

## MERCURY MUSINGS

A Column of Highlights  
From Here And There  
And Everywhere

By E. Frances Myers

**A** PROLONGED case of the measles provides one with abundant time for thought, but with little food for the same. One can catch up on back thinking, but to do next month's thinking is next to impossible; for it's a measly bit of reading I've done because of the fear of eye strain.

### DIVERSION BY RADIO

**W**HEN the radio is one's only diversion, one learns many things and hears of as many different programs as there are products which may be had simply by sending a penny post card.

It's easy to keep posted on details of the fighting, in Burma, Java, Bataan peninsula, Russia, Australia, the Atlantic and all other points if one has nothing else to do. All the stations and the authoritative men are anxious to pass along the news, which if listened to with map in hand furnishes a good lesson in geography.

### GRADE BOOSTER

**B**ACK in the dim past before I went down with the measles, I heard of an easy way to raise one's grade. A student expressed the belief that anyone habitually sitting on the back row in a class could raise his mark one letter by moving permanently to the front. The theory is many-sided. Most logical explanation, however, is the fact that the less one sees, other than the instructor, of course, the more attention one will pay to the lesson in progress.

It's obvious that all can't sit on the front row, but there could be the "first come first served"; thus would be the efficiency of the class be stepped up.

### MAKING NEWS

**M**ANY things take place on the campus in three weeks. As one of looking on, I observed activities on the campus to be more numerous than I had thought. Y. W. C. A. vesper have been of such caliber that it hurt me to have to miss them. Musical selections by Eddie Chapman, Rosanna Gainer and the Presbyterian Choir, inspirational readings by James Heater, Rosalea Huff and Miss Willa Brand make programs worth attending.

### NO CONFUSION

**C**ONFUSION over the War Time passed me by, but I heard of three instructors who arrived at faculty meeting one hour early, of a sophomore girl who at twenty minutes until nine apologized for having slept through an eight-o'clock class.

Reports indicate progress on the new science hall and a favorable reception for the Alderson-Broadus assembly program presented in exchange.

Debates at the West Liberty, West Virginia are events which I would not have attended had I been able.

Up until the end of January the purchase of defense stamps and bonds in Gilmer County schools had reached the sum of \$8,475.40.

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## ELECTION PLANS MOVE FORWARD HERE ON CAMPUS

Fidler Names Malcolm, Miles  
And Jarvis to Serve on  
Nominating Committee

President Robert Fidler laid the foundation for another student body election the past Tuesday when he named a committee of three to select one or more candidates for the various student body offices and to rule over election procedures.

Fidler, who was elected president the past spring over Robert Stalaker of Parsons, by fourteen votes, named Sarah Malcolm of Philippi to head the committee, composed of Jack Miles of Sistersville and Jennings Jarvis of Choe. All are seniors.

Duties of the election committee are those specified under the constitution, that of selecting one or more candidates for president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, sergeant-at-arms and student members of the supreme court, male and female; notifying each candidate, selecting and finding out whether he or she will accept, and checking to see that each person nominated is carrying fourteen hours and making a scholastic average of "C" at the time of nomination.

Candidates must be students doing residence work. Fidler instructed the committee to have candidates named within a week. Additional candidates may be nominated from the floor at the regular student body meeting the second week in March.

The past year the election committee appointed by Earl McDonald, was composed of three seniors. (Continued on page 4)

## TO ENTER STATE SPEECH FESTIVAL

College Will Send Five To  
Contest to Be Held at  
Athens

The College will send five delegates to the State Interscholastic Speech Festival at Concord, March 19-20-21.

Miss Kathleen Robertson, of the speech department, said yesterday that contestants will enter in debate, poetry interpretation, and extemporaneous speaking. Contrary to previous announcement, one-act play production will not be entered because of a lack of transportation facilities.

Richard Harper, Kline Bush, and Burns Harlan will enter the debate, the event having been made a contest for the first time this year.

Eunice Wilfong, chosen from 102 speech class to do poetry interpretation, will read Ralph Hodgson's "Eve" and one of two shorter poems.

Leonard McClain, Russell Hugh McQuinn and Paul Ballantine will try out Thursday when one of these will be chosen to represent the College in extemporaneous speaking. The general topic is "Unity of our War Effort" with 14 sub-headings. The College sent twelve delegates to the Festival the past year when it was held at Marshall College.

## DR. UNDERWOOD EXPECTED HERE FOR A WEEK'S VISIT

Dr. C. L. Underwood, College professor on leave of absence, and a major in the U. S. Army Reserves, is expected to arrive here today for a week's visit with his family.

Dr. Underwood, who has been stationed at Fort Knox, Ky., except for maneuvers in Louisiana and South Carolina, will leave Saturday for his new post at Edgewood Arsenal, Md., where he will go to school for an indefinite period.

Dr. Underwood is the father of Clarence Underwood, College freshman.

## COLLEGE DEBATING TEAM AT WEST LIBERTY SUNDAY

The College debating team met West Liberty there Sunday evening in a return match, using the question, "Resolved, that the federal government should regulate by law all labor unions in the United States." Those who made the trip in the College car were Richard Harper, Burns Harlan, and Kline Bush.

## Officers of the Canterbury Club



Officers of the Canterbury Club are these three College students: Donzel Betts, Harrisville, president; Helen Taylor, (right), Weston, vice-president; and June Taylor, (left), Richwood, secretary-treasurer. The Club, which has for its purpose the creating of interest in an appreciation for the better short stories, is the oldest organization on the campus and is one that expects a high scholastic average in English. Miss Willa Brand is the sponsor.

A Mercury photo by Bill Wheeler, staff photographer.

## Born In Russia, Educated In America Was Maurice Hindus Who Will Speak Here Friday, March 6

Acquainted with the problems of the Russia of yesterday and the Russia of today is Maurice Hindus, journalist, lecturer and author, who will come to the College auditorium Friday, March 6, at 8:15 p. m. to discuss the subject "Russia and Japan Must Fight."

