

## THERE IS NO CONNECTION BETWEEN MORALITY AND INTELLECTUAL GROWTH, SAYS BISHOP EDWIN HOLT HUGHES

**Youth Must Work For Character As Well As Learning, 73-Year-Old Speaker Tells College Audience**

"No young people ever had a better opportunity if they will give the world a chance... keep clear and decent," Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes, of Washington, told the members of the Class of 1940 in the baccalaureate sermon in the auditorium Sunday morning.

"The program of God is to bring us forward to that symmetry of development of both power and mind," he summarized, with the observation that "knowledge doesn't always lead on to character."

The 73-year old minister, a native of Moundsville and once a resident of Glenville, referred to the work of Moses, whom he called "mighty in word and in deed," reflecting that "all known strong men were not educated; some were educated and not strong." Moses, he maintained, had both of these characteristics.

### Admonishes Seniors

Asserting that "there is no connection between morality and intellectual development," Bishop Hughes admonished members of the class to make the combination of these things deliberately. "Some of the best people I've known were ignorant," he observed.

He reviewed briefly the intellectual genius of Lord Byron, Robert Burns and Edgar Allan Poe to prove his point. All these, he pointed out, were at the peak of educational and intellectual achievement and yet had moral deficiencies.

"It is possible to wallow in the mud morally and walk in the stars intellectually," the gray-haired and dynamic Bishop told the seniors.

### Profanity vs. Popularity

"All it takes to cure a man of profanity is refinement," he contended, after relating pointed instances of intellectually brilliant people who were encumbered by moral shortcomings. He warned against the idea that "feminine folk think they can be popular by profanity." The conclusion he offered the seniors, now completing their academic work, was: "You'll have to work for your character as you have your learning... Are you big enough?"

"There is no necessary connection between intellectuality and moral and spiritual services," Bishop Hughes further asserted. He cited the case of a dishonest public official, which provoked the question: "Is there anything more distasteful than taking an education at the expense of the state and then going

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## SURVEY VOICES STUDENT OPINION

### On Socialized Medicine and ABC System of Grading Final Examinations

A fair degree of uniformity of opinion among college students is seen when socialized medicine is under debate.

Eighty-three per cent of American students, says the last Student Opinion Survey, poll, favor the providing of medical care for those who cannot afford it themselves. The only perceptible difference of opinion is between working and non-working students. Those in the lower income group are more inclined to believe that medical insurance is a function of government.

The American Medical Association has consistently frowned upon the idea.

The American Institute of Public Opinion reported last June that eighty-one per cent of the public were in favor of public provision for medical care.

The Survey also reports an emphatic opinion respecting final examinations. Fifty-three per cent of the students interviewed said they thought these tests were not a fair evaluation of a student's knowledge in a course. Thirty-four per cent voted in favor.

Sixty-two per cent of college students insisted that they still preferred grading on the traditional ABC system, while the system of passing or failing was the choice of thirty-six per cent.

Women were most in favor of the ABC system.

## You May Add '73' To Your Radio Jargon

One way to learn is to ask questions. At least that's what one alert reporter found out the past week.

It happened like this: Mr. Raymond E. Freed, instructor in the social sciences, dropped into the news room and asked what "73" meant in newspaper jargon. He reported that while listening to news broadcasts from WSAZ, Huntington, frequently the commentator had ended with "Until tomorrow, it's goodnight, '30' and '73'."

The reporter, upon hearing this, immediately wrote to WSAZ and received the following reply:

"We wish to advise you that, as you probably know, '30' means that's all, or the end; '73' means 'regards' in the amateur radio operator's code."

## Jessie Riffle Is New President Of 'YW' Chapter

Jessie Riffle, a freshman, was elected president of the Y.W.C.A. for next year at a meeting of the organization in Room 203 Thursday evening. Frances Myers, a sophomore, was chosen vice-president and Mildred McClung, secretary-treasurer. Elected members of the cabinet were Maude Jones and Rena Strickland. Geraldine Petty will have charge of the social activities of the group for next year.

Farewell speeches were made by members who won't return to school next fall, and a general outline for the year's program was suggested by Rhoda Ann Bell and Marjorie Harden, retiring president and vice-president, respectively.

## Mercury's Early Struggles Recalled By Everett Withers, Paper's Founder

**Special Issue In 1930 Beats City Dailies to Biggest Local Scoop of the Year**

By Max Ward

The College newspaper was called the Tower years ago, but there were no regular classes in journalism back in those days. Even the Tower was not published after 1923.

The Mercury made its advent in the fall of 1929, after the return of Everett Withers from the University of Missouri's school of journalism. Mr. Withers, whose home is in Glenville, had been graduated previously from Glenville State Normal School and had attended the University.

The past weekend Mr. Withers recalled the days when the Mercury was one of five columns with no national advertising, the circulation was effected by subscriptions, and when all students didn't take the paper. Two three-hour courses made up the early offering in journalism.

The first year saw the weekly publication of the Mercury and a deficit in publication expenses. Subsequently the paper was published bi-weekly.

ly, and an established and growing national advertising made financial ends meet. Mr. Withers recounted the interesting aspects of the competition of national advertising agencies in the early '30's.

Editorials were written by the whole class as periodic assignments, and "anything worth using" was published. The advertising manager, if one could be found having sufficient interest and ability, was given the work as a regular assignment and was exempted from most of the other class work. Laboratory periods were held on Thursday and Friday afternoons and on Saturday morning. Circulation, including exchanges, was about 400.

"Editorial writers, then as now," Mr. Withers remembers, "attempted to preach a sermon rather than interpret or explain."

Sports writer on the first Mercury staff was Linn B. Hickman, present instructor in English and journalism, who followed his predecessor to the University of Missouri and back.

The Mercury issued a special edition.

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## R. E. Freed Urges High School Seniors To Attack Problems With Determination

"You are extremely fortunate to have been born when you were rather than at an earlier period in history," Raymond E. Freed, instructor in English and social science, told the senior class of Glenville High School in a commencement address Monday night, May 20. His subject was "Coming With the Wind."

