

## STUDENTS, FACULTY HEAR ADDRESS BY REV. J. C. MUSSER

Speaker Says Too Many People  
Leaving God Out of  
Their Affairs Today

The Rev. J. C. Musser, pastor of the Glenville Baptist Church, told a College assembly audience Wednesday "that some time and thought should be given to the subject of 'man,' much of which is being made throughout the world today."

"To find the truth of things that are coming to pass today, we must go back to the writers of 2500 years ago" was the theme of Mr. Musser's thirty-five minute talk.

"Man is not capable of ruling his own self; he must have God. When he tries to run affairs without God, he is approaching the greatest failure known."

This was against God is the ultimate goal of some of the countries now engaged in conflict, said Mr. Musser. He concluded: "Prophecies made more than 2000 years ago support the contention that there will be no 'permanent peace' until the Jews are restored to that which is their birthright."

## WOMEN READING MORE FICTION

But Men Look For Facts, Says  
Librarian; Music and Art  
Books Are Popular

College women read more fiction, but boys read more facts, Robert F. Kidd Library records show. For the first two weeks of February, says Miss Willema White, instructor in library science, women read 125 so-called "recreational" books, while sixty-eight were read by the men.

More books are being read in the present year (beginning the past September) than before. In the period from September, 1938, to June, 1939, books checked out at the library numbered 5534. The total checked out to date in the present school year is 3101.

The first two weeks in January saw 693 books read, an increase of 173 over the same period one year ago. Books of fiction numbered 256 in this group, while 181 were children's books. Seventy-two books on education and sociology were checked out.

Used most for overnight reading the past year were books on sociology and history. Ranking first this year are books on music and art.

## Committee Names Candidates For Student Council

Harold Scott of Troy and Earl McDonald of Parkersburg have been selected to head up the race for the presidency of the Student Council. These two juniors were chosen by the nominating committee, Woodrow Maxwell, Madeline Moore and Virginia Frymier. Nominated for vice-president were: Agnes Wright, Glenville, and Teresa Butcher, Cedarville; secretary, Geraldine McClain, Weston; and Ruth Anabel Hull, Glenville; treasurer, Olive Myers, Glenville, and James Heister, Weston; sergeant-at-arms, Homer Lee Smith, Cedarville, and Carl Chapman, Clay, candidate for the Supreme Court; one male and one female, are: Robert Butcher, Cedarville, Fred Shreve, Glenville, Mary Louise Woodford, and Helen Heister, Weston.

Additional nominations from the floor may be made at the student body meeting in March which will be followed by a primary election preceding the general election to be held the second Tuesday in April.

## CURRENT EVENTS CLUB INITIATES TWO MEMBERS

Pearle Dotson and Audrey Winters became members of the Current Events Club at a meeting in the lounge the past Tuesday night. Featured on the evening's program was Ora Mae Poling's discussion of "America Looks at War." Refreshments were served.

Doris Henry, relative of Miss Willema White, and library organizer for the Fourth W.P.A. District, visited here Thursday evening.

## NAVAL RESERVE OFFICER HERE

Three Students Interested In  
Aviation Program As Spon-  
sored by Government

By Albert Woolfner  
Three College students expressed interest to the extent of giving their names for physical examinations for entrance into the United States Naval Reserve Base the past Saturday morning when Lieut. M. B. Johnson, U. S. Naval aviator, came here to conduct an open forum and explain the government's current naval aviation program.

John Corathers, Gerald Bragg and Dexter Dotson agreed to take the physical examination, first step toward entrance into the service. The examination will be given at Morgantown, April 19 and 20.

About fifty students were present in the auditorium Saturday for Lieut. Johnson's program, which included the showing of the moving picture, "Navy Wings of Gold," depicting the life of a cadet at Pensacola, Fla.

## EASTER VACATION STARTS MARCH 21

Classes Will Be Dismissed At  
12 M.; Will Reconvene At  
8 A. M., March 25

Matters, routine and otherwise, were brought before the College faculty the past Tuesday in Room 101, with Dean H. L. White presiding.

Announced was the date for Easter vacation, which will begin at 12 noon Thursday, March 21, and end Monday, March 25, at 8 a. m.

The group agreed that dismissal of College classes for sessions of the Central West Virginia Round Table were March 29 should be optional with the teachers.

Named was a committee of three to study and cooperate with the Higher Education Division of the State Education Association, previous to a state meeting to be held in Charleston in April. On the committee are Dr. J. C. Clure, Dr. C. P. Harper and Miss Kathleen Robertson.

Also the faculty voted to assist with Chemistry Day, considered work to be offered in the Summer School, and heard committee chairmen report on progress in the curriculum guidance sessions.

## College Dietitian Gets Letter Mailed Fourteen Years Ago

Miss Grace Lorentz, College dietitian received a letter the past week which had been mailed fourteen years ago. It was from Mrs. Joseph Buckhouse of St. Ignace, Mont., an old mission station.

During the five years which Miss Lorentz taught in the West, she boarded with Mrs. Buckhouse. Fourteen years ago she made a visit back there to renew her acquaintance.

Shortly after her return from the West, Miss Lorentz had gone to Dr. Beck's Clinic in Baltimore. Mrs. Buckhouse's letter followed her there, but arrived too late. It came back to Glenville to Mr. C. T. Whiting's. There it was mixed with some of Dr. Whiting's papers and was not discovered until Mrs. Whiting was looking through her husband's papers after his death a few weeks ago.

