

By Helen Taylor

YOU WILL NO DOUBT agree with me when I say that the Kollege Scribe is a very witty person. Confidentially, I think that he's weakening—and by next week (Hope!) I may be able to expose his identity. This week finds him still punning in another letter.

DEAR MERCURY MUSINGER: Why bring in the Raven? Anyway, regardless of Poe's and Poe-TRY, I never thought that bird as black as he is painted. And if as the Philosopher said, in Basic English (See Prof. White) "One bird in the hand is worth two in the chamber door," I am not going to be the bird apprehended (Noo-basic). Now, who's getting the bird? Musingly yours, Kollege Scribe.

THIS SEEMS TO POINT TO MR. H. L. White, you know—the man who calls our present time Day Light 'Slaving' Time. Mr. White, I believe by now you surely know who the Scribe is. We make an earnest (Poor Earnest!) plea with you to keep our secret for a little while longer, at least until the 'maddening public' simmers down. Thank you.

A SUBSCRIPTION for the Mercury was received and is received every year from Mrs. Louis Bennett, the wife of the late Louis Bennett in whose honor Louis Bennett Hall was named. In her letter Mrs. Bennett who now resides at Seven Park Avenue, New York, N. Y., sent greetings and good wishes to all for 1943-44 school year and asked to be remembered to Congressman E. G. Rohrbough when he visits G. S. C.

ARE YOU ACQUAINTED with Mr. H. G. Law, the College's most reliable and kind janitor? If you aren't I'd make it an extra special point to talk to him the next time you see him in the hall or consult him if you need help to fix something or just to ask his viewpoint on any question. Mr. Law has helped us quite often this year in the Mercury lab fixing lights, the stove, etc. We thank him for his many services. We do appreciate them, Mr. Law!

MY CONGRATULATIONS GO this week to the newly elected Student Association officers. May the end of the year find that the College is just a little bit bigger and better because you have been in office. Make this your aim: "An improved G. S. C." The entire student body says, "We'll help, too!"

VISITED MISS MARGARET KENNY's new classroom the other day. Miss Kenny, art instructor, finds herself in new surroundings and very much improved. "The art room," she said, "can be and will be in the near future improved upon, but, now we are proud of the new equipment we have." Each student is equipped with an adjustable drawing desk, easels and other essential equipment for their course in art.

WE STILL FIND STUDENTS on the campus talking about Miss Martha Lipton's concert on Monday, October 18. Not only Miss Lipton is receiving praise, but also Mr. Kurt Adler, her accompanist, has had his share and more in recognition for a most excellent performance. Mr. Adler, who can really make the piano 'sing,' is booked to start rehearsals (Continued on page 4)

THELMA RYAN FIRST TO KNIT SCARF FOR ART

Thelma Ryan, sophomore, claims the distinction of being the first girl to finish knitting a Red Cross scarf. Elma Emrick has completed a sleeveless arm warmer. Estella Bonner and Elizabeth Clark have also finished scarfs.

Mrs. John Gilbert Cain said that when all the girls finished the scarfs they are now working on, Gilmer County will then have filled its quota as far as that particular article is concerned.

Audience Pleased With Concert by Miss Martha Lipton

A captivating performance was given by Miss Martha Lipton, contralto, and her accompanist, Kurt Adler, on Monday, Oct. 18, at 8:15 p. m. in the College auditorium.

College students, faculty, high school students, who were guests of the College, and many visitors attended the concert and made up an enthusiastic audience.

Miss Lipton and Mr. Adler gave a five part program composed of songs in Latin, French, German and English chosen from the masters, including Wagner, Schubert and Brahms. Miss Lipton, who not only sang well but gave a beautiful appearance in a green brocaded taffeta evening gown with gold accessories and red rose buds in her black hair, is one of the outstanding musical discoveries of the decade. She was born in New York and reared in California. This tour brought her into West Virginia for the first time and with the statement that she thought the countryside was beautiful.

"I like to sing for college students because they are so young and enthusiastic," said Miss Lipton, who returned home to prepare for her next concert at Dallas, Texas, the first of November. She will also give a performance at Memphis, Tennessee. Recently, she sang before the armed forces at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

An equally marvelous performance was given by Mr. Adler at the piano. He starts rehearsals on October 25 as the new conductor of the Metropolitan Opera. Mr. Adler declared that he naturally liked the hilly country because he had lived in the Alps of Europe.

Dr. D. L. Haight, College president, introduced the two, who began their program with group singing of "The Star-Spangled Banner."

Scrap Iron And Steel Needed For U. S. War Effort

With munitions production for 1943 scheduled to double that for 1942, local salvage campaign leaders have been asked to intensify their efforts in continuing the systematic collection of scrap iron, steel and many other items needed for the war effort.

In progress throughout the nation is a drive which started October 1 and will continue until November 15.

Recently Gilmer County was credited with a considerable quantity of scrap disposed of by the Pittsburgh and West Virginia Gas Company, and though this counts toward the quota, J. C. Shreve, county chairman of the scrap drive, asks that each person continue to collect and ship where possible all the iron and steel available.

Persons desiring particulars about shipping or collecting scrap are asked to contact the chairman in person or by telephone or letter.