## Red Cross Goes Over Top With \$1500 War Quota

The Gilmer County Red Cross War relief quota of \$1500 has been reached, says Miss Irma Langley West, executive secretary. Since all the contributions have not been turned in, the exact amount collected cannot be determined.

Four home nursing classes are being taught, two at Glenville, one at Stumpston, and one at the Dawson Church by Mrs. H. F. Withers, mother of Catherine Withers, and Miss Margaret Pranty, county nurse.

Books have arrived for the First Aid classes, but because of the difficulty in securing teachers, classes have not been organized.

## 118 BOOKS FOR VICTORY DRIVE

Miss White Says Donations  
to Be Packed, Shipped  
to Columbus

Miss Willama White, College librarian, says she has received 118 volumes for the victory book campaign in progress here and throughout the nation. Most of the books have been contributed locally so far, though the campaign is county wide.

The Rotary Club the past week observed "book day" and several members contributed to the campaign.

Among the books received and classified either as fiction or text books is a copy of essays. No books of poetry have been given.

Books will be collected next week and shipped to Columbus, O., from where they will be distributed to camps in the Fifth Corps Area, comprising West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky.

## ENROLLMENT IS 266

Enrollment in the College for residence work the second semester is 266, including Saturday and evening classes, reports Dean H. L. White.

## INTERCEPTED MESSAGE:

Best looking ad in the Mercury this year appear in this week's issue. Congratulations to "Merchants, to the Mercury advertising staff, and to the composing-room force at the Democrat."

## COLLEGE TO OFFER SUMMER SCHOOL OF TWO SIX WEEKS TERMS; SPECIAL 'EMERGENCY' COURSES ON SCHEDULE

High School Seniors Urged to Enroll for Work  
In Order to Complete Requirements  
For Degree in Three Years

Glenville State Teachers College will offer a Summer School of two six weeks terms and a nine weeks term, beginning Monday, June 8, H. L. White, dean and director, announced yesterday.

## Whetsell, Brown In Student Body Election Race

The student body elections committee has named the following candidates for the spring primary:

**FOR PRESIDENT:** Steryl Brown, Arbovale; William Whetsell, Kingwood.

**VICE-PRESIDENT:** Katy Adams, Auburn; Frank Bowles, New Martinsville.

**SECRETARY:** Eunice Wilfong, Glenville; Catherine Withers, Glenville.

**TREASURER:** Reynolds Brooks, Camden - on - Gauley; Arnold Steorts, Clay.

**SERGEANT-AT-ARMS:** Solomon Levin, Pittsburgh, Pa.; John Tyson, Spencer.

**SUPREME COURT:** Garnett Hamrick, Glenville; Earle Spencer, Richwood.

## VISITORS OFFER CHAPEL PROGRAM

Alderson - Broadus Students  
Here Wednesday For First  
Of Exchange Series

The student body saw a change in the assembly program the past Wednesday when Alderson-Broadus College provided the entertainment with a variety of music and readings.

Bad Bloomquist, president of the A-B student body, conducted the devotional and then left the program in charge of Ward Robinson.

The Misses Evangel Bloomquist, Virginia Moore, and Jennie Westlake opened the program with three vocal solos: "Let Thine Eyes," "Don't Nobis Pacem," and "The Shrine of St. Cecilia." Betty Lee Talbot kept the music going by playing a saxophone solo entitled "Saxaphobia." A group of readings, "Patsy Entertains," "I Can Spit," and "A Boy in a Medicine Shop," by Miss Elizabeth Williams, was followed by the girls' trio singing "Elmer's Tune." (Continued on page 3)

## RED CROSS WAR RELIEF FUND JUMPS TO \$17.59 IN A WEEK

College students boosted their contribution to the Red Cross War relief drive from \$7.80 to \$17.59 the past week. The money was collected after assembly Wednesday, at the dance after the St. Francis game, and in the container in Administration Hall during the week.

## Bloomquist In Position to Know That A-B Has Its Share of Problems, Too

by James Heater

Bud Bloomquist, a ministerial student from Clarksburg, is president of the student body at Alderson-Broadus, and as such, is in a position to know that his college has its share of problems.

Bloomquist, who was here Wednesday for the exchange assembly program, says he found that working up an entertainment of this kind is no small matter, with conflicts as to the number to bring, and lack of transportation facilities at the last moment. But he took them all in his stride and was well pleased with the way the student body accepted the entertainment.

He says that these chapel programs furnish a good ground for students to meet on; they create a good feeling between the colleges. He advises that the colleges must not let them discontinue.

Biggest problem on his campus, he says, is the inability to combine the many campus organizations into fewer, stronger groups. The cause

of this is lack of co-operation on the part of both the faculty and the student body of about 140 members. This is an old problem with them.

Another difficulty on the A-B campus, one that strikes rather close at home to some on the campus of G. S. T. C., is that of a yearbook. The A-B students do not plan to publish an ordinary annual, but want something different; just what, they haven't decided.

They of A-B also want a "Day Room" or recreation center, but have been unable to get it.

Bloomquist remembers the Student Federation meeting he attended at W. Va. Tech the past fall at which a committee was appointed to meet this semester to iron out student problems. And he hopes the committee will meet with success, for, as a conscientious student body president, he feels his responsibilities and wants to do as much for his fellow students as he can.

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More than seventy-five courses, including at least one to continue through the twelve weeks, 31 in the first six weeks, 32 in the nine weeks, and twelve for the second six weeks, will be offered. Other courses will be given the second six weeks if there is a sufficient demand for them.

The six and nine weeks terms will begin June 8; the second six weeks term, July 20.