The letter contained a small yellow crepe handkerchief with a black embroidered edge and two snapshots. Mrs. Buckhouse died the past June.

## NYA to Consider Plans For One- Room School Here

Amended plans for a one-room school to be built on the College campus have been sent for approval to the Charleston office of the N.Y.A., it was announced here the past week.

The plans were completed after Francis Gainer, district supervisor of the N.Y.A., and Artie M. Gainer, N.Y.A. supervisor of Gilmer County, recently consulted with Dean White, Miss Ivy Lee Myers and Dr. John C. Shreve, of the College.

Construction may be begun this spring, in the event the plans are approved by the Washington office of the N.Y.A. Labor will be furnished by the local N.Y.A.

## Highest on 1939-'40 Honor Roll

IS MISS  
OLIVE  
MYERS  
OF  
GLENVILLE  
ONLY  
PERSON  
TO MAKE  
ALL-A  
AVERAGE



Only student to make the straight A-Average in a group of more than 400 enrolled here the first semester was this unpretentious brunette, Olive Myers, a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Myers, of Studley, Va. Miss Myers, a junior in the College, did three years of her high school work at Glenville and entered the College after passing a special examination. She is a sister of Frances Myers, who led the sophomore class on the honor roll, and a niece of Miss Ivy Lee Myers, director of elementary teacher training.

## Modest As Proverbial Violets Or 'Born to Blush Unseen and Waste Their Sweetness on the Desert Air'

By Colleen Norman

Modest as the proverbial violets are many of the students whose names appeared on the honor roll, published the past week. Not one admits that he has more than average intelligence. When asked, "What, in your opinion, is the reason for your making above the average grades?" here's what they said:

Madelyn Conrad, freshman: "I have a more or less definite study schedule which I try to follow each day."

Paul Beal, sophomore: "I am interested in the subject matter."

Olive Myers, junior: "I think most of it's work. I think I've been exceptionally lucky."

Teresa Butcher, junior: "I attribute my grades to a 'hustle' in the head, not in the feet, and to the truth of the saying that an idea in the head is worth two in the book."

Clair Morrison, senior: "Married—have to stay at home nights."

Lee White, senior: "I like the subjects. I don't just study hard; I study regularly."

Woodrow Showen, senior: "It's just plain old work."

## In the Footsteps of His Father, College Freshman Walks to Weston

Joseph Rohr, freshman in the College, followed in the footsteps of his father in the true sense of the word the past Saturday, for he arose long ere the dawn came and proceeded to walk to his home in Weston.

Time and time again he has heard his father tell how, when he was a student here over a quarter of a century ago, he often walked to his home at Alum Bridge, thirteen miles out Weston, to visit his father. (His father is Mr. H. G. Rohr, an instructor in Weston High School.)

So Joe decided he could do it, too. Conditions for the venture might not have been most auspicious, for: He danced till 1 o'clock the night before, hence he slept only four and one-half hours; and the misty rain Saturday morning dampened his ardor. But he was well sustained of a sizable stick of pepperoni and a few cookies.

But, using the pace he has learned with his fellow Boy Scouts, he arrived in Weston by 1 p. m. It is twenty-eight miles to Weston, but he claims credit for only twenty-five of these.

Three miles west of Camden he yielded to a proffered ride, for it began to rain. Yet, it rained harder as he walked the remainder of the distance—the seven miles to Weston.

## THE GIRLS HAVE THEIR 'DAY' ON THE HONOR ROLL

It was a victory for the girls the past week when the first semester honor roll was published. Of ninety-six students who made an average grade of B or above, sixty-eight were girls; twenty-eight, boys.

Those who received honor rating were 20.8 per cent of the total number of students in school. The percentage of all girls was 28.8 per cent; boys, 21.6 per cent.

## Fewer Than 4 Per Cent Fail College Courses

College failures are on the wane—at least that is true in Glenville. The 402 students registered here the past semester were enrolled in 2851 student-classes. Failures in these courses were only 112, which is slightly under four per cent of the total.

In previous years the percentage of failure has been about six. Failures expected in a normal college group is set at seven per cent.

## New Postoffice to Be Ready Within Next Two Weeks

College students, faculty and townspeople will be going east on Main Street for their mail pretty soon.

Mrs. Marguerite Whiting, postmaster, announced Thursday that the new postoffice building being built by C. W. Marsh, et al. of Glenville, is nearing completion and will be ready for use in about two weeks. Definite moving date has not been set.

The building, opposite the Pictorial Theater, will feature all metal equipment and two hundred new boxes. Postoffice hours will remain the same.

## MILDRED RILEY'S AUNT DIES

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at the St. Boniface Church on Leading Creek for Mrs. Alzada Kraus, an aunt of Mildred Riley, a senior in the College. Mrs. Kraus died the past Sunday. Burial was in the church cemetery.

## PRES. AND MRS. E. G. ROHRBOUGH HEAR FORECASTS FOR EDUCATION OF FUTURE AT ANNUAL NEA MEETING

### A Correction ADD THESE NAMES TO THE HONOR ROLL

Unintentionally omitted from the honor roll published the past week were these students who made grade averages of B or above the past semester:

Gladys Reynolds, junior of Glenville, with 14 hours of credit, 31 honor points, and an average rating of 2.31.

Faustine Stump, freshman of Arnoldsburg, with 16 hours, 32 honor points, and an average of 2.00.

## JITTERBUG TUNES DEFINITELY OUT

Say the College Students In  
Answers On Collegiate  
Survey Questionnaire

The swing is away from swing music among college students, the Student Opinion Surveys finds in a nation-wide poll of American campuses. The vote gave a preference for "sweet" tunes, by a two-to-one majority.

