

COLLEGE'S SPEECH FESTIVAL CONTESTANTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THREE-DAY ANNUAL MEETING

Group Will Make Trip to Huntington In New Bus; Plan to Return Saturday

The College will have contestants in four events at the three-day annual festival of the West Virginia Intercollegiate Speech Association in Huntington, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, says Miss Kathleen Robertson. College students and Miss Robertson will make the trip in the College's new bus and will return Saturday night.

MERCURY MUSINGS

A Column of Highlights From Here and There And Everywhere

By Albert Woolfer

PRES. Franklin D. Roosevelt last week signed the lend-lease bill and asked Congress for \$7,000,000,000, to finance the program which the measure makes possible. President Roosevelt said that the first shipment under the bill would be made to Britain and Greece but added that the equipment involved must remain a secret until its nature is no longer of military value.

The bill gives Mr. Roosevelt power to order the manufacture of any defense article in any government or privately owned plant, after Congress has authorized the signing of contracts and appropriated money for such manufacture. These articles, he may lend, lease, sell or give to any nation whose defense he deems vital to the defense of the United States.

CHANGES NAME

FROM the New River Collegian, student paper, "New River State College will become the West Virginia Institute of Technology when Governor M. M. Neely signs House Bill 386. . . It was not learned at press time today when the new name will take effect. . . This change in the name is the fifth that has taken place here since the school was opened to receive students on Jan. 1, 1897."

WHOPPERSWAPPER DAY

STUDENTS at the University were given an opportunity to swap the unwanted for the desired Wednesday when the second annual Whopperswapper Day, sponsored by the Daily Athenaeum, got under way. Advertisements written by students were classified and published in the paper, and a prize was awarded for the most witty. Here is a sampling of the goods possessed and desired:

"Will the person who stole the windshield, three and ten gallons of gas from my car please call and get the rest of the car?"
"Will gladly trade Jim Collier and Scott Lyon for any of the following: Two blondes, a horse, two blondes, Ernie's skunk, two blondes, Dr. Keller's mustache or two blondes."

Good advertising, no doubt, but what could one person possibly do with so many blondes!

FORD SPEAKS

HENRY Ford, in a recent interview, expressed desire to see more young men at the head of the national government and said that the national defense program will be "educational to that end." In the interview, reported by the Associated Press, Ford stated: "With this training, behind them, more young men will enter public office and the nation will be better off for the old heads have made a batch of things in many quarters."

MISS MYERS 'LL MAY NOT GO TO HUNTINGTON

Olive Myers, College senior, was ill yesterday of mumps and it was not learned today whether she would go to Huntington this week-end for the State Intercollegiate Speech Festival. Miss Myers is assistant director in the "Land of Heart's Desire" one-act play College students will enter in the drama contest.

All other state colleges plan to enter the festival. Glenville, however, will not enter any orator. Kline Bush, chosen extemporaneous speaker by the Speech Class 202, Thursday, was the last contestant chosen here.

Debaters representing the College will be Richard Harper, Robert Hauman, and Paul Beal. A new type of debating will be introduced by Prof. Berlin Chapman of Fairmont State Teachers College. Prof. Chapman is an alumnus of the College. This type of debating is conducted on the same plan as a legislative assembly with committee meetings the previous night and the election of floor leaders.

The two questions for debate in this session will be: "Resolved, That it is wise for a young man of twenty-four years to marry on \$1500 per year salary," and "Resolved, That the U. S. A. should take necessary steps to insure defeat of the Axis powers." Subject for debates Friday morning will be the Pan-American Union question.

"The Land of Heart's Desire," William Butler Yeats' one-act play, will be presented by Helen Heister, Charles Hensley, William Hughes, James Heister, Eva Amos and Jo Reader. Miss Kathleen Robertson is the director, Olive Myers the assistant.

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Sneakers For Safety Conference



Mr. W. C. Easley, state department of public safety.



Dr. W. W. Trent, state superintendent of schools.



Milton D. Kramer, administrative assistant, Center for Safety Education, New York University. See story on safety conference, page 1, this issue.

MORE NOMINEES ENTER RACE FOR COUNCIL OFFICES

Spring Primary Will Be Held Next Tuesday; Students Meet Wednesday

Fifteen candidates for student body offices were nominated at a student body meeting Wednesday morning presided over by Earl McDonald, Council president. Three of the nominees previously had been named by the election committee for other offices, and three declined nomination.

Nominated for president were James Heister, whom the committee had named for vice-president, Robert Fidler, formerly a candidate for sergeant-at-arms, and Homer Moore, who declined the nomination.

Others nominated were: For vice-president, Delia Blake, Robert Hauman and June Wilson; for secretary, Madelyn Conrad, previously a candidate for the Supreme Court; for treasurer, Roland Holt; for sergeant-at-arms, Brooks Golden, who declined the nomination, Nicholas Martin and Frank Hammer; for the Supreme Court, Jack Stalaker, Warren Lamb, Mildred Wamsley, and Theodore Holloft, who declined.

Nelson Cradock, Forest White and Paul Beal, whom the election committee nominated for president, vice-president and the Supreme Court, respectively, have withdrawn.

Wednesday's nominations brought the total list of candidates to twenty. The name, address and class of each appears elsewhere in this issue.

Tours For Pioneer Speakers Canceled

High Schools Say They Have Too Many Requests From Colleges, Universities

The Pioneer Week for 1941 has been canceled for the six students and three faculty members who were to have composed three teams, to visit more than fifty high schools this spring. Speakers were selected March 3 in a special session of the Student Council.

Because of Dr. C. L. Underwood's absence, some of the faculty members have an increased number of classes and will not have time to accompany the teams. Also some of the high schools have said they would rather not have the teams visit their schools because of the fact that an unusually large number of colleges have requested speaking time this year; therefore, they deemed it inconvenient to grant the requests.

The speakers selected this year for Pioneer Week were: Terna Butcher, Ruth Annabel Hull, Owen Kelly Beal, Johnson Burke, Robert Butcher and Earl McDonald, all seniors.

