionary on a handy stand in Charlie Chaplin's bathroom.

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Connie Bennett, high and mighty,
Likes to sleep in a flannel nightie.

And Johnnie Weismuller sleeps his face
On a cute lil' pillow trimmed with lace!

His beard's what makes Warren Williams rave;
Twice each day, he's got to shave!

Eddie Robinson, portrayor of yeggs,
Builds his strength by eating eggs.

Shirley Ross wears different colored glasses
In varied hues to match her dresses!

The Misses Tattler saw at the theater: Anne and Jack, Bog and Jean, Francis and Johnnie, Laura Mae and Fisher alone !!!

CAMPUS TRESPASSERS

A straight line is the shortest distance between two points, especially on the College campus. Many students are already aware of this fact and make a practical application of it when going to and from classes. Some students have become "rogues," stepping over the fence barriers and cutting diagonally across the campus. This saves steps and time, but leaves a beaten

trail behind that does not at all beautify the campus. The "highways" of the campus have been established and students should be careful not to be pioneers in new trail making. A casual stepping off on the grass might be justified, but a continued habit of cutting across the campus only to be followed by another is sure to leave an ugly trail. All College students are mature enough to know that this is not a good practice.—Russell Belknap.



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Clay County Band Given Superior Rating In Contest Here Saturday

By James Woolfer
The Clay County band with only two rehearsals per week and an average musical age of 2.34 years, won over a field of nine competitors in the Central West Virginia Band Contest held in the College Auditorium the past Saturday afternoon. This group, directed by Paul F. Saylor, and composed of thirty members, was given a superior rating along with Calhoun County High School, last year's contest winner.

Richwood, Summersville and the Glimmer County Band were given excellent ratings. Other bands participating in the contest were Gassaway, Sutton and Widen (orchestra) who received a good rating and Cowen and Burnsville with a fair rating.

The Central West Virginia Band, organized by Frank Beall, Jr., and S. Burl Ross, directors of the Glimmer and Calhoun County Bands, respectively, was a main feature in the contest. This band, composed of 87 musicians and representing each competing group, was directed by Mr.

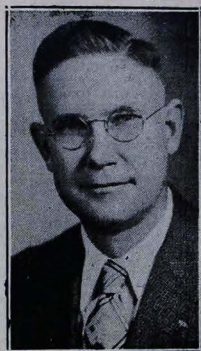
Herold B. Leighty, of St. Marys, secretary of the West Virginia Bandmasters' Association, and played the following selections: "The Gypsy Festival," an overture by Al Hayes, describing the sights one might expect to see at a gypsy festival; "Triumphal March," by Verdi, emphasizing the triumphal return of the soldiers; "The Thunderer," by John Phillip Sousa, and the national anthem, "The Star Spangled Banner."

"If the bands of central West Virginia improve at the rate they have since 1927 they will soon equal the bands of the western states," declared Mr. Leighty, in a short address concerning West Virginia bands. "The people have always looked to the western states for the best bands," he said.

Each band taking part in the contest was invited to attend the State Band Festival which will be held in Huntington this year.

Frank Beall, Jr., was general director of the meet.

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Round Table President Declares Rural America Calls for Leaders

By John W. Mowrey, Jr.
"Rural America is calling for leaders who can teach people how to live," declared Virgil B. Harris, retiring president of the Central West Virginia Round Table, in an address to the general assembly Friday night in the College auditorium at 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. Harris used "The Responsibility For Rural Leadership" as the subject of his talk and pointed out the many needs of the rural community for competent teachers. "Those people in the rural sections need to learn how to live in their leisure time, and how to get the most out of life where they are," he said, and added, "The rural school is no place for teachers who have no tolerances, who have no will power, who have no patience."

In closing his remarks Mr. Harris declared, "I have no fear for the schools in the future, for I have faith in the people who support them, and I have faith in the teachers who direct them."

Following Mr. Harris' address, Dr. W. W. Trent, state superintendent of schools, spoke briefly to the assembly, citing some of the many advancements that have been made in education in West Virginia in the past forty years.