The question the Surveys asked was: "Which do you like better, swing music, or the so-called 'sweet music'?" The persons asked were representative college students on 150 college campuses. Twenty-four students were interviewed here by the Mercury.

Evident in the answers received is this: Jitterbug music, which took the country by storm last year, is definitely out at least for the time being. Thirty-two per cent of the college students declared that they preferred swing, while sixty-six per cent said "sweet" music like that of Lombardo and King was their favorite. A preference for neither of them was expressed by the rest.

Men and women students saw practically the same choices, although there are more boys than coeds who still like swing.

New England indicated the largest preference for swing; the East Central states were loudest in acclaim of sweet music.

## P. T. A. SPONSORS FIRST AID CLASS

First Meeting Tonight; Work  
Will Continue For Next  
Six Weeks

A class in first aid was organized the past week by the Home Room Mothers of the Glenville Graded School P. T. A.

The first weekly meeting will be tonight from 7 to 9 o'clock in the High School auditorium. Meetings are scheduled for six successive weeks.

Instructor in the course is Dewey Roszell, Red Cross highway chairman for Harrison County, and first aid director for the Hope Natural Gas Company. Assisting him are Earl Noe and Glen Cowgill, certified first aid instructors.

College students enrolled in Health 102 will be permitted to receive one hour of credit by doing the practice work in the course sponsored by the P. T. A., provided they are not already enrolled for eighteen hours of work. This announcement was made the past week by the College Committee on Classification and Credits.

Fourteen College students have enrolled. The total registration is expected to exceed fifty.

## CAMERA CLUB TO HELP WITH CHEMISTRY DAY

Making contact prints will constitute the program for the Camera Club tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock in the College lounge. The program will be the first of its kind and will give some of the members their first experience in developing pictures.

The Club having agreed to participate in Chemistry Day, Clark Hardman, Jr., president, submitted plans for members' approval. A party may be held April 12 to raise funds to defray expenses incident to Chemistry Day activities.

## William Lyon Phelps Given Association's American Education Award

Pres. and Mrs. E. G. Rohrbough were in St. Louis the past week, where Mr. Rohrbough attended meetings of the American Association of Teachers Colleges and the American Association of School Administrators. Both organizations are departments of the National Education Association.

Evaluation of the past 100 years of teacher training and forecasting of future developments in this field were the main activities of the teachers' colleges group.

Receiving considerable discussion were both sides of the question: "Is the trend of teachers' colleges toward general colleges good or bad for the profession?" Considered also was the matter of preparing librarians for public school libraries.

Paul V. McNutt Speaks

Paul V. McNutt, administrator of the Federal Security Agency, addressed the Monday evening session of the school administrators. "Vital Diplomatic Fronts" was discussed by James G. McDonald, chairman of President Roosevelt's advisory committee on political refugees. Irvin S. Cobb, famous author and humorist, spoke Tuesday morning.

"An outstanding address," according to Pres. Rohrbough, was that of Clarkson Memorial College's Pres. James S. Thomas who argued against the theory that machines create unemployment.

Made honorary life members of school administrators at this year's meeting were the following:

John W. Carr, president of the department of superintendence in 1905-'06; Edwin C. Broom, president of the same department in 1931-'32; and John W. Withers, a native West Virginian, now dean of the school of education at New York University.

Wm. Lyon Phelps Honored

William Lyon Phelps, Yale University's professor emeritus of English literature, was awarded the American education award.

Pres. and Mrs. Rohrbough were among seventy-five delegates who attended the West Virginia banquet Tuesday morning. State Superintendent W. W. Trent presided.

At the meeting held in Cleveland in February of last year, Pres. Rohrbough was given special recognition as the fourth oldest in point of service of teacher's college presidents in the United States.

Pres. and Mrs. Rohrbough made the trip this year by train, leaving Charleston early Thursday, Feb. 21, and returning Friday morning.

Pres. Rohrbough has attended meetings of the National Education Association since 1908.

## Local Churches Sponsoring Pre- Easter Services

A pre-Easter service will be held by the Presbyterian Church lasting from March 10 to 17. The Rev. Mr. Gilmore, pastor of the Weston Presbyterian Church will be guest speaker on the first two nights of the meeting. Cottage prayer meetings started February 19 in preparation for the pre-Easter service and will continue until the meeting.

A revival was started Sunday night at the Baptist Church and will continue until Easter. A men's banquet supplanted the services last night. The Rev. J. C. Musser will conduct the services.

Special pre-Easter services at the Methodist Church will be conducted by Dr. S. B. Hart from March 17 through Easter.

## MUSIC DEPARTMENT GETS COPY OF ORCHESTRA FOLIO

"All Popular Orchestra Folio," by Paul Herfurth, and some new recordings have been received in the music department recently.

The folio contains simple but cleverly arranged marches; the recordings consist of some of the works of Ludwig Beethoven, Jean Sibelius, Richard Crooks, Lawrence Tibbett and Madame Schumann-Heink.

Madelyn Robinson spent the weekend at her home in Walton.



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## Students Should Encourage Open Forums on Marriage

IF ONE can judge by those attending, at least eight per cent of the students enrolled in the College are concerned with "Marriage"—the why and what of it, as it was discussed recently in an open forum arranged by the College chapter of the Y.M.C.A. and conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Liddle.

Young men and women, all of us, should think seriously about this matter, the implications of which are among the outstanding social problems of the day. It is best that we know the truth, unpolished though it may be, rather than be subjected to the ill effects of ignorance.