Courses designed to fit into the needs of students for the present emergency will be offered, one in industrial chemistry for 4 hours credit; another in applied principles

By Associated Collegiate Press  
"The message I would emphasize to you this year is that America will always need men and women with college training. Government and industry alike need skilled technicians today. Later we shall need men and women of broad understanding and special aptitudes to serve as leaders of the generation which must manage the post-war world. We must, therefore, redouble our efforts during these critical times to make our schools render ever more efficient service in support of our cherished democratic institutions." President F. D. Roosevelt reminds education of the high role reserved for it in the future.

of mechanics, with emphasis on shop work for 4 hours credit. Also scheduled are at least three courses in first aid and morale which will be offered in order to meet the demands of teachers and others engaged in civilian defense activities.

Sufficient basic courses in all subject fields will be offered for freshmen who will come direct from their high school graduations and enter college in order to complete in three years the requirements for the A-B degree.

Tuition for the first six weeks will be \$22; for the two six weeks terms, \$34. Tuition for the nine weeks will be \$25.

Room and board in the women's hall will be \$30 for six weeks, \$45 for nine weeks; \$49.50 for nine weeks. Cost of room and board in the men's hall will be \$33 for six weeks; \$49.50 for nine weeks.

All faculty members except C. W. Post, geography, and E. R. Grose, biological science, will remain for the summer. An instructor for Mr. Post's work will be secured and Mr. Grose's work will be absorbed by other members of the faculty.

Dean White has prepared a schedule of classes for the Summer School and will send copy for the Summer School bulletin to the printer this week.

R. E. Freed will speak in assembly tomorrow at 11 a. m. on the subject, "China, Our Ally."

## Chemistry Day?? To Be Or Not To Be?????

Mr. John R. Wagner, sponsor of the College's annual Chemistry Day, would like an expression of opinion from alumni and former students as to whether they would like to have this event offered again this year. At the request of Mr. Wagner, the Mercury presents this little questionnaire in hopes that all persons who are interested will convey their wishes to Mr. Wagner via post card or letter at their earliest convenience.

DO YOU think interest is sufficient to justify Chemistry Day again this year? Check one:

Answer: (—) Yes. (—) No.  
Mail to: Mr. John R. Wagner, Glenville State Teachers College, Glenville, West Virginia.



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## Two 'Emergency' Courses To Be Offered This Summer

IN ADDITION to the usual list of courses offered by the College every summer, the administration has authorized, for this coming summer, the addition of two new "emergency" courses, which will, of course, be given for full collaboration by students for work in the national emergency.

One of these courses is industrial chemistry; the other is a physics course which will include shop practice. The new N. Y. A. shops will serve as the laboratory. Students wanting practical experience in these fields will find them most valuable when they are assigned jobs on assembly lines or in army camps.

The summer term will be divided into two six weeks periods, though students who wish may take courses that will extend over a nine-weeks term. This will give students an opportunity to earn as much as twelve hours of credit—almost a full semester's work—in time that otherwise might be spent in loafing.

This year the government is urging that all students, even those that have just been graduated from high school, waste as little time as possible in finishing their education, so that they may be prepared to do well whatever they are assigned to do. In fact, if most boys just out of high school were to attend college continuously from then on, they would have their degrees before they were eligible for the draft.

Too many students now feel that it is useless to go to school with war at hand. Let them not forget that the war won't last forever, and that they will need a good education then, although they won't want to spend the time to get it. All boys should plan to go to school this summer unless, of course, they intend to help grow the nation's food supply at home on the farm.—Phyllis Davis Rohrbough.

## Exchange Assembly Program Offers Pleasant and Lasting Impression

THE IDEA of exchanging assembly programs between colleges seems to be a good one, judged by the sample we had Wednesday morning from Alderson-Broaddus College. The furtherance of such worthwhile programs might be handicapped at present by the tire shortage, but some form of transportation surely can be found. Hitchhiking should be a cinch for at least six of the talented Alderson-Broaddus team.

I think the human part of the program given in our assembly certainly justified any effort it cost the talented artists. College students showed their appreciation in their response. I also think a lesson in politeness and courtesy may be taken from the attitude of the student body during the last part of the program while the painfully long and monotonous, but artistically narrated record was being played.

I think all of us would have appreciated the "White Cliffs of Dover" had it been read by one of the visiting students. However, the manner in which the student body accepted that part of the program courteously is to be commended. It is, I think, strong evidence that the program made a lasting impression—and certainly the first part of it a very pleasant one.—Clyde Dotson.

## America Needs Her Youth; Her Youth Needs N. Y. A.

THE QUOTA of funds allotted to students through the National Youth Administration was reduced recently in order to make available funds last out the year.

Student aid from this source for another year depends on the voting of additional funds by Congress. Because of the financial burdens imposed by our war effort, there has been a recent movement to do away with many of the present governmental projects, among them the N. Y. A.

The N. Y. A. operates in several fields, but the one in which we are interested has to do with the granting of financial aid to deserving and needy students to facilitate the educational efforts. This aid isn't given to the students; rather do they earn it through work in supervised college activities. The ensuing benefit accrues to the College as well as to the student.

Our prime objective at present is to win the war, and in order to achieve that aim many of our peace-time activities will have to be reduced or curtailed. However, we believe that every effort should be made to continue this student aid. Many students, both here and in other colleges, depend on this assistance to pay fees, buy books and to defray other expenses. There are students who find it impossible to attend college without this assistance.

Even considering the pressing needs of the present situation, can we afford to deprive future citizens and leaders of the training necessary for worth-while services? It is to be hoped that this problem can be solved without such a great sacrifice of potential abilities.—Richard Harper.

## Two Good Reasons For The College Newspaper

THAT YOU can't believe what you read in a newspaper is a statement that causes any person connected with a newspaper to stop and say something; just what he says depending upon how good the newspaper man he happens to be.