"Forty years ago," he declared, "we set the child to the subject matter. Today we set the subject matter to the child." He said also, "The best educated man in the old school was the one who knew the most facts. That is not true today. Facts are not stressed as much today as they were formerly."

Dr. Trent pointed out the advancement of many aids for teachers, such as teacher's guides, courses of study, and magazines and then added, "I did not know of one single magazine or a course of study in my first year of teaching."

"West Virginia," he said "has made great strides in securing equal opportunities for all school children. Education will go forward in this state. If we work together in this that and nothing will stop it."

A third speaker on the evening's program was Dr. Harry C. McKown, of Illinois, who combined unusual humor and well grounded philosophy to present his speech.

Dr. McKown quickly made known his disgust for the "old maid" and "Ichabod Crane" types of advertisement given the teaching profession in various newspaper stories.

From a newspaper clipping taken from a Kansas daily, Dr. McKown read, "Teachers must not wear dresses more than eight inches above the ground. They must wear dresses buttoned to the wrist and buttoned to the neck. They must not wear dresses made of transparent ma-

terial.—'Disgusting,'" he declared. Dr. McKown said, "I like to think that each boy or girl who comes into a classroom comes minus four wheels which are necessary to complete his chassis: (1) Mental wheel; (2) Physical wheel; (3) Social wheel and (4) Spiritual wheel." "It is the duty of a teacher," he declared, "to attach these parts to each child. We must do this with practical facts and not with high minded theory."

Special music for the evening was furnished by Robert Lewis, band instructor in Webster County, who played a cornet solo and by the faculty quartette of Richwood High School.

Seniors Win Over the Freshmen

The Seniors defeated the Freshmen, 37-32, in the first game of the class tournament, and yesterday the Juniors pulled the biggest surprise of the afternoon by edging out the Sophomores 41-39 in an overtime period.

The Juniors and Seniors will play the final game tomorrow afternoon, beginning at 3:00 o'clock, and the Freshmen probably will play the Sophomores to decide third place.

PAST PRESIDENTS OF ROUND TABLE

Date	Name	Place
1930-31	W. W. Lovell	Sutton
1931-32	W. W. Lovell	Sutton
1932-33	D. E. Dean	Gassaway
1933-34	Shirley Morton	Richwood
1934-35	H. L. White	Web. Spg.
1935-36	C. H. Conway	Grantv.
1936-37	Truelow Waldo	Gassaway
1937-38	V. B. Harris	Glenville
1938-39	P. C. Black	Web. Spg.

Miss Inez West of Spencer and a former student has been appointed to fill a vacancy at Spencer High School caused by the resignation of Mrs. John Paul Curry.

Toy Orchestras and Speeches Are Features on Grade School Meeting

By Elizabeth Lewis
Teachers from thirty-six schools attended the session for the grade school teachers at the Round Table meeting here the past Friday, in the public school auditorium. The session was called to order and presided over by Michael Posey, principal of the Burnsville graded school. Special music by the toy orchestra and speeches featured the program.

The toy orchestra, composed of children from the first and second grades of the Glenville public school, opened the program by playing two numbers: "Hansel and Gretel," by Humperdink, and "LaCazarine," by Louis Ganns. The orchestra was directed by Mrs. Robert Blair, teacher of the first grade.

Miss Iva Brannon, of Calhoun County, the first speaker at the session, spoke on "How may sufficient reading materials be provided for pupils." Miss Brannon suggested many ways in which the schools could raise money to secure reading material for students. Some of these were by socials, mock trials, minstrels and selling magazine subscriptions. She said she had found these ways to be successful.

Saving Old Text Books
She also suggested that by the teachers saving their old text books they could have more supplementary material. She believes circulating libraries and exchanging books with other schools are helpful. She declared, "Communities that have circulating libraries are very fortunate."

"Means of Securing Closer Cooperation Between Grades and High School," was discussed by Charles D. Newhart, of Widen, who substituted for Miss Vada McCutcheon, of Clay County.

He suggested that in order to bring about a closer relationship between the grade and high schools a joint meeting of the teachers of the two departments should be held.