It has been suggested that the Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. instigate a series of informal discussions on various problems of marriage and family life. As Christian organizations, they would seem the logical leaders in such a movement. A person quite able to lead such discussions, in my opinion, is Mr. Raymond E. Freed, instructor in social studies, one course of which is Sociology 304, Problems of the Family. It has worked other places, so why not in the College? At least it is an undertaking worth trying.—Marjorie Harden.

## Speed, Efficiency and Dollars Behind Today's Newsphotos

IF YOU are a student in the College, chances of seeing yourself in the Mercury are one-in-fifteen. Ought you are on the football or basketball squad your chances for a picture on Page 3 are almost perfect.

"If you are just an average American, the odds are 150,000-to-1 that you will never get your picture in the paper," says Walter Bodin, picture editor of the New York Post, who looks at 80,000 prints a year.

But if you aren't just average and are very lucky, here are some of the things that happen if your picture gets to the paper: Press photographers have become impetuous speed-demons in the art of processing film. When speed is essential to meet a deadline, a dry 8x10 print is on its way to the editor's desk five minutes after the photographer enters the dark room. In another twenty-five minutes of photographic magic the picture is transformed into metal and rushed to the press.

If, for some reason, the picture is to be sent to London it makes the trip in twenty minutes from New York, via wire.

Speed, more speed, efficiency and millions of dollars are behind the camera and the picture in today's newspaper.—Clark Hardman, Jr.

## Schools Must Do Their Part In Outlawing These Wars

IN AN ARTICLE, "What Can Schools Do About War?" which appeared in the February issue of Frontiers of Democracy, Alexander Goldenweiser said: "In answer to the query, 'What Can Schools Do About War?', I say, in brief: Everything. They can encourage it as they, broadly speaking, do today; or they can outlaw it, abolish it, should they relinquish their present practices and substitute a constructive form of peace propaganda." Mr. Goldenweiser thinks that our major delinquency is the absence or the improper teaching of the social sciences in the classroom.

He asks, "How can a democracy really be one unless the knowledge of society, ours and otherwise, and the intellectual and emotional setting in which such knowledge is to function, become part and parcel of the equipment of every boy and girl?"

Schools are doing a good job of promoting science. The invention of implements of war now enable an army to destroy a large city in just a few minutes. If the school in its social studies fails to develop the proper attitudes, emotions and judgment in the mind of its students, might it not be giving birth to a "Frankenstein monster" which may later seek to destroy the maker?—W. T. Romine.

## The LETTER BOX

TO THE EDITORS:

Confucius say, best save time. Teachers say, write on one side of paper. Write on two sides of paper. Fold paper this way. Fold paper that way.

Time lost by forgetful pupil, one minute one test. Teacher gives three tests one semester. One hundred classes.

Five hours vellee valuable teaching time lost.

Confucius say, whole thing easily standardized at faculty meeting.—Clark Hardman, Jr.

TO THE EDITORS:

Looks like the Pioneers are headed toward another national basketball tournament from which they may bring back some sort of prize or trophy to be placed in a large case which they do not have.

It seems to me that the students of the College might show their appreciation for these feats by devising some plan for obtaining such a case, the cost of which could be easily taken care of if the students and organizations on the campus would cooperate.

There are several sources from which the money could be obtained. Funds could be obtained if each club on the campus would donate part of the money it has on hand. It would also be possible to schedule a basketball game with some team and use the proceeds for this purpose.

The cost of a new case may seem a bit too expensive. If so, expenses can be cut a great deal by purchasing the case from a local lumber company. We need a trophy case. Let's buy it now.—Fred Garrett.

## On the Shelves At the Robert F. Kidd Library

By Olive Myers

"WEST VIRGINIA: Its Farms and Forests, Mines and Oil Wells; With a Glimpse of Its Scenery, a Photograph of Its Population, and an Exhibit of Its Industrial Statistics," by Dodge, published 1865 by Lippincott, secured from Friedman's Publishing Co. by the Robert F. Kidd Library, is a book for anyone interested in old books on our state. Incidentally, with all its suggestive title, there is not an illustration in the volume.

A RHYTHMIC chronicle of its inhabitants is "Gaukey Mountain" by Louise McNeill. It has a sturdy swing that identifies it as wholly West Virginian. Separately the poem stand each on its feet; collectively they are a monument to our state.

"AGAIN THE RIVER" by Stella E. Morgan is the story of Jasper Morton and his fight for home and sustenance and life; his fight against the floods of the Ohio which sweep away his wife and child, and at last take him, too.

"DANIEL BOONE: Master of the Wilderness" by John Bakelies, is a vivid and vital history of the character and life of Daniel Boone. It is written with a forceful, driving power which is befitting to the subject.

WILLIAM ROBINSON LEIGH, native of Berkeley County, West Virginia, and a distinguished artist, accompanied to Africa an expedition sponsored by the Museum of Natural History in order to get material for his book, "Frontiers of Enchantment: An Artist's Adventure in Africa."

A STORY SET in Glenville, Weston, and Clarksburg is "American Nabob" by Holmes Alexander. The time is about the beginning of the Civil War. The author leaves the impression that he thought early settlers in West Virginia were of a poor sort, that life was cheap, and that honor, character and integrity were unknown.

ANOTHER WEST VIRGINIA book is "Rising River" by Hubert Skidmore, who went to school in Clarksburg. This is a story for boys, of a boy who wanted to be a doctor and worked long and hard to be one. The story takes place near Webster Springs.