FINAL RITES HELD FOR FORMER COLLEGE STUDENT

Final rites for Miss Breda Arnold Simons, former student in the College, were held Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. at the St. Pleasant Methodist Church near Abbot in Upshur County. Burial followed in the church cemetery. Miss Simons had taught twelve years in Lewis County.

COLLEGE IS HOST TO DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH CONTEST; PARKERSBURG STUDENTS WIN 3 FIRST-PLACE AWARDS

Jane Lew High School Gets One First Place; To Enter State Contest in Morgantown

Home-Town Benefit Will Be First Here In Thirty Years

More Than Fifty Persons Will Be Seen and Heard in Local Offering, April 1

More than fifty persons will be seen and heard when the Woman's Club of Glenville presents its Benefit Variety Show in the College auditorium, Tuesday evening, April 1. The show, which will feature a Ladies' Minstrel, a one-act melodrama, ballet and special dances, parade of fashions and other attractions, will be first complete home-talent offering here in about thirty years.

From the College stage there'll be many students and several professors in the cast, and Mr. Hunter Whiting will do the villain's role in the "mellodramatic" version of "HE AIN'T DONE RIGHT BY NELL."

Rehearsals here and there on the various numbers were started the past week and just now are under way in dead earnest. General chairman of the committee in charge is Mrs. E. G. Rohrbaugh. Purpose of the show is the raising of money for community activities.

Freshmen Elect Eismon President

Carl Eismon was elected president of the freshman class Wednesday morning to replace Garland Adams, who withdrew from College because of illness. Eismon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Eismon, of 224 Chapman St., Spencer, and is a brother of Gordon Eismon, A. B. '34.

Other nominations for president were Catherine Withers, of Glenville, and Garland Cross, of Smithburg.

40 BOYS EMPLOYED ON COUNTY N.Y.A. FARM SHOP BUILDING

On the farm shop program of Gilmer County, under the supervision of the board of education, forty boys are now employed in the construction of a tile building.

NEW DRAPES, CHAIR COVERS

Now on display in the reception room of Verona Mapel Hall are new drapes and davenport and chair covers, fitted by the Parsons-Souders Co. of Clarkburg.

Organizations Effect Agreement For Use of 'Poor Farm' as New Recreation Center

Ground Will Be Put in Shape This Spring for Golf Course, Other Activities

A recreation center for Gilmer County became a possibility the past week when an agreement was entered into, March 13, between the Gilmer County Board and about fifteen county and community organizations, whereby the various groups obtained an agreement to use the County Poor Farm, a tract of 110 acres on Synamore Creek, about two miles northwest of the College campus.

The organizations will have the right to use the property and grounds for picnics, reunions and other purposes, and will assume all expenses and operating costs. The agreement will terminate anytime the County may again require the use of the tract as a "poor farm."

There won't be, as yet, a ditch in the agreement, any charges for use of the grounds, however, a charge applied to defray expenses, may be made for the playgrounds or other facilities maintained by the organizations, including the acreage.

It is not known at present what use will be made of the twenty-room house on the farm, but the contract does specify that it must be kept occupied and must be in its present good condition if and when the Court should again take it over.

Through the agreement entered in-

The College was host, Saturday, to the twenty-second annual District Public Speaking Contest—the eighth to be held here in as many years. Eight high schools were represented by 26 contestants and 10 coaches—a smaller number than expected, according to Miss Pearl Pickett, chairman. Fifteen schools sent 48 contestants and 16 coaches the past year.

Parkersburg High School contestants won three of the four first-place awards and the right to enter three contestants in the state finals at Morgantown. Jane Lew won the other first place.

The winners: Oratien, Richard G. Bingham; extemporaneous speaking, Mary L. Clayton; debate, William Johnson, all of Parkersburg. Bernice Mann, of Jane Lew, was first in poetry reading.

Subject of Oratien
Subject of the winning oration was "What Shall We Defend?" for the extemporaneous speech, "Labor's Part in National Defense," and for the debate, "Resolved, That the power of the Federal Government should be increased."

Miss Mann won in poetry reading with "Tears," by L. W. Ross, "When I Was One and Twenty," by A. E. Houseman, "The Crossroads," by Richard Hevey, and "The Late Lark Twitters," W. Ernest Heister. Contestants, coaches and visitors were greeted when the program opened by Dr. E. G. Rohrbaugh, president of the College. Contestants during the forenoon included orations and extemporaneous speaking, with eight and five students entered, respectively. In the afternoon seven students participated in poetry reading, five in debate.

Special Luncheon Held

A special luncheon was served contestants, coaches, judges, timekeepers and visitors at Kanawha Hall at 12:30 p. m. Featured was a program of vocal music, led by Robert Armstrong, and a humorous reading by Brooks Golden, who posed as "Goldie Brooks" and lamented the heartache of the "fat girl," the next "48". Miss Bertha E. Olsen accompanied at the piano. As a concluding number Robert Armstrong led the group in singing "God Bless America." Court Judge, Johnson Burke, and thirteen members were on the program, which included six songs in two groups.

Awards of second and third places went to the following: Oratien: Annabel Snyder, Burnsville and Russell Huer McQuinn, Glenville, Marlboro.

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is only a beginning, the recreation center, designed to furnish a meeting place and playground for all principal county organizations, probably will be put in shape for activity, this spring. First step taken will be laying out and putting in shape a golf course.

The center will be governed by a board of directors whose membership is yet to be determined by the sponsoring groups.

Need for the center has been cited here for several years, but widespread interest in the project was evidenced only a few months ago.

ARCHITECT HERE WITH PLANS FOR SCIENCE HALL

Pres. E. G. Rohrbaugh said the past week that Robert C. Burchinal, architect of Wheeling, was here Wednesday for a conference on suggested alterations in plans for the new science building to be built here. Pres. Rohrbaugh said that changes, suggested by instructors, will be incorporated in a new draft of the building and that the new plans will be submitted again for changes before making a permanent draft.

Glenville Rotarians shared a bushel of oranges sent to them the past week by Mr. and Mrs. John E. Asbury, now on vacation in Florida.

