

By Helen Taylor

AS THE MERCURY GOES TO press for the last time this semester, we find that several familiar personalities around the College have already gone or are packing to leave as soon as that last test is over. We who are staying will miss each and everyone of them. But we are extending to them our best wishes in whatever they endeavor to do. Too, there are rumors that several former students and some new ones are planning to attend G. S. C. next semester. We give them our whole-hearted welcome.

THE RADIO IN THE Verona Mapel Hall lounge is a faithful servant to those who enjoy after dinner music and dancing. In the evenings until 7:30 p. m. it seems to be the gathering place of the girls of Verona Mapel and "Ye Male Clan" from Louis Bennett. Once-in-awhile the radio needs urging, to be heard and in that respect certainly lives up to its name, "FADA RADIO." Confidentially, I think the company must have known the radio's characteristics when it was named!

THE "MOUNTAIN MUTTERINGS" column proved to be a topic of interest on the campus this past week. The column, written by John McCutcheon, former student, now attending the West Virginia University, appears regularly in the "Athenaeum." It was a discussion (you may agree with it and you may not) on a certain lad, also former student, who is now attending W. V. U. and planning to play basketball there. A copy of the "Athenaeum" is on the bulletin board in the journalism lab for anyone who wishes to read the article.

"KEEPER OF THE FLAME" starring Katherine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy seemed to be chalked up as the picture of the month here on the campus. The comments on that great, stirring drama were all favorable. It was a great story and was made greater by brilliant acting on the part of the stars and their supporting cast. Leo, "the lion," again brought "Art, the Greatest of Art" to us in its full glory. That type of picture certainly is appreciated today when we find so many "B" class ones advertised.

LOUIS BENNETT HALL has evidently been in an uproar this past week. At least it seems that way when you walk by and see figures fixed up with a mop for a head and pajamas for wearing apparel hanging from second floor windows. Then, the boys, to hear them talk, didn't feel it was safe to leave their rooms for any length of time. If they did leave, they would be sure to come back finding it "stacked" by some would-be fiend.

MISS MARGARET PRUNTY, who is part time College nurse, is to be commended and thanked by students for her kind services to those who not only needed medical attention but also good advice. We thank you, Miss Prunty.

WELL, HERE'S SLAVING to you and yours over next semester's schedule. . . . It is always a job. Which reminds me of a little incident that happened the other day. We were discussing schedules in a certain room in Verona Mapel Hall. . . . Someone requested a catalog! The outcome was that one helpful person searching for something finally came lugging a "mail order" house catalog to us. . . . Gee . . . wonder what kind of courses are going to be offered?

Etta Jane Judge, freshman, spent the week-end at her home in Northmantown.

-- Examination -- Schedule

Here is the schedule for first semester tests as, was announced by Dean Robert T. Crawford:

Monday, January 24:
9:00-11:00. Classes meeting M. W. F. at 9:00 (Includes typing).
11:00-1:00. Classes meeting M. W. F. at 10:00 (Includes French and Directed teaching).
2:00-4:00. Classes meeting T. Th. at 11:00 (Includes Directed Teaching, Math 301 and Soc. Sc. 201).

Tuesday, January 25:
9:00-11:00. Classes meeting T. Th. at 2:00 (Includes Directed Teaching).
11:00-1:00. Classes meeting M. W. F. at 12:00 (Art 101 and Chemistry 201).
2:00-4:00. Classes meeting M. W. F. at 2:00 (Art 101).

Wednesday, January 26:
11:00-1:00. Classes meeting M. W. F. at 3:00 (Including Music 104).
2:00-4:00. Classes meeting T. Th. at 12:00.

Thursday, January 27:
9:00-11:00. Classes meeting T. Th. at 9:00.
11:00-1:00. Classes meeting T. Th. at 3:00.
2:00-4:00. Classes meeting T. Th. at 10:00.
Note: Classes meeting at other hours—Tuesday, January 25 at 6:30 p. m. to 8:30 p. m.

Miss Faulkner On Governing Board

Betty Faulkner, sophomore, was elected secretary-treasurer of the Verona Mapel Hall Governing Board at a special house meeting called by the president, Edith Hinterer. Thursday night. Miss Faulkner will replace Miss Elma Emrick who finished her work for the A. B. degree and plans to teach in Kanawha County this semester.

EXTENSION WORK FINISHED; NEW COURSES STARTED

Instructors teaching extension courses finished their work the past week and the week before. A few of them started courses in the same places. Mr. Carey Woofter, registrar, is teaching a course in the History of Asia at Richmond. Dr. J. C. Shreve is teaching a course in sociology, Crime and Delinquency at Grantsville.

Other extension courses will be organized later.