Citing the rapidity of recent social changes, Mr. Freed spoke on the tendency for people to become despondent and to withdraw from the realities of the present and wish for "the good old days."

As causes for this pessimism he listed the disappearance of the frontier, the feeling that all natural resources have been discovered, and all great inventions made, unemployment and war. But he added:

"Frontier life was not ideal. That life was without the advantage of free educational opportunity, without the time and facilities for recreation that we have, without the variety of food and scientifically balanced diets, and without the comforts of modern home living that you daily enjoy."

He expressed the belief that the recent discovery of manganese and tung oil in this country indicates that all natural resources have not been discovered.

"Not every one believes that all the inventions have been made. Not the men who have planned, built and successfully flown Atlantic Clippers... not those who are now successfully operating express trains with Diesel engines... not those who have made air-conditioning a success," he contended.

Discussing the possibilities for employment today, Mr. Freed indicated that there are jobs for those who are willing to prepare themselves and who do not demand too much of their first job.

"Today," he related, "ten million people are employed directly or indirectly in industries which scarcely existed only forty years ago, such as moving pictures, radio, air-conditioning, and aviation."

As to the possibility of our entering war, Mr. Freed stated: "I believe that if we develop our defense power strongly enough, and if we keep our sympathies subordinated to our reason, none of you will be called upon to sacrifice your life in war."

In conclusion, he urged young people to attack their problems "with courage, determination, initiative, foresight and hard work."

Catherine Withers, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Withers, of Glenville, was valedictorian of the class. Evelyn Wagner, daughter of Mr. John R. Wagner, instructor in physics and chemistry, was salutatorian.

"Thirty-three seniors, the largest graduation class in the school's history, were presented with diplomas by Guy B. Young, president of the Gilmer County Board of Education. The Glee Club, directed by Miss Mary Louise Lewis, sang four songs. Piano accompaniment was Annabel Bush, sophomore in the College."

## Johnson Burke To Head Holy Roller Court

Johnson Burke, a junior, of Cedarville, will head the Holy Roller Court next year. Court members decided the past week.

Homor Lee Smith will be defense attorney; Robert Butcher, prosecuting attorney; Robert Armstrong, treasurer; Irving Conley, sheriff; and Brooks Golden, clerk.

Accepted as pledges are: Frank Hammer, Joe Marra, Frank Tomach, Sam Marchio, James Long, James Heater, Charles Caputo, Theodore Hollett and William Kafer.

### S. E. A. REPRESENTATIVE HERE

Jean Valjean Roberts, field representative of the State Education Association, was a professional visitor at the College the past Wednesday afternoon.

God offers to every mind its choice between truth and repose.—Emerson.

## NINETY-SIX SENIORS GRADUATED HERE TODAY; DR. HENRY NEUMANN, BROOKLYN, N. Y., DELIVERS COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

**Mrs. Mary Bachtler Boyd, State Board Member, Presents Diplomas; Craig, Ward Tie For Highest Honors**

"One can live in a very big world today, no matter how small the village," Dr. Henry L. Neumann, of Brooklyn, N. Y., told the ninety-six members of the Class of 1940 at Commencement exercises in the auditorium this morning.



Speaker at graduation exercises this morning was Dr. Henry Neumann, above, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

## 53 PERSONS AT PRESS BANQUET

**Mercury Staff and Guests Enjoy First Annual Dinner at Whiting Tea Room**

Fifty-three staff members and their guests attended the first Mercury press banquet at the Whiting Tea Room the past Wednesday at 6:30 p. m.

Principal speaker was C. Vernon Thomas, special representative of the public relations department of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, of Baltimore. Pres. E. G. Rohrbough, of the College, spoke briefly in a review of world events, directed to "members of the fifth column."

Pres. Rohrbough expressed approval of the annual press banquet and summarized the history of the past 500 years with the view of determining a possible outcome of the present world conflict. He sought a parallel to present events in the historical exploits of Napoleon, Louis XIV, and Alexander. He expressed the hope that: "If these men have failed, there is a chance that these others (dictators) may fail, and their machines bog down along the way."

Mr. Thomas, who addressed sessions of the West Virginia Intercollegiate Press here in December, called attention to the problems of transportation in America. He pointed out the problems of the railroads, the part they play in the modern economic system, and posed

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## State to Graduate Approximately 16,000 High School Seniors

(From The Charleston Gazette) Approximately 16,000 high school seniors will receive diplomas this month, nearly a fourth of them stepping up to college grades, the department of education reported yesterday. There were 14,774 graduates last year.

Colleges, meanwhile, will turn out 1,987 graduates, if all candidates receive their degrees.

The department said between twenty and twenty-five per cent of those receiving high school certificates, will enroll next year in a college or university, and for most it will be a state institution.

### WILL REGISTER FOR SUMMER SCHOOL, MONDAY

Prospects for the Summer School enrollment are about the same as they were for the 1939 season, says Dean H. L. White. Advance enrollment for students was completed Thursday. Registration for students who were not in school this semester will take place Monday. Enrollment the past summer was 394.

Peace is always beautiful.—Whitman.

The exercises climaxed the traditional activities which brought large and appreciative audiences to the music recital Saturday night and the senior play, "Mr. Pim Passes By," in the auditorium last night. A large crowd of graduates, students and alumni are expected to hear Paul Burton and his orchestra at the annual dance following a reception in the gymnasium tonight at 8:30. Dancing is scheduled from 9 p. m. to 1 a. m.

See page 3 for names of graduates, listed alphabetically.

### Eleanor White Plays Solo

Members of the class, the faculty, speaker and officials assembled at the gymnasium at 10 o'clock this morning and marched to the auditorium by way of Verona Mapel Hall. The College orchestra, under the direction of Miss Bertha E. Olsen, played the processional and the "Angela." Two numbers were offered by the women's chorus, and Miss Eleanor C. White played a violin solo. The invocation was given by the Rev. J. C. Musser, of the Glenville Baptist Church.

