

## DR. W. A. SAUCIER WILL BE GUEST SPEAKER AT COLLEGE'S SPRING PROFESSIONALIZATION CONFERENCE

Meeting Being Arranged Especially for Seniors, Standard Normal Students

Dr. W. A. Saucier, professor of education in West Virginia Wesleyan College at Buckhannon, and Dean H. L. White, of the College, will be the principal speakers at the conference on professionalization of teaching here on May 1 and 2, it was announced yesterday.

The meetings are a part of a plan advanced by the National Education Association, the State Department of Education and the Higher Education Division of the State Education Association. The conferences will be conducted here particularly for seniors and standard normal students who expect to teach next year.

The program will open on Wednesday, May 1, at 10 a. m., with assembly addresses by Dr. Saucier and Dean White. The series of conferences will be continued during the afternoon and on Thursday in junior and senior education classes, and with students currently enrolled in directed teaching.

These latter conferences will be conducted by the regular instructor in each of the classes with such outside assistance as he may arrange for, it was explained by Dean White.

## WILL PRESENT PLAY AT WESTON

College Dramatics Classes to Offer "The Devil On Stilts" In High School Assembly

"The Devil on Stilts," a one-act comedy entered in the recent state speech festival at Buckhannon, will be given by the College dramatics classes in the Weston High School assembly tomorrow at 10 a. m. Directing the play will be Miss Kathleen Robertson, instructor in speech and English in the College.

Miss Bertha E. Olson will present a brief musical program with representatives from the choral class and the College Orchestra.

The program is sponsored by Miss Virginia Chelstner, A. B. '33, instructor in Weston High School.

## PIONEER SPEAKERS ON SCHOOL TOURS

Three Teams Will Call On Seniors In Central West Virginia Communities

The first round of the 1940 Pioneer Week tours was completed the past week when Dr. C. L. Underwood, instructor in chemistry, Marjorie Barnett and Clifford Lamp, seniors, visited schools at Webster Springs, Cowen, Richmond, Summersville, Gauley Bridge, Ansted, Rainelle, Rupert, Benick, Hillsboro, Marlinton and Greenbank.

Members of the second team, Dr. John C. Shreve, head of the education department, Barbara Haumann and Carl Keister, left yesterday to visit schools at Weston, Jane Lew, Lost Creek, West Milford, Victory, Roosevelt-Wilson, Bridgeport, West Union, Middlebourne, Sistersville, St. Marys, Pennsboro, Cairo, Harrisville and Grantsville. Because of schedule difficulties, Washington Irving High School at Clarksburg will be visited at a later date.

The third team, Mr. E. E. Freed, instructor in history and social sciences, and Ora Mae Poling and Harold Noroski will leave April 29 for a four-day visit at twelve high schools.

Pioneer Week is held each year and is financed by the student activity fund.

## EVELYN WAGNER WINS FIRST PLACE IN TYPING CONTEST

Evelyn Wagner, eldest daughter of Mr. John R. Wagner, instructor in mathematics and physics in the College, won first place for first year students in the Central West Virginia typing contest at Buckhannon Saturday. She was awarded a gold medal.

William Hamilton, A.B. '39, was here for the dance Friday night.

## JEAN BAILEY WILL BE QUEEN AT ANNUAL STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

Miss Kathleen Robertson, instructor in speech and English in the College, was one of three judges who selected the queen of the fifth annual Central West Virginia Strawberry Festival, to be held in Buckhannon, June 6 and 7.

Miss Jean Bailey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jason Bailey of Weston and former residents of Glenville, was chosen Queen. Her selection was made from a group of seventy princesses, representing Barbour, Harrison, Upshur, Lewis and Taylor counties, the strawberry center of Central West Virginia. Miss Bailey is remembered here for having won first place in extemporaneous speaking in the district scholastic speech festival held here March 26.

## F. WHITE ELECTED JUNIOR PRESIDENT

Eddie Chapman Is Named Vice-President; Kidd Is Elected Class Secretary

Forrest White, son of Mrs. G. C. White, of Webster Springs, was elected president of next year's junior class at a called meeting Wednesday in the College auditorium. Eddie Chapman, of Widen, was elected vice-president.

Other officers are: Secretary, Mary Betty Kidd, of Burnsville; treasurer, August Kafer, of Jane Lew; Lyceum committee representative, Robert Armstrong, of Warren, O.

## FIRST AID CLASS COMPLETES WORK

The first aid class, sponsored by the Glenville Parent-Teachers Association, completed a study of emergencies and remedies at the seventh of their weekly meetings in the gymnasium last Tuesday night.

Students taking the course for College credits will continue their work under the direction of Miss Goldie Clare James. Dewey Berry, William Grapes, Jennings Jarvis, Marla Meadows, Frances Myers, Mae Elizabeth Weaver and Doris Webb were the College students enrolled.

## Will Play Here May 10



RAY MARCELL and his NBC recording orchestra will furnish the music for the G Club's annual ball in the College gymnasium on May 10. A feature of the party, always one of the gayest in the whirl of spring swing sessions, will be the athletes' annual coronation ceremony in which a lovely College miss, yet to be named, will be crowned Miss G Club IV. Marcell's band will be one of the highest priced musical troupes to come here recently for a similar dance.

## G Club Members and Friends Will Dance to Music by Ray Marcell Band

Ray Marcell and his orchestra, with pretty Dorothy Duane, is scheduled to play for the G Club ball Friday night, May 10, in the College gymnasium.

The band features a product that has been called on the air lanes "Dance Music As You Like It," and supplies a tempo that makes dancing easy.