From each issue of the Mercury I have been getting a better idea of the work required in publishing a newspaper. Correct stories must be written and the reporter must observe the elements of news value which include timeliness, prominence, proximity, human interest, and consequence. The stories are edited and the headlines are written, after which the linotype operator sets the type. A proof of the type is taken and errors are corrected. The type is then placed in a form according to a "dummy," previously made up, and off "to bed" the paper goes. The Mercury publishes 640 copies that have to be hand folded, wrapped, and distributed.

All this work is serious business to the journalism students who strive to do the best work possible so that those on and off the campus will know more about what is happening college-wide.

If you don't read your paper, then please don't throw it away; just save it for the Boy Scouts and the national defense effort.—Jack Stalnaker.

## RADIO RHYTHMS

## Brief Notes About Band Leaders—Hit Tunes of The Day

This week we present Benny Goodman, the "King of Swing." Benny was born in Chicago, the son of a hard-pressed Jewish tailor. He started playing the clarinet at the age of 10, and while still in knee pants he added a strange sweet melody to the cornet solos of immortal Bix Beiderbecke on an excursion steamer's decks. Then in 1933 he organized his own band. Shortly after leaving the Harlem jam sessions he slid sensationally into a classical groove with the Boston and Buffalo Symphonies, the Rochester Civic, and the N. Y. Philharmonic orchestras, drawing reluctant praise from the critics.

Gene Krupa, Harry James, Teddy Powell, and Lionel Hampton, all started on the road to success under his direction. His new "small" band draws an average of \$15,000 weekly. He has one room of a N. Y. apartment sound-proofed for rehearsals, also he owns 8 clarinets. His two vocalists are Peggy Lee, formerly with Will Osborne, and Art London.

## NEW SONGS

New songs are being written every day, but a few College students still go for some of the older tunes that start them swinging. For example Joe Marra boones with delight to Pastor's "Paradiddle Joe." "Pucks" Shumate and sideline Tawney can't get enough of Woody Herman's recordings. And "Slap-happy, Slip-horn" McQuinn could listen to Count Basie's "One O'clock Jump" all day.

## RADIO BRIEFS:

Last week we reported that T. Dorsey was romancing with Lana Turner. This week his drummer, Buddy Rich, has been taking her out while Dorsey escorts jitterbug Betty Hutton, of the Bob Hope show, around Hollywood. . . . If you have nothing to do tonight, try listening to Fibber McGee and Molly at 9:30, Bob Hope at 10:00, and Red Skelton at 10:30. Many think this is the best night for radio entertainment. . . . Bob Burns was the World War rifle champ for the Marine Corps. . . . Songs most heard on the air lately include "White Cliffs of Dover," "Sometimes," "Rose O' Day," and "Blues in the Night." . . . Johnny Born and orchestra presented sound musical entertainment Saturday night at the Social Committee hop.—Jack Stalnaker and Bill Wheeler.

The Kan of Korn  
By Krackey

MY SISTER AND I were WALKING BY THE RIVER when she said, "WHATCHA KNOW JOE?"

I said, "IT ALL COMES BACK TO ME NOW.—IT WAS HIGH ON A WINDY HILL, JUST A STONE'S THROW FROM HEAVEN. We were having a DREAM AFFAIR. I said to her, 'HERE IN THE VELVET NIGHT—IT'S A SWELL PLACE TO BE.'"

She said almost nastily, "You'd better KEEP AN EYE ON YOUR HEART AND STOP PRETENDING. YOU gave me THAT UNCERTAIN FEELING, THE WAY YOU LOOK AT ME."

I reassured her with, "YOU'LL ALWAYS BE MY DARLING. WE DID IT BEFORE AND WE CAN DO IT AGAIN. In fact I'M GETTING SENTIMENTAL OVER YOU. I GOT IT BAD AND THAT AIN'T GOOD."

She said, "I'D LOVE TO TALK ABOUT THE WEATHER—ALL THROUGH THE NIGHT but let's

SAY GOODNIGHT." I grew frantic and said, "HAVE YOU CHANGED? DON'T SAY GOODBYE LITTLE DARLING. If you do, WHOM CAN I TURN TO? I DON'T WANT TO WALK WITHOUT YOU."

She said, "I hear you blowing, you CHATTANOOGA CHOO-CHOO. IT ISN'T A DREAM ANY MORE. YOU GO YOUR WAY AND I'll go mine. THIS IS WHERE I CAME IN. It's lucky I found out that we were SWINGING ON NOTHING. In fact, I think YOU'RE A S.A.P. MR. JAP."

So I left her with, "I'LL KEEP ON LOVING YOU and when 'TIS AUTUMN, I'LL WAIT FOR YOU. LADY BE GOOD and remember me to your children. LET'S CALL A DREAM A DREAM and end with WHAT A FOOL WAS I."

And to Sis I said, "I'LL TAKE THE TRAIN BECAUSE I'M DRAFTED. UNCLE SAM, HERE I AM; OH LOOK AT ME NOW! UNTIL TOMORROW.—El Stupo.

## The LETTER BOX

The writer of Campus Capers the past week received an anonymous letter asking him to mention the marriage of two College freshmen, both of Glenville, Mr. J. C. and Miss M. J. B.

Fortwith the writer of Campus Capers checked permits to wed at the local court house but found no information from which to conclude the two were married in December or January, as the letter suggested.

The Mercury and all of its col.

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## Notes from

## The Robert F. Kidd Library

Meet Maurice Hindus before he comes to the College campus. Read his autobiography, "Green Worlds," which is filled with fascinating contrasts between Russian peasant life and American rural life, both past and present. His other books in the library are: "Moscow Skies," "The Great Offensive," and "Humanity Uprooted."