The class was presented by Dean H. L. White after Dr. Neumann had asked the graduates, "How Big Is Your World?" Degrees were conferred by Pres. E. G. Rohrbough, and diplomas presented by Mrs. Mary Bachtler Boyd, of Wheeling, member of the State Board of Education.

Scholastic honors coming to the twenty-eight members of the class were read by Pres. Rohrbough.

Honors Awarded

Following are members of the Class of 1940 who were graduated with honors at the Commencement exercises today:

Summa cum laude (honor points 2.50 or above): Rosa Isabel Craig, Weston, and Max Ward, Mount Zion, (tie); Mabel Rebecca Chrisman, Burnsville, and Mabel H. Van Deventer, Circleville.

Magna cum laude (2.25 to 2.49): Barbara Lois Hauman, Glenville, and Ernestine M. Hyre, Burnsville, (tie); Woodrow Clair Morrison, Weston; Florent F. Westfall, Weston; Woodrow H. Shown, Spencer; Colleen Norman, Orton; Rhoda Ann Bell, Elizabeth; Arthur Lee White, Normantown.

Cum laude (2.00 to 2.24): Paul B. Powell, Grantsville; and Vivian Janet Price, Clendenin (tie); Susan Sumner, Glenville; June Mollohan, Normantown; Blanche Jarvis Sleeth, Weston; Janice Westfall, Gassaway; Allegra Jean McGee, Glenville; Kenneth Hybert, Reedy; Eva Maxine (Bollinger, Weston; Frances Springston, Stumptown; and Marjorie Jean Moss, Glenville, William Theodore Romine, Zona, Helen Snyder Wright, Glenville (triple tie).

Honorable mention: Marjorie Grace Barnett, Wheeling; Ava Ellen Hall, Morgantown; Bessie Hanna, Richmond.

### Your Job to Lead

Dr. Neumann, leader of the Society for Ethical Culture, of Brooklyn, reminded the class that "We may live in worlds physically small or large, depending upon the worlds we carry around in our heads and our hearts." These latter worlds he called those which need to be constantly growing.

To the prospective teachers of the group Dr. Neumann addressed himself: "It is going to be your job—your challenge—to lead and impart to the minds of those who never 'see the Queen' or... go beyond their Main Street." It is a teacher's job, he declared, to see that these in schools grow and develop.

"The Small-Town Mind"

He referred to the "small town mind" of those who do not think beyond their immediate surroundings.

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## Time Is Most Valuable Of All Our Many Gifts

TIME is beyond all the greatest and the most valuable of gifts. Few people know how to use and save it. Especially do college students spend their time unwisely.

Activities in school that require a great amount of time may be classed under three different groups: Studies, recreation and school activities. To neglect one for the sake of the other is bad; to neglect two for the sake of one is worse; but to ignore all is pure folly.

Studies are sometimes over-emphasized by many instructors and students. That they are more important than sports and school activities is entirely true, but being trained mentally and not physically is many times hazardous. Then, too, the man who has prepared himself for both physically and mentally is yet of very little social value to the world if he neglects his fellowmen. He who develops his body alone without thought for his mental self will be apt to fail in his work as well as be undesirable in society.

Intelligence and physical well-being act greatly in bringing people together, and to be successful in one's pursuits in life, one must strive for diversification in his many fields of development.—Clifford Lamp.

## Desire to Improve Campus Is Mark of Good Citizenship

ONE OF THE qualities which makes true citizenship is the desire to improve one's surroundings. This has been realized in the past weeks to some extent on the campus. Flowers have been planted, papers have been collected and other refuse has been removed.

There are still some things that the students will have to do, if the beauty of the campus is to be enjoyed to the fullest. Some students have learned, whether they have studied mathematics or not, that the shortest distance between two points is a straight line. In consequence, they have developed the habit of walking across the campus from one walk to another.

It is too late now to remedy the habit this year, but may the students who come back in September form the habit of using the walks, which have been provided for their use. If this is done, growth will grow in these bare paths, and this will add greatly to the beauty of the campus.—Glenn H. Van Devender.

## The Poem, "Flanders Fields," Gives Us a Thought Today

THE POEM, "In Flanders Fields," by John McRae, really takes on a significant meaning at this time when the peace of the world is jeopardized. It seems as if lines from this poem run constantly through our minds:

"We are the dead.  
Short days ago we lived, felt dawn,  
Saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved,  
And now we lie in Flanders Fields."

Who knows but that a portion of the United States may at some time in the near future become another Flanders Field? Who knows how many of our dear friends and loved ones may some time rest beneath the white crosses and poppies?

This is a reminder that the United States should remain neutral and not sacrifice the lives of the American people. But, if it becomes necessary to protect the birthright and traditions of our country, we must declare war and—

"Take up our quarrel with the foe,  
To you from falling hand we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high  
If we break faith with you who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders Fields."

—Mary Louise Woodford.

As long as war is regarded as wicked it will always have its fascination. When it is looked upon as vulgar, it will cease to be popular.—Wilde.

## Candidates for Queen of Tomato Festival



Ann Moore  
Shepherd



Anne Amick  
Glenville



Jeanne Burke  
Fairmont

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

By Olive Myers

School is out.

For most of us, vacation stretches almost interminably before us. Good books will be welcomed. For those of us who are coming back to school this summer, something refreshing and delightful to read is in order.

Selecting vacation reading may be a matter of ennui or of picking the prettiest cover. A list of favorites is not amiss as an aid to discovering pleasurable reading. Here are a few personal favorites of some who read widely:

Steinbeck's "Tortilla Flat" is a story of Danny and Danny's half-Mexican friends in Monterey, Calif.

"Exquisite" is the word to describe "The Yearling," by Rachel Field.

"The Late George Apley," by John Marquand, will please those who like New England stories.

A pseudo-biography of Father Latour, who lived and labored in the Indian-Mexican territory, is "Death Comes of the Archbishop," by Willa Cather.