Besides wielding the baton, Marcell doubles on the piano and frequently changes to his accordion. The southern gentleman also throws in touches of his rural Arkansas comedy, magic novelties and genial homespun, which always prevents a lull.

Dorothy Duane gives her troupe excellent assistance with her blues singing. Her gracious appearance and personality attract attention everywhere.

The band, now making a tour of West Virginia cities, appeared at Spencer Saturday night.

Adding color to the athlete's annual party will be the crowning of Miss G Club IV by Pres. E. G. Rohrbough shortly before intermission.

The dance is expected to attract a host of former students and athletes, and has the prospect of being one of the year's gayest parties. Invitations are being mailed to former G Club members.

## G Club Members Will Elect Queen And Plan Dance

Naming of Miss G Club IV will occupy the attention of G Club members this evening, announces Harold Noroski, president of the organization. The Club, comprised of athletes who have earned letters in athletics, will meet at 8 p. m. in the gymnasium.

Plans will also be completed for the annual G Club ball on May 10, at which time the selected girl will be crowned by Pres. E. G. Rohrbough. Noroski indicated that the following committees would be named: Tickets, publicity, decorating, lighting and program.

## CHEMISTRY CLUB PLANS PARTY

A committee was appointed the past Tuesday evening to plan a party to be given by the Chemistry Club in the gymnasium Friday night. The committee is composed of Ralph Cox, Rhoda Ann Bell and Teresa Butcher.

The program for the past meeting was a "quiz" given to the members of the Club. The Club voted to send letters of appreciation to the Chemistry Day speakers.

## COLLEGE WILL OFFER SPECIAL GUIDANCE AND REGISTRATION PROGRAM FOR FRESHMEN NEXT FALL; OPENS SEPT. 16

Procedure Is In Line With Current Trend Throughout the Nation; Upperclassmen to Register September 17 and 18

In line with trends throughout the nation in the matter of giving special attention to curriculum guidance as often requested by freshmen is a new program which is to go into effect here at the College next fall. The plan calls for a one-day extension of the period for registration and for a limited social program designed especially for freshmen during their first two or three days on the campus.

## 2 STUDENTS ENROLL FOR LAST SIX WEEKS OF SECOND SEMESTER

Two persons have enrolled in the College for courses during the last six weeks of the semester.

They are Glennie H. VanDevender of Circleville, Pendleton County, and Georgia Stewart of Evans, Jackson County. Both are former students in the College.

Mr. VanDevender, who began his studies yesterday, will receive 5 hrs. credit for work during the six-weeks period. Miss Stewart will receive 4 hrs. credit and will begin her work April 29.

Miss Stewart will be a candidate for a Standard Normal certificate upon completion of her four weeks work here, and Mr. VanDevender will finish requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary education.

## HEATER NAMED CAST DIRECTOR

Alpha Psi Omegas Get New Members and Name Constitution Committee

Heien Heater, of Weston, was elected cast director of Theta Alpha cast of Alpha Psi Omega, dramatic fraternity, the past Thursday evening in Room 204. Other officers elected were: Sub-director, Carl Chapman, of Clay; secretary-treasurer, Gwendolyn Beall, of Glenville. The title of cast director and sub-director corresponds to that of president and vice-president in other organizations.

Carl Chapman and Teresa Butcher who had not been initiated by the Fairmont cast, were taken into the fraternity at the meeting. Gwendolyn Beall, Marjorie Barnett and Clair Morrison were appointed by the cast director to draft a constitution for the Theta Alpha cast.

## Dean H. L. White Acting Secretary At State Meetings

Dean H. L. White served as secretary at a recent meeting of college presidents and deans with the State Board of Education in Charleston. Principal speaker at the meeting was State Superintendent W. W. Trent. Dean D. L. Haught, of Concord State Teachers College, was named permanent chairman.

Mr. White also served as secretary of the Division of Higher Education of the State Education Association which also held its meeting in Charleston. R. B. Marston, executive secretary of the S. E. A., was the principal speaker.

## College Faculty Re-Employed For The Coming Year

All members of the College faculty were re-employed for the coming year by the State Board of Education at a recent meeting in Charleston. Only a few changes in state college faculties were announced at the meeting.

Leadline in point of continuous service in the College is Pres. E. G. Rohrbough, reemployed for his thirtieth year. For Dean H. L. White it is the eighteenth year as instructor and sixth as dean.

Second in point of service is Mr. E. P. Grose, who began his period of teaching here in 1912, over twenty-seven years ago.

Winifred White, S.N. '37, of Bridgeport, is the Sunday guest of Miss Wills Brand, instructor in English in the College.

A period of freshman orientation is planned for the beginning of the fall semester, according to the calendar prepared for the College catalog, sent the past week to the printers.

The plan, as set forth in the calendar, is a new procedure in the College. Freshmen will be registered for the first semester on Monday, Sept. 16, and Tuesday and Wednesday are designated as days of "orientation."

About one-half of the College faculty will assist during these two days in helping new students become familiar with the campus, the buildings, the rules and regulations and the solving of academic and other problems that may arise.

Upperclassmen will be registered on Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 17 and 18.

Orientation and guidance periods for freshmen are common in a number of the colleges of the state, where such practice has been fairly well established over a period of years.

## 42% OF STUDENTS ATTEND CHURCH

National Survey Reveals 48% Attend Occasionally; 12% Say They Never Go

Do college students lose some of their interest in church attendance and activities after they leave home?