"By far the most common imprint in the world reads, 'Washington, Government printing office.' Over one million titles have been issued by Uncle Sam, and unless the presses of Soviet Russia have overtaken us, our annual output of one hundred million copies sets the pace," says Shores' "Basic Reference Books." Their reference values are authority, economy, timeliness, quality, and readability.

Pamphlets on subjects ranging from infant care to agriculture are in the library. Very important at the present is the one on "The Flag." Among rules, facts, etc., about our flag is the statement that it is the oldest one in the world! For the boys who will be in the Navy the government has published the "Medical Compend for Commanders of Naval Vessels." It has a section on First Aid that would well fit into a college course. The bi-monthly "Con-

sumer Prices" tells what to do with scrap, how to take care of tires, and what part the consumer has in the war. These are things that everyone ought to know.

There's a new mystery, "Murder in the O. P. M.," beginning in the Saturday Evening Post. Educational Psychology students! Read the winter issue of "Child Study" for an excellent discussion of morale.

Can you conceive of depending entirely on the press for news; that is, not having a radio? Read "One War Ago" in the current Good Housekeeping. Many interesting pictures and comments portray the popular song, dance, and play of the period.

What does the United States census include? You're badly mistaken if you think it's only the number of people. It took 130,000 employees to compile its 70 volumes. The current issue of the "Wilson Library Bulletin" discusses many of its fields—agriculture, mining, business, and manufacturing, to name a few.

Lieutenant Roy Toiverson, former assistant basketball coach at Wolford College, was fatally injured recently in an army plane crash.

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## Campus Capers

A Column of Spice And Life for College Males And Females

Note: Regular Campus Capers feature is omitted this week. In its place, but under the same heading, is this contribution by a member of the staff who tries to tell what she saw at the Glenville-St. Francis game. Next week Campus Capers will pick "the women of the campus."

Just gazing, I saw that poor Jack and Bill went up the hill, just two great publishers panting. Said Jack to Bill, "I've made a deal. Let's both go galavanting." But as they clearer heard the roar, "Come on Pioneers, down the floor!" their steps went tracing gyward. St. Francis team flashed them a gleam, but these lads' smiles were inward.

In rustled Burke who quickly lost her footing, as Ella, John and Sue a yell were just pursuing. She gazed upon the laughing group in tones of awful longing, spoke, "Oh, I would climb the mountains steep; and always watch my little feet. But as they are both big and flat, and I am not at all like that, I always sit down hard and flat."

Across the floor from the cheering squad, sat the "Has-Been Queen" of Glenville's sod; beside her was a college gal, who tossed her head and called the foul.

The ball was passing to and fro, when Murley tossed a one-arm throw. While midst the game Marra took a run. In doing so he lost his gum.

Upon the benches far from view, sat Armstrong's gal with Conrad's too. Now all that noticed if one pleased, that Sammy's cap took all the breeze.

The Pioneers gained with perfect ease, while "Casey" seemed to be quite pleased. Coach "Nate" drew up his knee to rest again, and leaned upon his mighty chin. Beside him sat the lad Levin, who coaches too, but he's still quite green.

Now, as one eye said to the other, don't get me wrong, my dear old brother. 'Tis only just a squint, you see; to show you how a few things might look or seem to be. —"Bull-Whell."

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# Pioneers Down A-B, St. Francis; Lose to Salem

## PIONEERS WILL MEET LIONS IN STATE TOURNEY

9 Teams to Enter Intercollegiate Meet at Buckhannon March 16, 17, 18

The Glenville State Teachers College Pioneers will have to play an extra game in order to emerge 1942 champions in the West Virginia Intercollegiate tournament to be held at Buckhannon, Monday through Wednesday, March 16, 17, 18. It was learned following the drawings made in Buckhannon Sunday afternoon.

The Pioneers, state conference leaders by actual games won and lost and so rated by state college coaches in the codings, drew Concord as an opponent to be met in the preliminary round of the tournament to be played Monday at 8 p. m., March 16. And if they take that game, they will have to down three more teams to reach the championship.

Nine state teams are entered in the tournament, which is to be held in the Wesleyan College gymnasium with Cebé Ross the director.

A tournament committee composed of Ross, A. F. Rohrbough of Glenville and Rex Pyles of Alderson-Broadus (represented by Bud Bloomquist) met at Wesleyan, listed the ceded teams, made the drawings, and ironed out numerous tournament details assigned for settlement by the committee.

Ceded in the order listed here by vote of the college coaches were Glenville, Salem and Alderson-Broadus (tie). In the first drawing Glenville got Concord for the extra game, only one to be played in the first session. Following this contest will come two games Tuesday afternoon, two Tuesday night, two Wednesday afternoon and the final Wednesday night. Five teams, Glenville, Concord, West Virginia Tech, Alderson-Broadus, and West Liberty are in the upper bracket; four teams, Salem, Fairmont, Wesleyan and Morris Harvey, in the lower.

But to get down to the real card: Monday at 8 a. m. Glenville will meet Concord. On Tuesday at 2 p. m. the winner of the Glenville-Concord game will play W. Va. Tech. At 3:30 p. m. A-B. will play West Liberty; at 7:30 p. m. Salem is to meet Fairmont; at 9 p. m. Wesleyan will play Morris Harvey.

First game in the semi-finals for the upper bracket will come Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock; semi-final game in the lower bracket will be played at 3 p. m. The finals will come Wednesday at 8:30 p. m.

Each college will be permitted ten payers and a manager. One publicity director, and cheerleaders, not to exceed four from any one college, will be admitted free upon proper credentials from their colleges and proper marking by tournament officials.

Single admission price will be 75 cents; season tickets will cost \$2.45 (prices the same as charged the past year).

Three officials, whose names have not been announced, will be designated, as will a timekeeper and scorers.