For a long vacation is recommended. Sigrid Undset's book, "Kristin Lavransdatter." This is really three books concerned with the life of Kristin and has almost become an epic of life in Medieval Norway.

A "must," if you have not already read it, is Clarence Day's delightful "Life With Father."

Excellent for giving one stitches in the side is, "My Sister Eileen," by Ruth McKenney.

Far removed from strife and war is the Chinese family in Nora Waln's "House of Exile." They live as their ancestors did with regard for beauty and wisdom.

## Student Forum

Retiring Council Leader  
Cites Need of Campus Cooperation

What is student government to you? What are its main purposes? Is student government just some thing by which freshmen are punished or freshmen rules enforced?

To me, one of the main purposes of student government is to bridge the gap between students and the administration. The students fail to take advantage of this privilege, and instead of coming before the council and presenting their "wants," they huddle themselves together and discuss them in the so-called "ball session." It has been proved that if students will bring their wants to the council, they will receive some consideration and eventually will be presented to the administration.

I mentioned before, that students should present their wants to the Council—and you are probably wondering how? It is a simple matter, because meetings are open to anyone at any time and students are asked to attend, but from personal experience, I can say that not once this year did we have a student "want" presented to us by personal appearance. We always had to dig them up from hearsay. Why not take advantage of these open meetings and let your Council know what you want it to do.

Not much can be accomplished by merely talking about it—let's act and cooperate with the Council to bring about a better student government.—Harold Noroski.

## State's Tomato Festival Queen To Be Highly Publicized This Season

(Special to the Mercury)

BERKELEY SPRINGS, May 28.—State Teachers Colleges at Glenville, Shepherdstown and Fairmont were among the first schools to respond to the West Virginia "loveliest college girl" contest being conducted by the Young Men's Business Club of this community. The winner will reign as Queen of the fourth annual Tomato Festival here on August 31, September 1-2.

Glenville's representative, Miss Anne Amick, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Amick, of Gilmer. She is 18 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall and has black wavy hair. Last year she represented the College as an ambassador at the Central West Virginia Dahlia Show at Fairmont and is listed currently in "Who's Who Among College Students." Miss Amick was selected from 20 contestants in a competition sponsored by the Mercury, campus weekly newspaper.

Miss Ann Moore, representing Shepherd State Teachers College, is from Charles Town. Twenty years old, she is 5 feet 2 inches tall and weighs 120 pounds. A member of the Phi Chi Sorority and International

Relations Club, she was chosen by "The Picket," student paper.

The men students at Fairmont State Teachers College chose Miss Jeanne Burke, a junior, as their representative. A brunette, she is 5 feet 3 inches tall and weighs a hundred pounds.

A former president of the Interfraternity Council, Miss Burke is a member of the Gamma Chi Chi Sorority; Nu Alpha Phi, honorary French fraternity; musques, college dramatic organization and the Home Economics Club. She was a princess at the Dahlia Pageant held by the school and recently was Maid of Honor at the Junior Prom.

The winner of the contest will not be announced before this summer.

## Keeping Wright With The News

By Agnes Wright

STUDENTS began celebrating early this morning when the realization came that the final round-up was nearing a close. Tests are over, grades recorded. And milestones have been marked in the lives of some students. Everything is in readiness for the next big step—that big teaching position in which learnings of the past will come to the front to be applied when needed.

TO THE GRADUATE: Look not upon the past four years in college as something to be discarded when out of school, but as something precious, to be remembered and cherished, and above all—to be applied when stationed in the higher walks of life.

PRESS activities took a new stand when the first annual Mercury banquet was held at the Whiting Tea Room the past Wednesday evening. Pleasant it was to see again Mr. C. Vernon Thomas, special representative of the public relations department of

the B. & O. R. R., and speaker here for the Intercollegiate Press Conference in December. Also present were Madge and Irene Ward, aspiring journalists, and sisters of Managing Editor Max Ward.

OLD acquaintances will be renewed and many farewells made to-night when students and alumni gather in the gymnasium for the last big symposium of the year to hear Paul Burton and his NBC band. Having just completed a stay in Cleveland, the orchestra promises to be one of the best and the highest paid ever to appear here.

AROUND TOWN we find: Hub Clothing Store newly painted. Repair work being done on the Methodist Church on Main Street. Many alumni in for graduation. SONG FAVORITE of the week for many "The Wind And The Rain In Your Hair." Until next year, it's goodbye and THIRTY.

## McDowell County Miss Hasn't Forgotten Glenville's Chemistry Day Attractions

Now She Writes Letter To Enlarge Somewhat Upon Things Scientific

By Max Ward

Virginia Anne Troy, who is not yet fourteen, visited Chemistry Day on April 6 with her teacher, Ione Brown, a graduate of the College, and expressed keen interest in science and all its ramifications.

While here on her visit, Miss Troy, who lives at Bradshaw, McDowell County, granted the Mercury an interview. Now she writes a letter, enlarging somewhat upon things scientific and modestly offering her explanations thereof.

She wonders whether College students have asked themselves why there prevailed all the bad weather that everyone has complained about for months. The answer? "Sunspots," Miss Troy believes. "More than have occurred for many years."

And the explanation for all these tricks played by sunspots and the cosmic rays (bullets of space), which were also said to disrupt the telegraph service of the country late

in March, is this, says Miss Troy: "If these cosmic rays come from the sun, could not the sunspots help to produce many more of them? When the rays come through the earth's magnetic field at the thinnest points, the poles, they could add to the electricity in air and clear the air of moisture. The electricity must have moisture. This would allow the sun to heat and expand the air. Then the 'high' pressure areas would rush into the 'low' pressure areas, causing the quick condensation of the moisture in the air. This would cause wind and electrical storms, rain, snow or hail."

"Also the added electricity would disrupt our magnetic field causing our electrical communications to go 'haywire,' would it not? It would act on the same principle as 'induced electricity' and the dynamo."

"Could that be true? Some day we'll know; we shall see whether I am right."

We do not count a man's years until he has nothing else to count.—Emerson.