A cause suggested by Mr. Newhart for the non-cooperation of the two departments was that teachers are so underpaid that they cannot get the specialized teachers in the grade school. He declared, "The education setup today is ridiculous. We need, today, teachers who are specialized—teachers who can teach the children the basic subjects. They are growing up without a basis. They cannot read, write, and do not know that the period means the same thing as a stop light. Seniors are graduating pronouncing words they cannot spell." He believes if children are sent into higher grades with a foundation there will be more harmony between the high school and graded school.

Arthur J. Moore, teacher in Normantown grade school, spoke on the subject "To What Extent Can the Subject Matter of the Different Courses be Correlated." He said, "It is by the unit method that best

correlation can be had." He discussed correlation of language with other subjects and read a theme written by some of his pupils, illustrating how language may be correlated with science. He said, "Science, reading, arithmetic, and all other subjects offer more opportunity for training in language and give practice in the use of language to the extent that it makes provisions for the organization of ideas and expression."

He also discussed the correlation of geography and history, writing and spelling. He stated, "Spelling can be correlated with all other subjects in school, for one needs to spell when he writes."

Dr. Underwood Is Critic
Dr. C. L. Underwood, instructor in chemistry, reiterated many of the things the speakers had said in his resume of the program and summarized topic, "Professional Ethics for Grade School Teacher in His Educational Relationship," which was to have been discussed by Helen Wolerton, of Nicholas County.

Michael Posey, chairman, gave the following statistics in connection with an inquiry as to the number of graded schools, teachers and pupils in the Central West Virginia counties:

County	No. Schs	Pupils	Teachers
Webster	7	1362	56
Nicholas	10	1415	53
Glimmer	8	816	37
Clay	4	686	81
Calhoun	1	346	12
Braxton	6	1447	46
	36	6074	225

This, he said, gives an average of 28 pupils per teacher.

Miss Wright Speaks to Y. W. C. A.
Miss Lela Susan Wright, senior in the College, was the guest speaker at a meeting of the College chapter of the Young Woman's Christian Association in the College auditorium, Thursday evening. Her subject was "The History of the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, of Philadelphia."

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Dean H. L. White Speaks At General Session On 'Educational Responsibility'

By Lois Mason
Using as his subject, "Educational Responsibility," the main theme for discussion at the Round Table, Dean H. L. White addressed teachers in the College auditorium the past Friday afternoon.

"The essential elements in educational responsibility are (1) territory, (2) government, and (3) people—and the greatest of these is people," Mr. White declared.

For proof of his statement that democracy and education are interdependent, he quoted Horace Mann as saying, "No man is worthy of the honored name of statesman who does not include the highest practical education of the people in all his plans to administration."

"Even greater than the conflict of armies and armaments is to be the conflict of ideas, ideals and sentiments," he continued, "It is here that government responsibility becomes most imperative."

Until federal support is given for schools in the United States, the responsibility will have to remain with the states. There are various agencies within these states whose duty it is to carry out this responsibility. Mr. White listed these agencies: (1) the people, (2) the Legislature, (3) superintendents, teachers and principals.

Having thus given his proof of the responsibility for the school, Mr. White went ahead to show where the responsibility of the school rested.

"The responsibility necessarily rests immediately upon those in charge of the work. The state's general orders are to annihilate ignorance and it is up to the superin-

tendents, teachers and principals to try to do this through improved methods and the curriculum." Concerning the curricula Mr. White discussed two questions of vital importance: "Shall the present curricula of the high schools be supplanted by curricula of activity?" and "Have values claimed for the sciences in the curriculum been realized?"

In his discussion of the latter question he said, "It is correct to say that on the material side all claims for the sciences have been realized—and more. As to the ethical values we find a wide divergence of opinion. . . . Whether the scientists and the others can and do work out a system of morals and ethics commensurate with the new conditions and problems will determine whether science will ultimately prove a means of destruction or salvation."

As a third division of responsibility Mr. White named industrial and vocational education.

