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"THE CHIEF HOPE for the future lies in the cultivation of human qualities of sound dispassionate thinking, calm judicial judgment, a sense of justice, a devotion to wide loyalties, and the will to create a better social order. It is in the university, if anywhere, that the qualities may be found, the best opportunity for development."—Dr. George E. Vincent, former president of the Rockefeller Foundation.

THE VIKING NEWS of Normantown High School reports that patrons and friends have donated \$113.35 toward the purchase of new uniforms for the school's basketball team. Total cost of the suits will be \$125.

"EDUCATION," says Daniel I. Marsh, president of Boston University, "is the leading out of the individual into an efficient and fully integrated personality, at home comfortably with himself and with his fellows, and in the world in which he lives, equipped to make a living and to live a life while he makes his living and in rapport with the ultimate spiritual realities that he back of the visible phenomena of the university."

BEA WAIN, CBS Hit Parade songstress, has organized a "Re-move—Your Hat—in-the-Movies" Club, whose members are pledged to do just that. In view of present trends, it might be easier to get the women to equip all new headgear with transparent windshield, complete with wiper.

TIME MARCHES ON. A few years ago one was considered educated and ready to accept life's responsibilities if he had earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in some reputable college. Now comes this statement from Mrs. Adria C. Beaver, director of studies of the Washington School for Secretaries: "Further educational training as a supplement to a Bachelor's degree is essential if the college graduate is to receive full recognition in the business field. Employers today want a broad general background of education such as is conveyed by the A.B. degree; but they likewise want and insist that this background be integrated to the particular position to be filled."

HERE'S POSITIVE proof that education is still needed: the out of every fifteen women in the United States bears some kind of tattoo mark. One out of every five men is tattooed. And hundreds of specialists make their living removing the tattooing; often obliterating an earlier one and placing on a new model.

FUNNY FELLOWS these sound-effects men must be. One listens to his radio and the sounds paint the picture, like the plop-plop of a swinging door, or the tramp, tramp of footsteps, far away, then nearer and nearer. In no time at all one has the picture right before him. Guess it must be that one always associates sounds with his correlatives in daily life. Taking advantage of the psychological fact, radio's sound-men build a visual world of space, solidity and color through the auricular sense alone.

OUT AT The University of Texas students have established a "Wishing well" into which they drop pennies, which someday will be used to purchase something nice for the rare book room.

HERE is someone's recipe for checking up on your posture: Drop an imaginary line from your ear to the ground. If it falls through your shoulder, hip and knee, when standing, and through your shoulder and hip, when sitting, you're on the right track. Next make sure that head and chest "push" up, that your abdomen pull in.

TEAMS TIED FOR FIRST PLACE IN GIRLS' LEAGUE

Butcher's and Crummett's teams are tied for first place in the girls' intramural league, in which only games have been played to date.

FEDERAL INCOME TAX COLLECTOR VISITS COLLEGE

State Employees Subject to
New Legislation; Rate
Begins at 4%

This year for the first time the Federal Government is requiring a return of income of state employees, an act of Congress in 1939 having made this mandatory.

A. W. Brown, from the Parkersburg office of Internal Revenue, was in Room 103 Wednesday to assist college instructors with their return sheets.

He had only one day to spend here, he said. Because this is the first time state employees have paid a federal income tax, he explained, it required more explanation and interpretation than is usually necessary.

Every college in the state will be visited by a representative of the Office.

According to the 1939 statute, these persons are required to make returns: Single persons having a net income of \$1000 or more, or a gross income of \$5000 or more a year; married couples having a net income of \$2500 or more, or a gross income of \$5000 or more; and married couples not living together the entire year, having a net income which exceeds their exemptions, or a gross income of \$5000 or more. This includes citizens at home and abroad, and alien residents.

Penalties for failures are severe. The return must be paid to the Collector of Internal Revenue, Baltimore, on or before March 15. There are several exemptions and deductions. Income includes salaries, wages, fees, and other compensation for services, less ordinary and personal expenses, dividends from corporations, interest on bank deposits and corporation bonds, and income received from contracts.

Income is taxed at the flat rate of 4%. Additional taxes, called surtaxes, which make the personal income tax progressive, begin at 4% on net taxable income of \$4000 to \$6000 and reach a maximum of 75% upon portions of net taxable incomes which exceed five million dollars a year.

DEFINES FACULTY MEMBER'S POSITION

Report Says Public May Judge
Profession and School by
Teachers' Utterances

PHILADELPHIA — (ACP)—The position of the college faculty member in his institution and his community at last has been defined and made definite.

At the annual meeting here of the Association of American Colleges, delegates voted in favor of a special report which said:

"The college or university teacher is a citizen, a member of a learned profession, and an officer of an educational institution. When he speaks or writes as a citizen, he should be free from institutional censorship or discipline, but his special position in the community imposes special obligations.

"As a man of learning and an educational officer, he should remember that the public may judge his profession and his institution by his utterances. Hence he should at all times be accurate, should exercise appropriate restraint, should show respect for the opinion of others, and should make every effort to indicate that he is not an institutional spokesman."

In the section of the report devoted to academic freedom, the special committee said: "The teacher is entitled to freedom in the classroom in discussing his subject, but he should be careful not to introduce into his teaching controversial matter which has no relation to the subject. Limitations of academic freedom because of religious or other aims of the institution should be clearly stated in writing at the time of the appointment" of a faculty member.

MERCURY RECEIVES COPY OF 1939 "BLUE BOOK"

A copy of the 904-page "West Virginia Blue Book, 1939," compiled and edited by Charles Lively, clerk of the State Senate, was received by the Mercury the past week.

Who Wouldn't Watch These Pioneerettes?