HECKERT IS PRESIDENT OF CHEMISTRY CLUB

The Chemistry Club met the past Tuesday night to elect officers for the second semester. Homer Paul Heckert, sophomore, of Weston, was chosen president. Mary Alice Wagner is the vice-president, and Rita Mae Fling, secretary-treasurer.

The president has announced that the next program will consist of talks given by Elizabeth Clark and Estella Bonner on January 25.

ON BOARD OF CONTROL

Mr. Dell White took the oath of office and became a member of the State Board of Control the past week after the State Senate had rejected the appointment of Mr. William W. Downey of Martinsburg.



"I GUESS SHE HASN'T HEARD ABOUT THE DANGERS OF INFLATION."

Wilson to Speak Here February 23; Public Invited

Mr. Fred Wilson, well known lecturer, is to be a guest speaker for assembly here February 23, and is expected to have as a topic the "Human Side of the President."

Mr. Wilson was suggested as a good speaker for an assembly by President-Emeritus E. G. Rohrbough and favorably recommended by Dr. S. O. Bond, president of Salem College.

Towns people are invited to attend the program.

DEAN CRAWFORD COMPLETES SCHEDULE, 2ND SEMESTER

Dean Robert T. Crawford has completed a schedule of work for the second semester and copies of it will be available soon. There is a wide variety of work to be offered, though certain courses required for the wartime program and a small enrollment may reduce the number of free electives. Changes in the schedule may be made later if the needs of students justify them.

FINAL INITIATIONS HELD FOR OHNINGGOW PLEDGES

Final Ohninggow initiations were given in the College auditorium Wednesday at 7 p. m.

Scenes from two plays were enacted by Etta Jane Judge, Mary Jo Moran, Peggy Williams, Juanita McWilliams, Evelyn Finster, Norita Gallien, Isabelle Clark, and Homer Paul Heckert.

Other initiations will be held for those who were unable to attend this meeting, according to the president, Estella Bonner.

Read Them

Be sure to read Olen E. Berry's letter in the Mercury's "Men In Service" column, this week's issue.

Don't overlook Janette Cunningham's "Booky" reasons for buying war bonds—See Robert F. Kidd Library Notes this issue.

Ora Mae Linger, freshman, was unable to attend classes this past week because of illness.

NOTICE

Students who expect to apply for certification at the close of this semester are asked to do so before examinations begin. The fee is one dollar in cash. Application blanks may be filled out in Mr. Carey Woofter's room.

Juniors Get Award For Best Party Of The First Semester

Presentation of the Social Committee award for the best party of the first semester was made to the junior class at the assembly hour, Wednesday.

The contest was between the junior and senior classes only. The senior class presented the Halloween Party, while the juniors won the award, a cash prize of three dollars, for their Christmas party.

Miss Rose Funk, member of the Social Committee, presented the award.

NELL REED HAS GUESTS AT DINNER AND MOVIE

Nell Reed, sophomore, was honored with a surprise birthday party given by her mother, Mrs. Ruddle Reed, at the Conrad Restaurant Thursday at 6:15 p. m. Guests, who were entertained with a movie after the dinner, included: Betty Reed, Margy Jack, Mary Jean Ralston, Ruth Allen, Betty Gainer, Peggy Sweeney, Nina Moore, Geneva Proctor, Ann Withers, Mary Lila Luzader and the guest of honor.

MRS. SATTERFIELD HERE

Mrs. James Satterfield and infant daughter, Rebecca Marie, arrived Sunday to spend some time with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Satterfield and family. Mrs. Satterfield is the former Miss Eldred Jimison, A. B. '42, and is a former staff member. Her husband, Ensign James E. Satterfield, A. B. '41, is serving in the U. S. Naval Reserve and recently left the states for active duty in the Atlantic.

Ruby Messenger, junior, substituted at Troy Wednesday for Miss Madeline Reese, former student, who is the third and fourth grade teacher there.

Rev. Mr. Moore Is Speaker at College Assembly Program

"There is no better way to start the new year than with a song," said the Rev. Gilbert Moore, Glenville Baptist minister, as he taught his listeners a song, "Every Day With Jesus," preceding his address in assembly Wednesday.

Speaking on the theme, "Facing the New Year," the Rev. Mr. Moore said, "We seem to be standing on the threshold of a great room and just beginning to look around. . . . The new year will be a time of certainties, uncertainties, and happiness."

"God has forgiven us," he said, "and has given us a new year—a time of opportunities and new beginnings." He stated his belief that all of us must fulfill the duties and obligations that will be ours in the new year if it is to be a time of happiness, and he admonished students to read the Bible and to encourage one another daily. Good advice for the new year, he thought, was found in the life motto of a jungle tribal chieftain: "As you pass through the jungle be careful to break a twig that the next man may find his way."