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ELECTIONS GUARANTEE DEMOCRATIC TRAINING

PROBABLY in no other College activity is there a better chance to accept the responsibility of being democratic than in the coming student election. For the nation as a unit we elect representatives through which we make known our wishes. Student government is similar. Like the national government, efficiency in administration will depend on whom we elect. When voting, remember this should not be a popularity contest, but an unprejudiced attempt to select capable officials.

The Election Committee will aid students by furnishing places for casting the ballot secretly so that one can vote without fear of intimidation. The committee can be of service to democracy by making this election one in which the balloting is carried on in the proper manner.

We shall be choosing important student leaders; give us a chance to really practice doing the right thing.—Cleo Berry.

HISTORIANS NEED THE HUMAN TOUCH

HISTORY has long been a sore spot in schools and colleges. The reason for this is plain to those who have battled their way through six or seven hundred pages of dates, lists of reasons for this and that and the so-called characteristics of periods of history.

For history the way it should be written, I suggest an article in the March issue of Reader's Digest, "Our Greatest Exploration." This is an account of the Lewis and Clark expedition, written by Richard L. Neugebauer, an author who really loves the subject about which he writes. He isn't afraid to tell of the little human incidents which make reading a pleasure instead of a headache. Neither does he bore the reader with long lists numbered 1, 2, 3. He is wise in that, for history does not happen that way. The article is a living adventure of two men who risked their lives to make possible a new empire in the West.

If historians of today were willing to throw off the idea that history books are nothing but dust catchers, if they were willing to make it a vital, inspiring chronicle, then history teachers would have an easy job.—Albert Woofor.

SEE YOUR FAMILY DOCTOR REGULARLY

WHAT is more precious than life and health? Why are both needlessly wasted? High is the price in suffering, disappointment and death that human beings pay for the thoughtlessness and neglect that keep them from having frequent medical examinations.

Some diseases have little beginnings; gain an unrelenting grasp on the body; and then kill, suddenly or with slow agony. Others eat away mind and body but allow life to continue. Life that is more terrible than death. Other ailments are just strong enough to take all the spice out of life and nullify all our efforts to live happily and make others happy.

Almost all of these diseases could be nipped in the bud, if only we would go to the doctor frequently for a physical examination. Many diseases are so subtle in their first stages that the time when they could be cured passes before one realizes that anything is wrong—unless he does take the precaution of having regular examinations.

Why is it that students have to be driven to the doctor's office each year for the examination that is required. If medical care were still ineffective, if operations were performed without anesthetics, if fire were used for the antiseptic as was once true, then such would be understandable. But in this advanced age when the science of medicine is so miraculously effective in promoting health and postponing death, neglect to visit a good doctor frequently for a physical check-up is folly.—Paul Beal.

Collegiate World

Most popular non-fiction book at Manhattan College is Oates's translation, "The Complete Greek Drama."

Franklin and Marshall College students are investigating the mobility of population in Lancaster, Pa.

More than 600 rural California physicians are supplied with current scientific literature by the University of California medical school.

Skidmore College students have started a campaign to buy a mobile kitchen for the blind.

Capers

A Column of Spice And
Life for College Males
And Females

Now that the busy season is over, many new twosomes will come from hither and yon to help greet the arrival of "the young man's fancy" and to make the spring activities on the campus more lively.

Greetings! G. S. T. C. celebrities; we knew you would turn out for the Pioneer Ball. The inter-scholastic public speaking contest brought many young high school prospects to the campus Saturday. The election gets closer and more complicated every day. We're looking forward to "Play Day" sponsored by the WAA on April 8. Co-eds from D-E, Salem, Alderson-Broadbent, and Wesleyan have been invited to participate in basketball, ping pong, and other games. Alex Goldberg had something on the how as he played "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi." And now for a resume of what is going on outside.

B. Hughes has gotten to first base with Patty. Summers now takes a bug to Sand Fork. Paul B. Mercury photographer, needs "Light" in the room while developing pictures, says Helen. Stupel B. brings in a University Miss for the ball. Va. Thomas says she will wait forever on Heasley. Rumors are that the Parks-Simons affair is on the outs, but they are seen again Friday night. B. Kafer imports his Lewis County beauty for the Pioneer hop. Frank Lee comes out of the Wirt County timbers to "sawing out" with W. Givens. "Doc" Law does relief roles for Mr. Goldberg's drummer. So long 'til Tuesday.—D. B. et al.

Will Attend N. C. A. Meeting in Chicago

Earl R. Boggs, Glenville High School principal, will attend a meeting of the reviewing committee of the North Central Association of High Schools in Chicago, March 25 to 29, he announced the past week.

Mr. Boggs was recently appointed a member of the committee and will submit an application of membership for Glenville High School. If it is accepted, Glenville will be the only high school in the county belonging to the Association.

Mr. Boggs will be accompanied to Chicago by A. J. Gibson, state supervisor of high schools, who recently was here to supervise a survey of the school, required for application in the North Central Association. Glenville High School serves as a training school for the College.

News Briefs

Frank Lee, former student, now teacher in Wirt County, was the guest of Jack Lowe over the weekend.

Max Ward, instructor in Calhoun County High School, was a week-end house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Linn B. Hickman. Mr. Ward, A. B. '40, is a former managing editor of the Mercury.

Sarah Malcolm, junior, was called to her home at Phillips Wednesday because of the illness of her sister, Clifton Huffman, A. B. '38, of Elizabeth, was the guest of James Parks and Sammy Williams over the weekend.

Mrs. Earl R. Boggs, instructor in physical education in the College, and Geraldine McClain and Agnes Wright, seniors, were dinner guests of Miss Willema White, librarian, at her home in Buckhannon Wednesday.

Eight pages of pictures of the American Rockies, wonderful playground where Rotarians will hold their International Convention, June 15-20, will appear in the April "Rotarian," monthly magazine. A copy will be available in the Library.

QUIPS

Homer Moore
Nomination Declines
G. S. T. C.

Dear Sir:
Which would be tougher:
Being drafted or becoming
president of the student
body?