"Vocational information may be given by the school but vocational training must be given within the factory, plant or shop. . . . Until such time as schools are prepared to give vocational training effectively, attempts to do so are merely to invite adverse criticism. "Why," he concluded, "could the government not require that all employees of technical or skilled labor be required to maintain training schools for prospective employees? Not only would the vocational training be better done but the public schools would be free to devote full time and energy to the various phases and problems of training citizens."

RESOLUTIONS

by Central West Virginia Round Table

The report of the Resolutions Committee of the Central West Virginia Round Table:

1. Be it resolved that in future meetings of the Round Table the voting for officers and place of meeting be done on the first day of the session instead of the second as heretofore.

2. Be it resolved that the Central West Virginia Round Table endorse and support the plan for financing our public schools, as worked out and submitted for our consideration by Dr. R. D. Baldwin, of West Virginia University.

3. Be it resolved that this body recommend that we, the members of the teaching profession of West Virginia have a special representative, paid from S. E. A. dues, to represent us at Charleston in matters relative to legislation, designed for the best interest of our profession. This representative to keep strict record of activities, expenses and accomplishments and report same to paid up members at a time provided for in our annual meeting of S. E. A.

4. Be it resolved that this is the wishes of the Central West Virginia Round Table that the State Department of Education, the curriculum, Revision Committee, Dr. F. W. Stemple, chairman, in planning the course of study, be accorded the thanks and appreciation of the teachers of Central West Virginia for their untiring efforts in producing the program of study for the schools of West Virginia.

5. Recommend increased salary for these teachers holding higher degrees of certification.

6. Recommend that the Legislature would provide adequately for

Tenure and Retirement.
7. Resolved, that we express our hearty appreciation:

(a) To the good people of Glenville and the Glenville Teachers College for their gracious hospitality and efficient entertainment.

(b) To the very capable officers of this organization for their preparation of such a worthwhile program.

(c) To the various speakers and musicians whose efficient performances provided not only enjoyment and inspiration but vital assistance for the solving of our problems.

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Dr. F. W. Stemple Discusses Proposed Changes In State Course of Study

By Ernestine Harrison

Dr. F. W. Stemple of West Virginia University, H. Y. Clark, instructor in education in the College, and D. E. Dean, principal of Richmond High School, discussed the problems of the change in the curriculum for high schools at a meeting in Room 209 at 9 o'clock Saturday morning.

Dr. Stemple, chairman, pointed out the work that is being done by the committees who are studying the course of study and defined the curriculum as "that which is in the mind of the teacher." He said that heretofore the course of study had placed more importance on the contact and less on suggestion or method as the new one should do, vice versa. "The reasons," he stated, "why teachers should participate in this study are: They may come to a general understanding of what schools ought to do; instruct the teachers in the objectives of education; study what the effects of social changes are; come to an understanding about the question of vocational teaching in the high school, and show that the courses that students are advised to take should be based on their needs at the time they are in school."

Dr. Stemple said that the things that come out of curriculum study are: Teachers should know what schools are attempting to do; teachers ought to be able to evaluate subject matter and know what to emphasize and discard; the study should improve instruction; it helps teachers to study their own problems and maps out individually what will be done in the class room.

In his topic for discussion, "The Broad View of the World," H. Y. Clark said, "The aims of education are to develop individual and social efficiency, develop wholesome attitudes, acquire fruitful knowledge and teach pupils how to act as intellectual members of the home, state and nation." Mr. Clark especially emphasized the acquiring of fruitful knowledge which will result in action, result in influencing our behavior and in making us useful.

"Care of Individual Needs" was the topic discussed by D. E. Dean, and he showed how extra curricular activities helped meet these needs. "Such activities as bands, music, appreciation classes, art and physical education were for a long time extra curricular activities," he said, "but today they are incorporated in the regular curriculum and they have greatly enriched it." Mr. Dean asked the question: How are we to meet these individual needs? What courses should certain students take? How can we put the child where he fits? Should students be given aptitude tests or trial in the classes? He pointed out examples in his own experience where students were often misplaced although their interest seemed to be in that particular work. In the general discussion about the only solution to the problem of individual needs was the interest of the student himself.