Mrs. Moore, the pastor's wife, accompanied at the piano as her husband led group singing.

'YW' Members Will Meet Tomorrow

Members of the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet met Wednesday evening in the Robert F. Kidd Library to discuss plans of the organization for the coming semester. Miss Alma Archuleta, chapter adviser, explained ways by which the organization could help others. Ruth Groves was appointed membership chairman by the president, Helen Taylor. Other members present were: Norita Gallien, Thelma Ryan, Arlene Woodburn, Gladys Foster, Nina Craigie and Mae Anderson. The regular meeting of the Y. W. C. A. will be held tomorrow evening at 6:30 in the lounge of Louis Bennett Hall. Gladys Foster will have charge of a program on "Friendship." All members who wish to pay their dues may do so at this time.

There was a faculty meeting Monday evening at 4:45 p. m.



Save your nickels, buy a Stamp,
Take old Adolf into camp.
Save your dollars, buy a Bond,
Duck his cowlick in the pond.
Says Uncle Sam, "There's no way surer
For American kids to lick the Fuehrer."

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AND STAMPS

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This Too Would Honor Those In the Service

Plans are in the offing for the preparation of a wall plaque forming an Honor Roll for alumni and former students now serving in the United States Armed forces. The Student Council plans to serve as a general committee in charge, with the assistance of various sub-committees composed of the other clubs and organizations on the campus. In the future the faculty will be asked to give assistance in numerous capacities.

Such an Honor Roll should be formed, kept up and started as soon as possible. Each and every one of us should be willing to lend a few hours of our spare time to this work. We should feel that it is not only our duty but also an honor to help. Other colleges have already made such lists . . . Glenville State College must not lag behind. But lagging behind is not the important factor . . . The important thing is that each person who has gone out from this institution and is now serving his country should receive the recognition that is due him. There are even those who have given their lives and others that will. What more can we do than be willing to say, "Yes! I'll be there to help. Just set the time and tell me what to do. I'll do my very best!"—Helen Taylor.

Here's a Chance For Some Club to Serve

Up to the present the College has put every effort forth to aid any drive that was to help the war situation. The Holy Roller Court sponsored the scrap metal drive and kept after it until a successful goal was attained. The College Red Cross is well organized and doing a grand job of knitting scarfs, sweaters and other such articles for the boys in service. These are just two of the many examples that might be presented.

Right now the government is asking us to put over another drive but apparently few of us on the campus are assisting this effort. This present drive is for paper salvage, as everyone has heard or seen either by radio or posters that are placed in public buildings. Here on the campus every week there are bushels of paper, old magazines, cardboard boxes and various other paper articles thrown out to be blown hither or yon by the wind or burned in a large can that is placed back of Administration Hall. Some sort of arrangement should be made to take care of this waste. The problem is: Who is going to do it? What club or organization will assume the duties of collecting such material? It will require a well organized group to do the job satisfactorily. The problem remains in the hands of an unknown.—Hayward Groves.

There will be an important meeting of the Women's Athletic Association tonight in the gymnasium at 6:30 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

What a lot of people would like is a case of flu. What they can't get for use in curing a case of flu.

Associated Collegiate Press Briefs

Like Columbus, 20-year-old Eva- line Blanco, part-time student at Cleveland College, crossed the Atlantic in a small vessel. Her trip, however, was the opposite of Columbus'—she sailed from America to Spain. It was in June, 1929, when Miss Blanco was six, that she and her father boarded their 37-foot sailboat at Boston and weighed anchor, bound for Barcelona, Spain, her father's birthplace. Ports of call in her leisurely travels sound like a travel folder with such names as Spanish Morocco, the Azores, Canary Islands, Trinidad, Caracas, Cartagena, Panama, Tahiti and New Caledonia. Pearl Harbor ended her long stay in the South Pacific and brought her to Cleveland by the way of San Francisco.

The Princeton University Press will publish a monumental collection of the writings and correspondence of Thomas Jefferson to mark the two-hundredth anniversary of Jef-

erson's birth. The writings, consisting of 13,000,000 words in fifty volumes will cost \$344,300 to produce and will be partly financed by the New York Times.

Ohio University at Athens is the oldest university west of the Alleghenies.

It takes five years for the termite to complete its life cycle—including the time he spends gnawing at the underpinnings of your house—a University of Texas zoologist has learned.

Twenty-one students have signed up for the new course in Chinese language and culture at Wheaton College, Illinois.

According to the Lantern, Ohio State University, students suffered this year from a Christmas lack of mistletoe. The Lantern said market dealers attributed the unprecedented shortage to the war business in New Mexico, where most of the "oscular bushes" grow.