Yours,
QUICKSLIVER.

KNOW THESE ALUMNI?

Persons knowing the addresses of any of the following listed graduates of the Glenville State Normal or College, or knowing where information concerning such graduates can be secured are requested to give or send the same to Dr. Charles P. Harper, Glenville, W. Va., as soon as possible, in order to make the new Alumni Directory as complete as possible. Biographical sketches of most of the graduates have been received and this advertisement is a final effort to secure as many of the others as possible. Graduates in each class listed are urged to help secure the information about the members of their class whose names are given below.

Name	Address
CLASS OF 1885	
Cather, Arthur A.	Glenville
Conry, R. H.	Glenville
Haught, William	Burning Springs
Lee, Harriet	Glenville
(Mrs. Elliott Chenoweth)	
CLASS OF 1886	
Hays, Florence	Glenville
(Mrs. Olsen)	
Bent, G. W.	Sand Fork
Stark, L. E.	Sand Fork
Hays, Howard O.	
CLASS OF 1887	
Bennett, Rue C.	
(Mrs. Isaac Hissman)	
Brannon, Ida M.	Glenville
(Mrs. A. W. Goff)	
Hays, Emma E.	Glenville
(Mrs. William Perry Brown)	
Norris, Jessie C.	Weston
(Mrs. James Tierney)	
Silcott, Almee E.	
(Mrs. Hagan Barr)	
Wisenfield, Carrie	Summersville
(Mrs. K. B. McCue)	
Varnor, S. W.	Auburn
CLASS OF 1888	
Brown, Mary L.	
(Mrs. G. W. Bent)	
Hoff, S. M.	Auburn
Oldaker, C. M.	
CLASS OF 1890	
Brannon, Maude	Glenville
(Mrs. L. M. Munsen)	
Brannon, Linn	Glenville
Est, A. Walker	Glenville
Hall, J. Elton	
Hardman, I. M.	Tanner
Mullady, Liza	Bealla Mills
(Mrs. Chas. Carney)	
Silcott, Nellie	Glenville
(Mrs. E. Snyder)	
Brannon, Howard R.	Glenville
Burke, John A.	Sand Fork
Crawford, John A.	
Duffy, John C.	Camden
Ellig, P. E. A.	
Nutter, Bruce	Auburn
Ward, Newton E.	Sand Fork
Spaur, William	Walkersville
Stutler, Daniel E.	
Weaver, Eugene	Tanner
(Mrs. E. Snyder)	
Wilson, Creed	Tollgate
CLASS OF 1891	
Arnold, T. J.	Linn
Blair, G. W.	Crowfoot
Day, Laura	Glenville
(Mrs. McClintock)	
Cater, Lloyd	Glenville
Hall, Arnold	Glenville
Hardman, Thomas J.	Glenville
Skinner, Rose	Glenville
(Mrs. Robert Henderson)	

Notes from

The Robert F. Kidd Library

MANY students, and others, overlook one of the most fecund sources of general reference material when they do not make use of the vertical file at the Library. It is a gold mine of material for "a thousand uses"—clippings of political, historical, and social interest; famous, interesting descriptions of famous cathedrals, pamphlets, speeches, fashion catalogs, seed catalogs, famous health heroes, and so on—and infinitum; not in a hodgepodge as given here, but arranged in alphabetical order and readily accessible.

THE first and best of Gwin Bristow's famous Louisiana trilogy is "This Side of Glory." It is longer than either of the others and has been in the making two years," says the "Publisher's Weekly," March 16. The other

two of the trilogy are "Deep Summer" and "The Handsome Road," written in the order given. The Library has all three of these thoroughly enjoyable books. In them Miss Bristow has followed the Upjohn and Larnes through more than 160 years of American history.

OTHER new books available are: "For Whom the Bell Tolls" by Ernest Hemingway, and "You Can't Go Home Again," the last of two novels written by Thomas Wolfe, before his death.

THE bulletin boards at the Library usually display material of interest; read them—especially the ones displaying current events in pictures, and the recent books.

The Mercury's Student Forum

In the events of every student's life shall necessarily come times when it is profitable to keep cool under the pressure of words from others and to form some logical, convincing thoughts for defense. Probably no other training in college is more constructive in such development than debating. I am convinced that it is both profitable and entertaining and that it should have a greater place in the activities of the College.

It is wrong to say that only a

few of those who go to college are interested in preparing to be convincing in their speech. I do not believe this to be true, but have often wondered why more students do not take debating, or why they seem indifferent about it. I do not approve of matching wits with anyone, yet there is much to be gained by debate. If more students would participate in this activity no doubt an accumulating interest would result.—Don Hinkle.

Collegiate Survey Shows Students Have Not Found 'Their One and Only'—As Yet

College students of West Virginia have not found their "one and only" yet. Yes, it's true, according to a survey conducted by the West Virginia Intercollegiate Press, of which the Mercury is a member.

Fifty-seven per cent of the students interviewed thought it more than likely to be free-lancers, than "steady" dates. Forty-three per cent took the opposite view.

The survey, the first exclusively West Virginia collegiate opinion release, was begun the past month in order that college students of the State might know what students of other campuses are thinking, doing and saying. Ten questions of a varied nature were asked. The surveys will continue throughout the school year.

The "free-lancer" question presented much comment this month. One girl likened it to the last chapter of a mystery novel—suspense and uncertainty, which she liked. Other questions pertained to the outcome of the European war, the chance of American Democracy if Britain falls, and favorite movie of the past year.

This month the second of the surveys is being reported. The questions: (1) What foreign language are you talking about? The final examinations held yesterday close grades?

(3) Are final examinations a fair test of knowledge in a course? (4) Do final examinations make one study hard? (5) Is \$1500 a year enough on which to marry? (6) What profession do you intend to enter? (7) Is a college education as necessary, more necessary, or less necessary than it ever was? (8) For men: Do you plan to enter some branch of U. S. military service before college begins next fall? (9) For men: Would you prefer the army, air force, or navy, if forced to enter U. S. military forces? and (10) If you have a chance to work next fall, will you return to college?