Pictured above are five Pioneerettes who attract almost as much attention as the Pioneers when they go into action Thursday evenings in the girls' intramural league. They are, left to right: Threda Crummett, Elizabeth Fryatt, Brenice Sullivan, Eloise Peninegar and Teresa Butcher.

TO DISCONTINUE 3-WEEKS SESSION

Ruling by State Board of Education Will Be Effective
Beginning August 1

All colleges in the state under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education will discontinue the three weeks' post-summer schools, effective August 1, Secretary David Kirby announced in Charleston the past Saturday.

The term, known as the Intercession, has been given for many years in the College. Virtually all the other state teachers' colleges have held these sessions each year.

Mr. Kirby explained that college faculty members needed a vacation before the opening of the fall term, and that the intercession courses made it necessary for them to work until first semester classes opened early in September.

Students in the extra sessions are usually public school teachers, it was pointed out.

TEACHERS ATTEND CHARLESTON MEET

Dean White and Dr. Shreve
Represent College at
Special Conference

Dean H. L. White and Dr. John C. Shreve of the College education department were in Charleston Friday and Saturday representing the College in a meeting of state educators called to discuss teacher retirement.

The meeting, called by State Superintendent W. W. Trent, was attended by twenty-two representatives sent by state colleges and the University.

Considered at the conference was the matter of providing a retirement system for college faculty and staff members. A retirement bill for elementary and high school teachers was passed at the last session of the Legislature.

The conference adopted a resolution favoring a single retirement system, which would embrace all levels of teaching in the state.

This College Freshman Would Suggest Poultry For Leisure Time



These, above, are the Wyandotte chickens that have been making life interesting for Robert Johnson, College freshman

By Albert Woolfer

College students, when thinking of chickens, generally have in mind a Sunday dinner. But not so with Robert Johnson, son of Mrs. Cesa Lynch Johnson of College Street, and a freshman in the College. He has been in the poultry business for nearly two years, and he likes it.

Robert's experiment in chicken raising began two years ago with fifty Rhode Island Reds. They did all right, he said, but he sold them last year.

Then last spring Robert went into the poultry business, in earnest. He paid \$32.20 for fifty Wyandotte chicks. They began laying in November, and his records show that they have "turned out" 204 dozen eggs to date, bringing in a total of fifty-one dollars for the past three and one-half months. This is an average of \$3.63 a week.

He estimates that his hens lay about twenty-seven eggs a day. "That's pretty good for this cold weather," he said. "If hens average fifty per cent they are doing pretty good."

Robert expects to realize some profit this year, but the war has caused a sharp increase in the price of feed. Said he, "Eggs went down in price and feed went up. That shows how the war over there can influence me."

Although Robert raises chickens chiefly for mercenary reasons, his mother has a more potent reason: "Boys who live in town," she said, "need something to do to keep them out of meanness."

COLLEGE WILL BE HOST TO SIXTH DISTRICT INTERSCHOLASTIC PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST, TUESDAY, MAR. 26

TO STUDY RADIO,
MOTION PICTURES

State Committee Named to Arrange for Visual Teaching Program

The Associated Press in a Sunday news release announced State Superintendent W. W. Trent had named a committee of ten educators to devise a program for radio, motion picture and visual teaching in West Virginia schools. First step toward getting the program started will be taken March 1 and 2, when the committee will meet in Charleston.

It will be the task of the committee, says the A.P., to collect material, study progress made in this and other states, both within and without the schools, and if the findings warrant, to present for approval and possible publication a program of guidance or course of study covering this type of instruction.

Harold Noroski's Mother Dies At Munhall, Penna.

Mrs. (C. R.) Noroski, mother of Harold Noroski, senior in the College and president of the student body, died at her home in Munhall, Pa. Saturday morning.

Funeral services for Mrs. Noroski, who had been in poor health for some time, were held this morning.

Harold, a member of the Pioneer basketball squad, was in Wheeling with the team when he received word of his mother's critical condition Friday night. He left for home immediately and arrived in Munhall ten minutes after his mother had died. He will return to Glenville tomorrow.

Noroski Conducts 'Know Your Council' Program in Chapel

The asking and answering of sixteen questions, concerning the duties and services of the Student Council by various members of the Council, was the procedure of the student government meeting Wednesday.

Members of the Council taking part in the "know your Council better" program were: Harold Noroski, president; Carl Keister, vice-president; Teresa Butcher, secretary; Ruth Annabel Hull, treasurer; Louis Romano, sergeant-at-arms; Clifford Lamp, Harold Scott, James Heater and William Hughes, presidents of the senior, junior, sophomore and freshman classes, respectively.

Tomorrow, the seventeen student groups will meet with their various advisers for the second class in curriculum guidance.

On Per Capita Basis Glenville Is Largest Of Air Mail Centers

The United States Congressional Record of January 25, 1940, devotes approximately one-fourth of a column to the daily air mail route which serves Glenville.

The daily dispatch, says the Record, is about three pounds, though Glenville's population is only 800. On the per capita basis, this exceeds that of the world's largest air mail center. Only twice has the plane failed to pick up the mail since the service was routed through Glenville.

ART CLUB MEETS THIS AFTERNOON

The initiation of three new members, Mariada Myers, John Wayne Curry, Jr., and Warren Cunningham, will take place at the meeting of the Art Club this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the art laboratory. The initiation was scheduled for the past week, but because of the free picture show at the Lyric, the club did not meet.

THIS WEEK'S ADMONITION:

Give to a gracious message a host of tongues, but let ill tidings tell themselves.—Shakespeare.

Mary Fahey and Elizabeth Adkins were confined to their rooms in Kanawha Hall last week because of influenza attacks.