Notes From The Robert F. Kidd Library

By Janette Cunningham

With the Fourth War Loan Drive just dawning, here are some "booky" reasons for buying War Bonds and stamps . . . Hasten the day when THE PILOT of many an Allied plane can spend THIRTY SECONDS (or more) OVER TOKYO . . . Help those that have been downtrodden by the dictators to come UP FROM SLAVERY . . . Put the "Jap" navy TWENTY THOUSAND LEAGUES UNDER THE SEA . . . "Help" Hitler reach his JOURNEY'S END in SO LITTLE TIME as possible . . .

Give the youth of the world an INVITATION TO LIVE . . . THIS ABOVE ALL: Bring VICTORY closer so our boys can quit ROUGH-ING IT, bid A FAREWELL TO ARMS, and start on THE ROAD BACK . . . When to buy bonds? TIME, THE PRESENT.

One new book has been received: a biography, CLARA SCHUMANN, by John Burk. Mrs. Schumann was the wife of Robert Schumann and had great influence in the lives of certain great musicians.

A TINGE OF HUMOR

Navy Flier: "We carry parachutes in case we have to bail out."
Mother: "Oh, do seaplanes leak?"

My Anna lies over the ocean
My Anna lies over the sea
My Anna lies over the ocean
Oh, bring back Anatomy.

A chaplain dialed long distance in order to call a clergyman friend in a distant town.
"Do you wish to place a station to station call?" asked the operator.
"No," came the answer, "parson to parson."

Visitor at an institution: "Hey, don't dive into that tank. Can't you see the water has been drained?"
Moron: "Oh, that's O. K., Mister. I can't swim anyhow."

CPO: "Daughter, who was that sailor I saw you kissing last night?"
Daughter: "What time was it?"
Chief Gow: "You're not eating your fish. What's wrong with it?"
Seaman: "Long time no sea."

Mercuryte Of the Week

H—ome is at West Union.
E—ating is one of her favorite pastimes.
L—ikes the fellows—especially those in the service.
E—ager to get her degree and get to work. Only seven more semesters to go!
N—oted for her curly, black hair.
C—alled "Energy" by her friends.
O—hningohow player by merit of her fine bit of acting at try-outs.
X—tra nice girl.

Ritamae Fling, senior, spent the week-end at her home in Tanner.
Dr. D. L. Haught was in Clarksburg on business Thursday.

BOARDS URGED NOT TO SELL UNUSED BUILDINGS

County boards of education are being urged by the State Department of Education not to sell school buildings that are not now in use. Following the war, the Department says, many former citizens will likely return to the rural areas, and moreover, the transportation system may break down. It is now tremendously strained because of the difficulty in securing new buses and getting repair parts for the old.

'NEA JOURNAL' TO DEVOTE FULL PAGE TO W. VA.

Because more than five thousand West Virginia teachers have enrolled for membership in the National Education Association, the NEA Journal will devote a full page to the state in its next issue, announces State Superintendent W. W. Trent.

GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE

Second Semester Opens January 31

PLAN NOW TO ENROLL

Write for Catalog and a Schedule of Courses.

On THE CAMPUS

By Catherine Withers

"The lull before the storm," or, Glenville State College students the week before semester tests. That's the atmosphere on the campus—for most activities are at low ebb. However, ten girls took time out from studies Tuesday night to gather in Peggy Sweeney's room to listen to, and "to follow the instructions thereon" . . . A reducing record (Get thin to music, the new easy way, etc., etc.) Results thus far: All the participants complain of aching, sore muscles . . . Likewise, residents of Louis Benhett Hall cast aside studies long enough to indulge in that notorious pastime of 'room stacking.' The following A. M. the culprits, continuing their escapades, swiped unsuspecting victims' pajamas, hung them by the cuffs to the window sills where they floated in the wintry breeze . . . Miss Margaret Prunty, College Nurse, would appreciate suggestions concerning the removal of liquid lipstick . . . Etta Jane Judge, Leona Williams, Ella Fitzwater were among the College lasses who tested their skill at skiing and sleigh-riding in front of Verona Maple Hall . . . following a dry, powdery snow that covered the campus the past week.

To Continue War-Time A. S. T. P. Program

WASHINGTON, D. C. (ACP)—The Army Specialized Training Program, which is now providing college training for thousands of Army men in more than 200 colleges and universities throughout the nation, will be continued despite rumors to the contrary which have been circulated within recent weeks.

"The number of soldiers assigned for training under the A. S. T. P.," Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson recently stated, "will be changed from time to time in accord with the needs of the army and available manpower. It is now being somewhat reduced but may later be increased or still further reduced as the needs of the military situation or military training make advisable."

At the present time, about 140,000 men are being trained under the A. S. T. P.