Also it is pointed out that there is need for discarded tubes of toothpaste, shaving cream, etc. Empty tubes may be turned in to most drug and grocery stores, who in turn will see that they are shipped to the proper processing centers. These tubes continue to be an essential war-effort material.

Please send in names of men in the service. The Mercury will be sent free to them.

WOULD SUBSTITUTE PRACTICAL 1-YEAR COURSES

NEW YORK, N. Y., (ACP)—Practical one-year courses in many tongues should replace the traditional cultural studies for two and three years in a few languages in post war schools, stated Professor Mario A. Pei of the romance language department, Columbia University, recently.

While Professor Pei is in favor of continuing the lengthier language studies for those who wish to specialize in them, he feels that the briefer, intensive courses in many tongues will banish the average American student's apathy.

You'll Enjoy Tour Of the Collee's New Science Hall

High state school officials and other guests who can arrange transportation will be on the College campus early the coming month to join faculty, students and townspeople in observing exercises which will make up a dedication program for the new science hall, one of the finest structures of its kind in the state.

Built at a cost of about \$140,000 and opened to students this fall, the building will serve as the center of open house activities and may be toured by all who attend.

Complete details of a program which will begin early in the afternoon and continue until 8 p. m. will be announced next week by Miss Goldie C. James, chairman.

Watch for date of exercises and plan now to be present. Some 500 formal invitations will be mailed this week.

Iowa Student Paper Emphasizes Need For More Education

At least two reasons why boys and girls of 16 and 17 years of age should remain in high school or college, or should get back into classes if they are not now, are pointed out clearly by the College Eye, publication at Iowa State Teachers College, as follows:

"The greatest service which boys and girls of 16 and 17 can render to the war effort is to get ready for the national service which most of them will be called upon to give at 18, in the armed forces, in war production, in civilian war agencies, or in specialized training. Time after time, high officials of the Army and the Navy, or government and industry, have urged youth to use the years up to 18 to build the foundations of a broad education. That way, they have affirmed, lies the greatest national service.

"The greatest service which boys and girls of 16 and 17 can render to themselves is to secure now the education which will surely be needed in the highly competitive labor market of the postwar years."

WILL OBSERVE NAVY DAY HERE TOMORROW

Miss Bessie Boyd Bell, instructor in history, and three of her students will present a program commemorating Navy Day in assembly tomorrow. The Rev. Hayward Rowh, Margaret Sweeney and Charlotte Ryan will talk briefly.

Pell McCartney, former student, was a Glenville visitor the past Thursday afternoon. He is now teaching in Gilmer County.

Catherine Withers Defeates Groves In Race for Student Body President

STUDENTS! ATTENTION!!

WHAT? Halloween party sponsored by College seniors.

WHEN? Saturday night, October 30, from 8:30 to 12 p. m.

WHERE? College gymnasium. MUSIC: Furnished by Helen Wright's all-girl orchestra.

COME: Masked and prepared for a good time.

ADMISSION: Students get tickets free from Miss Alma Arbuckle.

Tickets for visitors are twenty-five cents.

English Courses Recommended for 2-Way Certificate

Courses in English for the single curriculum made out at the conference at Wesleyan College in September 9, include: English 101-102, Written and Spoken English, Functional, 6 hours; and the following 3-hour courses: English 201, Backgrounds of Literature, Culture Epochs; English 202, Advanced Written and Spoken English, Speech; English 315, Study and Appreciation of English Literature Selections; English 316, Study and Appreciation of American Literature Selections.

These courses are required of all students taking this curriculum.

The following are recommended for students who plan to teach English in high school: The English Language, Philology, Phonetics and Semantics, three hours; The Novel or the Drama, three hours; and additional for English majors, arranged by each college, 8 hours.

BONNER IN CHARGE OF OHNIMGOHOW INITIATIONS

Estella Bonner, president, was in charge of initiation for three Ohnimgohow pledges Wednesday evening in the College auditorium. These pledges, Juanita Westfall, Sue Amos and Margaret Barrett, performed before the members, doing various dramatic acts and pantomimes. One part of the initiation was to repeat twelve memorized lines.

College Students, Training School Pupils Impressed With Miss Lipton's Concert Here

That Miss Martha Lipton captivated an audience here Monday evening, Oct. 18, with her concert is evident from comments made by College students; also by pupils of the training school who were guests of the College for the program.

College students' comments: I just loved THE TROUT SONG. I could almost see them, for Miss Lipton put so much feeling into that song.—Etta Jane Judge.

She was very attractive and her songs were swell.—Esther Cook.

I thought it was excellent. I liked SWEET LITTLE JESUS. She was a very charming lady.—Miss Rose Funk.

Couldn't have been better.—Wanda Strader.

I enjoyed her singing, and her looks added a lot.—Anne Withers.

If I were a boy in the army, I'd want her for a pin-up girl.—Ruth Allen.

It was wonderful! Did you ever hear such volume?—Elma Emrick.