Schools In 9 Counties Expected To Send Contestants to This Year's Festival

Glenville State Teachers College for the seventh consecutive year will be host to the Sixth District Interscholastic Public Speaking Contest, it was announced yesterday by Miss Pearl Pickens, of Glenville, chairman.

Date for the contest is Tuesday, March 26, three days prior to the opening of the annual meeting of the Central West Virginia Round Table, to which also the College will be host. Most of the other districts will hold their contests on March 30.

Nine counties, comprising the largest of the twelve districts in the State, will send student contestants to this year's festival, which will include poetry interpretation, debate, oration and extemporaneous speaking. Last year seventeen schools from nine counties sent fifty-seven contestants, and twenty-four coaches and principals.

Change In Poetry Reading Principal change in the contest this year will be poetry interpretation. Contestants will, says Miss Pickens, select poems of their own choice and read them instead of reciting from memory those prescribed by a state committee.

The event will open about 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, following registration and all contests will be held in the College auditorium. Judges, says Miss Pickens, probably will come from out-of-town, because College instructors here will be busy with their class work and other academic duties.

Last year Jane Lew, Weston and Glenville High Schools won top honors in the contest. Jane Lew got two first places; Weston and Glenville one each. Winner in the debate was Robert Hauman, a freshman in the College this year and a brother of Barbara Hauman, a senior. Then a senior in Glenville High School, Hauman won over thirteen other debate contestants and then participated in the State contest at Morgantown on April 8.

State Meeting April 13 First place winners in the four events automatically are eligible for the State meeting, which this year will be held at Morgantown on April 13, under the direction of Prof. James B. Lowther, head of the department of public speaking at the University.

Other first-place winners here last year were Bud Hyle, oration, Betty Cronin, extemporaneous speaking, Jane Lew; and Virginia Lee Wilson, poetry interpretation, Weston.

Subject for debate this year is: "Resolved: That the government should own and operate the railroads." The subject last year was: "Resolved: That the United States should establish an alliance with Great Britain." Poems read last year were "Silver" by Walter De La Mare, "Birches" by Robert Frost, and "Psalm 100." Topics from current magazines were used in the extemporaneous speeches.

Glenville Will Enter Four of Glenner County's five high schools, says Miss Pickens, are expected to send contestants; namely, Glenville, Sand Fork, Normantown Troy, Helen McGee, A.B. '33, who coached the Glenville team, has announced she will send nine contestants. Nina Moore and Catherine Withers will enter orations; Richard Whiting and Mary Alice Wagner, debate; Mamie J. J. Brannon and Eunice Wilfong, poetry; Ernest Lee Arbuckle and Patty Jack, extemporaneous speaking.

Comprising the Sixth District are Gilmer, Calhoun, Lewis, Braxton, Ritchie, Jackson, Roane, Wirt and Wood counties.

Schools representing these counties the past year were Pennsboro, Jane Lew, Weston, Spencer, Sand Fork, Elizabeth, Burnsville, Sutton, Walton, Gassaway, Ravenswood, Parkersburg, Normantown, Glenville, Troy, Harrisville and Grantsville.

Fighting is like champagne. It goes to the head, and sets off fireworks as quickly as of heroes. Any fool can be brave on a battlefield when it's brave or else be killed.—Margaret Mitchell in "Gone With the Wind."

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Radio Offers You the Best of Classical Music

WE WILL now hear Beethoven's Sixth Symphony played by . . . "Turn that thing off!"

And most of us turn the dial to where a girl with a baby voice is lisping "Oh, Johnny," or a band is swinging "Darktown Strutter's Ball."

Why? Because we don't like classical music. We cannot see why they call "that stuff" music at all. The beauty, the majesty of the work, of the old masters is lost on us because we have not learned to appreciate its depth, its color, its versatility. We have heard "that heard not." And it is all well worth hearing.

This music of the masters will do more for us than endless repetitions of "Careless," "Scatterbrain," or "Faithful Forever." Popular music has its place, amusement, but to compare it with the compositions of Mozart or Schubert is something like comparing "Roses of the Sea" with "Romeo and Juliet." Everyone enjoys the "funnies," but surely nobody would want his reading restricted to that alone. Then why limit our music experience to such a smattering?

There is hardly an hour of the day or night that somewhere an orchestra is not reviving the choicest of the music of the ages for you—if you will listen.—Colleen Norman.

Do College Students Have These Dual Personalities?

CAN IT BE that the students in the College have dual personalities? In class, when they are unprepared their excuse is, "We just didn't have time to get it." Out of class one hears everywhere on the campus, "Gee, isn't there something to do. Why doesn't the social committee provide some excitement?"

Such a contradictory statement needs to be explained. Since the students in the first group are possibly kidding the professors and getting too much sleep, let's leave them and consider the problem of the ones who cannot find sufficient entertainment.

This is a teachers' college; therefore one's primary purpose in being here is to get an education. But, should the student have ample time, there are many activities in which he may engage.

Many of us think that the only extra-curricular activities are one's house, weekend parties and dances. Evidently we are forgetting we have fifteen clubs on the campus which are not hard to get into if we have the desire to join. If we are among those students who complain about time on our hands, we should get out tomorrow and join a club; enjoy what the College has to offer us.—Maxine Bollinger.

Photography Is Among Most Fascinating of Our Hobbies

EMOTIONAL appeal, technical ability, the lure of the different, delightful puttering around and something new all the time are things that make photography the most fascinating of hobbies.

Picture taking is a means of crystallizing emotions, and a perfect knowledge of one's equipment is essential for success.

Different things one never noticed before take on increasing importance. One sees the beauty in light and shade when he has a camera in his hand. The old man, the baby, the ordinary person—everything becomes more interesting when the pictorial possibilities are noted.