## COSMIC DUST

By Max Ward

## AMERICAN PRAYER

I STOOD in the morning sun and listened to a minister implore a Divine Providence to insure that the high school seniors seated before him might make a contribution to the welfare of the world. This was their commencement, and I knew how many of them felt.

Many of them felt as I did: That this was America where men can hope and hold a conviction that they might make a contribution to the welfare of more than themselves and those who agree with them exactly.

## ALTHOUGH THEY SEE NOT

THE TWO YOUNG men have been, I hope, among my very best friends in College. It has meant far more to me than they have ever known.

Their perseverance and ambition I have always considered a true inspiration. I have wondered self-consciously whether or not I could have had their courage under their own circumstances. Truly, their work is most commendable and their composition of the best; for they always go cheerfully forward, although physically they see not. Surely their rewards will be great.

## MORNING

THIS period of the year is morning for us who leave, and truly it is morning for me as I write these words which lie between here and the em dash.

Outside my window the thrushes sing, as they have done many times before; the sun peeks through the mist and through the trees across there. The number on the door of my room contains a thirteen.

My diary lies near at hand, furnishing tangible reminders of things quite pleasant. It reminds me directly of some of the most pleasant things college life can bring. In it are jotted down tiny biographies of dozens of you who read the headlines in the Mercury. Details of the delightful conversations I had in the yesterdays are outlined. A stimulating thought or a rare bit of humor is found recorded. And there is the mention of my first night in a newspaper office.

Delightful young men and women receive due mention. Some of these are better friends today than then. These men and women of intelligence, honesty and industry are the best college has brought. With some of them I never could agree, but they helped to discard many an intellectual cobweb which I called cloth of gold. They come back on week-ends, some of them, and some of them I visit—and hope to continue to visit. Humbly I thank each of you. This I've told some of you before.

The Sunday School class I remember as a privilege I might have missed. But I didn't. And John reminded me of it every Sunday, and often through the week.

And among our group were those who were graduated with more or less high honors. (I learned to like my sisters a little better than ever last week when I saw them congratulate a high school classmate who scored a little higher than they.) This distinction means only that one has achieved much and done his work fairly well. Its value cannot be reckoned in terms of a pin or a school letter. That would incur a slight danger of contamination. These honors are intangible things which endure beyond things made of metal, plastics and fabric.

Yes, this college existence has been good. It has helped us to be more at home in the world. It has brought us friends we long to keep. A fair degree of security of thought has come our way, and we have a workable philosophy which will direct us through what the years will bring.

Today we pause to look upon the familiar things about the campus, chat with those who are quite delightful, sum up what has been with little attention to what might have been. And in the evening we shall pause and ponder while we watch the sunset, so beautiful here in Glenville.

But truly it is morning that the College has brought. Leaving here is the beginning of the day's work.

Tomorrow we move to fresh fields and pastures new.

## Mercury Press Banquet Should Be Annual Event

MEMBERS of the Mercury staff and their guests attended the first annual press banquet the past Wednesday night. Much, besides a good meal, can be obtained from meetings such as this. Many interesting and helpful thoughts were given by Pres. E. G. Rohrbough and C. Vernon Thomas, guest speakers of the evening.

Meetings of this kind afford an opportunity to give a brief but interesting review of activities of the year. There is no better place to get acquainted or carry on a friendly conversation than over a table covered with delicious food.

Pres. Rohrbough expressed the opinion that the banquet should be made an annual affair. This same feeling, I am sure, expresses the sentiment of all those who were there, so let's start planning to make the Mercury press banquet something to look forward to each year.—Fred Garrett.

A lover without indirection is no lover at all.—Hardy.



## Mercury's Early Struggles Recalled

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 tion which in 1930 brought news of the making of the School a four-year college to the townspeople before arrival of the morning dailies. It happened this way, Mr. Withers pleasantly recalled:

President and Mrs. E. G. Rohrbough came with the news from Charleston, called late in the evening on Mr. Withers, who was then in charge of the old "Ark" and its twenty-four students. The question of a special edition was soon settled. Mr. Withers wrote the news story. Hunter Whiting the accompanying editorial, and with the help of some galleys of left-over type, the two-page edition was off the presses by 4 o'clock next morning.

The past year Mr. Withers was instrumental in beginning and publishing the monthly X-Ray at Hopewell, where he had been taking treatment for some time.

## 23 Persons At Press Banquet

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 able solutions of their far-reaching problems.

Musical numbers were offered by Harold Noroski and Marguerite Moss, member and former member, respectively, of the staff. A review of the Mercury news of the year was given by News Editor Agnes Wright, Advertising Manager Orris Stutler, and Max Ward.

Linn B. Hickman, faculty adviser of the Mercury, spoke briefly and introduced Everett Withers of Glenville, founder and for six years faculty adviser of the paper.

Toastmaster was Max Ward, managing editor of the Mercury.  
 Guests other than students included: Pres. and Mrs. E. G. Rohrbough; Dean and Mrs. H. L. White; C. W. Marsh, editor of the Glenville Democrat; Lionel Fell, of Glenville; Everett Withers; Mrs. Linn B. Hickman, and Madge and Irene Ward, of Mount Zion.

## Bishop Hughes ...

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 out to seal from the taxpayers."

Urging a balance of qualities in the life of the individual, Bishop Hughes reflected that "the man who doesn't give his emotions a chance is also a sinner in his actions."

"I am weary of those who say we have no chance," he continued. "Those who have failed haven't been strong enough to adjust themselves," he maintained, and warned: "Be careful; think it through."

Speaking in Glenville, the scene of many days of his boyhood, Bishop Hughes recalled that he came here at the age of eight, that he still knows many people in Glenville, and that many of his relatives lie buried only a few hundred feet behind the auditorium where he spoke. Mr. and Mrs. H. Y. Clark were married by Bishop Hughes in Washington, D. C.