The Pioneers (aside from last night's game with Salem), have been out in front in the conference since early in the season. They have lost two conference games against four for Salem, the team in undisputed second place. Still to be met by Glenville are Fairmont there, W. Va. Tech and Morris Harvey here.

In Concord the Pioneers face an unusual situation. Glenville defeated the Lions twice in this section but lost to them at Athens. The tournament will bring the two teams together for a fourth time this year.

### LEVIN DIRECTS INTRAMURALS

Intramural teams for the second semester will be organized as soon as four captains can be appointed. There will be four teams in the league, which will be under the direction of Sol Levin. Drawings for players were made Sunday.

Lunch and dinner in the College dining hall, on Sundays, have been changed from 1:15 to 1:40 p. m. and 6:30 to 5:50 p. m., respectively.

Stevens Institute of Technology has started the "first emergency course in engineering at the college level" for women.

## Pioneer Basketball Co-Captains Robert Armstrong and Earle Spencer



Two reasons why the Pioneers are leading the West Virginia Conference in basketball are these two co-captains, Earle Spencer, of Richmond, left, and Robert Armstrong, of Warren, O. Armstrong, a senior, has scored 240 points in 23 games, for an average of 10.4 per game. Spencer in 23 games has scored 362 points, an average of 15.7 per game. This picture, courtesy of the Pittsburgh Sun Telegraph, was taken recently when Glenville played Duquesne at Pittsburgh.

## PIONEERS HAVE TWO MORE HOME GAMES TO PLAY

Will Meet Tech Here March 7, Morris Harvey on March 11

The Glenville Pioneers will wind up their 1942 basketball schedule next week when they play Morris Harvey here on March 11. Previous to this game, they will meet Fairmont there on March 5; West Virginia Tech here on March 7. The Pioneers recently defeated Morris Harvey at Charleston, 58-40, downed Fairmont here, 74-57 (first home game of the season).

The Glenville-West Virginia Tech game will be the only meeting of these two teams this year. Aside from last night's contest with Salem, the Pioneers have played 23 games, have won 19. In the conference they have won 14 in 16, losing only to Wesleyan and Concord. However, Glenville played Concord three times, won two out of three, one at Weston, 63-39; the other in Glenville, 57-44. The Pioneers beat Wesleyan here, 64-48; lost at Wesleyan, 62-59.

Glenville has played 7 non-conference games, won 5 and lost 2. Duquesne won by one point, 38-37, and Youngstown came out on top, 43-30.

Non-conference victories have been scored by the Pioneers over the Alumni, St. Francis (2), Concord (at Weston), and Southwestern.

### COLLEGE FRESHMAN TEAM WHIPS WESTON HIGH FIVE

A Glenville team, mostly College freshmen, defeated a Weston High School team at Weston Saturday night, 47-32. The boys, coached by varsity coach, A. F. Rohrbough, had little trouble in defeating the Weston team. Proceeds of the game went for civilian defense.

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## GLENVILLE TEAM DEFEATS DUNDON

College Boys Play Preliminary to A-B-Pioneer Game Wednesday Night

A group of Glenville boys, most of them College students, defeated the Dundon Green Dragons in a preliminary to the A-B game Wednesday night, 66-52.

Sol Levin led the Glenville attack with 17 points while Harry Pritt and Jim McMillen got 13 each. Bowyer and Boggs kept the Green Dragons in the game by collecting 18 and 17 points, respectively.

McMillen, former Pioneer basketball, is teaching in Northfork High School and coaching a junior high team there.

The Green Dragons entered the Gazette Independent tournament yesterday at Charleston. The lineups:

| Independents | Pts | Dragons | Pts. |
|--------------|-----|---------|------|
| Levin        | 17  | Hamrick | 2    |
| Pritt        | 13  | Davis   | 11   |
| McMillen     | 13  | Bowyer  | 18   |
| Lamb         | 8   | Dotson  | 2    |
| Cross        | 4   | Boggs   | 17   |
| Stalnaker    | 6   |         |      |
| Shelton      | 2   |         |      |
| Brown        | 4   |         |      |

Referee: Brentford Brown.

### NEW NAMES ADDED TO MERCURY MAILING LIST

During the past week these names were added to the Mercury mailing list: Glenn ("Puffy") Spencer, Gauley Bridge; Nellie Foutty, Glenville; and Marie Spencer, Hollywood, Fla.

Also added to the list were three draftee names: Pvt. Joseph Oles, Ft. Knox, Ky.; Clifford Gibson, Fort Jay, N. Y.; Pvt. Laddie Bell, Shepard Field, Texas.

## A-B BATTLERS DROP GAME ON PIONEER COURT

In a game that was sluggish in spots last night at the Carmichael Auditorium in Clarksburg, the Pioneers dropped a close one to the Salem Tigers by a narrow two-point margin. The final count was Glenville 64, Salem 66. Earlier in the season Glenville trimmed Salem here.

The State Conference leading Pioneers turned Alderson-Broadus and St. Francis back here the past week, and in so doing boosted their total points to 1379 in 29 games and set for themselves a new game-score high with 77 against the A-B. Battlers.

Against St. Francis the Pioneers used eleven men to pile up a 58-38 final count. At half-time Glenville led 33-19; most of the second half was played by Pioneer reserves. The final Glenville-A-B. count was 77-66.

Glenville set out fast to get a lead over the A-B. team, but at half-time led by only two points, 16-14. Though the game was not rough, fouls were called almost every play in the last quarter. Glenville lost seven men on personals; Alderson-Broadus, three.

Robert Armstrong and Spencer averaged up the scoring honors with 24 points each in the game which marked Glenville's second victory of the year over the Baptists.

## Visitors Offer Chapel Program

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A trumpet solo, "Jim," by Miss Hilda Stemple was the last musical number. "The White Cliffs of Dover," a recording written by Alice Duer Miller, narrated by Lynne Fontaine, and accompanied by Frank Black's N. B. C. orchestra, concluded the program.