The camera is a great, good goddess among creeds, sects, party and class. Camera totem may fight over the merits of a film, but they are friends after the fight.

One may believe there are few cameras on the campus. False, they are only hibernating. Watch them come out with the leaves in April.—Clark Hardman, Jr.

The LETTER BOX

February 19, 1940
Glenville, W. Va.

TO THE EDITORS:

To you I extend commendations for your recognizing on page one and on your editorial page the birthday anniversaries of two great Americans—Abraham Lincoln and George Washington. I refer, of course, to the February 12 issue of the Mercury.

I dislike false patriotism, and I am one of those who probably wouldn't join the army just because the band marched by; yet I do experience a sense of solemn wonder when I see pictured these two great patriots, either of whom is symbolic of the real significance of the word America—freedom.

It would be well if the principles for which Washington and Lincoln stood were each paraded before American youth; for certain it is these two men of action did serve nobly a nation whose present generation, passive as it may seem to be, still believes in a government of, for and by the people, in avoiding entangling alliances, and in life, liberty and chase to be happy at home among friends.

I am glad that somewhere along in the grade school my teachers told me the story of the champion "rail splitter" whose reading lamp was the glowing flame that leaped and danced from a pine log in an open fireplace. Equally glad am I that these same teachers told me the simple little story of the ax and the cherry tree and the boy who never told a lie.

Newspaper space devoted to the memory of Lincoln and Washington is not in vain, even in the Mercury, so far as I am concerned.

A Reader.
(Omission of signature requested.)

--- From ---
The Exchanges

By Marjorie Harden
BIRDY, EH?

"What would you have if you cut a canary in strips?"

"Shredded tweet."

Los Angeles Collegian

A Ubangi young man had a stammer. That greatly diminished his glamour.

He tried to make quips. But his overstretched lips Would crack like a riveter's hammer.

Daily Athenaeum

Students didn't pass in the Biblical days either. Here's the evidence:

"Thou shalt not pass."—Numbers 20:18.

"Suffer not a man to pass."—Judges 3:28.

"The wicked shall no more pass."—Nahum 1:15.

"None shall pass."—Isaiah 34:10.

"This generation shall not pass."—Mark 13:30.

"There shall no strangers pass."—Amos 3:17.

"Beware that thou pass not."—2nd Kings 6:9.

"Neither any son of man pass."—Jeremiah 51:43.

"No man may pass through because of the beasts."—Ezekiel 14:15.

"Though they roar, yet they can get pass."—Jeremiah 5:22.

A. C. P.

Up late

Headache

Where was I last night?

Anon

Doesn't anyone know a good joke—this column needs a brace.

Other Editors

From The Daily Iowan

"The bull session is an American institution. To let it slide into greater disrepute would be a shame. Next time the gang gets together for a talk-fest why not try to do something constructive, why not try to reach a definite conclusion, why not think through a problem? The American student has brains: the American student must learn to use them."

Rose Hanna, Brenice Sullivan, Lorraine Skene, Lillian Hefner, Mary Margaret Moran and Betty Betty Kidd spent the week-end in Burnsville.

Edna and Thelma Crummett spent the week-end at their home near Cairns.

THE POCKETBOOK of KNOWLEDGE



Keeping Wright With The News

By Agnes Wright

Friend Agnes Wright is ill of influenza, and to me comes the pleasure of writing this column. I only hope that I may do justice to it.

King Winter reigned as supremely the past week as did Louis XIV from 1642 to 1715. The twelve-inch blanket of snow which covered Glenville and most of the State was the heaviest here since 1928.

The latest Glenville fad is "rearing" goldfish. It seems as if each family has managed to squeeze in at least two. In case you are interested, two fish, complete with a bowl, may be purchased from a local merchant for the grand total of 8c.

Mr. Hunter Whiting, in his English 202 class, suggests that he is not convinced of the non-existence of ghosts. Any proof, pro or con, will

probably be appreciated.

Many offices in the Gilmer County Courthouse have been re-decorated in preparation for the February term of the Circuit Court, which began yesterday.

Happily am I to see Miss Goldie C. James back and to know that she is recuperating. I, as well as other students, was glad to receive my semester grade from the registrar's office Thursday.

Students on the campus who are so religiously quoting Confucius may be interested in knowing that one of the state newspapers is paying \$11 each day for the best entry to "Confucius Say."

This week's No. 1 song on my hit parade is "Careless"—and who isn't?—Mary Louise Woodford.

'Confucius Say' Fad Hits Campus Like Once-Current 'Knock! Knock! Who's There?'

Only a step ahead of the Robins has come to Glenville the 'big city' "Confucius Say" craze, which may be even less ephemeral than the recently out-moded "Knock! Knock! Who's There?" fad.

And unless the collegiates here be unlike those of other campuses, roommates will soon find themselves plugging their ears with fingers, or cotton, when a cute, capricious and exotic young thing comes tearing in to their serenity and bucolically ejaculates:

"The rest of the basketball games on the 1940 card, they be hard." (Editors note: This one is original.)

But, after all, there's little to do about this recent verbal, often insensible fever that had its real inception sometime between 551 and 478 B.C.—the period during which lived a Chinese philosopher, inspector of corn markets, keeper of granaries and overseer of public lands—the man who, among other things, advocated the education of youth as the best foundation for the welfare of state.

Confucius, ancient though his teachings are, and outmoded though his theory of state sovereignty may be, did offer a people a philosophy whose general tendency was worthy of study.

But though Confucius was a student and scholar, and though his people have "hung upon the chariot wheels of progress," we today mean no harm when we rally forth to classroom and hall and every now and then spasmodically follow:

"My lesson today, I no prepare. Too bad."