## Choral Class Sings

The speaker was introduced by Pres. E. G. Rohrbough. The College Choir Class, directed by Miss Bertha E. Olsen, sang "Holy, Holy, Holy" as the processional, "Gloria in Excelsis Deo," and "O Lord Most Holy." The congregation joined the choir group in the hymn, "Jesus Shall Reign," and "O Help Us Lord."

The Rev. W. D. Winters, of the Glenville Methodist Church, gave a scripture reading from the fifteenth chapter of Romans. A prayer was offered by the Rev. C. L. Aehart, of the Glenville Presbyterian Church, and the benediction was given by the Rev. W. H. Beal, of the Glenville Methodist Church.

Floral decorations were inlaid, grown on the College campus.

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## SPORTS CHATTER

By A Cub Columnist  
 Earl McDonald

TO REVIEW the year of athletic participation by the Pioneers would be quite difficult to cram into this short space, but it's been a great year for Glenville athletes. This Cub has had a lot of fun writing for Coach Rohrbough and his forces during their exceedingly successful year.

'T WAS ANYTHING but a bad grid season for the football squad, with their winning six, tying one and losing two. And two co-captains, James McMillen and Woodrow Maxwell, landed positions on the first and second all-state eleven respectively. Gaining much prominence as the season grew older were several freshmen flashes who will undoubtedly make themselves better known next fall.

TWENTY-ONE WINS and two losses was the basketball record which gave the Pioneer quintet its seventh consecutive West Virginia conference crown. Climaxing the season, they again sought national recognition at Kansas City in the National Intercollegiate tourney. It was here that a one-point margin for Northwestern eliminated the Pioneers in the second round. Rohrbough and his men were after their sixty-sixth straight conference win when a Salem Tiger team did almost the unbelievable feat on January 13, when it walked away with a 49-45 victory.

LITTLE LOUIE, however, kept the Pioneers in the limelight at Kan-

as City, rating an all-American post for the second straight year. And too, Junior Rhoades will probably for a long time hold that individual high-scoring record for a single game with his 28 points. Both of these lads were named on the All-West Virginia conference team for 1940 and were graduated today still possessing many memories of basketball at Glenville State Teachers College.

CASTING another bright light on athletics at Glenville only a few weeks ago was the revival of tennis. The net game may receive another bolstering next fall—the promotion of a few autumn matches.

WITH THIS concluding volume now going to press it would be nothing unusual to sing a loud and long swan song. But I have no regrets to express with the exception that my chatter must end with the closing of school. The headaches have been frequent in trying to prepare copy for this space, but still I hold a high ambition to return to this column again next fall with a new bundle of typewriter fodder, solely for your pleasure.

## 1940 SENIOR GLASS WILL

As Read in Class Program On May 22

Marjorie Grace Barnett to her understudy, Mary Susan Simon, her ability to fraud the house mother of Verona Maple Hall; Rhoda Ann Bell, her quiet ways and charming manner to Margaret ("Flash") Clark; Olin Berry's mathematical ingenuity to Prof. John R. Wagner, from whom he borrowed it; Maxine Bollinger, one year of peace to her roommate, Helen Heater, who has served her faithfully during the past year.

Mary Elizabeth Brown, her dexterity in handling children, to Mildred Ruth Fitzpatrick; Shirley Brown, her knowledge of home economics to Arlene Workman; Ruby Conley, who aspired to be a nurse and became a soldier instead, leaves foresaid aspirations to Ernestine Kennedy; Ruth Core, one quart bottle of peroxide to Madelyn Conrad; Helen Curtis, her academic achievements to her erstwhile advisor, Robert Jackson Butcher; Karl F. Danley, his Casanova complex to Bernard Hickman and Ruddled Reed, Jr.; Dexter Dotson resigns as king of Verona Maple Hall in favor of Bob Fidler; Mary Fahey, her talent in handling postal affairs to Betty Sue Heater; Virginia Frymier's pet rats and mice to a fellow wood-luck, Helen McElwee; Louise Gulentz leaves ability to hold her man to Glenna Stalnaker and Eloise Pennington; Clark Hardman's collection of snapshots to Jack Waggoner; Barbara Hauman, her spot in this uncivilized town to Eunice Haught; Kenna Kessel, his philosophy of life to Dean H. L. White's collection.

Clifford Lamp gives his ability to fluster to his already well-trained protégé, Robert Stalnaker; Jean McGee, her Queen's crown to Iwana Mills; James McMillen, his halfback post to his devoted roommate, August Kafer; Woodrow Maxwell, his favorite wailing spot to William Wolfe; Olma Miles bequeaths her big city experiences to Junior Carder; Madeline Moore, her quiet and unassuming ways to Jo Reeder and Vivian Caldwell; Clair Morrison's mainly physique to Guy Wiant and Neal Corathers; Marguerite Moss's versatility to Artie Emble and her post as cheerleader to Martha Howard.

Colleen Norman, her scholastic ability to Leon Smith; Harold Noroski's Bing Crosby voice to Joe Marz; and Homer Lee Moore; Lawrence Nuce gives his ability to snare a wife to Frank Hammer; Ora Mae Poling's soliloquy on the male sex to Mary Agnes Hackett; Mary Helen Porterfield's capability of managing a husband to Janice Jones; Junior Rhoades turns title of campus Gable to Joe Harold; Mildred Riley gives her Irish wit and humor to Iona King.

Louie Romano leaves his All-American technique to Brooks Golden; Cora Satterfield, her ability to resist men to Lucille Shepard; Woodrow Shown requests Troy Wilmoth to carry on in his footsteps; Lovie Belle Stewart, her book "How to Snag a Husband" to Irene Bailes; Orris Stutler to John Hunter Williams, understudy for stage manager; one bucket of paint and best wishes; Susan Summers, Garbo glasses to Jean Brunn; Max Ward, his journalistic ability to Frances Myers; Harold Winters leaves his way with the women to Dewey Berry; and Lee White leaves his versatile manner to William Hughes.