SON BORN TO MR. AND MRS. BERLIN ANDERSON

Mr. Berlin Anderson, A. B. '39, and Mrs. Anderson, the former Geraldine Wolford, former student in the College, announce the birth of a seven-pound son, Charles Hewitt, at the St. Joseph Hospital, Buckhannon. This is the first child.

The mother is a former music instructor in Webster Springs High School, and the father, a former superintendent of schools, now teaches in Webster County.

A wise man is out of the reach of fortune.—Sir Thomas Browne.

Keeping Right With the News

by Agnes Wright

THERE'S a lull on the campus this week. Whether it's the calm before the election storm or just a slight subsidence after the exciting tournament would be hard to say.

Anyway, students are taking things easy while away the time. . . wishing for something exciting, longing for past pleasures and chancing mid-semester and tuition time won't catch them unaware. . . Then after the high school literary meet Saturday with its bustle and flurry, students are not inclined to settle down into the routine of everyday college life.

COLLEGE speech festival time is at hand and the play's the thing. . . Speech officials will find themselves in the "Land of Heart's Desire," when six G. S. T. C. students present William Butler Yeats' one-act play at Huntington this weekend. . . Also H. Moore's reading of "The Congo" merits, in my opinion, worthy praise from critics and maybe All-State consideration. . . Then, still in the speech department, rehearsals on several one-act plays will begin next week and afford chances for dramatizing students to participate. . . The Minstrel, April 1, finds more college students added to the list, and will be an outlet for monotonous College grind.

THE Mercury was sorry to learn the past week of the death of two Glenville citizens, Mrs. Anthony Reed, of Camden Plaza, a relative of Athena Null, senior in the College, and Mr. Earl Creighton, well-known resident of the town.

GIRLS sports are at a new high with intramurals and several out-of-town games scheduled. . . And along with this, students in the physical education classes will enter various acts at the Mid-West Physical Education Conference April 2-5.

INTERESTING notes: Kenneth Griffith's 1941 scoring points at the close of a four-year career in 1941. . . Canterbury Club has added five new members to its roll and will select others for membership this week. . . Many seniors now getting headaches while applying for schools.

THIS week we honor Harold Scott, only senior on the Pioneer basketball squad. . . Four years of active service have shown many fans there are helmsmates to the team. . . And we consider Scott one. . . Good in athletics, but also gentlemanly and friendly to all. . . Then Olive Myers ranks high among students. . . Well-liked and respected, high scholar, caring, attractive, and above all a lady, we find her on the up and up with College students. . . Until next week it's so long and "thirty."

MERRY MAIDEN'S MOVIE MOMENTS

ELLERY Queen, most celebrated sleuth of radio and fiction, comes in triumph to the screen! Hero of a hundred haunting mysteries, "Ellery Queen, Master Detective" brings his toughest case to the screen of the Pictureland, Wednesday and Thursday. Ralph Bellamy and Margaret Lindsay have the leading roles.

Radio's lovable old busybody, Lum and Abner, proprietors of the Jot-em-down store in Pine Ridge, Arkansas, and whose meddling has made them network favorites for over ten years are now brought to the screen in "Dreaming Out Loud," at the Pictureland Sunday and Monday. Co-starred with them is Frances Langford who plays her first dramatic role.

"Pastor Hall" directed by James Roosevelt, and a picture of Nazi horrors, will be at the Lyric, tonight and tomorrow night. The stage stars, Wilfred Lawson and Nova Pilbeam, have the leading roles.

STARRING the Ritz Brothers and the Andrews Sisters, famed swing trio, the musical farce, "Argentine Nights" comes to the Lyric Thursday and Friday. The film has nine popular song hits, "Rhumboogie" being one of them.

Romance is the dominant factor in "Spring Parade," a fascinating story of gay Vienna. Deanna Durbin is the star; Robert Cummings and Mischa Auer are seen in the supporting cast.

"Beyond Tomorrow" was an extremely good show," so says Agnes Wright. "It was rather queer, but I liked the different type of role that Richard Carlson played."

An interesting couple who seemed to enjoy "The Great McGinty" very much was Elizabeth Clark and Robert Stalnaker.

A picture of the past week that rated many good comments was "I Want a Divorce."

Upon asking various faculty members what current play they have seen and liked particularly—I received these answers:

Miss Kathleen Richardson—"The Carn is Green," Miss Willema White—"Life With Father," Mr. Hunter Whiting—"There Shall Be No Night,"

Miss Margaret Kenny—"Life With Father," Miss Wile Brand—"Life With Father."

PIONEERS LOSE TO ALDERSON-BROADBODDUS BY ONLY TWO POINTS IN COLLEGIATE SEMI-FINALS SESSION IN BUCKHANNOON

Concord Lions Reach Finals; Are Too Tired To Handle Rex Pyles' Champion Quintet

In the seventh annual West Virginia Intercollegiate Basketball Tournament in Buckhannon the past week Coach A. F. Rohrbough's White Wave fell before Alderson-Broadbuddus, 50-46, in a close breath-taking finish in the semi-final round. A-B went on to take the tourney crown as well as the conference championship by smothering Concord, 76-57.

A-B's Battlers advanced to the semi-final, by licking Morris Harvey, 50-42, on Tuesday, and West Liberty, 64-42, on Tuesday. Concord drew a first round bye to give the Lions the only break they were afforded in the tournament. For after that Coach Woody Woodell's team was forced to go into overtime periods to defeat Wesleyan, 65-64, in the tri-finals and Salem, 69-68, in the semi-finals.

Glenville vs. Shepherd. Glenville started with an easy, 35-35, victory over Shepherd State Tuesday afternoon to earn a semi-final pairing with Rex Pyles' Alderson-Broadbuddus team—the quintet that took a 69-68 defeat early in the season at Glenville and later at Philippi whipped the Pioneers, 64-56.