Quotes WORTH QUOTING

"It is impossible to separate Nazis and the German people. I don't like our appeals that Germany repudiates her leaders, because if the German people again change their government just to get an easy peace, we won't convince them that war doesn't pay. If that happens we may almost as well have lost the war," said the University of Texas' professor of government, Dr. John L. Mecham, recently, who believes that the kind of peace that is made after the war doesn't count so much as the way that peace is carried out.

"Across the Atlantic in the British Isles the Yanks are trying to fit American slang into the dignified game of cricket. Members of the U. S. Eighth Air Force recently razzed batters and bowlers in the best Bronx manner. Such razzing is not cricket, say the English, who prefer a polite handclapping to the cheer and jeer. Which influence will prevail? Will baseball audiences become sedate or will cricket fans learn to shout, 'Better duck, you jerk, here comes the bottle!!!'—Student Life, Washington University, St. Louis, Mo.

Make your plans now to enroll for the second semester. If you're not working at an essential war-time job, you can't afford not to begin your college education now.

Helen Wright's all-girl orchestra played for a combination round and square dance in the College gymnasium Saturday night. Approximately thirty students attended. Records were played for the square dancing.

Mrs. Hayward A. Taylor, mother of Helen Taylor, senior, is reported to be improving after a serious illness. She is in the City hospital at Weston.

The supreme commander of the German navy is reported on the skids. As usual, grease for Doenitz!

S. E. A. Executive Secretary Takes Post With National Education Association

R. B. Marston, former Cabell County school man, has resigned his position as executive secretary of the State Education Association and has accepted a permanent post on the staff of the National Education Association as director of Legislative and Federal Relations.

In accepting Mr. Marston's resignation the S. E. A. executive committee expressed its appreciation of his services to the State Education Association during three sessions of the legislature which resulted in a substantial increase in salaries for teachers, a tenure law and a retirement system; for improved public relations in the understanding of mutual problems; the steady growth in membership and confidence of school people in their professional organizations; the development of strong affiliate groups within the state association that has made the SEA a vital factor in the state; and for the contributions to public education through studies made in the field of taxation and finance.

Phares E. Reeder, who has been acting executive secretary during Mr. Marston's leave of absence since September 1, 1943, was appointed to fill Mr. Marston's unexpired term, which ends July 1, 1944.

Miss Winifred Newman, immediate past vice president, and former president of the State Association, was elected to fill the vacancy in the vice presidency made by the appointment of Mr. Reeder as executive secretary.

Mr. Marston is well known in Glenville, having appeared at the College on numerous occasions to speak in connection with the annual professional relations conferences.

NO PAPER NEXT WEEK

Because semester examinations will be held next week, the Mercury will not be published. Staff members will be given the time they regularly devote to their duties on the paper for a review of their work in journalism and in their other classes. The next issue will appear early in the second semester.

COLLEGE OFFERS FACILITIES FOR WASTE PAPER DRIVE

Dr. D. L. Haught, president of the College, the past week extended an invitation to local leaders of the waste paper salvage drive to use a room in one of the College buildings as a collection and packing center.

Also he has offered certain College facilities in helping to promote Boy Scout work here and throughout the county.

\$2,876.73 Raised In County's War Fund Campaign

Gilmer County people contributed \$2,876.73 to the National War Fund drive sponsored by the Gilmer County War Chest, which was headed by T. W. Hyer, it was announced here the past week when Chairman Hyer and J. E. Arbuckle, treasurer, tabulated receipts and authorized payment of the fund to the national organization.

A small quota was allotted to the Boy Scouts for an operating budget for the year and the rest of the money went to the U. S. O. and about fourteen other organizations engaged in rendering service at home and abroad to men and women in the U. S. forces. The greater amount of the money will go direct to the U. S. O.

QUICK QUIPS

Glenville State College
Louis Bennett Hall
Dear Sirs:

Gremlins have been accused of most everything since the war began but there is reason to doubt the statement of "The Gremlins did it," when one strolls into his room and finds it topsy turvy or in the condition that is most commonly called stacked.

Yours,
QUICKSILVER.

EVERY STORY SHOULD HAVE HAPPY ENDING



If YOU are suddenly stricken with INFANTILE PARALYSIS—regardless of who, what or where you are in the United States or its possessions, here's what The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis will do for you through its nationwide local chapters:

Provide medical and surgical care, hospitalization, orthopedic equipment, an iron lung, if necessary, and whatever other supplies and material are needed to give you the best care and treatment possible.

At the same time, to reduce the possibility of your being stricken, the National Foundation is sponsoring a program of scientific research to find the cause, cure and prevention of the dread disease.