She was very attractive, especial-

Catherine Withers, senior, of Glenville, was elected president of the College student body in a quiet election the past Thursday, when she defeated Hayward Groves, senior, of Lost Creek, by a vote of 54 to 25. Janette Cunningham, junior, of Tanner, was chosen vice-president over David Tewell, junior, of Davis, 51 to 27.

Edith Hinterer, senior, of New Milton, defeated Norita Gallien.

Miss Withers, new president of the student body, is the first girl ever to hold this office, it is revealed in a check-up on presidents chosen annually since the organization was effected in 1935. A daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Withers of Glenville, she is a sister of Anne Withers, College freshman, and has held a position on the Student Council for at least three years. The past year she became acting president when Steryl Brown was called for service with the U. S. Marines.

sophomore, of West Union, for secretary, by a margin of 44 to 35.

Charlotte Hyer won the closest race in the election by defeating Charles McIntosh for treasurer by one vote, 40 to 39. For sergeant-at-arms, Joe Reed won over Homer Paul Heckert by a vote of 46 to 33.

The way was paved for the election by the adoption of the old constitution with changes, made by the student body committee, in assembly Wednesday. The nominations, two candidates for each office, were also made at this time by acclamation. This method was used as a means of getting officers elected more quickly.

There was little or no campaigning this year, partly due to the fact that there was so little time between nominations and election. Voting was done from 8:30 a. m. to 4 p. m.

Crystallene Lydick cast the first of the 79 votes. Approximately eighty per cent of those eligible voted.

The other officers of the Student Association already elected are the four class presidents: Freshmen, Hayward Rowh; sophomore, Harold Reese; junior, Virginia Hupp; and senior, Helen Taylor. The faculty adviser appointed by the president, is H. Y. Clark.

ly.—Geneva Proctor.

I thought it was wonderful. I especially liked THE TROUT SONG and OLD MOTHER HUBBARD.—Betty Faulkner.

I think we need more performances like that.—Nina Craigo.

I thought it was very good.—Homer Paul Heckert.

Typical comments from training school pupils:

Jack Hardman; "I liked it very much, especially the fast ones. I also noticed the expression of her eyes."

Marjorie Wiant; "Miss Lipton is a very good singer if one appreciates that kind of music. I liked it. I was especially interested in the way she showed surprise and sorrow with her eyes."

Don Shreve; "It was all right."

Blondina Fitzpatrick; "I thought it was grand. I think she has the prettiest voice I have ever heard."

Jean Nottingham; "I enjoyed the selection of songs very much."

Bill Luzader; "I thought the time well spent."

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November 8 May Become Day To Remember For a Long Time

November 8! That is a date which can from that time on, and especially in later years, will mean much to Glenville State College, the people of Glenville, of Gilmer County and, in fact, the entire population of West Virginia, because it is the date set for the dedication of the new Science Hall.

This beautiful and very modern four-story brick which has to have its beginning in a time of world chaos holds within its portals the chemistry, physics, biology, home economic, speech and geography departments, modernly equipped and very well lighted. Students and faculty find it a pleasure to hold classes in such beautiful surroundings, as the the classrooms in this buildin.

All persons who can are urged to attend some of the dedication program even if they cannot be here for it all. Visitors will be welcome and should feel it a privilege to come, because after the war that building with its new departments to be opened up for any student who might wish to attend G. S. C. will be the one main reason for an enlarged enrollment, for a fuller curriculum and for the development of a higher education for any student attending G. S. C. From here they go out into the world living what they have learned. So it seems as if the dedication of such a building as the new Science Hall has a great significance and should be noted with a large attendance. Come and bring a friend to the dedication on November 8. Let's all mark our calendars to that effect.—Helen Taylor.

Alumni Always Welcome on Glenville State's Campus

The College has a new name this year. Is that the reason that members of our former active Alumni Organization have become inactive, or have they forgotten about the old school? Possibly they are just resting and thinking about the good times they had when attending the College. Maybe the name has changed but that is all that is different about the place. Anytime our graduates wish to come around to check on that statement they will find the "welcome" sign still hanging out for their benefit. Old grads are always welcome and we will be pleased to see them around more often.

In previous years the graduates of this College have always had an annual get together at Home-coming time, but because of present conditions of the world there will be no regular football game or big dance to highlight the program this fall. This year other plans must come to life if our traditional festivities are to continue. The alumni are the ones in position to make these plans. So what are they going to do? Will they forget their Alma Mater for the duration or make an honest attempt to do the best they can under these adverse conditions and carry on until some future date when normality returns to the world.—Hayward Groves.

Quotes WORTH QUOTING

It is not that they seek each the other but that God sends each the other, because they belong together.

Above our life we love a steadfast friend. Since the middle ages a wooden mallet, pounded on each staircase, has been the signal for rising at Worcester College, Oxford.

Friendship is love with understanding. The sorrows of the past are drowned by the thoughts of friends.

STARS IN SERVICE



Notes From The Robert F. Kidd Library

The week beginning November 7 is to be observed as American Education Week. Three timely reasons were given in the West Virginia School Journal for its observance: To direct people's attention to the work of the schools in making better citizens of our boys and girls; to direct attention toward what the schools are doing toward the winning of the war and the establishment of a just and enduring peace; and to awaken in the hearts of our people a better appreciation of the goodness that is America and a more ardent loyalty to our American way of life.