That question, the latest edition has been asked of hundreds of students by the Student Opinion Surveys, which reports that:

Forty per cent say they attend church regularly, forty-eight per cent say "occasionally," and twelve per cent admit they never attend church services while in college.

When it comes to frequency of attendance, these figures are advanced: Fifteen per cent attend more often than they did before they came to college, forty-six per cent attend less often, and the remaining thirty-nine per cent think their church-going is "about the same."

Catholics seem less disposed to change their habits about religion while away from home. Three-fourths of them attend services regularly, twenty per cent occasionally and five per cent never attend. Fifty-nine per cent of all Catholics maintain that their college church attendance is about the same as before they left home.

Followers of the Jewish faith are handicapped in their religious observances by the conflict of their services with scholastic schedules and campus social life. Three-fourths of the Jews claim their attendance either "regular" or "occasional."

## McDonald to Preside At Student Body Meeting Tomorrow

Earl McDonald, newly elected student body president, will be introduced by Harold Noroski, retiring president, at the student body meeting in assembly tomorrow.

The meeting will include an open forum discussion of plans to revise freshman rules and a demonstration by the cheerleaders of the five winning yell submitted in a contest sponsored by the Council.

## H. Y. CLARK TO SPEAK AT ROSEDALE GRADUATION

H. Y. Clark, instructor in education, will deliver the Commencement address at Rosedale Junior High School, Friday, May 17. Bradford Davis, A.B. '35, is principal of the school.

Fifty-five per cent of men and 44 per cent of women at the University of Michigan would like more dates, a survey shows.

## THEY'RE HAPPY ABOUT THE WHOLE THING LEADERS IN STUDENT GOVERNMENT



READY to assume lead roles in campus government next year are these seven College students who "survived" the recent student body election in which more than ninety per cent of the eligible voters cast ballots. Seated, left to right, Miss Helen Heater, Weston, member of Supreme Court; Robert Butcher, Cedarville, member of Supreme Court; Johnson Burke, Cedarville, sergeant-at-arms; Eva Amos, Burnsville, vice-president. Standing, left to right, Ruth Annabel Hall, Glenville, secretary; Earl McDonald, Parkersburg, president; James Heater, Weston, treasurer. R. E. Freed, instructor in sociology and history, is the Council adviser. Picture was taken in the College lounge by Clark Hardman, Jr., the Mercury's staff photographer, come here for a similar dance.

## HEATER WILL DISCUSS "BLOCKADE PROBLEM"

Helen Heater, president of the Current Events Club, will discuss "Blockade Problem" at the Club meeting tonight. Two other topics, "Behind Poland's Defeat" and "Our Navy Behind Japan," will be explained by Helen Curtis and Olive Myers. Madge Shears and Pearl Dotson will be hostesses.



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## Commencement Week Can Be Pleasant and Profitable

THE 1940 Commencement Week at the College promises to merit special attention. Outstanding features are the baccalaureate sermon by Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes, on Sunday, May 26; the Commencement address by Dr. Henry Neumann, Wednesday, May 29; and a spring concert by the music department.

The speech classes will offer a spring recital, a senior play will be given, and the annual alumni reception and dance is planned.

Those who have attended previous Commencement exercises here have found them to be well worth while. It is the policy of the College to select good speakers, widely known in their fields. The music and the speech departments display a great deal of talent skilled by careful preparation. Then there is the annual "get together," the best time of the year for graduates and former students who wish to keep in touch with their alma mater.

Accommodations will be adequate for those who desire to attend this year. The aim is to furnish as much profit and pleasure to as many friends of the College as possible.—William T. Romine.

## Daydreams May Materialize Into Something Quite Useful

IS DAYDREAMING a waste of time? This is a question which is not so easily answered, because it is often difficult to distinguish between it and loafing.

Daydreams are in many cases beneficial. Often without warning, a tiny idea or inspiration creeps into the back of one's mind not to be dismissed. Each spare moment it expands, aided by the imagination, until it occupies one's thoughts almost completely. Soon follows the desire to make this daydream materialize, and one becomes so obsessed with the idea that each action is aimed in that direction.

The idea for building the first airplane did not come to the Wright brothers in its clear-cut form. While watching birds fly, they conceived the idea that by means of man-made wings, they too could soar through the air. This thought became foremost in their minds, and by its expansion they were then able to formulate their plans and transfer them to paper.

Without this daydream or inspiration, the Wright brothers, to whom we are so indebted, could not have materialized their idea. Daydreams are the hopes of the future. Without them science and all arts would remain stationary.

Save your daydreams and let them materialize—the world needs them.—Mary Louise Woodford.

## Elections at Wesleyan

(From The Wesleyan Phoros)

RECENT elections have shown unmistakably that students here gain office through political maneuvering and not through merit. And the corollary to this situation has been drawn—chance, not principle, rules in such a government. Students vote without an inkling of the candidates' attitudes! Officers are elected without a thought of programs and responsibilities.

We would seek to suggest a means by which nominees may be judged on a basis of their convictions, intelligence, and leadership ability, rather than their aptitude for vote-grabbing.

In the case of the election of the president of the Student Council, we feel that if two nominations were permitted from each class it might help to clear up an awkward situation such as has occurred in the past when one man was nominated in all classes. Since it does not take a majority for nomination from any class, it follows that it is possible under the present system for a man to gain all nominations with less than half the student body behind him.

On the Shelves  
At the Robert  
F. Kidd Library

By Olive Myers

Population going down!

So what?

So we as teachers are going to find it difficult to get jobs; for a declining population means fewer children to teach, therefore fewer teachers will be needed.