For the first three minutes of the A-B contest Glenville staged the smoothest attack seen in tournament play to take an early 7-2 lead, but at the end of six minutes the Battlers had tied the count at 7 all. The Pioneers took another lead at 11-8 during the first quarter but Broadbuddus held a 15-12 margin at the end of the first heat. The Battlers retained a comfortable margin throughout the second quarter, leading 33-23 at the half.

Co-captain Harold Scott opened the second half with a pair of field goals; seconds later Earle Spencer got another to cut A-B's lead to 5 points. With White Wave reserves, Scott and Bill Wolfe, paving the way, Glenville checked the A-B attack and outscored the Barbourscountians 11-5 in the third quarter which ended with Broadbuddus holding a 39-34 edge.

Win By 2 Points. Bob Armstrong opened the last period with a quick goal to bring the Pioneers right on the heels of the Battlers with the count standing 39-36. Butch Wilmoth ended the Battlers' scoring three minutes before the game closed at 50 but the Pioneers were not quite through yet. Despite A-B's 50-42 lead Broadbuddus put on a final upset which brought a packed house to its feet as Wolfe took a short shot to make the White Wave 44. Then Spencer and Armstrong got one each to bring the count to 48 with thirty seconds left in the game. Nicholas Murin took a pass from out of bounds and made quick leave to Wolfe who went up for a final attempt. His shot was partially blocked and the ball bounded to the floor as the gun was shot.

Lineups:

Glenville	Pts.	A-B	Pts.
Armstrong, f	9	Griffith, f	6
White, f	9	Wilcox, f	8
Spencer, c	14	Durham, c	8
Short, g	5	Hurst, g	7
Wheless, g	2	Tucker, g	6
Scott, f	5	Wilmoth, f	16
Wolfe, f	4		
Murin, g	0		
Total	48	Total	60

Referee—Samuel Kistler, Stanley Jeranko.

Exponent Sports Editor Likes Glenville Boy

These two paragraphs are lifted from Mr. Wade Pepper's sports column in the Sunday Exponent-Telegram. Jack Conrad, mentioned here, is a brother of Madelyn Conrad, College Junior.

Jack Conrad, the Glenville boy, a standout player in the Region 2 tournament here this week-end, is all tied up for Glenville State Teachers College, we are unofficially informed. Year in and year out Coach Nate Rohrbough of Glenville State does more with green youngsters than any other college coach in the state. Conrad won't have to leave home to learn the fine points of the game.

Conrad is the finest college prospect among the tall boys to show up this year in the high-school class. He is not only a great shot but a fine team man. He will pass when there is any chance for one of his mates to make a field goal.

HOW THEY SCORED

Wesleyan 50, Potomac State 35; Alderson-Broadbuddus 60, Morris Harvey 60; Wesleyan 64, Concord 66; Salem 70, Fairmont 64; Alderson-Broadbuddus 64, West Liberty 42; Glenville 85, Shepherd 39; Concord 69, Salem 68; Alderson-Broadbuddus 60, Glenville 48; Alderson-Broadbuddus 76, Concord 57.

HOLLOT, BUTCHER TOPS IN LEAGUE

Intramural Race Continues As College Males Fight For Championship

Theodore Hollot's quintet chalked up their fourth victory Thursday night by trouncing Frank Hammer's five 46-31. James Shumate, high scorer in the league, accounted for 17 points. In the second game of the evening August Kafer's team was the victim of Robert Butcher's Battlers, 64-36. Butcher took the scoring honors with 22 points. Lineups:

Hammer	Pts.	Hollot	Pts.
Umstead	13	Shumate	17
L. Smith	5	S. Smith	11
Severts	1	V. Kafer	8
Edmon	6	Golden	2
Hammer	6	Hollot	10
Total	31	Total	46

Butcher's	Pts.	Kafer's	Pts.
Byers	9	Williams	6
Blake	10	Givens	13
Summers	10	Wetfer	10
Mutter	10	Holt	1
Butcher	22	Kafer	6
Total	64	Total	36

TEAM STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Pct.
Hollot	4	1	.800
Butcher	4	1	.800
Hammer	3	2	.600
Kafer	3	3	.500
Shreve	2	3	.400
Tracy	0	4	.000

NEW CHEMISTRY DAY FEATURES

Special Demonstration Planned for April 18; Other Features, April 19

The tenth annual Chemistry Day, under the direction of John R. Wagner, instructor in physics in the College, has an additional attraction in the making for this year in General Electric's demonstration on Friday afternoon, April 18. It will not be a motion picture as formerly mentioned, but will demonstrate things which sound unbelievable, such as popping corn on ice or frying eggs in a pan with paper under it.

F. H. Stiening, professor and acting head of the department of mechanical engineering, will be here to discuss the scientific background of several gas refrigerators, April 19. Also on that day C. F. Van Doren, of Central Scientific Co., who was here last year, will speak on scientific materials.

Other departments of the College will cooperate in the activities, and there will be the usual hundreds of displays of individual products plus many new ones including minerals from foreign countries.

SAN DIEGO WINS NATIONAL INTERCOLLEGIATE TOURNEY

San Diego (Calif.) State won the National Intercollegiate Basketball Tournament at Kansas City the past week, beating Murray (Ky.) Teachers, 36-24. San Diego lost the final game of the tournament last spring to Tarkio University of Tarkio, Mo. Glenville's Pioneers were participants in the Kansas City event in 1939 and 1940. The West Virginia Conference did not enter a team this year.

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Pioneer Sports Chatter

By Earl McDonald

GLENVILLE'S Pioneers lost the West Virginia Intercollegiate Basketball Tournament at Buckhannon by three points. Or at least that was the opinion of Robert ("Red") Davies after the Pioneers dropped their semi-final game, 50-48, to Alderson-Broadbuddus. And Mr. Davies' way of summarizing the event is good enough for this department, because you can look around the country for several miles before you'll find many fellows who know as much about the cage game as Davies. (The Clarkburg Oilers know this, too.)

Davies was on hand for the tournament and watched about every move made, then opined after Glenville's defeat that the Pioneers would have had a one-way ticket to the championship had they got by Broadbuddus. And Davies was right, for Concord had been extended to extra periods in its first two starts and fell easily at the hands of the Baptists.