THE ROBE, long-awaited-for novel, has arrived and is ready for circulation; it is the most recent work of an American minister and novelist, Lloyd C. Douglas. Very interesting is the incident which inspired the novelist to write such a book. A saleswoman in an Ohio department store wrote to the Rev. Mr. Douglas asking if he knew what happened to Christ's robe which the Roman soldiers gambled for, while its

owner was dying on the cross. In answer to her inquiry, he answered that he knew of no story telling what happened to the robe but felt that there should be one.

THE ROBE is the story of the Roman soldier who gambled for Christ's robe and won, of his family and his devoted Greek slave, an unforgettable character. The son of a Roman senator, Marcus had many startling experiences while in possession of the robe which seemed to possess very strange qualities. Presenting a very unusual story, the book holds the interest of the reader to the end.

Other new books ready for circulation are: Seagrave, BURMA SURGEON; Marquand, SO LITTLE TIME; Krumbein, DOWN TO EARTH; Shea, THE WAACS; Brickner, IS GERMANY INCURABLE; Romer, MAN AND THE VERTEBRATES; Buchsbaum, ANIMALS WITHOUT BACKBONES; Coulter, THE STORY OF THE PLANT KINGDOM; Tregaskis, GUADALCANAL DIARY.

"Things I Wish Somebody Had Told Me When I Started to College"

Printed here is an inspirational letter read by Miss Alma Arbuckle, College librarian, at a Y. W. C. A. meeting, October 13. This letter was written by Betty Hollis who was graduated from Agnes Scott College in 1937 and died suddenly three weeks later. It was written to her brother who was just entering college. The letter is included in the book entitled, "Betty—A Life of Wrought Gold."

Miss Arbuckle based her talk and got the letter from an article in the September, 1943, issue of the "Christian Observer" by the Rev. Walter L. Lingle. The letter:

Here are several things I wish somebody had told me when I started to college.

I believe they'll help—otherwise I would not write them.

You know we're behind you heart'n soul and standing in the grandstand rootin' for the best year you've ever known, inside, outside, and all the way through. Holler if there's anything to be done.

Choose carefully those with whom you "run around." A person is judged more than you think by the folks

he goes with, boys and girls. There's a lot of truth to that "birds of a feather" business.

Be friendly to everybody, but save the deepest depths of your friendship for a few, whom you choose carefully and slowly.

Arrange to have a quiet time to yourself every day. You will find yourself getting "lop-sided" if you do not allow for a few minutes alone each day to find yourself—yourself.

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Boys of L. B. Hall
On the Campus
Dear Sirs:

Those pleasant aromas that one smells about Louis Bennett Hall in the wee hours of morning remind one of the mid-night snacks that we used to prepare while at home. That, boys, is a good example of how to get along in this world. Many pleasant snacks to you. Here is hoping that you don't get indigestion from eating your own cooking.

Yours,
QUICKSILVER.

On THE CAMPUS

By Catherine Withers

The chauffeur of that razzle-dazzle, ornament laden car, which was parked in front of the College a certain afternoon last week, was Mary Virginia Thompson. . . . This said the vehicle was as bedecked on the interior as the exterior. . . . Hayward Groves and Pee Wee ("I second it") Reese brave cool October breezes to indulge in a bit of tennis. . . . Presenting the winnah!—Miss Thelma Ryan, the first girl to finish knitting a Red Cross scarf. . . . Elma Emrick ran a close second, having completed a sleeveless army sweater. . . . The new "soda Jerkeress" at the Rexall Store is none other than our own Gladys Foster, who now spends her free hours doling out ice cream and cokes to local drug store cowboys. . . . If you want to see some nice looking photographs, ask "Red" Clark for a glimpse of her proofs. . . . The class with a perfect attendance so far (knock on wood) is English 321. . . . Do we hear any challenges to this spotless record? . . . Wilma Kennedy not only has one hobby, but several. She collects perfume bottles, stamps and post marks, just to mention a few. . . . Swing addicts gathered in the gymnasium Wednesday night for a sneak preview of the all-girl band which is scheduled to play for the senior Halloween party. . . . One of the features of this organization is a torchy rendition of WHAT'S THE REASON I'M NOT PLEASIN' YOU? by Peggy Sweeney. . . . Miss Rose Funk is the owner of a stunning new coiffure. . . . Mary K. Smith vows she had two gallons of gas in her car. . . . Evidently it did a "Houdini" between Glenville and the D. & M., for, quoting M. K.: "A couple of hills made pretty hard pushing." . . . Even though she is a small person, Miss Bertha E. Olsen displayed the most vigorous hand clapping in the entire audience at the lyceum program Monday night.

Notes ON EDUCATION

By Associated Collegiate Press

Since the beginning of the accelerated war program of education throughout the country, there has been some speculation as to its merits during peacetime. Many educators believe that after the war we should continue to crowd four years of college education into 32 months and thus give men an earlier part in industry and business. Again, it would give those who wish to do graduate work a chance to go further before having to start work. This would produce, according to those who advocate the accelerated program, a greater number of men and women with higher degrees.