Designed to help in this situation is a new book, "The Strategy of Job Finding," by George J. Lyons and Harmon C. Martin. It is divided into four parts: 1. How to find yourself, 2. How to prepare for Job Seeking, 3. How to Find the Job, 4. How to Get the Job. Each part gives specific directions designed to assist the young (and not-so-young) in learning a successful job-finding technique. For those of us who really intend to teach in spite of everything, "An Introduction to Teaching," by Charles W. Knudsen and Lucius O. McAfee may open our eyes to some aspects or answer our questions on others of our chosen profession.

Not so now, but just as good is "The School Ma'am" by Frances R. Donovan. Miss Donovan's book has the personal appeal of a sense of humor applied to an intimate understanding of the subject.

Away from teaching, but near to some of us who are from oil counties, is a new book donated to the Robert F. Kidd Library by The Standard Oil Company. "This Fascinating Oil Business," by Max W. Ball, is an authoritative treatise on the business; but it is written in a pleasant, clear style, and is very readable.

More technical is "Oil Well Drilling Methods," by Victor Ziegler, which is intended as a handbook introduction for the student, the man in the oil business, or the man who expects to go into that business.

The  
LETTER BOX

TO THE EDITORS:

In the past years it has been a custom for the G Club to present to its senior members a pin at or before graduation. This pin is given as a token of appreciation of the work done in the Club.

Those eligible to receive pins are seniors who have won letters in either of the two major sports—football or basketball. With those are included the Pioneer and cheer leaders, who are also awarded letters by the College.

One member of this Club during the past four years has helped with the minarels, dancer, and has attended and led cheers at football and basketball games. She should also be included.

Why not add Marguerite Moss to the list of those who receive G Club pins?—James McMillen.

## THIS POETRY PROBLEM

When you think of all the time it takes to write a single rhyme, And when you think of the great dearth

Of subjects of some rhyming worth, It makes you wonder what one wants, And also, why that nothing daunts The poet who sets out to try To make a rhyme that will not die.

But through the times of peace and war, The poet will write forevermore. And though good subjects may be few,

There's always something — old or new — That will make a catchy verse. But it would be a little worse

If poets wrote 'till 'bout to drop — And then admit they're just a flop. —Frances Myers.

BURNSVILLE P.-T.A. SPEAKER

Guest speaker at a meeting of the Burnsville Parent-Teachers Association Thursday night, at Burnsville, will be Linn B. Hickman, instructor in English and Journalism in the College.

## Quick Quips

The College Seniors

Here and There

Dear Folks:

It won't be long now.

Yours,

QUICKSILVER

## CAMPUS CAMERA

PROF. JULIAN TAYLOR

PROF. TAYLOR TAUGHT LATIN AT COLBY COLLEGE FOR 65 YEARS! PRES. JOHNSON WAS COMPLETING LINCOLN'S SECOND TERM WHEN HE TOOK UP HIS DUTIES HE DIED IN 1932 — IF HIS SUCCESSOR EXPECTS TO DUPLICATE THIS RECORD HE MUST PLAN TO REMAIN ON THE JOB UNTIL 1998

PROF. T. TENNIS  
IS THE TENNIS COACH AT WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY



UNTIL 1925 WEST POINT CLASSES GAVE A WEDDING PRESENT TO EACH GRADUATE WHO MARRIED. THE GIFT WAS USUALLY IN THE FORM OF A CHEST OF SILVER, WITH THE CLASS SEAL INCORPORATED IN THE DESIGN.

## Keeping Wright With The News

By Agnes Wright

April showers may come and go, but the past week they were mostly coming. . . Spirits were dampened by the thoughts of a gloomy week-end. . . But rallying to the aid came the Holy Roller Court dance, bringing the syncopated music of George Hall and his Melody Manor band.

Tonight in the College auditorium students will be subjected to the first plays to be presented by aspiring young tyros of Speech 201. . . "The Devil on Skitts," entered in the Speech Festival at Backhannon, March 14, 15 and 16, will be presented. . . Criticism of the plays will be from character standpoint. . . Scenery is eliminated. . . One thing calls for another. . . No sooner than the play directing business is over, work will begin on the senior play, possibly this week.

A bit of philosophy: Now that school is nearing a close and that back work keeps piling forward, we find students falling, and by themselves. . . Probably because they persist in following the other person. . . Which all boils down to the fact that Kipling was right when he said, "He travels the fastest who travels alone."

The swing session in the gymnasium Friday night brought forth a blizzard of students, both new and old. . . Acquaintances of yesterday and today were renewed. . . gaiety reigned. . . And laughter filled the house-top.

Good things usually come in small quantities but: Down at the Lyric Theater May 5, 6 and 7, movie-fans will see that big picture "Gone With The Wind."

In the sweet and swing world we find: Drummers flocking to get the new Cab Calloway recording of "Paradiddle" featuring Cozy Cole on the sides. . . "Little Curly Hair" recorded by Eddie Cantor on a new Columbia disc. . . Ray Noble over C-BB tonight at 12:30. . . SONG HIT of the week is still, as far as I'm concerned, "The Wind And The Rain In Your Hair."

--- Quote ---  
Worth Quoting

FROM MR. W. A. WHITE

When a reporter for the George Washington University Hatchet visited William Allen White, the famed Kansas editor gave him this recipe for aspiring journalists: "What they need, son, is a pair of good legs, honest, and a whole lot of curiosity. When I look out of the window every morning (a view of a gloomy brick wall) and see something I didn't see the day before and make something of it—that is curiosity. You can be a genius if you want to—it's the capacity for hard work!"—Reported by Associated Collegiate Press.