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So, I think I'll hie me into town
And buy myself a hat.

—A. C.

Adults in "Little Red School"

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COLLEGE ENTERTAINS WITH TEA, FRIDAY

By Geneva Spiker

A tea honoring the members of the Central West Virginia Round Table was held in the College reception room, where more than 150 guests were received between the hours of 4 and 5 o'clock.

The guests, welcomed by Pres. E. G. Rohrbough, were served tea by the hostess, Miss Willa Brand. As they sipped tea they enjoyed the ensemble, violin, cello, and piano played by Miss Eleanor C. White, Mrs. A. F. Rohrbough and Miss Bertha E. Olsen, respectively.

A color scheme of yellow and white was used throughout the room. Refreshments further carried out the scheme.

Student helpers were: Pauline Walker, Geraldine Cunningham, Goldie Reynolds, Irene Brown, Leila Susan Wright, Lucille Spray, Mary Leone West, Mary Allen Boggs, Grace Summers, Marnel Brown, Josephine Riffe, Mary Elizabeth Young, and Geneva Spiker.

The committee in charge of general arrangements included Miss Ivy Lee Myers, Miss Bessie Boyd Bell and Raymond E. Freed.

The University of Minnesota maintains a Newsreel Theater to bring to students latest world news caught by movie cameramen.

In a student poll, University of Pittsburgh undergraduates endorse Anthony Eden's foreign policy for England.

Flash bulbs were the prizes awarded winners in a Purdue University photo contest.

VOTED MEMBERSHIP IN ALPHA PSI OMEGA



Miss Kathleen Robertson, instructor in speech in the College was elected to membership in Alpha Phi Omega, national honorary dramatic fraternity, at a meeting in Firmon the past week-end.

Steed Rollins, Vanderbilt University's southern conference fencing champion never studied the sport before he came to college.

San Diego State College dramatists were among the first collegians to give a performance of "Julius Caesar" in modern dress.

Newspaper Columnist Dorothy Dix awards \$100 annually to the Tulane University student writing the best human interest story.

30 Counties Have Music Supervisors Miss Gem Huffman Tells Teachers

By Marnel Brown

At the elementary teachers sectional meeting Saturday morning, in the College auditorium, H. K. Baer, chairman, introduced Miss Gem Huffman, who discussed "The New Educational Program of Music," and Homer C. Toothman, who spoke on "The New Education Program for Elementary Science."

"Music must be taught in all schools in West Virginia," said Miss Huffman, supervisor of elementary music, Wood county. "Don't be frightened teachers, even though they say you must teach music," she said, referring to the state course of study, and then introduced Mr. Watkins, a representative of Silver Burdette Company, who demonstrated the use of the victrola in teaching.

"West Virginia has made rapid strides in music considering that when the county unit system came into effect we had one county with supervisors in music and today thirty counties have supervisors," concluded Miss Huffman.

Homer C. Toothman, Ginn and Company representative, gave four types of activities which play a part in the teaching of science in elementary schools in the future: (1) Free discussion is necessary. (2) Every classroom a laboratory. (3) Children taken on field trips. (4) The study of science cannot be complete without resort to authentic literature.

"It is important that the people of our democracy have enough

training in the scientific attitude and method to realize the importance of securing information on all crucial matters from authorities rather than to be swayed by emotion, superstition, sentimentality, unfounded opinion and gossip," he said, and gave this as a challenge to the elementary school.

Music was furnished by the Calhoun County Band, directed by S. Burl Boss, and the Widen All-State Chorus Group sang "Gloria Patri," "Climbing up the Mountain," "He Never Said a Mumbling Word," and "Hear Me Pray." Miss Evelyn Brown, instructor in the Widen school, accompanied at the piano.

Holidays This Month

Holidays this month: Sunday, April 10, Palm Sunday; Friday, April 15, Good Friday; Sunday, April 17, Easter Sunday; Tuesday, April 19, Patriots Day, Maine, Massachusetts; Sunday, April 24, Low Sunday.



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