To decide such a question, however, it is first necessary to review the effect of our present speed-up program. Has it, for example, promoted the cause of technical education or has it resulted in an indifference to studies and a relaxing of interest?

One university began the war-time program in the spring of 1942, being one of the first schools in the country to do so. The administration foresaw the possibilities it had to shoulder and took immediate steps to prepare for the change. Until summer came, though, the change was unnoticeable. But, when it came, it was apparent not only to the faculty but also to the students. Interest dropped, and with the drop in interest appeared a new restlessness among students. High standards naturally helped to forestall a dangerous let-down at this time, but grades were dropping. Speculation had it that school would "pick-up" with winter and that studying would resume its previous tempo.

Such was not the case. Probably it might have been if students had been given a definite status in regard to the draft. Months of confusion followed until the ERC was called and the Navy announced its program.

At last things could return to normal. But they didn't. The students who were still here had been in school since September, 1941, and were sick of books. "Back to normal" was an impossibility. Under Army and Navy influences the servicemen are doing some studying. Civilian students had one month's vacation and so they too have picked up an interest. But the degree of efficiency in studying that one prevailed was lowered.

This university's experience shows that education cannot be hurried and still be thorough. These months during the summer when students usually get jobs back home have a balancing effect. Here the student can apply what he has learned and will come back ready for more. Studies become interesting instead of a grind. The basic reason behind our scholastic troubles is monotony. Now it is necessary, but it won't be after the war.

On The Land, In the Air, And on The Sea With Our Friends In The Service

By Elma Emrick

The following changes have been made in addresses received by the Mercury: Sgt. Beecher E. Reed, Btry. "D", 500th AAA Gun Bn., APO 679, care Postmaster, New York, N. Y.; Ensign John Willard Shreve, D-V (S) USNR, care Commandant Third Fleet, U. S. Fleet Postoffice, San Francisco, California; and Pft. Fred H. Shreve, S. W. G.—F. M. F., 15th Defense Battalion, 5th Amphibious Corp., care Fleet Postoffice, San Francisco, California.

Harold L. Scott, former student, who is located at the Nashville Army Air Center, Nashville, Tennessee, writes that he was promoted to the rank of 1st lieutenant the past Friday. He also says that he has seen several from Glenville while he has been in Nashville—Billy Karantonis and Nelson Wells were mentioned.

A.C. William O. Whetsell, Sq. A-1, Flt. II, Maxwell Field, Ala., wants the old gang to know that he sends them all his regards. He thinks that Maxwell Field is a tough place, but he is progressing nicely. Bill and Sammy Williams read the Mercury from "kiver to kiver" because they are really homesick for GSC.

Jesse Ray Lilly, S 2-c, 29th Regimental Office, Brks. 3002, Great Lakes, Illinois, is now what they call Master at Arms in the Drill Hall. Jesse is going to play basketball for Great Lakes this season.

William Karantonis, 21st Tech. School Sqdn., Lowry Field, No. "2", Denver, Colorado, started to Armament School yesterday. He will be there for twelve weeks, after which he hopes to go to OCS.

Pvt. Ernest Lee Arbuckle has arrived at St. John's University, at Collegeville, Minn., for a course of Army Air Force instruction lasting approximately five months prior to his appointment as an aviation cadet. During this period he will take numerous academic courses, as well as elementary flying training. Upon completion of the course he will be classified as a pilot, navigator, or bombardier and go on to the schools of the Flying Command for training in these specialties.

"Things I Wish Somebody Had Told Me When I Started to College"

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ation to yourself and your God, and to make sure your sense of values is not getting out of line.

Keep your mind clean. It won't be easy because you will hear more smudgy jokes and insinuations than you ever thought existed.

Don't be a prude. Your influence will mean much more if you can enjoy good clean fun. But remember it stops being fun as soon as it hurts anybody, yourself or the other fellow—mentally, spiritually, socially.

You can expect to get out of a thing just as much as you put into it, no more. This applies to classes, sports, and almost everything.

Sometimes it may seem as if you are not getting as much out of some things as you put into them. Don't worry about recognition. "There's will be an echo somewhere when your life rings true."

Don't confine your friendship to students. Faculty members at schools like Davidson are carefully chosen. Some of them will prove wonderful friends, if you take advantage of the opportunity. "Boot-licking?" Nobody will think that if they see you're absolutely on the square in everything else.

Don't lose your head if you feel that you're changing your ideas about things you've formerly be-

lieved. Remember that the final test of truth is whether or not it works in life, and don't change definitely to something "new" or intellectually proved until you have satisfactorily applied this final test. Do not be afraid of faith. It is basic, stronger, more comprehensive, more fundamental than sheer reason, as good as that may be. Our relationship with God is vital only "according to our faith." Read Jeremiah 33:3 when you get in a muddle.

Don't let your thinking stop with college days. Remember its main importance lies in the preparation it gives for the fullest life of service possible afterwards.

Don't forget that you can't get a new body, if you wear this one out. You can mean a lot more later if you have good health.

Be willing to give your "utmost for the Highest."

Do not "low-rate" yourself. If what you say is true, folks will find it out without your telling them; if it's not true, they won't like to hear about it. "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths" (Proverbs 3:5, 6).