## ONLY ONE GOOD WAR

There has never been in the entire history of the world more than one good war, and that was the Trojan war, which took place a long time ago. They fought for a woman, and every soldier on both sides knew exactly what he was fighting for. It has never been done since.—Wm. Lyon Phelps via Roane County Reporter.

## GOSMIC DUST

By Max Ward

## READING

HE WHO teaches will have daily something to remind him of one paramount shortcoming of his pupils: Their inability to read well. Reasons for this condition are almost as numerous as are the cases in question, but the excuses therefor are few. Most people can be taught to read with both speed and comprehension.

But, while this is true, there are many among college students who are held back because they have not learned to read—properly and effectively. In every course they take, they are retarded and prevented from doing their best because of this handicap in the handling of words. And for those who plan to teach reading, there is a trace of significance herein: These students could have been better readers, if they had been taught better.

The matter is also a personal one, for any college student who finds himself restricted in his achievement can do something about it. Diligent care and practice in the right direction will give him a powerful lever, useful in moving many an academic load.

## CONVERSATION

MOST of us take part in this activity called conversation long ere we are told that it is (or should be) an art, indeed, one of the decadent and disappearing arts.

Then comes some obscure idea that this conversation is or should be most precise and formal, stilted with polished rhetoric and meticulous syllabication and accent. All of which leaves many of us with the impression that this so-called art is some sort of intellectual maladjustment to be shunned, because people would call us queer if we tried obviously to make our speech exact and our thoughts more than usually coherent.

Conversation need not be such, for it can be one of the most delightful of informal pastimes. Skill in the art should not loom as a thing quite ominous, nor should one reflect too much on what his neighbor (who can't talk either) says about him, if he tries to improve his rhetoric or broaden his interests and information. All these things are good and contributory to desirable growth.

There is a shortage in the number of those who can converse well. Look about yourself and listen any day for the evidence.

## SUNSET

GLENVILLE is not a bad place, we agree more than once during our stay here. Several things we point to with a great deal of pride, when we think of the things pleasant and profitable we have found.

We'll not overlook the surrounding hills, which have a rugged forceful lesson in that they point upward; there is the winding river that flows incessantly; we are given something pleasant every day by some of the most magnanimous people that can be found only in a small town; we receive accommodations which make us resolve to do something even better in return; and we meet among the young men and women on the campus some of the most delightful people who ever cast a smile, and a number of them we hope to keep eternally as friends. These things Glenville has brought, and they are all quite good, indeed.

And those who have noticed will agree on one thing, now and years after they are gone: Those hills across there to the west frame some of the most gorgeous and inspiring sunsets.

## PERSONAL

ONCE a student here was Armond C. Stalaker, of Weston. He is now doing work in the University of Cincinnati's school of commerce, completing training in a field about which he always spoke with the greatest of enthusiasm.

Success is coming his way in Cincinnati, for he is one of those who makes things work. Reports trickle back unobtrusively to the effect that both academic and practical proficiency are characterizing his training.

This offers no surprise, for it is still true here in America that there is an opportunity to go high up the ladder of success if one has the ability and the burning desire. He has both these qualities and more. He is one of the finest young men one can have the pleasure of meeting.

## CENSUS

QUOTED in the Associated Collegiate Press' Parade of Opinion the past week was a part of an editorial on the current census, written by Dr. L. Garrett and recently published in the Mercury.

The topic was considered quite timely, for collegiate editors have been viewing the matter widely.

Garrett's quoted reminders were: Students should cooperate with the Census Bureau by making sure that their parents will report them to the census enumerator, and by supplying their parents with certain information they will need in order to report on them correctly.

The Daily Kansan of the University of Kansas points out that "the list of questions Uncle Sam has prepared for his Q-Men to ask are personal and intimate as well as multitudinous," but urges full cooperation of every person because of the dividends forthcoming from an exact census.

The blessing of spring is that it breeds forgetfulness.—George Cronyn.



## SPORTS CHATTER

By A Cub Columnist  
Earl McDonald

WHEN WE TOOK a stroll into the Little Kanawha valley region the past week-end we could not help but notice Ol' man river slowly creeping over the surrounding lowlands. This view made us think that they are getting ready to tie down the piano and move the fruit to a top shelf in the basement. . . . Rivers provide the sportsman with lots of recreation in the summer when he has something to tie in them . . . instead of out of them.

FROM THE KEYSTONE state we hear reports that another shipment of basketball players will wind their way into the Pioneer camp next year. . . . Whether there will be another Edley, Davies or Noroski is not known. . . . Take our word for it, they will be good because a lad by the name of Markowitz, a former Pioneer who coaches at Munhall, Pa., is doing the scouting there. . . . Surely the achievements of the three boys mentioned above, on the local court, is recommendation for more boys of this calibre.

## MERCURY GETS FIRST-CLASS HONOR RATING IN NATIONAL ACP SERVICE

406 Papers From 47 States, Hawaii and the District of Columbia Entered

The Mercury has been given a first class honor rating by the Associated Collegiate Press for the current year, it was announced at the University of Minnesota the past week.

All college papers throughout the country are eligible to enter the critical service offered by the Press. The Mercury has received the service for the past four years, being awarded second class honor ratings previously.

Considered by the judges in the service are the various phases of newspapers in general, including make-up, news content, editorials, advertisements and features. Copies entered in the contest were those published weekly from September through February.

The Concordian, of Concord State Teachers College, was awarded second class rating in the class published in schools with enrollments between 500 and 900. The Fairmont Columns was given first class rating in this class.