Plans are being made for a return program by Robert Stalnaker, senior class president.

The A-B. students were guests of the College the rest of the day and attended the Alderson-Broadus-Glenville basketball game Wednesday night.

The program was sponsored by the Student Council.

### SUFFERS MASHED FINGER

Day Fitzpatrick, College electrician, received a badly mashed finger while installing new parts in gymnasium furnaces the past week.

## Bloomquist In Position to Know

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Bloomquist's training in newspaper work at Lima (Ohio) High School served him in good stead, for he is now publicity director at A-B. During his stay here he visited the Mercury office and a biology class, biology being his major interest.

His plans for the future are vague, as is the case of most boys of his age, for he is expecting army duty in the next few months. If it weren't for that, he says he probably would enter the ministry.



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# SOCIAL EVENTS of the WEEK

## Golden to Speak At Sunday Vespers

Brooks Golden, a senior, has been invited to read a favorite story as an inspirational reading, and Russell Hugh McQuain to play his trombone at a vespers Sunday at 4:30 p. m. in the College lounge.

The past week at vespers, Miss Wills Brand read three psalms of David, and the Presbyterian choir sang. In the choir were several College students, among them, Catherine Withers, John McCutcheon, Russell Hugh McQuain, Clarence Underwood, Bill Wheeler and Pell McCartney, who sang two special numbers.

## About 100 Persons Hear Music by Johnny Born

Approximately one hundred students, teachers, and visitors attended the Social Committee dance in the gymnasium Saturday night, when Johnny Born and his nine-piece orchestra from Clarksburg played. Vocalist for the band was Mary Alice Palmer, a senior in Grafton High School.

One member of the band brought his horn case but not his horn, so a saxophone had to be borrowed from Earl Stalnaker, College freshman.

## Canterburians to Tell Hawthorne Stories

Carolyn Simms told Edgar Allen Poe's "The Pit and the Pendulum" at a Canterbury Club meeting Wednesday evening.

Mary Charlotte Dorsey, Evelyn Wagner, and James Heater will tell short stories by Nathaniel Hawthorne at the next meeting Wednesday night, March 11.

## Coming Events

TODAY: Holy Roller Court meeting at 7:30 p. m. in room 205; social committee meeting at 7 p. m.

TOMORROW: Assembly at 11 a. m. in the College auditorium; Ohnimgohow and Alpha Psi meeting.

FRIDAY: Dance in the College gymnasium from 8 p. m. till 12 m. SATURDAY: Basketball, Glenville vs West Virginia Tech at 8 p. m.; round dance in the gymnasium after the game till 12 m.

SUNDAY: Vesper service in the College lounge at 4:30 p. m.

MONDAY: Student Council meeting at 7:30 p. m. in the College lounge.

## BIRTHS

A son, James Long McMillen, Jr., was born to James Long McMillen, A. B. '40, and Mrs. McMillen of Northfork, McDowell County, February 24, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Langford, Glenville. Mr. McMillen teaches and is assistant coach in the Northfork High School.

A daughter, Carol Virginia, weighing seven pounds, was born to Everett Ellison, a former student, and Mrs. Ellison, of Glenville February 22, at the Union Protestant Hospital in Clarksburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Berry of Vircos announce the arrival of a baby daughter, born February 27; weight, ten pounds; name, Carolyn Marie. Mr. Berry was graduated with the A. B. degree the past spring. Mrs. Berry is a former student.

## Holy Rollers To Have Dance April 17

The annual Holy Roller Court dance will be held in the College gymnasium, April 17, announces the Court judge, Brooks Golden.

Johnny Born's orchestra and girl vocalist, who played a dance crowd here Saturday night, may be employed to play for the Court party.

## Tewell, Griffith on Current Events Program

David Tewell spoke on American concentration camps, and Mary Jane Griffith explained why Chiang Kai-shek went to India, at a meeting of the Current Events Club the past week.

## DISTRICT SPEECH FESTIVAL TO BE HELD ON MARCH 28

Glenville State Teachers College will be host to the district high school speech meet to be held here March 28.

Contests will include four events: Debate, oral interpretation of poetry, oration and extemporaneous speaking.

Winners in this contest will enter the state finals at Morgantown, April 17-18.

## War Must Take Precedence Over Marriage Plans

Youth, on the threshold of active participation in adult life, is having to postpone its plans for marriage.

The war is taking precedence over every-day pursuits, and is causing social upheavals among the youth. Student Opinion Surveys of America show that at least half of the students attending colleges and universities hoped to be married within two years after leaving school; today only one-third of them have the same expectation.

Interviews with hundreds of students indicate that 17 per cent of the men and 14 per cent of the women are depending on the outcome of the war, while 17 per cent did not know, and 19 per cent planned to be married within two years after graduation.

Co-eds are eager to marry sooner than men, but the hopes of all have diminished. Now only 14 per cent of both sexes can settle down within a year of graduation.

Engagements, on the other hand, were comparatively high.

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Paul Striding, a former student, succeeded Mrs. Fournier, who will complete work for the Standard Normal certificate. She has been teaching the Rising Sun School this year. She has taught twenty-three years.

## HERE'S A FRIENDLY TIP if you're going to buy a LAMP



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## Two New Students Report For Second Semester Classes

Clyde Dotson and Mrs. Nellie Fought Foutty of West County have enrolled in the College and reported for classes. Each was granted a leave of absence to attend College this semester.

Mr. Dotson, who has been teaching at Morris Town, will be graduated this spring with the A. B. degree. His successor at Morris Town is Jack Mace, a former College student.

## 24-INCH SNOW HITS GLENVILLE

Students, Others Marooned In Clarksburg; County Buses Fail to Run

Fairlyland came to town last night and today, and with it nature's pruning of trees, the use of every shovel available, vacation from school all over the county (but not the College), and a temporary blackout of at least fifteen minutes when the electric current cut off.