Whether or not you are stricken with infantile paralysis, you can help fight the Great Crippler. Join the March of Dimes and Dollars by sending your contribution to Lock Box "M," Glenville, W. Va., January 14th to the 31st and help conquer polio!

Support the 4th War Loan Drive.
Buy War Bonds and Stamps.

On The Land, In the Air, And on The Sea

With Our Friends In The Service

Ensign Fred Madison Whiting, Jr., writes that he is to go on ship duty soon and will have a New York fleet postoffice address. In a letter to friends here he said: "Members of our family who are in the service got together last week-end when Richard came up to visit my wife and me at her parents' home in Meredosia. Freddie and I... got a leave together and Richard got a pass which gave him two days with us."

"Today in the Fargo Building, Boston's Receiving Station, I ran into Damon Starcher of Weston, a radioman 2-c, who is awaiting a further assignment, since his ship was taken over by the Coast Guard. ... Went aboard a battleship three weeks ago to see John Cooper but missed him by a few minutes."

"Although it will take the paper longer to reach me from now on, I'll still be looking forward to receiving it. . . ."

Cpl. Russell W. Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Moore of Lockney, and his wife, the former Miss Hope Ball, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ball of Stumptown, visited at the home of their parents over the week-end. Cpl. Moore is now a chief clerk in the Headquarters Dept., Wright Field, Dayton, O. Mrs. Moore is employed as a junior clerk in the Signal Corps at Dayton.

William Rymer, formerly of Conings, more recently a member of the State Department of Public Safety, has qualified for entrance into the U. S. Air Corps and is now awaiting a call to report for his preliminary instruction. He says he will move his family to Gilmer County for the duration. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Rymer, and a brother of Jean Rymer, a former student in the College.

'Journal' Lists Comparative Figures On School Enrollments, Number of Teachers

(From the School Journal)

The gross enrollment in the schools of West Virginia decreased from the first month of the school year 1942-43 to the first month of 1943-44 as follows: Elementary schools from 285,509 to 277,283—a decrease of 8,226 or 2.88%; in the high schools from 133,052 to 125,264—a decrease of 7,788 or 5.85%. In totals the decrease was from 418,561 to 402,447—total decrease of 16,014 or 3.85%. The number of teachers decreased in Elementary Schools 341 or 3.28% and in High Schools 154.5 or 2.94%. Special teachers 11.5 or 10.55%. In totals the decrease was 507 or 3.22%.

From the year 1939-40 to 1941 inclusive the total enrollment in West Virginia decreased 9,484 or 2.1%. Decreases in all the states of the Union except three varied from

0.1 in Florida to 7.9 in Wisconsin, with a medium of 3.3%. Three states gained in percentage: Oregon 0.3, Washington 3.5, and Nevada 15.7%. The decrease is attributed to two causes: the birth rate which began to decline in 1925 and is now affecting high school enrollments; and second, high school pupils are leaving to accept positions in industry or entering military service.

TO SPEAK HERE SUNDAY

The Rev. R. C. Boothe, president of the Charleston Ministerial Association and the West Virginia Anti-Saloon League, will be the guest speaker Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock at a service at the Glenville Baptist Church, the Rev. Gilbert Moore, pastor, has announced. The service will be open to the public.

The 4th WAR LOAN is your opportunity to do something about it!

It's Time to Take the Offensive. Your government has the men it needs to do the job in the front lines—great men all! But it doesn't have the money it needs, by a long way. That's your job! And the immediate task is the Fourth War Loan—Your chance to take the offensive not only in support of the men who are fighting and dying for you and your loved ones, but also in support of your own future!

What are you going to do about a wornout tractor, about repairing fences and buildings, about replacing depreciated machinery and equipment? Will you be ready with money in the bank when these things are needed?

You will if you take the offensive now! Put every extra dollar into U. S. War Bonds—the best form of financial reserve ever offered you. Think! You are asked to make a sound and prudent investment—not a sacrifice!

When Your Boy Comes Home

Will your boy come back to a farm or ranch with no financial reserves, no future? Or will you greet him at the gate with a bundle of War Savings Bonds—for working capital, new machinery, better buildings? And if your children are going to college, why not be sure they get there by buying today the Bonds that will pay the cost.

No need, really, to tell an up-to-date farmer or rancher what he needs financial reserves for. You know more reasons than anyone else can enumerate for setting aside extra dollars to meet the future. Now is your chance to do it . . . and help fight the war, too!

Go on the offensive! Buy all the Bonds you can—today!



You Never Get Less Than You Lend! And you get $\frac{1}{2}$ more than you invest. When held 10 years, War Bonds yield 2.9% interest compounded semi-annually. You get back \$4 for every \$3.