THE success of the tournament can hardly be questioned since the smoothness of the event was evident. Wesleyan played the part of a fine host despite the Bobcats' fall in the tri-final round. A snappy Wesleyan band added a little touch to the tournament, as did a score or more of Boy Scouts who made themselves quite useful during the packed-hour sessions.

One of the chief reasons for moving the tournament to the Wesleyan gymnasium is said to have been the need of a college-like atmosphere, and we feel that this was prevalent.

DRAWINGS FOR STATE TOURNEY

Here is the way the high school "A" and "B" teams will lineup this week-end for the state tournament in Morgantown:

THURSDAY: Davis meets Victory at 2:30, Charleston meets West Fairmont at 4:30, Beckley meets Weirton at 8:30, and Mullens clashes with Huntington at 10:30.

In the "B" division the games will be: Barrackville vs. Kingston at 1:30, Ridgely clashes with GLENVILLE at 3:30, Nitro meets Pine Grove at 7:30, and Marsh Fork meets Athens at 9:30.

FRIDAY: The winner of the Davis-Victory game will play the winner of the Charleston-West Fairmont game at 3:30, and the winner of the Beckley-Weirton game will meet the winner of the Mullens-Huntington game at 8:30, for the right to advance to the finals in the "A" division.

In the "B" division, the winner of the Barrackville-Kingston game will play the winner of the Glenville-Ridgely game at 2:30, and the winner of the Nitro-Pine Grove game will play the winner of the Marsh Fork-Athens game at 7:30. The finals for both divisions will be played Saturday evening.

GIRLS' SPORTS

Two teams that have won the most games in the girls' basketball Round Robin will play the final game in the tournament next week.

The standings of the teams are as follows:

Team	W	L
Helen McElwee	5	0
Nina Snyder	2	3
Teresa Butcher	2	3
Jean McMillan	1	4

The past Tuesday night McElwee defeated Snyder 38-22 and Butcher swamped McMillan 23-1. Leading scorers were: McElwee 20; Charlotte Hyre 13; Butcher 12; Snyder 12; Pauline Burke 10; Ernestine Kennedy 9.

Tonight's games will be Snyder vs. McMillan and McElwee vs. Butcher.

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College Is Host To District High School Speech Contest; Parkersburg Students Win 3 First-Place Awards

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am Alman, Jane Lew, Cody Smith, Weston—tie for third place; ex-temporaneous speaking: Ernest Lee Arbuckle, Glenville and Eunice Stonestreet, Sutton; poetry reading: Harold Godfrey, Parkersburg; and Mamie Jo Bush, Glenville—tie, and Arnett Snyder, Burnsville; debate: Bobby Whiting, Glenville, and Clyde Clark, Weston—tie, and Dana Belle Ellis, Jane Lew.

WINNERS IN HIGH SCHOOL REGIONALS

Region One
Weirton 49; Wheeling 32 (A).
Pine Grove 46; Newell 34 (B).

Region Two
Victory 40; W. I. 30 (A).
Glenville 62; Pennabro 28 (B).

Region Three
Fairmont 36; Elkins 23 (A).

Region Four
Davis 58; Kingwood 42 (A).
Ridgeley 44; Petersburg 42 (B).

Region Five
Beckley 53; Hinton 24 (A).
Marsh Fork 44; Talcott 42 (B).

Region Six
Charleston 43; East Bank 35 (A).
Kingston 37; Burnsville 23 (B).

Region Seven
Huntington 61; Mason City 18 (A).
Nitro 37; Hamlin 24 (B).

Region Eight
Mullens 49; Princeton 39 (A).
Athens 54; Chatteroy 49 (B).

Two new members are now on the Rotary Club's roster: Marvin Cooper, superintendent of Glimmer County schools, and R. B. Store and father of R. B. Store, Jr., College sophomore.

To Attend Physical Education Meeting

College Girls Will Go To Charleston for Mid-West Association Program

Members of the girls' physical education classes will go to Charleston where they will attend a convention of the Mid-West Physical Education Association on April 2, 3, 4, 5 to be held in the Municipal Auditorium.

A pageant presenting a comprehensive view of various types of activities in physical education at different levels and showing the influence of this program from first grade through college on American life and its value as an interesting inducement on good citizenship will be presented Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Phys. Leni Boggs, instructor in physical education in the College, will take a group of girls who will give stunt, tumbling and pyramid demonstrations, of the college level.

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SOCIAL EVENTS of the WEEK

Campus Coeds Look Chic As They Whisk Round and Round at Annual Pioneer Ball

Bright and Charming Are the New Models Worn By the College Females

(By Jean McMillan)
The College gymnasium looked like a fashion center Friday night for the Pioneer Ball, to which the campus girls stepped out in their new spring frocks. With fox-trotting and waiting on the dimly-lighted floors and soft and beautiful music of Alex Goldberg's orchestra, taffeta was to be, with three-fourths of the girls present thus arrayed. . . Anything from stripes as worn by Lucille Hefner, to a solid white as worn by Ernestine Kennedy, went over.

The typical "lady in red" was Olive Myers, very attractive in a red taffeta with wrist-length sleeves. Charlotte Hyer also featured a black taffeta skirt with a stunning red, long-sleeved jacket. Marian Jackie wore figured taffeta as did Patty Jack and Betty Altizer, in checks. Nina Snyder stepped out in a clinging red velvet with Guy Harris.

Orchids to Rose Mary Hull for the beautiful black taffeta with a diagonal turquoise stripe—very striking indeed. Jo Reeder set forth another different and pleasing style: Diagonally-striped skirt with pink top.

Lorraine Skeen looked as smooth as ever dancing with Brooks Golden. Her dress was gleaming white with tiny velvet straps in black. A touch of black velvet can do wonders to a white dress. Speaking of black, Nancy Lee Murphy must consider it a favorite color, after that black taffeta with a corsage of red roses.