And here's to the most wonderful four years you've ever known! No "foolin'!"

and take advance schooling before going aboard a destroyer escort. His brother, Pfc. Edmund Byrl Bragg, formerly of Camp Van Dorn, Miss., is in his third week of maneuvers at Shreveport, La. Another brother, Pvt. Murl D. Bragg, anti-aircraft artillery division, Camp Stewart, Ga., is out to do his part, too. These boys are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bragg of Glenville.

Jack Miles, A. B. '42, is back in the United States after being in Sicily. "Murley" writes that he is on his way to the Coast but as yet his address is not known.

YW TO MEET THURSDAY

The College chapter of the Y. W. C. A. will meet Thursday evening at 8:30 p. m. in the lounge of Louis Bennett Hall. There will be a short devotional program and business meeting. All girls are invited.

The Commuters' Club will meet October 28 at 1:30 p. m. in the Girls' Lounge, Administration Hall.

Ensign Fred Madison Whiting, Jr., and Ensign Frederica Louise Schmitt Married

The marriage of Ensign Frederica Louise Schmitt, W-V (S), USNR, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Schmitt, of Moredosia, Ill., and Ensign Fred Madison Whiting, Jr., elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Whiting, of Glenville, has been announced by the bride's parents. Dr. Milton Harold Nichols, pastor of the Arch Street Methodist Church in Philadelphia, performed the ceremony in the chapel of the church Sunday evening, October 17, at six-thirty.

Attending the bride was Ensign Jane Hollander, of Pittsburgh. Lt. (jg) James E. Bales, of Dixon, Ill., was best man. Lt. (jg) E. R. Williams, of Philadelphia, officer in charge of the department in which both Ensigns Whiting are working, gave the bride away. Present at the ceremony and the reception which followed it in the Williams home in West Philadelphia were some twenty officers from the communication office of the Fourth U. S. Naval District.

The bride, after graduation from Neredosia High School in 1935, attended MacMurray College at Jacksonville, Ill., Western Illinois State Teachers College where she received her Bachelor of Education degree in 1942, and Western Kentucky State Teachers College.

For five years she was a teacher in the Moredosia public schools and at the time of her enlistment in the Naval Reserve was an accountant in a Moredosia bank. After receiving her Naval training at Smith College, Northampton, Mass., she was commissioned an ensign. Since then she has been stationed in the district communication office in Philadelphia.

Ensign Whiting was graduated with high honors from Glenville State College in 1935, receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree. In 1939 he received the Bachelor of Journalism degree from the University of Missouri and later returned there to complete work toward the degree of Master of Arts in journalism. At the university he was a member of Sigma Delta Chi, honorary journalism society. He taught in Norman-town High School for six years and served as junior high school coach. Receiving a leave of absence from this position he enlisted in the Naval Reserve in February of 1942 and went through "boot" camp at the Naval Training Station in Norfolk. Assigned to a battleship on duty in the Atlantic he saw action in the African invasion. In December of

last year he received a commission as ensign and in February entered the Naval Training School at Harvard University. After completing the course in communications, and while here in Glenville the past week-end with Mrs. Whiting he learned he had been assigned to a new U. S. cruiser and will report for duty this week. Mrs. Whiting, meanwhile, will live in Philadelphia.

Miss Helen McGee, Paul H. Woodford United in Marriage

In a single-ring ceremony read in the parsonage by the Rev. Minor Sprague, pastor of the St. Paul's Methodist Church, Oakland, Md., on Wednesday, Oct. 20, at 4:30 p. m., Miss Helen Marjorie McGee was united in marriage to Mr. Paul H.

Woodford, both of Glenville.

The eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. McGee, Mrs. Woodford chose for her wedding an Australian green dress-maker suit with brown accessories, and her corsage was of Talisman rose buds.

A teacher in Glenville High School the past several years, Mrs. Woodford is a member of the Glenville Civic Club and the Glenville Garden Club. She is an A. B. graduate of Glenville State College and received the Master of Arts degree at West Virginia University.

Mr. Woodford, proprietor of one of Glenville's largest business firms, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Woodford of Sinking Creek, is an alumnus of Glenville State College, is a 32nd degree Mason and a past worshipful master of the local A. F. & A. M. Lodge.

Immediately after the wedding the couple returned to Glenville, where they will live.

Juanita McWilliams, freshman, spent the week-end at her home in Stumptown.

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FROM THE MERCURY'S FILES

1931—TWELVE YEARS AGO
Stanley Jeranko, former Victory High School star who is playing his third season as regular end, was selected by Coach A. F. Rohrbough as captain of the 1931 football team.

The Ohningohow Players, under the direction of Miss Margaret Dobson, instructor in dramatics, will give Owen Davis' "Robin Hood" in the College auditorium. The lead, "Robin Hood," will be played by Glen Henderson of Sutton.

1932—ELEVEN YEARS AGO
A determined Glenville eleven pushed across two touchdowns in the second half to defeat a stubborn Slippery Rock team by a score of 12-0. It was the first time the two teams had engaged in battle on the gridiron.