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Karl P. Danley, Glenville; Dexter Dotson, Summersville; Dorothy Catherine Engle, Exchange; Mary Fahey, Freemansburg; Unita McCollum Floyd, Williams; Virginia Dare Frymier, Richwood; Mary Elizabeth Groves, Richwood; Louise Clair Gulentz, Phipps; Ava Allen Hall, Morgantown; Kenneth Hall, Sand Ridge; Bonnie Hanna, Richwood; Clark Hardman, Jr., Tanner; Bonnie Christian Hatfield, Burnsville; Barbara Lois Haumann, Glenville; Georgia Lee Haymond, Gem; Evelyn Ladora Heater, Mt. Carbon; Lawrence H.W. Pigeon; Mildred Mae Hollingsworth, Richwood.

Kenneth Hybert, Reedy; Ernestine M. Hyre, Burnsville; Evelyn Lavors Keaton, Boomer; Carl Philip Keister, Amore; Kenna Kessel, Charleston; Gayle Kincaid, Duffy; Virginia Belle Kincaid, Blair; Naomi King, Odessa; Clifford Starkey Lamp, Grantsville; Helen Kirkhart Linger, Ravenswood; Loren McCartney, Index; Allegra Jean McGee, Glenville; James W. McHenry, Jr., Centalla; James Long McMillen, Mason, town; Julian Mason, Poe; Charles Boyd Maxwell, Tanner; Woodrow Maxwell, DeKalb; Neva Ward Mearns, Tioga; Olma Miles, Glenville.

June Mollohan, Normantown; Albert Scott Moore, Normantown; Madeline Moore, Glenville; Mary Tibbith Moore, Mingo; Woodrow Clair Morrison, Weston; Marguerite Joan Moss, Glenville; Irene Murphy, Calvin; Colleen Norman, Orton; Virginia Norman, Normantown; Joseph Harold Noroski, Munhall, Pa.; Lawrence Able Nuce, Kingwood; Ora Mae Poling, Sandyville; Mary Helen Porterfield, Glenville; Paul Powell, Grantsville; Vivian Janet Price, Clendenin; Gilbert Rhoades, Jr., Glenville; Mildred Riley, Alum Bridge;

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## STUDENT COUNCIL WORK ESTIMATED

Adviser Says Most Important Project is Orientation Period for Freshmen

The Student Council has had a busy and successful year. A glance at the past activities of the Council reveals that more than a dozen projects have been sponsored, some of which may prove to be of lasting value to the College.

Considered most important by Mr. Raymond E. Freed, Council adviser, is the idea of freshman orientation, originated and planned by the Council. If successful next year, it will be continued.

With cooperation of the administration, the Council a few weeks ago had coat racks installed at Kanawha Hall.

To further sound public relations of the College, the Council sponsored the annual Pioneer Week, which arranged for visits to forty-two high schools this spring.

A few weeks ago outstanding seniors were chosen in a Council-sponsored personality contest.

Early in the fall, in addition to enforcing freshman rules, the Council chose a Homecoming queen, sent delegates to the West Virginia Federation of College Students at Shepherdstown, and made plans for class-sponsored assembly programs.

Under direction of the Council, the primary and general elections were held, plans were made to purchase a trophy case for Administration Hall, and a petition for Fred Waring to write a song for the College was circulated.

## NOROSKI'S SLUGGERS WIN IN SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Harold Noroski's Sluggers defeated Louie Romano's team, 8-3, Wednesday, to cap the title in the intramural softball league. Noroski's team has won 6 with no losses.

Joe Creasy's team defeated Woodrow Maxwell's ten, 20-16, Monday, in the final round of the softball league.

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# SOCIAL EVENTS of the WEEK

## HAROLD SCOTT NAMED G-CLUB PRESIDENT

Harold Scott, a junior, of Troy, was named president of the G Club yesterday afternoon when the Club held their regular election in the College gymnasium.

August Kafer, a sophomore, of Jane Lew, was chosen vice-president, and William Kafer, a freshman, is the new secretary-treasurer of the Club. Harold Noroski, a senior, of Munhall, Pa., the retiring president of the athletes' organization, presided over the meeting.

## GOLDEN-HERRIMAN ANNOUNCE MARRIAGE OF MAY 21

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Edith Golden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Golden, of Flatwoods, and a former student in the College, to William Herriman, son of the late Phil O. Herriman and Mrs. May Herriman, of Caldwell, Idaho. The marriage was performed May 21, at Russell, Ky., by the Rev. G. W. Townsend. They will live in Alaska where Mr. Herriman has accepted a position as music instructor in the Palmer schools.

## MAY ORGANIZE ROTARY CLUB AT GRANTSVILLE

Glenville Rotarians will go to Grantsville Tuesday, June 10, to outline plans to community leaders there for a Rotary Club in that city. A committee from Glenville to arrange a program for the meeting includes Dr. H. F. Withers, Lionel Fell and Lynn B. Hickman.

## ELEANOR WHITE HOME FOR VACATION

Miss Eleanor C. White, instructor in music in Northfork High School, McDowell County, came to Glenville Saturday after completing her second year of teaching. Miss White is a daughter of Dean and Mrs. H. L. White.

## ART CLASSES EXHIBIT SEMESTER'S WORK IN ADMINISTRATION HALL

Work completed this semester by students in the art classes has been on exhibition in the main corridor of Administration Hall since Saturday.

Projects on display consist of table runners, linoleum block prints, fashion designs, lettering, rug designs, monograms, oils on glass and on canvas board, and charcoal portraits. The oils and portraits are the work of the most advanced class.

More work is on exhibition in the art laboratory.

The display is to be removed tomorrow at 8 a. m. Miss Kenney, instructor, asks that students call for their work at that time.

## ROTARIANS TO ASK FOR NATIONAL GUARD UNIT

The Glenville Rotary Club the past week named Dr. C. L. Underwood, instructor in chemistry and education in the College, chairman of a committee to contact various state and national leaders regarding possibilities of establishing a company of the National Guard in Glenville. Other members of the committee are Dean H. L. White and Dr. H. F. Withers.