Salem College's Green and White received second class honor rating in the bi-weekly class with enrollments under 500. First class rating was won by Morris-Harvey's Comet in the same class with enrollments exceeding 1000.

There were 406 College and University newspapers from forty-seven states, Hawaii and the District of Columbia entered in the contest. Forty-two papers were entered in the same classification as the Mercury (published in a college with an enrollment of fewer than 500). Four papers in this group gained All-American rating, highest award given. The Mercury was only fifteen points short of an All-American rating, but was high in the first-class honor rating. Five ratings are made: All-American, and first, second, third and fourth class honors.

Best scoring was done by the Mercury on news coverage, balance, vitality, originality and treatment; on news leads, organization, style and content; and on proofreading, features, copyediting and editorials.

Results of the critical service went to all daily newspapers throughout the country, and a complete list of honor ratings will be published in the May issue of The Scholastic Editor, a magazine received regularly at the Robert F. Kidd library.

Certificates of award are being printed and will be sent to papers that received honor ratings.

### ROHRBOUGHS SET OUT TEXAS BLUE BONNETS

Mrs. E. G. Rohrbough received one-half bushel of Texas blue bonnets the past week from her daughter-in-law, Cleora Dietz Rohrbough, of Austin, Texas. Mrs. Rohrbough set out some of the plants to see if they will grow in this climate.

### MRS. MEADOWS' HUSBAND KILLED SUNDAY EVENING

Mrs. Maria Meadows, freshman in the College, was called to her home at Camden-on-Gauley yesterday morning because of the death of her husband, Joe Meadows, who was killed near his home Sunday evening.

WE HAVE OFTEN heard that one of the best treats an athlete gets is the opportunity to see a lot of country. This should hold good for the Pioneer basketball squad next season if present plans materialize. Negotiations are now underway for the Pioneers to take a trip through the mid-west prior to the Christmas holidays, playing several schools that competed in the two national tournaments at Kansas City. Neither will the gridders be neglected, for they too are scheduled for a couple of extensive journeys, one to Bristol, Tenn., and another to Olean, N. Y.

SEEING TINK HUFFMAN at the Holy Roller hop Friday night reminded us of the time Coach A. P. Rohrbough walked into the dressing room after a night game with St. Vincent College and inquired where Tink had been during the game, indicating he intended to substitute him. Tink told the Coach that he was sitting beside him on the bench. Coach Rohrbough said that he failed to see him, and Tink replied, "The moon must have gotten into your eye."

## COLLEGIANS MAY PLAY RED CAPS

Bennett Stump's Team Will Don New Uniforms For This Season's Games

Bennett Stump, manager of the Stumptown Red Caps baseball team, and a freshman in the College, is making plans for an extensive season of playing. New uniforms have been donated to the team by Glenville, Spencer, Lockney, Stumptown and Grantsville.

Tentative plans include a game with the Glenville Collegians, managed by Gordon Thompson, freshman, and composed of students in the College. The game will be played April 27 at Stumptown.

On the Stumptown team are Frank Martino, A.B. '36, William Boggs, S.N. '36, Edward Westfall, a former student and Albert Moore and Bennett Stump, students in the College.

Manager Stump will meet with representatives of other Gilmer County teams April 26, in the recreation room under the Kanawha Union Bank to plan for a Gilmer County Baseball League. Teams expected to make up the league are: Tanner, Steer Creek, Cedarville, Stumptown, Stout's Mills and Shock.

On the Collegians' team are Sam Marchio, Joe Marra, Charley Caputo, Frank Tomaschok, Arnett Dunbar, Harold Scott, James McMillen, Theodore Hollett, August Kafer, William Kafer, Woodrow Maxwell and manager, Gordon Thompson.

## Brown, Spencer to Get Varsity Sweaters

Two freshmen, Steryl Brown and Earle Spencer, will receive varsity award sweaters for their service the past season in basketball, according to Athletic Director A. F. Rohrbough.

Spencer, former Richmond High School star, saw considerable service at center, frequently breaking into the starting five. Brown, a forward from Greensburg, earned his award in a substitute role.

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## Former Mercury Sports Editor Sees White Sox Open Against Indians in Chicago

A former Mercury sports editor, Isadore Nachman; A.B. '36, of Glenville, now on the staff of the Chicago News Bureau, still likes his baseball. From Mr. Nachman and Chicago the past week came a letter that reads in part:

"I saw Bobby Feller of the Indians pitch a no-hit, no-run game and defeat the White Sox 1-0 in the opening game of the 1940 baseball season here today (Tuesday, April 16). Although the weather was cool,

the game was great to watch and I'll never forget it. Jeppers creepers, but it was a real sight to see the Sox try in vain to get a safe hit off the kid from Iowa. During the last two innings nearly everyone in the stands pulled for Feller to complete his perfect game.

"Among the celebrities at the game were Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis, high commissioner of baseball, and Joe E. Brown, movie comedian and former baseball star."

## Just A Quiet Country Boy Is This Senior Pioneer Football Co-Captain

Woodrow Maxwell from Down DeKalb Way Will Be Graduated Here This Spring

By Earl McDonald

He's just a quiet country boy from down at DeKalb, a short distance from Glenville, but he has taken four years of college as a serious matter and made a lot of friends while doing it. That's Woodrow Maxwell, who along with Jim McMillen, co-captained the Pioneer football team last fall.

To call this tall blond lad Woodrow is hardly proper on the campus, because the boys have tagged him just plain "Woody". He was graduated from Tanner High School (that's where he earned that sweater with four big stripes on the sleeve) and they still claim down that way that he is the best athlete in that section of the county.