Marguerite Moss, senior, was substitute teacher for past week at Glenville for Helen Wright, S.N. '35, who was confined to her home in South Glenville because of influenza.

Sybil Drake spent the past week-end in Spencer.

## CAMPUS CAMERA



## Keeping Wright With The News

By Agnes Wright

Every year at about this time the whole school becomes election conscious, and even around town remarks come to us in casual conversations as to this and that officer. But, remember Gray's lines: "Many a flower is born to blush unseen, and waste its sweetness on the desert air"?

Student Council election this year is April 9. The College will be represented out Buchanan way next week at the Speech Festival, where the speech department will present "The Devil On Stilts". M. Moss, M. Bollinger and M. Barnett, are in the cast. Guests of the Civic Club last night were members of the Advanced Interpretation Class, who presented cuttings from one-act plays.

Tonight, at the high school, begins a series of classes in First Aid, sponsored by the P.T.A. Classes will continue six weeks. Typhoid and smallpox inoculations were given the past week at the county health office for College students.

Across the street from the county health office, the Presbyterian Church's new addition has been completed. Services were resumed Sunday. Down on Main Street the new postoffice building will be occupied, maybe this week. Tampa, (Fla.) high school boys are going "pretty" these days. Part of a new fad among the youth

is going to a beauty parlor and getting their hair prettied up. Some say "it seems sort of silly." We, the girls, think it might be kind of nice.

Canvassing the town we find: Plenty of local interest created over the high school sectional tournament the past week at Spencer. Independent tournament this week at Normantown. News of the burning of Walton High School. Committee for Roundtable meet appointed. New telephone directories delivered. We enjoyed "Another Thin Man" at the Lyric last night, and "Allegheny Uprising" at the Pictorial.

Song favorites of the week are "Indian Summer," "I Thought About You," and "A Little Street In Singapore."

Confucius Say: This column punks—and when run out of things to say, STOP.

To the Pioneers

## "SEND OFF"

By Frances Myers

Let's make lots of noise For the basketball boys. It is nothing new, But: Here's luck to you.

For Junior and Louis, We hope nothing goes screwy. And best wishes, we link With Jim, Bob, and Dink.

Here's brilliancy to Earl, And lots of service hoped for Sterl. Success is heaped on Scott;

And for 'Nate' A green suit? Not!!

And to all the rest, Of course we wish the best; For on this Kansas City trip Nothing new must slip.

P. S.

Confucius Say: "Keep this charm; 'Can guard from harm.'—Frances Myers.

## From The Exchanges

By Marjorie Harden

CONFUCIUS SAY:

"He who sit on tack is better off." "Refrain from calculating upon the quantity of juvenile poultry prior to the completion of the entire process of incubation."—Lifted.

CONFUCIUS' BROTHER SAY:

"CONFUCIUS TALK TOO MUCH" Monkey see, monkey do—Monkey hear, monkey say—That's the reason everybody go "Confucius say, Confucius say."—Widen News.

DID CONFUCIUS SAY?

If Confucius did say Half that we hear every day He must have had headache. (P.S. He's not the only one.)

Confucius say: Pioneers of yesterday go west to find new home: today, G.S.T.C. Pioneers go play ball at Kansas City, maybe.

Won't someone tell me what "Confucius Say?"

Warren Epling spent the week-end at his home in Triplett. Thred and Edna Crenshaw were at home near Cairns the past week-end.

## DAUGHTER BORN TO MR. AND MRS. CLAIR MORRISON

A daughter, Maritza Ann, was born Thursday, Feb. 29, to Mr. and Mrs. Clair Morrison of Weston, at the Weston City hospital. She weighed six pounds and fifteen ounces. Mrs. Morrison is the former Marie Marsh of Linn. Mr. Morrison is a senior in the College.

Students in Geology 422 saw slide pictures of the Yellowstone National Park and Niagara Falls Friday presented by Mr. Clarence Post, instructor in geography. The slides were made from negatives taken by Mr. Post.

ENGLISH UNIVERSITIES are more concerned about students' "rights of resistance" than about their "days of attendance."

Nothing can bring you peace but yourself.—Emerson.

## Quick Quips

Mr. Joseph Rohr, Modern Marathon Walker, Louis Bennett Hall

Dear Joe: We suppose you termed it "tired but happy" when you arrived in Weston Saturday.

Yours, QUICKSILVER.

## GOSMIC DUST

By Max Ward

## THE NAKED TRUTH

NEWSPAPER men across the nation frequently express the opinion that a trend in news policy today is that of interpretative reporting. That is to say, the American people are demanding the kind of news writing that is more than the bare facts. They want, in addition, the qualified interpretation of the naked truth as seen by those who are presumed to know.

This practice is seen to have both advantages and disadvantages. It is conceivably quite true that interpretative reporting can offer readers a better view than they can acquire for themselves, and often they can be spared quite erroneous conclusions. Then there is a susceptibility to propaganda among any great group of readers who are disposed to accept the other person's opinion.

There are distinct advantages in the demanding of a certain quantity of the naked truth along with any amount of interpretative reporting.

## POLYSYLLABICAL PROFUNDITY

THE French, we are told, are better masters of their language, in many respects, than we in America are masters of our own. That contention may be quite disputable, but it holds a thought worth our consideration.

If it is true that the French do reflect a greater mastery of language, have a more effective and polished speech, and are able to give nuances to every phase of their expression, there must be a reason.