## MISS ARBUCKLE CHAPERONS SOCIAL COMMITTEE OUTING

Members of the social committee for 1939-40 sponsored a wiener and marshmallow roast for themselves and their guests Wednesday evening on Town Hill. Miss Alma Arbuckle was the chaperon.

## THE BARNETT CLAN

Present, among others, for graduation exercises was Miss Elizabeth Arbuckle, of Lewisburg, a Standard Normal graduate of 1875. Also recognized from the platform by Pres. Rohrbough was the Barnett clan, the last and youngest member of which, Miss Marjorie Barnett, received the A.B. degree this morning.

For about twenty-five years, said Pres. Rohrbough, at least one of the Charles E. Barnetts has been in school here.

Members of the family and their years of graduation follow:

Charles E., Sr., former student; Mrs. Grace Haumann Barnett, S.N. '02; Frederic H. Barnett, S.N. '26; Truman Barnett, A. '28; Susan Dorothy, A. '28, (Mrs. Donald Fulton); Charles E., Jr., A.B. '35; John, A.B. '38; Marjorie Grace, A.B. '40. Mrs. Truman Barnett, formerly Helen Ferrell, is also a graduate of the College, A.B. '33.

## Newspaper Verse

### AT THE YEAR'S END

Some are gone; not to return.  
And some we'll see some more.  
One year's work we'll now unlearn.  
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Will be so colored and so changed  
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## 96 Seniors Graduated Here Today

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"Bigness is not the only thing in the world," he insisted, and reflected that the important thing is "the kind of world you carry around in your head."

"To the teachers of the world is entrusted the task of making these things as they should be," Dr. Neumann maintained after reviewing instances of mis-application of scientific knowledge and practice. He reviewed the achievements of modern science and left the challenge: "Think of what science can and might be."

### World Needs Teachers

He advised seniors, as coming teachers, to "have boys and girls grow to know that this world in which we live needs cooperation."

Viewing the ultimate goal in education, he admonished teachers to show that "this is a big world, not only physically but in quality."

Dr. Neumann spoke briefly on the "growing up" process, in which he pointed out that the mind should take on bigness of scope. "The surest mark of maturity is seeing people close to us in the biggest way."

Teachers must take upon themselves the responsibility of bringing bigness in education to children whose parents may not be so cultured or of outstanding rank, he reminded. "That, too, is growing up."

### Tolerance and Friendliness

Tolerance and friendliness, the attitude of the good neighbor, Dr. Neumann saw as a prime attribute. He quoted: "I see what's good in

you, even though it's not what I'm used to." Each can learn from the other, he contended.

He called the great American need the keeping alive that respect for something fine in the heart of every man, no matter how different it may be.

He urged the graduates to become still better than what college life had made them. "Keep your mind growing, avoid Main Street mind. Go on with your studies. . . sell your diploma; keep your books," he advised.

"These exercises," he observed, "are a declaration of the trust in you held by the College, by the state. May that trust prove itself deserving."

## DO YOU KNOW THE ADDRESSES OF THESE COLLEGE ALUMNI?

If So, Dr. Harper Needs the Information

Lohan, Mrs. J. B.	Woolter, Audra Lewis	Snider, Leona	Summers, Gladys
Carew, Mrs. Leah	Corley, Thomas C.	Dunn, Ocie	Bigham, Mrs. J. B.
Britton, Maude	Doddrell, Verna	Poling, Juanita E.	Curtis, Mrs. L. A.
Sharps, Mrs. W. J.	Garrison, Faye	Umstead, Russell	Pitzer, Mrs. J. E.
McQuain, Eunice E.	Reed, Ruth	Brannon, Eva	Teets, Lewis Edward
Dunn, M. Mabel	Snodgrass, Mildred P.	Edward, Andrew	

## Please Send In Names of College Alumni Who Have Died Since 1934, Or Those Not Included In This List

Alman, Beulah	Curtis, Sarah Bailey	Huffman, Ward	Oldaker, C. M.
Arnold, T. J.	Davidson, S. W.	Hughes, Ella	Pettit, C. S.
Bennett, Porter	Dent, Duke H.	Hutchinson, Willis L.	Rafferty, M. P.
Boggs, Ralph	Dodson, Elmer	Iscenhart, E. B.	Ralston, Mildred
Bolton, R. F.	Eagon, R. F.	Jones, J. D.	Riddle, Ellsworth
Brown, Mary L.	Erlwine, Jesse	Kane, Clara C.	Bymer, Kelsall F.
Burke, Iris R.	Fell, J. Walker	Kane, Mary Elizabeth	Sharps, William M.
Burke, John A.	Ferrell, Luke	Killingsworth, R. H.	Shenper, S. S.
Campbell, F. N.	Fetty, R. H.	Kincaid, Wills	Silcott, Nellie
Cather, Annie	Fling, P. E. A.	Knight, A. Clyde	Spaur, William
Chenoweth, Elliott	Gibson, Bertis	Knight, Huffman A.	Strader, H. K.
Conley, William S.	Grose, David D.	Lilly, Opie S.	Strader, M. A.
Conrad, Darius A.	Hall, Curtis	Little, Russle	Stump, J. C.
Conrad, Elizabeth A.	Hall, J. Elton	Little, Lillian	Stutler, Daniel E.
Cooper, Graydon	Hall, Mary	McCoy, Mary	Turney, James F.
Cork, Jacob F.	Hayhurst, R. H.	McElwain, Rachel	Twyman, Hattie
Cox, Cora	Hays, Alice	McGinnis, John	Varner, S. W.
Cox, Mark	Hays, Florence	Marshall, Cyril J.	Vernon, W. T.
Crook, Mamie	Hays, Howard O.	Marshall, J. M.	Webb, Laura V.
Crites, Alma	Hays, Rose M.	Maxwell, Ella	Wheeler, B. B.
Cunningham, Pauline	Hays, Ruth	Maxwell, W. Hale	Wheeler, G. B.
Cunningham, Rita	Hays, Samuel	Nutter, I. B.	Wilson, J. E.
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