Then at eventide we curl up close to a desk-model radio and listen to Brother Lombardo say "Confucius Say," and we, whether conscious of that ancient Chinese philosopher or not, do admit that the "songbird" of the "Royal Canadians" does have "something on the ball."

If you so agree with this, it be no harm.

ORCHESTRAL DISCUSSION

1st Student: How do you pronounce Wabash?

2nd Student: How does Miss O'Brien pronounce it?

1st Student: She says, "Blue Book—Number 10."

3rd Student: How does Miss O'Brien pronounce it?

4th Student: She says, "Blue Book—Number 10."

5th Student: How does Miss O'Brien pronounce it?

6th Student: She says, "Blue Book—Number 10."

7th Student: How does Miss O'Brien pronounce it?

8th Student: She says, "Blue Book—Number 10."

9th Student: How does Miss O'Brien pronounce it?

10th Student: She says, "Blue Book—Number 10."

COSMIC DUST

By Max Ward

THERE ARE SERIOUS STUDENTS

I knew him well, academically and socially, and I found his being here was worth a great deal to me. Finally he left, as all must do (or hope to eventually). And he paused to look again on the plain below, across which he had trod in the educative process during the month's which made years.

"Sometimes," he writes, "I have wondered, as we all must who wish for progress, just what one has accomplished after he has finished a given task. To look on the past as a task well done is a satisfaction, and to look forward the future as a goal yet to attain is an incentive.

"But how many of us really look at the situation in this manner? How many are there who merely seek the uncomfortable situation and let someone else work the problems?"

He was one, however, who met his problem more than half way. His achievement is the evidence of a quality less obvious.

I GOT HIM TOLD . . .

"Yes, I got him told that time. He didn't even reply; I stopped him short. And he deserved it; he's always assuming too much. He's only a meddlesome so-and-so; he gets in my way; he makes me feel uncomfortable; he returns a sharper barb than I send—and that hurts my pride. I feel outwitted, disgraced. But this time I got him told!"

"Certainly, I like to tell people where to get off—let them know what I think. They don't put anything over on me. No, I get them told!"

Yes, you get them told—from your own point of view. You are personally satisfied, for, after all, you tell the people what is what. You get them told.

But you paid a high price for the privilege. You forfeited his respect for you. Now he knows what you are—just one of those pitiable people who are not big enough to forego getting people told.

THE CAMUS vs. THE CLASSROOM

"Students study in the classroom; they learn on the campus," we were recently told in assembly. If this be true, and we suspect that it really is, then it goes without saying that students should plan better their daily activities on the campus.

Doubtless it would be fully worth while to a student if he came to college with two definite purposes (among others) in mind: He should, of course, come with well-grounded study habits, reinforced by a definite plan and a burning desire for achievement, and a workable plan for his daily campus activity. This latter plan would be directed toward the acquiring of the most from his living and working with other college people, who would also plan constructively.

THIS LURE OF TEACHING

Students come to teachers' colleges with more or less of a desire to teach young people. For some of this group this desire is quite well defined, and these students look forward to becoming and remaining teachers with the most pleasant anticipation.

A number of these college students are those who have already taught school before completing their four year quota of academic work. They have already experienced what the beginner can only imagine: The lure of teaching. For 'tis true, in most cases, that they have developed through their experience a lasting ambition to continue teaching, to become each year a better teacher.

They may not all tell you, should you ask, that teaching has within itself a romance not to be resisted, nor will they tell you that thereby you will soon gain financial independence and security. But they will in the main tell you that teaching has an absorbing quality, a definite lure. Some of this lure lies in the daily problems which the teacher faces.

Borrowed Thoughts Show Our Intellectual Poverty

BORROWED thoughts, like borrowed money, only show the poverty of the borrower," said Lady Blessington.

All college students and especially students of journalism are faced continually with the temptation to practice plagiarism. The term as defined by Webster means the act of stealing from the writings of another and passing them off as one's own production. Of course, most of us would not willfully disobey the Sixth Commandment, but how many of us have, at some time or other, committed literary theft?

Certainly we must necessarily secure ideas from other sources than our own intellect. Otherwise, how could we grow intellectually? But we can refrain from smuggling original material and accepting the credit for having been the originators ourselves. Unfortunately, many times writers appear to be getting away with plagiarism for the time being, but here's what James Russell Lowell said:

"Borrowed garments never keep one warm. A curse goes with them as with Harry Gill's blankets. Nor can one get smuggled goods safely into kingdom come. How lank and pitiful does one of these gentry look after posterity's customs officers have had the plucking of him!"—W. T. Romine.

PIONEERS DOWN WEST LIBERTY 69-62, SMOTHER BETHANY BISON 60 TO 38, BUT LOSE TO SALEM'S TIGERS 49-45

SPORTS CHATTER

by
A Cub Columnist
Earl McDonald

THE PIONEERS LOSE

Perhaps the most publicized defeat of the current basketball season was the Pioneers were given by the Salem Tigers here one week ago. Wade Pepper called it nothing less than "astounding," while Dick Cress of the Telegram termed it a "Central West Virginia catastrophe." Charleston scribes have declined to comment yet, but A. L. Hardman of the Gazette, upon hearing of defeat by telephone, yelled "What! Salem beat Glenville?"

Regardless of the setback, the institution is still in a sound condition and the Pioneers are continuing to play basketball. And as far as we know no great amount of sleep has been lost over the event.

As for the blame, you can't pin it on any one person. It was just another ball game and the Pioneers lost. Salem had a good ball club and fought hard, as will any team that beats Glenville.

STILL HAVE A RECORD

Despite the recent loss the Pioneers can still boast of the most outstanding achievement ever accomplished in the West Virginia conference. A string of 65 consecutive league wins is something to be proud of even if it is in a Sunday School circuit. Their consecutive victories on the local floor total 45. Waynesburg was the last team to turn the trick back in 1937 on January 9. The score was 49-48.