Spring fashions were in the making when Katy Wolfe moved by in a long-sleeved white model, and with William Watson. The spring theme was also reflected by Mildred Keener in baby-blue satin, Gladys Reynolds in pink satin with a tiny bolero, Mildred Wamsley in pink net, Ruth Annabel Hull in a clinging peach chiffon, Rose Taylor in white and Madelyn Hunt in green with white dots and enormous pockets.

Not to be overlooked were Bobbie Jeffries in blue and with William Kafer, Edith Pell in black with red dots, Bootsie Hackett in bright blue, Faustine Stump in black and white checks, and Mr. Goldberg's beautiful violin accompaniment in "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi" and "Missouri Waltz."

WILL SPEAK AT MEETING OF WIRT COUNTY TEACHERS

Dean H. L. White will go to Elizabeth Friday to address the Wirt County teachers on the subject, "What Things Are Most Lacking In High School Students?"

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Canterbury Club Gets Five New Members

Five students became members of the Canterbury Club Wednesday night in Room 1 in the Library to give the Club a membership of nineteen. New members are: Evelyn Wagner, John Strickling, Donzel Betts, Richard Harper and Helen Taylor.

Preceding the voting, a program of varied stories was presented. Ruth Annabel Hull told "Dr. Heidegger's Experiment," by Hawthorne; Madelyn Conrad related Maupassant's "A Piece of String," and Elizabeth Rohr told "Miggles," by Bret Harte. Teresa Butcher, Geraldine McClain and Agnes Wright will tell stories at the March 26 meeting.

College Students On Epworth League Program

Epworth League members had as guests Sunday evening the junior department of the Trinity Methodist Church. Geraldine McClain, senior, conducted a Bible questionnaire. Helen Light played a piano solo, and scripture was read by Helen Heater.

College Students at Speech Festival

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The play is based on the belief that fairies may steal away newly married brides on May eve. "This is not a fairy tale for children, but it is a drama typifying a struggle between duty and pleasure," says Miss Robertson.

Final dress rehearsal will be to-night at 7:30 o'clock. In the poetry session, Homer Moore will read a cutting of Vachel Lindsay's "Congo."

The full three-day program for the Festival includes one session of poetry reading, one of extemporaneous speaking, three of debates, and two evenings devoted to one-act plays.

Alpha Psi Omega, dramatic fraternity, will give a dinner as the final event, followed by a dance. Miss Robertson and several of the College students expect to attend.

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Three Students Will Direct One-Act Plays

Gwendolyn Beall, Jo Reeder and Clyde Dotson will each direct a one-act play in order to collect points for membership in the College's Oh-nim-gohow Players and the local chapter of Alpha Psi Omega.

Y. W. C. A. Will Sponsor Irish Fair on Friday

An Irish Fair, commemorating St. Patrick's Day, will be held in the Library Friday evening at 8 o'clock, under auspices of the College Y. W. C. A. chapter. Admission will be 15c, and one ticket will admit one person to all features.

Among the features will be a white elephant booth, a penny arcade, fortune-telling, drama, puppet show, games, singing, and the selling of home-made candy.

Members of the committee in charge are Wilma Stanard, Edna Lambert, Betty Clovis, Olga Young, and Jessie Riffe. The public is invited.

Presbyterian Auxiliary Will Meet Thursday Evening

Miss Alma Arbuckle and Mrs. E. G. Rollyson will be hostesses at a meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Annex of the Presbyterian Church Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. The yearly reports of the chairmen of the various committees will be presented. Mrs. E. G. Rollyson and Mrs. R. E. Freed will have charge of the program.

DAUGHTER BORN TO MR. AND MRS. MARK YOUNG

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Young, of Clay, announce the birth of a daughter, Elizabeth Susan, March 5, at the Kanawha Valley Hospital in Charleston. The mother is the former Genevieve Welch, A. B. '36. Mr. Young, S. N. '36, teaches at Clay.

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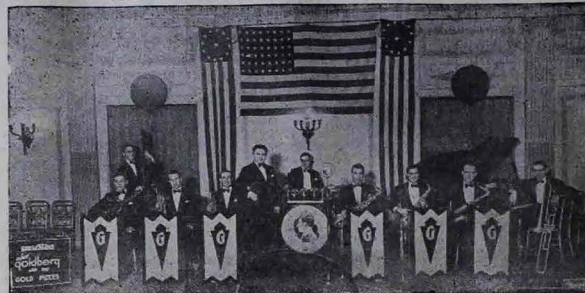
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Goldberg's Gold Pieces Play For Annual Pioneer Ball



Eighty Couples Attend Pioneer Ball On Friday

The Pioneer Ball, first semi-formal dance this semester, provided a gala evening for about eighty couples Friday night in the gymnasium, where Alex Goldberg and his Gold Pieces furnished swing tunes pleasing to all.

Many persons went out of their way to comment favorably on the music, especially the violin specialties by Mr. Goldberg, uncle of Marshall Goldberg, former all-American football player at Pittsburgh. The gymnasium was decorated

College students and many out-of-town guests danced to the popular music of Alex Goldberg's Gold Pieces, pictured above, Friday night in the gymnasium. Goldberg and his band played a four-hour program for the third annual Pioneer Ball, sponsored by the Student Council. All arrangements were made by Earl McDonald, Council president. The dance was the first of the College's spring semi-formal affairs. Honored guests were members of the Pioneer basketball squad.

with window lattice of blue and white, which sheltered a dimly-lighted room in which the name of the coach and names of players were printed on paper stars which dangled at the ends of wires attached at the ceiling.

Among the alumni and former students present were Max Ward, Mt. Zion; Mr. and Mrs. Russel Porterfield, Webster Springs; Robert Grudier, Spencer; Lucille Sheppard, Clifton Huffman and Frank Lee.

Elizabeth: William Kidd, Burnsville; Clifford Garrett, Spencer; Fred Martin, Widen, Joe Herold, Charleston.

Pres. and Mrs. E. G. Rohrbough were called to Beverly Sunday to see Mr. Rohrbough's mother, Mrs. W. H. Rohrbough, who is seriously ill.

Ruddell Reed, Jr., sophomore, was ill and unable to attend classes Thursday and Friday.

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