That reason, say some who trouble to point it out, is this: Mastery of the language is set before the young Frenchman as a most desirable goal; he is taught the power of expression and the commanding force of words. Synonyms and antonyms are given special attention, so that specific and delicate shadings of meanings are brought out. Such a practice over a period of years has the desired effect: The making of the child conscious of something quite important, to the end that he masters his native language and his expression becomes one of beauty and power.

## THESE PRESS MEETINGS

EACH year, it seems, one hears more and more about these meetings, shop talks, of junior members of the fourth estate. Each year sees addition to or improvement in the quality of high school publications throughout the state. Certainly outstanding is the slow, yet definite, improvement in those publications already established. Truly it might be said that grade schools as well as high schools are becoming newspaper conscious.

And this all comes about to fill a more or less defined need. Primarily these school publications serve to make better pupils. In this aspect the list of advantages might be added to indefinitely. Now there is a new need, a wide reaching need. The patrons of the school want to know more of its activities, how well Johnny ranks on the honor roll, whether or not the state inspector calls the building fireproof.

All this reflects a wholesome, growing condition. These young journalists are serving a purpose in its way comparable to the service of their elders. They are growing in quality and importance, and their growth comes to fit a need. Those who seek each year to add a wholesome interest and provide conferences are doing a bit of work most commendable. It will, in time, be seen to have even more importance in the educative process in America.

## Morrison Deserves Much Credit For Producing "The Studio"

IT IS HOPED that a great deal will be accomplished by the presentation of "The Studio," a three-act comedy to be given here this month. The play is original, and is written by W. Clair Morrison, a senior in the College. Besides the time and effort spent in production, Mr. Morrison is directing the play, which has a cast of College students. Proceeds from the sale of tickets will be used to affiliate the Ohnimgohow Players with Alpha Phi Omega, national honorary dramatic society.

The College owes its thanks to Mr. Morrison and the cast for this service, which is no small contribution. However, to be the success which is expected, it will require the cooperation of every student in the form of advertising and attendance.

Why not give Mr. Morrison a chance to prove that the College does not always have to produce a royalty play?—W. T. Romine.

Upon the shoulders of public education lies a heavy responsibility. The task is to assure such a spread of public intelligence that democracy can work with sufficient sanity and celerity that the impatient and the ambitious will not topple it over.—C. A. Dykstra, President of the University of Wisconsin.

It was not very clear, but that made it all the more interesting.—Hendrik Willem Van Loon.

The world can forgive practically anything except people who mind their own business.—Margaret Mitchell.

To lose a friend in whom one has invested something of one's personality is to have lost a certain amount of one's self.—Lloyd C. Douglas.



# Pioneers Off Again To Kansas City Tourney

**SQUAD OF TEN PLAYERS, COACH AND MANAGER WILL LEAVE THURSDAY 8 A. M. IN PRIVATE CARS**

**May Arrange For Daily Practice Sessions Enroute to Mid-Western Tournament**

For the second consecutive year the Glenville Pioneers will enter the National Intercollegiate basketball tournament at Kansas City. The tournament dates are March 11-16.

The Pioneers received the nomination to participate in the mid-western meet after they clinched the West Virginia conference crown last Monday night with a 57-47 victory over Morris Harvey College in Charleston. The winner of the West Virginia title automatically becomes qualified to enter the tournament and represent District No. 28, of which A. F. Rohrbough is chairman.

Last year the Pioneers, captained by Robert Davies and Albert Lilley, fought their way into the semi-final round before they were defeated by Northwestern College 46-37.

Coach Rohrbough announced today that ten of the following twelve men would make the trip: Robert Armstrong, Steryl Brown, James McMillen, Jack Miles, Nicholas Murin, Harold Noroski, Louie Romano, Gilbert Rhodes, Jr., Harold Scott, Earle Spencer and Forest White. White's chances of making the trip depend wholly upon the condition of an injured ankle. Robert Butcher, student manager, will accompany the team which will travel by private cars, driven by Gilbert Rhodes, Sr., Fred Madison Whiting, Jr. and Coach Rohrbough.

## THIS YEAR'S CHANCES

A few local fans have predicted that the team's chances to go far in the tourney are only fair this year. This view is undoubtedly due to the fact that the White Wave has a couple of defeats plastered on the 1939-40 record. Both were Conference losses. Last year the Pioneers won all Conference games but did bow to Akron and Toledo early in the season.

## LAST YEAR'S RECORD

The Pioneers of '39, with their dazzling play and showmanship, set the throng-packed Municipal auditorium wild when they marched through the tough side of the bracket and took third place honors. Simpson College was the first victim with a 49-34 score, then Wayne, favorites to take the tourney, fell 56-50. The 52-46 victory over St. Ambrose put the Pioneers in the semi-finals where they lost to Northwestern 46-37. Glenville then turned on the heat to take the consolation game by a 73-49 score from Peru.

## RHODES LEADING SCORER

Contributing the most points toward the western trip is Junior Rhodes with 350 (excluding the D.-E. game), for a 15.8 per game. This gives him the distinction of being one of the leading point-getters in the Tri-State area.

Regardless of the defeats slapped on the Pioneers during the past season they will be an aggregation to watch in the mid-western meet.

## COPY OF "CRIER" IS RECEIVED

"The Marfrance Crier," a ten-page mimeographed paper published by the Marfrance Graded School of Quinwood, has been received by the Mercury. Principal of the five-room school is Cyrus H. Rhodes, a former student in the College.