WHAT'S THE RESULT???

The results of the loss can hardly be criticized because the team lost no time in hitting the comeback trail this past week-end when it subdued West Liberty and Bethany in the panhandle. Of course, there is the fear that some of the remaining Pioneer opponents might be encouraged to duplicate the Salem feat.

JONES LOSSES, TOO

Lloyd Jones, College financial secretary, had a tough evening on February 13. Besides watching the Pioneers get beat Jones waged with this scribe that brother Babe's Richmond high team would lick Ertle Bickle's Nicholas five. Richmond lost . . . Speaking of February 13, the number must be a charm to Coach T. Edward Davis of Salem because he had a squad of 13 Tigers with him on the trip to Glenville. . . . He probably had a black cat in one of his pockets too. . . . Too bad it wasn't Friday.

GRIFFITH AND HIS BATTLERS

Tomorrow night local fans will get a glimpse of the West Virginia conference's highest scorer when Kenneth Griffith and his Alderson-Broadus Battlers invade the Pioneer gymnasium. Abramovic of Salem was good, too good in fact, but he can't match Griffith's stride. Those 30 points Griffith netted at Phillips in the first Glenville-A-B game was a stellar performance.

This Time Deflation Is Only Way In

"Ferdinand" the College bus, gave Coach A. F. Rohrbough and his Pioneers a new worry while in Wheeling the past week-end. When the bus rolled up in front of the garage, the caretaker stated that even that garage could not shelter the "ancient road wagon" because of an influx of trade.

After making the complete rounds (with suggestions from the rear to try the Greyhound Depot) a garage was found that was only three inches too low to admit the bus. The orchids at this point go to Coach "Nate" for thinking of the solution. He had the rear tires deflated and placed all the players in the rear so as to make the luggage carrier on top clear the door. And in she went as nice as you please.

The very sound of stormy words is enough to fire the blood of young men; the meanings behind them matter less.—Franz Werfel.

Rhoades Gets 23 Points At Bethany and 19 In West Liberty Game

Glenville's Pioneer cagers, after having their string of 65 West Virginia conference victories broken by Salem's Tigers the past Tuesday, journeyed into the northern panhandle over the week-end and claimed victories over West Liberty and Bethany by scores of 69-62 and 60-38, respectively.

The loss to the Tigers of Salem marked the first defeat the Pioneers have experienced since Waynesburg trined the local five 49-48 January 9, 1937. In John Abramovic, Salem center, the Baptists presented one of the best pivot men to appear on the local floor since Albert Lilley concluded his collegiate days. The Big Etna, (Pa.) lad did everything but blow Referee Frank Securo's whistle against the Pioneers and at the same time collected 20 points for his mates. Bob Armstrong was best for Glenville with 17 counters.

In coping victories over the two up-state fives, the Pioneers hit the comeback trail, amassing a total of 129 points in the two contests; opponents were held to 100. The Bartlett team of West Liberty, the better of the two quints encountered over the week-end, opened the contest strong and took an early 19-13 lead, but the Pioneer sharpshooters were out in front 39-30 by halftime. Rhoades of Glenville and Shadle of West Liberty divided scoring honors with 19 points each.

Chalking up 22 points against Bethany, the flashy Glenville captain, Junior Rhoades, set the pace again for the Pioneers. Pioneer regulars, after holding a 30-16 lead at the intermission, left the game shortly after the rest period and the reserves finished the game.

| Glenville | Pts. | Salem | Pts. |
|-----------|------|-----------|------|
| Rhoades | 6 | Canterna | 10 |
| Armstrong | 17 | Mazza | 6 |
| White | 1 | Abramovic | 20 |
| McMillen | 5 | Dasz | 7 |
| Romano | 11 | Thompson | 4 |
| Norowski | 0 | Stroble | 1 |
| Brown | 2 | Early | 1 |
| Scott | 2 | Bowers | 0 |
| Spencer | 1 | Christie | 0 |
| Total | 45 | Total | 49 |

Referee, Frank Securo.

| Glenville | Pts. | West Lib. | Pts. |
|-----------|------|-----------|------|
| Rhoades | 19 | Stine | 12 |
| Armstrong | 13 | Lenz | 13 |
| White | 4 | Rogers | 4 |
| McMillen | 13 | Demarck | 6 |
| Romano | 10 | Dolezal | 6 |
| Norowski | 10 | Shadle | 19 |
| | | Armett | 2 |
| Total | 69 | Total | 62 |

Referee, Pugh.

| Glenville | Pts. | Bethany | Pts. |
|-----------|------|------------|------|
| Rhoades | 22 | Kuhns | 7 |
| Scott | 7 | Petroff | 7 |
| Armstrong | 6 | Neuman | 10 |
| Spencer | 7 | Callison | 8 |
| Romano | 7 | Jackson | 3 |
| McMillen | 6 | Callendine | 4 |
| Murin | — | Taylor | — |
| Total | 60 | Total | 38 |

Referee, Pugh.

Exactly 659 University of Pittsburgh faculty members hold doctor's degrees.

Jeranko to Work Spencer Tourney

Stanley Jeranko, A. B. '33, now a teacher in Clarkburg, will referee games in the sectional basketball tournament at Spencer, March 1 and 2, it was announced the past week. Ceded teams were Normantown, Spencer, Sand Fork and Walton, who drew Tanner, Troy, Calhoun and Glenville respectively. Normantown will play Tanner in the first game at 2 p. m. Spencer will meet Troy at 3:30 p. m., Sand Fork and Calhoun County will clash at 7:30, and Walton will meet Glenville at 9 p. m.