Cash When You Need It. If an emergency comes along, your War Bonds are like money in the bank. Uncle Sam will redeem them in cash—at full purchase price—any time after you've held them 60 days. Don't cash them unless you have to. And don't hold back a single dollar unnecessarily from the purchase of War Bonds. **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED.**

Facts About War Bonds (Series E)

You can buy War Bonds from your bank, postmaster, mail carrier or Production Credit Association. Don't wait. Do it by mail if you can't get to town!

You Lend Uncle Sam	Upon Maturity You Get Back
\$18.75	\$25.00
37.50	50.00
75.00	100.00
375.00	500.00
750.00	1000.00

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

By Elma Emrick

Jake Fitzpatrick who was recently visiting in Glenville has been transferred to the Army Air Corps but is still at Easton, Pa., where he is awaiting his call.

Pfc. Arthur Newell, Sig. Bn., Marine Corps, San Diego, (40) Calif., has been transferred from radio school to telephone school. He recently spent the week-end with Joe Rodriguez who is located at the same base.

Pvt. Kermit Fisher writes that it is good to get news from home . . . and says, "I find where the other boys are and what they are doing this way. I suppose Coach Hall will come through with another good basketball team . . . I'd like to be there to see them clean up Weston a time or two. I ran into Jack Conrad in town Christmas eve . . . He has been here since August, but it is the first time we have seen each other. It's good to run into someone from home. I certainly was glad to see him."

"Keep the news coming; it will help us to get this war over."

Pvt. Harold Wilson who recently spent a furlough here now has the following address: S. C. U., 4909, c-o Postmaster, San Diego, Calif. He will welcome letters from his friends at home and in the service.

Pfc. Ralph Cross, 772nd A. A. Gun Bat., Vallejo, Calif., writes that he enjoyed a visit by Pfc. Brooks Golden and his wife recently.

Pfc. Bill Edwards, Fort Knox, Ky., who is home on furlough is expected to be visiting friends on the campus sometime this week. He is a nephew of Miss Erma Edwards, financial secretary of the College. Pfc. Edwards has just completed a course in radio school and expects to be moved in the near future.

Pvt. Olen E. Berry, Hq. Sq., 38th A. D. C., APO 528, c-o Postmaster, New York, N. Y., writes from Italy: "Dear Mercury staff—Three cheers for a statement I read in an issue of our most revered of news editions recently. I am referring to a sentence that read something like this: 'Service men consider mail from home the greatest little morale-builder ever invented.' No truer statement was ever made. Probably the letter has more value for the actual frontline doughboy than for us luckier persons who are in service areas a few miles from the front. I have never been in an actual frontline trench but even to those a few miles back mail-call is precious; and don't think those Christmas packages weren't worth their weight in gold. Your letters help as much to win the war as the bonds you buy. So never feel that any effort is wasted no matter how silly it may seem to you."

"To you, happenings that are commonplace, are precious memories to us and we praise you for reviving them for us. During my work in College I took a great deal of interest in psychological studies—due credit to H. L. White. Now I sometimes amuse myself by observing my "buddies." I have been in numerous outfits since coming over here and so subject personalities are plentiful. Most of us, along with myself, came overseas a very short time after the original invasion of North Africa. We went through the African campaign and thus far in the Italian version. I think you would call us veterans now and we should be hardened to battlefield conditions. However, our dreams and thoughts all center on one place—home! Ask anyone of us what our greatest desire is and he will say it is to end the war so he can go back."

"The letters and gifts you have sent and are still sending contain a little bit of home. They tell us that we are always remembered and that

we will be welcomed with open arms when we return. Then we go out and win another battle or send another plane into the air. Always we are shortening the number of days until we can again enjoy the life of our own free and happy communities."

"You on the homefront are fighting beside us in spirit, helping hold our rifle or handing us our wrenches as we call for them. When we have time we look up long enough to say: 'Thanks Buddy.'—Sincerely, Olen E. Berry."

Pfc. Brooks Golden Married In San Francisco, California

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Dorothy Paddock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Paddock of Antioch, Calif., to Pfc. Harry Brooks Golden, A. B. '42, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Golden of Weston.

For the ceremony, preformed the past week in San Francisco, Calif., the bride wore a white gown trimmed with silver sequins and a corsage of gardenias.

Mrs. Golden, who was employed by the Bureau of Reclamation in Antioch following her graduation from Antioch High School, had as her maid of honor Miss Marylyn Grosso.

Private Golden, a graduate of Weston High School and the College, was outstanding in football and other sports activities. He is now stationed at Camp Stoneman, Pittsburg, Calif., with the army dental clinic. He is a brother of Margaret Golden, also a graduate of the College.

AMERICAN CASUALTIES NOW TOTAL 139,800

WASHINGTON.— American casualties since the start of the war now total more than 139,800. The army losses total 105,229 and those of the navy, marines and coast guard 34,571.