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## W. Va. Conference Champions-1940

### PIONEERS UPSET SENATORS 71-59

Game Is Final One for Glenville In 1939-1940 Season

ELKINS, March 4 — Glenville's Kansas City-bound Pioneers wound up their 23-game basketball schedule here tonight with a 71-59 victory over Davis and Elkins College. The defeat marked the first for the Senators out of 11 starts on the local floor.

Junior Rhodes kept things hot throughout the evening by tallying 26 points for the Pioneers to capture scoring honors. Glenville held only a slight 13-12 lead at the end of the first period but by halftime the score stood at 55-41.

Louie Romano, with his spectacular performances under the basket, kept the Senators on the defense the greater part of the evening and collected 15 markers for second scoring honors.



ROBERT ARMSTRONG

Front row, Harold Scott, Troy; James McMillen, Mason-town; Junior Rhodes, Glenville; Louie Romano, Clarksburg; Harold Noroski, Munhall, Pa.; Robert Armstrong, Warren, O.—Back row, Jack Miles, Sistersville; Clifford Lamp, Grantsville; Earl Spencer, Richwood; Steryl Brown, Greenbank; William Wolfe, Glenville, and Nicholas Murin, Elk Horn. Not in the picture, Forest White, Webster Springs.

## Lineups:

Glenville	Pts.	D. & E.	Pts.
Rhodes	26	Winnie	12
Armstrong	12	S. Hockenberry	1
McMillen	7	Green	14
Romano	15	Oliver	3
Noroski	4	D. Hockenberry	8
Spencer	2	Marovich	6
White	5	Collette	3
		Hudson	5
		Arbogast	5
		Mans	2
			2
			59

Referee, Securo, Fairmont.

## 12 TEAMS ENTER AT NORMANTOWN

Independent Tournament Will Open Thursday Evening; Shreve Is Director

Twelve teams are entered in the

Normantown Independent basketball tournament, which will open Thursday evening at 6:30 o'clock. In the first round Spencer will meet Hardman, Sand Fork will play Normantown, and Troy will meet Moyers' five.

Friday evening Reed's Pioneers will play Burnsville, the Glenville Drifters will play Buckhannon, and the Normantown Seniors will meet Cedarville.

The tri-finals for winners in the first bracket will begin Friday at 8:30 p. m. Winners in the other bracket will play in the tri-finals at 9:30. The semi-final rounds will begin Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, and the finals Saturday evening at 7:30.

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## RHODES SCORES MORE THAN 350

Romano Has 254, Armstrong 244; Team Averages 60.7; D.-E. Game Not Included

Junior Rhodes continued to lead the race for Pioneer scoring honors as the White Wave wound up their season last night against Davis and Elkins College at Elkins.

Excluding the D. and E. game, Rhodes totaled 350 points. His nearest threat is Louie Romano with 254. Armstrong is third with 244. Only three others had passed the century mark previous to last night's engagement.

The Glenville machine has amassed a total of 1837 points in their 22 games, for a 60.7 game average. Pioneer opponents have scored 993 markers for a 45.1 average per game.

Other Pioneers and their scoring contributions are: Spencer 96; McMillen 85; Noroski 79; Scott 58; White 49; Murin 34; Brown 23; Miles 19; Wolfe 9; Lamp 8; Short 4; Lamb 3.

## Coeds In Sports

Elise Peninger's team held Teresa Butcher's undefeated Pioneerettes to a 23-23 tie in the girls' basketball league Thursday night. Each of the teams, however, was credited with a victory, since girls' rules do not require playing off a tie to determine the winner.

Mary Norman for the Pioneerettes and Virginia West for Peninger's team got 12 points each.

In the first game of the evening, Threda Crummett's team defeated Elizabeth Fryatt's team 16-9. Kathleen Wolfe scored 11 points for the winners and Katie Vineyard 7 for Fryatt.

## STANDINGS OF TEAMS

	W	L	Pct.
Butcher	4	0	1.000
Crummett	3	1	.750
Peninger	2	2	.500
Fryatt	0	4	.000

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SUN., MON., MARCH 10-11 The Dead End Kids on Dress Parade

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# SOCIAL EVENTS of the WEEK

## Sidelights on Debating Trip

By Maxine Bollinger

Here are highlights of a trip to Morris Harvey and Concord colleges over the week-end. The characters: The debating team, Helen Heater, Denver Barnett, Paul Beal, Maxine Bollinger and the coach, Miss Kathleen Robertson.

After a dinner at McKee's in Charleston, the Glenville debaters staged a no-decision word battle at M. H. H. drove over the new Charleston boulevard, saw "Carbide Island," South Charleston High School, and "hunted" out all the churches.

Back to Clendenin for an all-night stay at Miss Robertson's home, and an opportunity to meet Miss Robertson's father. Next morning we visited the Capitol, sat in the assistant secretary of agriculture's chair—the man is Miss Robertson's brother—took pictures of the gold dome and ate the next meal at Hotel Conley, Gauley Bridge.

Arriving at Concord about 5:30 p. m., we went to the girls' dormitory for dinner and at 8 p. m. met the Lions and lost the debate. The judge was a Princeton lawyer, Hartley Saunders.

Miss Rachel Myers, Concord instructor and sister to Miss Ivy Lee Myers, served refreshments in the home economics department and made things pleasant.

Next morning we visited Hawk's Nest, went on to Charleston to see John Steinbeck's story, "Grapes of Wrath" on the screen. Later we visited the Robertson home at Clendenin again and saw a movie in technicolor, one taken while the Robertsons were on a trip to the West Coast the past August. Sunday morning we visited church, Sunday noon ate fried chicken, and Sunday evening landed in Glenville.