NYA PROGRAM NOW REACHING MORE STUDENTS

Glenville's Quota Is 37, University Has 253; Marshall 151; Fairmont 77

The college and graduate work program of the National Youth Administration for 1939-1940 is reaching four years of age inclusive, enrolled as of October 1, 1939. For the 1939-1940 academic year, the national student quota is 104,379 as compared with the 1938-1939 quota of 87,886.

The total allotment of college and graduate work funds for the academic year 1939-1940 is \$14,038,268. The state allotments are made on a monthly basis usually over a nine-month, but sometimes over an eight-month period. The District of Columbia, Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico, as well as each state of the United States, shares in the monthly allotment of \$1,562,007.

The institutions, student quota and yearly allotments for West Virginia are:

| School | Quota | Allotm't |
|---------------------|-------|----------|
| Concord | 56 | \$ 7,560 |
| Fairmont | 77 | 10,395 |
| Glenville | 37 | 4,770 |
| Marshall | 151 | 20,386 |
| Shepherd | 26 | 3,510 |
| University | 253 | 34,155 |
| West Liberty | 26 | 3,510 |
| New River | 33 | 4,455 |
| Potomac | 29 | 3,915 |
| Alderson-Broadus | 11 | 2,835 |
| Breckley | 21 | 2,835 |
| Bethany | 38 | 5,130 |
| Davis and Elkins | 28 | 3,780 |
| Morris Harvey | 51 | 6,385 |
| Salem | 26 | 3,510 |
| Wesleyan | 42 | 5,670 |
| Bluefield | 26 | 3,510 |
| West Virginia State | 69 | 9,315 |
| Storer | 6 | 810 |

West Virginia Training School for Dental Hygienists, with a quota of two, is allotted \$270, making the total number of students, 1,018, and the yearly allotment \$137,205.

The fiftieth anniversary of its founding will be celebrated by the University of Chicago in 1941.



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PIONEERS FACE BROADDUS FIVE TOMORROW NIGHT, HERE; WILL MEET WESLEYAN FRIDAY NIGHT

Glenville's Pioneers concluded a two-day drill period today and awaited the arrival of Coach Rex Pyles and his Battlers of Alderson-Broadus College for another stiff assignment tomorrow night in the Pioneer gymnasium. This will be Glenville's final appearance on the local court this season. Friday night the Pioneers will go to Buckhannon to meet the Bobcats of Wesleyan in a return engagement.

Both quints, already victims of Pioneer onslaughts, are seeking revenge for setbacks earlier in the season. The Pioneers won a thrilling 52-51 victory over the Battlers at Phillips when Louie Romano sunk the winning field goal in the closing minutes of the game. Wesleyan was defeated 55-41 on the local floor.

Despite the fact the Pioneers had their 65-game conference winning streak marred by the Salem Tigers the past week, they still occupy the top berth in the league standing.

In facing these two foes the Pioneers are billed for a strenuous bit of court activity. The Pyles' quintet, with their ace scorer, Kenneth Griffith, is reputed to be one of the highest scoring aggregations in the West Virginia conference, and is running a nip-and-tuck race for the state championship.

TEACHERS ARE OVERWORKED SAYS NEA RESEARCH DIVISION

Nearly half of the students accepting teaching jobs upon graduation will find that in their own opinion they are forced to work too hard, according to the consensus of 4000 classroom teachers compiled in "The Teacher Looks at Teacher Load," a publication of the research division of the National Education Association.

A survey as to the amount of work teachers had to do in connection with their jobs, this research bulletin reveals that one specific item can seldom be blamed for the many cases of reported overwork. One teacher said, "No single factor seems so very heavy—each item of work seems reasonable in its isolation. But somehow when one gets them all together in the work of a week, they are quite staggering. It is the sum total of teaching factors that 'breaks the camel's back.'"

Checked most frequently as a source of undue pressure by elementary and secondary teachers was "class interruptions." Other common sources of pressure include adaptation of work to individual differences, adaptation of promotion standards to meet a "no failure" ideal, class size, over-crowded classrooms and unnecessary clerical work.

Approximately 40 per cent of the elementary and 47 per cent of the high school teachers, influenced by these sources of teacher load, rated their present load assignment as unduly heavy. Forty-three factors brought forth pleas such as, "It is not teaching, but a thousand other things that wear us out. Give us more time to teach and fewer distractions."

In the last 19 years, the Rose Bowl game has drawn a total gate of approximately \$5,700,000.

clock.
Approximately eighty per played ring games, danced, play indoor horseshoes, shot pool at during the course of the evening. Miss Alma Arbuckle, librarian, chaperoned the group.

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This Is a Record

Fifteen Years a Teacher, Four Years
A Student, and She Never Missed a Day

By Helen West

Almost good enough for Robert L. Ripley's "Believe-It-Or-Not" column is this story of the girl who never misses a class:

Olena Miles, one of the seniors who will be graduated with the A. B. degree in elementary education this spring at Glenville State Teachers College, has a perfect attendance record for her more than 128 hours of work.

And added to this attendance record is another mark of equal value:

Miss Miles has taught fifteen years in the elementary schools of the state and has a perfect attendance record for that period. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Miles, of Glenville, Miss Miles, received the short course certificate here in 1920 and the standard normal in 1927. She taught thirteen years at Mahan, one year at Sand Fork and one year at Grantville.

Her explanation of why the perfect attendance record is: "I feel that class meetings are important; I cannot afford to miss them."