At an early age Woody was afflicted with infantile paralysis and

has suffered a handicap ever since. But he forgot about a stiff back and took up sports at every opportunity. He's a very modest lad but he'll still tell you about the time he took a Tanner High School baseball team to Clarksburg and pitched his mates to a victory over Victory High School and Jack Gocke, who later starred in baseball for W. V. U. Woody still limbers his arm on Sunday afternoons during the summer and pitches for the Tanner Independents.

Last Friday night Woody very efficiently put on the annual dance, sponsored by the Holy Roller Court, an organization over which he presides as judge.

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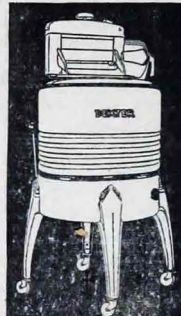
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# SOCIAL EVENTS of the WEEK

## COLLEGE GETS AUTOMATIC RADIO-PHONOGRAPH

An automatic radio-phonograph, purchased through the efforts of the College Social Committee, was received Saturday afternoon and used for the first time that evening from 8 until 11 o'clock in the gymnasium where it furnished music for a free round dance. The machine has an automatic record changer and carries twelve 10-inch or ten 12-inch records.

## MISS WILKERMA WHITE ENTERTAINS HELEN CLUB

Wilkerma White, instructor in library science, entertained the Helen Club with a chicken dinner at Larky's Sandwich Shop April 12. Club members present were: Mary Helen Porterfield, Helen McCoy, Irene Helene Balle, Helen Stannard, Helen West, Helen Heister and Helen Curtis. Table decorations were narcissus and pink roses.

## ARMOND C. STALNAKER VISITS FRIENDS HERE

Armond C. Stalnaker, S.N. '38, of Weston, visited friends at the College Friday and Saturday and attended the Holy Roller Court dance Friday night. He is now enrolled in the University of Cincinnati, where he is completing a course in the school of commerce.

He is a graduate of Weston High School, and attended the University for one year prior to his coming to Glenville. He taught two years in Lewis County schools.

The business training plan followed at the University of Cincinnati calls for alternate periods of class work and practical experience. While not in class, Stalnaker works for the widely known Procter and Gamble Company.

He was a guest of Max Ward while here over the week-end.

## DAUGHTER BORN TO MR. AND MRS. JAMES CREASY

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Creasy of Summersville announce the birth of a daughter, Betsy Jean, born Thursday in the Sacred Heart Hospital in Richmond. Mr. Creasy, A.B. '33, is superintendent of Nicholas County Schools. Mrs. Creasy is the former Louise McWhorter, S.N. '33.

## COLLEGE ALUMNUS HEADS STATE B. Y. P. U.

Byron J. Turner, A.B. '34, of Weston, was elected president of the West Virginia Baptist Young People's Union at the annual meeting of the organization in Charleston the past week-end.

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A former student in the College is Miss Ara L. Long, above, one of the Long triplets, of Pine Grove, who is to be graduated from the University of Virginia School of Law. She is shown here as she was sworn in at Richmond as a member of the Virginia Bar. H. H. Wyatt, clerk of the Virginia Supreme Court, administered the oath. Miss Long is a sister-in-law of Frank Cain, an alumnus of the College. (Cut courtesy The Clarksburg Telegram).

## CIVIC CLUB TO SPONSOR SAMPLE FAIR MONDAY, MAY 6

Climaxing the spring social events of the Glenville Civic Club will be a Sample Fair, Monday, May 6, in the College gymnasium from 8 to 9:30 o'clock. Samples have been received from various companies and include chewing gum, soda, glass banks, miniature fruit jars, clothes pin bags, and pins, Shinola, glass novelties, crayons, coasters, boxes of Ripple Wheat, Crispy Crackers, pencils, furniture polish, washing solutions, applique patterns, Easy Clean, shopping bags, 600 two-pound bags of flour, baking powders, memorandum books, balloons, Libby's products, bananas, oranges, hot dogs, buns and coca-cola.

As a special feature of the fair, Frank Beall and his band will present a concert. Between numbers drawings will be made for special prizes of two 100-pound sacks of feed, a ham, a 100-pound bag of salt, and a five-pound box of cheese. Tickets are 50 cents each and proceeds will go to the club treasury.

## BURKE ATTENDS STOCK SHOW AT LEWISBURG

Johnson Burke, a junior in the College, attended the second annual pure bred stock show and auction at the Morland Farms near Lewisburg the past week-end. A crowd of 2,500 representing 35 states, attended the show.

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## JAMES SINGLETON AND JANE BOYLES MARRIED

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Boyles, of Weston, announce the marriage of their daughter, Jane, to Mr. James Singleton, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Singleton, of Glenville. The marriage was solemnized March 30, at Winchester, Va., with the Rev. T. M. Swann, pastor of the Methodist Church, officiating.

Mrs. Singleton is a graduate of Weston High School, Class of '38. Mr. Singleton is a sophomore in the College; a member of the Jim Club, and is a graduate of Glenville High School.

Neva Eloise Thorn, A. B. '39, spent the week-end with friends in Glenville.

## World Will Observe 376th Birthday Anniversary of William Shakespeare

### Famous Writer Born in 1564 at Stratford-on-Avon; Died in 1616

By Albert Woolfer  
William Shakespeare, the magic name in literature, was born 376 years ago today at Stratford-on-Avon. So little is known about his life that biographers use such qualifying phrases as "it is thought that Shakespeare . . ." in giving details of his life.