1933—TEN YEARS AGO
Death came to Mrs. Verona Mapei Brannon, the only woman to be principal of Glenville State Teachers College. Verona Mapei Hall, the dormitory for women at the College, was named for Mrs. Brannon.

Senior, sophomore and freshman class presidents, Arlan Berry, Madison Whiting and Stanley D'Orazio, respectively, were elected recently.

1934—NINE YEARS AGO
Led by Tom Pierce, acting captain, the Pioneers tore at the Concord Mountain Lions to snatch a 14-6 victory.

1935—EIGHT YEARS AGO
George Firestone, veteran janitor at the College, was unanimously voted an honorary membership in the Holy Roller Court.

1936—SEVEN YEARS AGO
Otis Rexroad was elected editor-in-chief of the College yearbook. Thomas Dotson was chosen business manager and John W. Mowrey was named advertising manager.

1937—SIX YEARS AGO
Miss Susan Summers, a sophomore, was voted to membership in the Canterbury Club at a recent meeting. Stories were told by Grace Summers, Denzel Garrett and Lois Mason.

1938—FIVE YEARS AGO
In a christening and dedication exercise held in the College auditorium, State Superintendent of Schools W. W. Trent officially presented the new men's hall to Glenville State Teachers College. The name of the new building, Louis Bennett Hall, approved by the State Board of Control, was announced by Pres. E. G. Rohrbough.

1939—FOUR YEARS AGO
The following delegates from the Student Council will attend the West Virginia Federation convention at Shepherdstown: Harold Noroski, senior; James Heater, sophomore; Ruth Annabel Hull, junior; and Teresa Butcher, junior.

1940—THREE YEARS AGO
Led by Dr. Erich Sorantin, famed Viennese violin virtuoso-conductor and composer, the Chicago Little Philharmonic Orchestra played a variety program ranging from music of the classics to works of modern composers in the first Lyceum program of the year.

Johnson Burke, Ruth Annabel Hull, Olive Myers, Robert Butcher, seniors, and Paul Beal, James Heater, Madelyn Conrad, Juanita Haught, juniors, were elected to represent Glenville State Teachers College in the forthcoming issue of Who's Who.

WAA GAMES PLAYED

Two W. A. A. basketball teams played a practice game Thursday under the leadership of the captains, Charlotte Ryan and Charlotte Hyer. Thursday night badminton will be played at 6:30 and volleyball at 7:30. That all girls playing on these teams please be present, is the request of the leaders.

Norita Gallien of Auburn spent the week-end there with her parents.

WILL ATTEND S. E. A. MEETING IN CHARLESTON

Pres. D. L. Haught and five College instructors plan to attend the annual S. E. A. meeting at Charleston, Thursday and Friday. The instructors are: H. Laban White, Miss Bessie Boyd Bell, Miss Rose Funk, Miss Ivy Lee Myers, and H. Y. Clark. Their classes will not meet on these days.

Mercuryite Of the Week

By Catherine Withers
E—lected Secretary of the Senior Class.

L—oathes Frank Sinatra's singing.
M—ember of the Ohningohow Club.

A—rtistic seamstress.

E—lated with thoughts of teaching next year.

M—ember of the House Governing Board.

R—ows a boat across the Ohio during the summer.

I—s an outstanding linguist student.

C—an't get her fill of turnips and kale.

K—was once her favorite initial.

TWO GIRLS ADDED TO LOCAL DANCE BAND

There have been two additions to Helen Wright's all-girl dance band: Catherine Withers is playing the bass fiddle; Sue Amos, the drums.

Rehearsals are now held in the College gymnasium once a week.

Charles McIntosh will be announcer for the band when it makes its first appearance at the Halloween dance Saturday night.

Members of the orchestra plan to dress in white skirts and red sweaters for the dance.

News Briefs

Harold P. Reese went to Huntington on Monday, Oct. 18, and was sworn into the Air Corps reserve as a private.

Charles McIntosh, sophomore, has been appointed chairman of devotionals on the Y. M. C. A. cabinet by the president, David Tewell.

The Rev. C. Lloyd Arehart is now using Miss Bessie Boyd Bell's classroom. His room has been changed into a lounge for women commuters and other women students.

Be sure to hand your ration books, number three and four, back to Miss Erma Edwards, financial secretary, promptly.

Friday was the last day that any student could drop a course this semester without being charged with a failure. This is an official statement from Dean Robert T. Crawford.

Gladys Elder, sophomore, formerly from Harrisville, left school Friday morning to go to her parents in Ohio.

CHARLEY LEWIS HAS TWO GRANDSONS IN THE U. S. ARMY

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lewis, the only colored family in Glenville, proudly display two service flags in their window, honoring their two grandsons in the Army. They are Sgt. Eugene Ray, stationed in North Carolina; and Pvt. Charles Ray, stationed in Louisiana.

Sgt. Ray attended the Kelley Miller High School at Clarksburg but was inducted in the army before he could complete his course. Pvt. Ray graduated from Kelley Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis also have two nephews in the service, one a soldier and one a sailor.