Rockwell Kent's Book, "World Famous
Paintings," Added to Library Shelves

The Robert F. Kidd Library has recently added the book, **WORLD FAMOUS PAINTINGS**, edited by Rockwell Kent, which contains full-color reproductions of one hundred familiar masterpieces. In it one will find, among others, the "Mona Lisa" by Da Vinci, "The Blue Boy" by Gainsborough, "The Age of Innocence" by Reynolds, the "Portrait of My Mother" by Whistler. The book contains also a brief biography of each painter and a list of the titles and where-a-bouts of his principal works.

Animal motifs form the contents of a folio volume recently added to the library collection. The "PRIMITIVE ART SERIES," compiled by Doris Rosenthal, contains 50 plates, of which 6 are in color. The designs are taken mostly from primitive objects: Pottery, shields, drawings,

tapestries, silks, porcelains. A few are taken from modern silk prints. The black and white prints are ingenious and fascinating; the colored plates are gorgeous.

Also new at the library is "THE ART OF SEEING," mental training through drawing, by Charles Herbert Woodbury, N. A. and Elizabeth Ward Perkins, a handbook offering methods of teaching observation through drawing, principally in the grades and kindergarten.

Of interest to girls will be the new "CAREERS FOR WOMEN IN JOURNALISM," by Iona Robertson, Logie, Ph. D. This is a composite picture of 881 salaried women writers at work in journalism, advertising, publicity, and promotion. The book was designed to guide readers interested in journalism as a livelihood.

A Student Opinion Survey

Nation's College Students Opposed to
Compulsory Peacetime Military Service

College students in the United States stand opposed to compulsory peacetime military service while the world is again at war. This consensus was determined a few weeks ago by the Student Opinion Surveys, whose reports are used regularly by the Mercury.

Eighty-one per cent of the men and women attending the nation's colleges and universities are against requiring "every able-bodied American boy twenty years old to go into the army or navy for one year."

College men, for whom guns would supplant textbooks in the event of war, were most opposed to such military service. Only seventeen per cent voted in favor. But twenty-one per cent of the half million coeds said they favored the training for the boys.

These figures are seen to contrast with previous survey figures. Recently eighty-seven per cent of the

collegians declared themselves in favor of R. O. T. C. training on the campus. In this case four per cent more men than women gave their approval. Of those approving, fifty-eight specified that it should be voluntary.

Collegiate opinion respecting military service parallels that of the American public, which also registers emphatic disapproval of this military practice now widely prevalent abroad.

WRIGHT, BUTCHER, AMOS ON
CANTERBURY CLUB PROGRAM

The stories of "Esther" and "Ruth" will be told by Agnes Wright and Teresa Butcher tomorrow evening at the Canterbury Club meeting. Eva Amos will tell one of Hawthorne's stories which she prepared two weeks ago but because of illness was unable to give.

Fortunes in Hearts
Read at 'YW' Party
In College Lounge

Albert Brake will be a college basketball referee in 1950; John Corrathers, a college president; and Joseph Rohr the father of quintuplets, if fortunes written on their hearts at the 'Y.W.' party Thursday evening came true.

The Valentine party was a gathering of fourteen girls and sixteen boys in the College lounge. Broken hearts were matched and the couples thus formed worked jigsaw puzzles. Temporary bachelors, Woodrow Shown and Ralph Cox, were first to get through and won a Glenville souvenir beer keg of cinnamon hearts.

Frances Myers and Max Ward won the word jumbling contest, and John Corrathers found the largest heart. Dewey Berry found the most hearts. Other activities included singing, finding the color of hair and eyes of the opposite sex, and a spelling contest (boys against girls) using signs for vowels.

Miss Willerna White was the champion in the absence of Miss Ivy Lee Myers, who was ill.

Words are simply the coins minted by the tongues of men with which realization can be purchased.

'Tis Funny, But a Few Cinders
Make Life Easier These Days

[Editors' note: There was plenty of snow and ice the morning this squib was written.]

By Clark Hardman, Jr.
"No cloud above, no earth below,
A universe of sky and snow."

—Whittier
On these snowy mornings we have a habit of looking curiously around and wondering, like the old horse in the barn, what it is all about. We may even have visions, of

"The winding meadow streams
That murmur in their wintry dreams."

But wouldn't it be a sadder policy to get our noses out of the clouds before they are frobbitten. Tisk! Tisk!

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DON'T TEACH SWING TUNES,
MUSIC EDUCATORS ARE TOLD

(From The Exponent-Telegram)

There is no place in the public school music program for modern jazz and swing, 30 music educators of West Virginia who met here yesterday, were told.

Karl V. Brown, Spencer High School music director and president of the West Virginia Bandmasters' Association, warned, "If you give a student beer joint music he will go to the beer joint to hear it."

Brown said teaching of the music in high schools would be similar to an English teacher getting her lesson material from the funny paper.

His remarks were on the live issue among music instructors of introducing the so-called "popular" music without lowering the school standard of music education.

He cited a statement by Nobel Cain, nationally known music authority, "Surrender to what we may call 'worldly' materialism in music means the end of the music educator's effectiveness, if not his professional standing, and perhaps his job."

From Brown also came the statement that school bands "are in demand for public ballyhoo, but there

is more real music instruction value in other groups" such as orchestra, chorus and small ensemble.

Miss Gem Huffman, Wood County music director, cited a state school directory to show 23 counties have no music supervisors and that 75,000 children have no music supervision other than what the classroom teachers are able to give them.

The number is on the increase. Miss Huffman, who discussed the

elementary school program, said song singing should predominate in the instruction and favored instruction by the syllable method rather than by the number plan. Opinions varied on the worth of the pre-band instrument instruction.

Miss Magdalen Servais, Dunbar music director, reviewed the junior high school program and declared students should have a good foundation for their like of good music by this age. If the teacher finds their taste poor, she should sing the songs students like, but lift the class slowly to appreciation of better music.

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