A gentle rain changed to snow about 7 o'clock last night, and continued (is still continuing) till it averages a depth of 20 to 24 inches.

It is the heaviest snow in the memory of most people around Glenville. Said Mr. E. R. Grose, "This is the heaviest and deepest snow I've ever seen. I've seen snows as deep as this, but not so heavy."

The wetness of the snow, accounting for its extreme weight, flattened bushes to the ground, split limbs off almost every tree on and off the campus and weighted down electric and telephone wires.

The disturbance of telephone wires made it impossible to contact most of the schools in the county, but Marvin Cooper, superintendent, said, "Wherever we could contact them, we called them off."

An accompanying wind caused several avalanches of snow on roofs of College buildings, and stopped work on the new science hall.

The basketball team and several students and townspeople who attended the Salem-Glenville game were marooned in Clarksburg last night. Many commuters were unable to get to College this morning. But in general, class attendance was far above that expected.

## SON BORN TO MR. AND MRS. LEO F. KING, CLARKSBURG

Mr. and Mrs. Leo F. King, of Clarksburg, announce the birth of a six and three-quarter pound boy, Stephen Quinton, the past Tuesday in a Clarksburg hospital.

Mrs. King before her marriage was Miss Sarah Margaret Fischer, a former student in the College. The father is city editor of the Clarksburg Telegram.

The United States has some 600 junior colleges.

## THEATRE PROGRAMS

### PICTURELAND

Wed., Thurs., March 4-5 Jack Benny in CHARLEY'S AUNT With Kay Francis

Fri., Sat., March 6-7 MARRIED BACHELOR Playing Ruth Hussey and Roland Young

Sun., Mon., March 8-9 Fredric March in ONE FOOT IN HEAVEN With Mary Scott

Tues., March 10 Jane Withers in SMALL TOWN DEB

### LYRIC

Fri., Sat., March 6-7 Double Feature: THE MYSTERY SHIP With Paula Kelly and Bill Elliott in HANDS ACROSS THE ROCKIES

Sun., Mon., March 8-9 Double Feature: FORCED LANDING Richard Arlen in and

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## This Collegiate World

What Students and Professors Are Doing, Thinking, Saying In Other Colleges, Universities

(By Associated Collegiate Press)

CLINTON, N. Y.—An answer to the question of how many books the average liberal arts student draws from the college library during his four-year course is made available by a two-year statistical study by Dr. Lewis F. Steig, Hamilton College librarian.

That answer—for Hamilton—is 78 books, of which 10 are drawn out as a freshman, 16 as a sophomore, 24 as a junior, and 28 as a senior.

In general much more reading is apparently done the second semester than the first.

MONTREAL, CANADA.—Canadian students who quit their classrooms to join the Dominion's armed forces will be able to complete their studies at government expense after the war is over.

This is the substance of a recent federal order. Under its provisions discharges, whether or not they have had previous college or university training, will, if they apply within fifteen months of their discharge, and providing their course of study is approved by the minister of pensions and national health, have their fees paid and in addition receive a weekly subsidy of \$9 for unmarried students and \$13 for married students.

AUSTIN, TEXAS.—Modern America no longer considers "food, shelter, and clothing" the three basic necessities, but revises the list to read "food, shelter, and automobile."

That, at least, is the conclusion to be drawn from statistics on family expenditures in nine Tex-

as communities surveyed by the University of Texas bureau of business research. The average Texas family spends 25 per cent of its income for food, 14 per cent for rent, and 12 per cent for car expenses. Clothing comes in fourth with 9 per cent. Average expenditure for education in Texas as families is approximately \$100 a year. The report shows that education costs the family with an annual income of \$500 or less \$20 a year, but jumps to an average of \$262 for families whose incomes top the \$5,000 mark.

What are the most striking characteristics of the "typical college student"?

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## These Two Former College Students Accelerate Higher Education Program

Mr. and Mrs. Laco Gerwig Have Busy Schedule of School Work

Acceleration in education is the correct phrase for these two former College students, Mr. and Mrs. Laco Gerwig, of Exchange, Braxton County.

Mr. Gerwig, who teaches at Exchange, goes to Sutton each Thursday night for an extension class taught by Carey Woofert; Friday night he takes Mrs. Gerwig to Gasaway for an extension class offered by Wesleyan College; then Mr. Gerwig returns to Sutton where he is taking a first aid class taught by Dr. Cam Eakin. On Saturday morning Mr. and Mrs. Gerwig arise at 5 a. m. and drive to Glenville where she (Mrs. Gerwig) has a class in the West Virginia school system, taught by Miss Ivy Lee Myers.

Arriving home at 1 p. m. Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. Gerwig have the rest of the week-end free.

Mrs. Gerwig was before her marriage Miss Grace Bale, of Morris, Nicholas County.

## Election Plans Move Forward Here on Campus

(Continued from page 1) iors, namely: Homer Lee Smith, chairman, Olive Myers, and Elmer Cawthon, Jr. Fourteen persons were nominated, though some of them withdrew before the primary election. Additional candidates were nominated from the floor.

According to Fidler, a ballot box, which was borrowed from the clerk of the County Court of Gilmer County, will again be used in the coming election. Private voting booths will be placed in Administration Hall for use in the general election early in April. The primary election will be held this month.

The race the past year featured enthusiastic campaigning among rival factions. The College campus was littered with signs announcing the candidates and the offices sought. Several recounts were required to decide the final nominees for the general election, and in one instance a run-off vote was required to choose a second candidate for treasurer. At one time in the primary election there was a three-way tie for the office of secretary.

Sixty-nine per cent of the students voted in the primary.

Columbia University sophomores studying humanities are permitted to use ear phones to listen to musical recordings while they learn their lessons.