U. S. Army Finds 'Miracle Metal' Known as Tantalum; Used for Nerve, Skull Injuries

COLUMBUS, O.—(Special to the Mercury).—To the array of "miracle drugs" used by the Army Medical Corps in restoring the health of wounded soldiers has been added a "miracle metal," a major factor in healing the victims of serious nerve and skull injuries.

Known as tantalum, the metal is extensively used by Army surgeons in the form of wire, plates and foil in treating a wide variety of cases where shrapnel and bullets have ripped apart arm and leg nerves or caused the loss of portions of the skull and face.

Tantalum wire so fine it can hardly be seen is of tremendous value in the suturing of severed nerves, according to army neurosurgeons who are treating wounded soldiers who have suffered peripheral nerve injuries—that is, injuries to nerves in the arms or legs.

The remarkable wire, use of which is mostly restricted to the army, is far superior to catgut or silk in suturing nerves. Unlike catgut or silk, the wire suture is revealed in X-rays, thereby allowing continuous study of the progress of healing of the sutured nerves.

One of the great medical advantages of tantalum, a blue-gray, non-irritating metal known for its resistance to corrosion and chemical attack, is the fact that its use does not cause any foreign body reaction in the human system or lead to any harmful effects. It also results in finer sutures and it actually speeds the recovery process.

These findings have been reported by surgeons at the recently-dedicated Ashford General Hospital at White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, one of a dozen army hospitals designated as neurosurgical centers.

'Yardbird' Depicts Army Life

By Elma Emrick
Whoever "Yardbird" may be, he certainly has the 'hard-ness.'

"I am very enthusiastic about army life," says he. "I lie around in bed every morning until about 6 o'clock. This, of course, gives me plenty of time to get washed, shaved, dressed, make bunks, etc., by 6:10.

At 6:15 I stand outside and shiver while a musician without a union card blows a bugle. After I am reasonably chilled I grope around my way to the mess hall. Here I have a hearty meal consisting of an unidentified liquid and a choice of rye or wheat crusts. After gorging myself with this delicious repast, I waddle my way slowly back to the barracks.

"I have nothing to do until 7:15, so I just sit around and scrub toilets, mop floors, wash windows, clean guns and pick up all the cigarette stubs, paper and twigs around the barracks. Soon the Sergeant comes in and says, 'Come out in the sun, Kids.' So, I go out and 'bask' in the wonderful Colorado sunshine. Of course, I'm standing in six inches of mud all the time, but the Sergeant says he can't help it if there are no sewers and if it rains five days a week.

"At 8 we put on our light pack and start walking to the mountains. The light pack should not be confused with the heavy pack. The light pack consists of a gun, bayonet, canteen, mess kit, shaving kit, pup-tent, raincoat, cartridge belt, first aid kit, fire extinguisher, tent pins, rope and pile hand-ax, a small spade, foot

"PRIDE OF YANKEES" AT PICTURELAND SUNDAY, MONDAY

The Pictureland Theatre offers a wide variety of movies this week. From this Sunday to the next, inclusive, there will be five shows, each a movie of a different type. They vary from musicals, a good example of which is "Happy-Go-Lucky," starring Mary Martin and Dick Powell, to be shown October 24-25, to westerns. The western is "Shadows of the Sage" with Bob Steele and Tom Tyler. Also on Saturday, October 30, is "Youth on Parade" with John Hubbard and Ruth Terry having the leading roles.

"The Old Homestead" starring the Weaver Brothers and Elvira, is being shown October 26-27 and "Spirit of Stanford" with Frankie Albert October 28-29.

These shows present an interesting week for movie-goers but the show October 30 and November 1, is entirely different from any mentioned above. "Pride of the Yankees" with Gary Cooper and Teresa Wright is a story of the life of Lou Gehrig as a baseball player and is filled with excitement from start to finish.

Mercury Musings . . .

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as conductor of the Metropolitan Opera this season.

MISS BESSIE B. BELL, instructor in history, is a frequent visitor in the Mercury lab. We say to Miss Bell and other faculty members, "You are welcome to visit us." Miss Bell often comes in with a news story or helpful hints for one . . . And that's one thing that helps a newspaper!

MISS BELL AND THREE STUDENTS, Charlotte Ryan, Hayward Rowh and Margaret Sweeney are presenting a Navy Day program in assembly tomorrow. Upper classmen let's all attend along with the freshmen. Assemblies are for a good purpose and are for us . . . so we should attend everyone. See you in assembly tomorrow.

Sergt. Billy Decker Sees Real March of Events In One Week

Sergt. Billy Decker of the U. S. Air Corps was hardly able to keep up with the march of events concerning himself and his family the past week.

A son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Decker of Sand Fork, young Decker was graduated as an aerial gunner, received his wings, was promoted to sergeant at Las Vegas, Nevada, was selected for an instructor and became a father all within one week.

He said everything happened as he expected it would except that he didn't get a furlough. Now he is being sent to Ft. Meyer, Fla., for a six weeks instructor's school, after which he will return to Las Vegas. He plans to spend some time with his family en route from Florida to Nevada.

Mrs. Decker before her marriage was Betty Sue Curtis of Salem. Sergt. Decker is a former College student.

The Mercury Staff would appreciate addresses of former GSC students who are now in service.

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