## College Crowd Pleased With Music Furnished by George Hall's Band

George Hall and his Melody Manor orchestra went on trial Friday night in the College gymnasium with disturbing the peace of mind of about ninety-five jitterbug couples. The court room, decorated in black and white and with streamers hanging from the dimmed lights and paddles covering the side posters, presented a somber effect on the nine wide-eyed prisoners.

Reaching a verdict at 9 p. m., the Holy Roller Court, final decision tribunal, found the defendants guilty of presenting a variety of syncopated tunes in the said gymnasium and sentenced them to serve, for the pleasure of the people, three and one-half hours of swing, both sweet and hot, in the best Hall manner. Complying with the said rules the band served its sentence to great satisfaction, and at the end of its term was allowed to return in a most respectable way from whence it came.

## Canterbury Club Pilgrimage Sweet As April Shower

It was with April showers sweet, even as in the days of yore, that the Canterbury Club went on its annual pilgrimage to the Conrad Hotel Wednesday night.

Previously the Club met in Room 1 at the Library and heard traditional Chaucer stories—the Clerk's, Man of Law's and Knight's tales—told by Teresa Butcher, Agnes Wright and Max Ward, respectively. Elizabeth Rohr and Warren Cunningham, freshmen, were accepted for membership at a special meeting Wednesday morning and attended the evening meeting and the pilgrimage. At the conclusion of the dinner at the hotel, the Club heard Miss Willa Brand, Club sponsor, read a poem written for the occasion. The traditional pilgrimage takes place each year at the second meeting in April.

Although Shakespeare's writings are considered classical reading, people of all walks of life use phrases made famous by him. Who hasn't heard the expression "As plain as the nose on your face" or "What fools these mortals be"? In light of the recent Danish invasion by Germany, two quotations from Shakespeare's Hamlet are brought to mind: "Something is rotten in the State of Denmark" and "Denmark's a prison."

Earl R. Boggs, Mr. and Mrs. George Strader and Linn B. Hickman attended the Rotary 185th District Conference in Parkersburg Friday and Saturday.

## Pretty Spring Frocks Add Color To Holy Rollers' Semi-Formal

By Susan Summers

The Holy Roller Court dance Friday night was a time of laughter, gaiety and matrimony, with the girls in their pretty spring frocks helping to make it so.

Joining in the fun were Mrs. Raymond E. Freed and Mrs. H. Y. Clark. Mrs. Freed wore black, while Mrs. Clark wore a black skirt with a frilly white blouse. Both looked very smart. . . . Arlene wore an orchid gown with a nipped-in waist. Ronnie was her man. . . . Iona was exotic in a printed silk, off-the-shoulder dress. Ted was with her. . . . Elizabeth, with Kermit, looked pretty in a green, full-skirted affair. . . . Helen West, escorted by Brooks, was sweet in a white net with red accessories. . . . Marjorie was petite in a sheer pink frock. Her man was Jimmy Morrison from Weston. . . . Romana, also with a Weston lad, John Davis, Jr., wore a black skirt with bustle effect blouse.

June Long, in a frothy yellow net dress trimmed in brown, was attended by Ernest. . . . Gladys looked sparkling in blue organza, with a wide whirl of a skirt. She came with an off-the-campus man. . . . A lady in red was Justine Simon from Weston, who was with Tomaszko. . . . Ruth Annabell, in a peach organza gown with a full skirt and puffed sleeves, was with Nicholas. . . . Audrey, with Bill, was pert in a soft blue dress. . . . Elizabeth Lewis wore a quietly flattering, delicate green gown. She was attended by John Orr of Weston. . . . Geraldine and Joe seemed to enjoy the frolic. She was smart in a black skirt and trim red blouse. . . . Ora Mae, with Clifford Garrett, was charming in a brown lace affair.

Betty Jean was the pink of perfection for Eddie in a low cut taffeta gown. . . . Lillian Hefner looked like a glamour girl in an off-the-shoulder black dress with a bustle effect. She came with Earl. . . . Rosemary and Russell were there. The Miss wore a square-neck, white net dress. . . . Rose Marie, also in white net was with Fred. . . . Mary Susan looked vivacious in a white satin dress with

quilted jacket. John Marra escorted her. . . . Lucille, with Sheriff, was endearingly quaint in navy blue and white checked sharkskin.

## COLLEGE ALUMNI PLAN RECEPTION

### Commencement Activities To Include Dance At Gymnasium On May 29

Plans for the annual alumni reception and dance to be given in connection with Commencement exercises on May 29 were formulated at a meeting of the Alumni Association Thursday night in Room 101, announced President Helen McGee, instructor in Glenville High School.

Committees appointed to make further arrangements for the event are as follows: Entertainment, Arlene Berry, Earl R. Boggs and Paul Woodford; refreshments, Drusilla Kidd, Grace Lorentz and Lucy Wolfe; decorations, Mrs. John Gilbert Galt, C. D. Wilford and Mrs. H. Y. Clark; publicity, Linn B. Hickman, C. W. Marsh and Mrs. C. D. Wilford; tickets, Lloyd Jones, Mabel Wolfe and James Hatfield. The chairman of each committee is listed first. A committee appointed to nominate officers for next year included H. L. White, chairman, Lestelle Lorentz and Stanley Hall. Additional nominations may be made prior to the election, which will be held at the reception.

Hours for the reception and dance will be from 9 p. m. to 1 a. m. The alumni voted to make a contribution to a library fund, the purpose of which will be to procure books to add to the College library. On this committee were appointed Alma Janet Arbuckle, Wilkerma White and Helen McGee. It was pointed out that alumni may donate books or money to the fund.

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