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## Michigan Professor Gives Views on Correlation in Hereditary Intelligence

ANN ARBOR, MICH.—(ACP)—

"Like father, like son"—and the adage holds for intelligence, too! That's the conclusion of the University of Michigan's Prof. Walter B. Pillsbury, who has just concluded a study of the hereditary intelligence of Michigan.

He has discovered that there is almost as much correlation between the marks of father and son as there is between the marks a student receives in high school and college.

Because there is such conclusive evidence, "one might even use membership in a family with a good scholastic record as a basis of admission to the university," the Michigan psychologist concludes.

Professor Pillsbury also found a similarity between the intelligence of children in the same family—that is even closer than that of parent and offspring. He insists that his research shows that this correlation is mainly the result of inherited ability, and is not due to a similarity of home and school environment.

### NEW MEMBERS IN ORCHESTRA

Five new members have affiliated with the College Orchestra this semester. They are: Jack Allen, trombone; John Corathers, clarinet; Edna Crummett, alto; Threda Crummett, clarinet and Iwana Mills, B-flat tenor saxophone.

### TO GIVE SMALLPOX VACCINE

Twenty-five college students were inoculated for typhoid fever Saturday at the office of the County Health Department. The inoculations will be completed Saturday, March 16, at which time smallpox vaccine will be given.

### COMPLETES SCHEDULE

Dean H. L. White the past week completed the schedule of classes for the Summer School and sent the copy to the printers. Being printed at the present is the Summer School Bulletin.

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## Collegiate Thumb Is Good For More Than 12,000 Miles

Edward Pickens, blind boy and sophomore in the College, estimates that he has "thumbed" more than 12,000 miles since 1934. During the school term Pickens thumbs sixty-five miles to his home in Ripley every holiday and sometimes over the week-ends. In summer he goes from his home to Parkersburg, Charleston and Romney mostly.

"I use the same methods that others do," he said, "only my white cane helps me out. Even though I thumb a lot," he concluded, "I wouldn't advise other blind boys to do it."

### Y.W.C.A. TEA TOMORROW IN COLLEGE LOUNGE

Members of the Y.W.C.A. and their guests will attend an informal tea tomorrow afternoon in the College lounge from 4 to 5 o'clock.

Plans are being made for a joint meeting of the Y.W.C.A. and the Y.M.C.A. this month. The girls' group will cooperate with the Y.M.C.A. in planning the program. Plans for a party April 29 are being considered.

## LYRIC THEATER

**TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY**  
**Honeymoon in Bali**

**THURSDAY & FRIDAY**  
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## Theater Bookings

By Fred Garrett

Tonight the Pictureland brings the Jones Family in "Too Busy To Work," a picture packed with laughter and one to be remembered. In contrast with "Too Busy To Work," we'll see on Wednesday and Thursday Walter Connolly in "Those High Grey Walls."

They're back again! Friday and Saturday will be shown those two nit-witted funsters, Laurel and Hardy, co-starred with J. Parker in "Flying Deuces," March 10 and 11 brings trouble aplenty. The Dead End Kids are loose again. This time we find them starring in "The Dead End Kids On Parade." At the Lyric tonight and tomorrow night Paramount brings us "Honeymoon in Bali," starring lovely Madelyn Carroll with Fred MacMurray.

United Artists Production Company has turned out three more great hits which will occupy the rest of this week's program at the Lyric. On Thursday and Friday Pat O'Brien will be starred in the comedy "Slightly Honorable." This picture is a combination of fun and mystery and will appeal to all classes of moviegoers. James Fenimore Cooper's "The Last Of The Mohicans" will be shown Saturday, one day only.

"In the Spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love." So does David Nivins' in the show "Eternally Yours," which will be shown Sunday and Monday, March 10 and 11. The feminine role is played by Loretta Young.

### FINAL RITES HELD FOR MRS. ALBERT FITZPATRICK

Funeral services for Mrs. Albert Fitzpatrick, 71, mother of Mrs. John Bonnell, Jr., A.B. '36, Mrs. Paul S. Moyers, A.B. '34, and Ruth Fitzpatrick, A.B. '33, were conducted Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Glenville Baptist Church by the Rev. J. C. Musser, pastor. Mrs. Fitzpatrick died at her home in Northview addition the past Tuesday night. Burial was in the Otterbein Cemetery.

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## Lewis County School Board Sets Up Standards and Qualifications

In line with a current trend throughout the State is the Lewis County School Board's action in setting up standards and qualifications for teachers.

(Recently the Board passed a resolution specifying that:

1. The county superintendent, at the time of his election, shall have the master's degree and ten years successful teaching experience.
2. The assistant superintendent at the time of his election, shall have the master's degree, and five years' successful teaching experience.
3. All new senior high school principals, at the time of their election, shall have the master's degree, and three years' successful teaching experience.
4. All junior high school principals, at the time of their election, shall have the bachelor's degree, and three

years' successful teaching experience.

5. All new graded school principals, at the time of their election, shall have the Collegiate Elementary certificate or its equivalent, and three years' successful teaching experience.

6. All senior and junior high school teachers, at the time of their election, shall have the bachelor's degree or its equivalent. Teachers with advanced degrees will be given preference.

7. Beginning with the school year 1940-41, all new elementary teachers who have the collegiate elementary degree or its equivalent will be given preference. Beginning with the school year 1943-44, the board will employ no elementary teachers who have not acquired the collegiate elementary degree or its equivalent.

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