Secretary of War Stimson, in reporting the army casualties from the start of the war to December 23, said the figure represented 16,831 killed and 38,916 wounded, 24,067 missing and 25,415 prisoners of war. Casualties to American elements of the Fifth army in Italy since the start of that campaign on September 9 are 18,119. Of this total 2,798 were killed, 11,762 were wounded and 3,559 were missing.

The navy-marine-coast guard casualties reported up to today are made up as follows: 15,186 killed, 6,616 wounded, 8,429 missing, 4,292 prisoners of war.

Plans are in the making for other lyceum courses to be had next semester. At the time the Mercury went to press nothing definite had been decided upon by the lyceum committee whose chairman is Mr. Hunter Whiting, College instructor. The Current Events club will not meet again until next semester when elections will be held for new officers.

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Hyer's Team Is Winner By 23-11

* Paced by Beulah Given, who scored seventeen points, Charlotte Hyer's basketball team swamped a team led by Charlotte Ryan, 23-11. Ryan's team was held scoreless the first half, but came back in the last to score. Thelma Ryan led the losers with six points.

Hyer 23	Ryan 11
Judge 2	Foster 0
Given 17	T. Ryan 6
Clark 4	E. Cook 0
Gervig 0	Craig 0
Hardman 0	McWilliams 5
Finster 0	Hudkins 0
Allen 0	C. Ryan 0
Proctor 0	

SPORTS NEWS AND VIEWS

By Thelma Ryan

Saturday the State Sportswriters Association named Jimmie Walthall, Princeton High School all-around star, as West Virginia's outstanding amateur athlete of 1943. Walthall edged out John (Brooms) Abramovic, winner of last year's title, and became one of the few high school athletes to win the title and therefore gain possession of the Kump trophy for one year.

William Harold ("Bill") Terry, former New York Giant's star, has announced that he is quitting baseball and intends to become a partner in a large cotton manufacturing firm. Terry, after 20 years with the Giants as player, field manager and general manager, earned an estimated \$40,000 annually in his last years with the Giants.

Joe Louis, heavy-weight boxing champion, intends to continue fighting if he is still in his early thirties when the war is over. Louis, who is 29 now, says that he would like to give young men the benefit of what he has learned.

Frank Leahy, Notre Dame coach, says that the seventeen and eighteen year olds of college football teams the past fall did a splendid job of competing against greater odds than they would have in pre-war football. He believes that the 1944 teams will remain wide open, free scoring and be equalized to a greater extent than ever before.

BIRTHS

The Rev. and Mrs. Howard West of 1911, 35th Street, Parkersburg are the parents of a second daughter, Janet Louise, who was born January 2. Mrs. West, the former Jessie Foster, a sister of Gladys Foster, sophomore, is a former student in the College.

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FROM THE MERCURY'S FILES

By Thelma Ryan

1930 FOURTEEN YEARS AGO: Officers of the Better Speech Club elected for the second semester were: President, Warren Blackhurst; vice-president, Virginia Brannon; secretary-treasurer, Fred Eberle.

1931 THIRTEEN YEARS AGO: Pioneer football players who were recently awarded "G" sweaters were: Rowley Baker, Willard Berger, Gordon Eismen, Myrel Frame, Floyd Graham, Lionel Heron, Anthony Leher, Allen Morford, Harold Porterfield, George Sertick, Kahle Vincent, Harry Taylor and Fred Wells.

1932 TWELVE YEARS AGO: The Glenville Pioneers, after a start which seemed destined to find them at the short end of the score when the final whistle sounded, came back fighting to win from a strong, accurate-shooting aggregation from West Virginia Wesleyan 60-43.

1933 ELEVEN YEARS AGO: Rehearsals were started by Miss Margaret Dobson, instructor of speech, on "The Man Who Died at Twelve O'clock," the one-act play which Glenville State Teachers College will enter in the Interscholastic Play Contest at Fairmont.

1934 TEN YEARS AGO: New arrivals at Verona Maple Hall for the second semester were: Grace White, Isabelle Hickman, Mildred Morton, Vivian Price, Ruby Groves, Blanch Shannon, Madge Looney and Ida Pearl McCutcheon.

1935 NINE YEARS AGO: "Dark Stars," a book of verses by Miss Louise Freydz of Elkins, was presented to the Robert F. Kidd Library by the author, who was graduated from the standard normal course here in 1932.

1936 EIGHT YEARS AGO: Coach A. F. ("Nate") Rohrbough was placed on the All-time West Virginia University basketball team. The selection, made by Senator Charles E. Hodges, was announced in the University Alumni magazine.

1937 SEVEN YEARS AGO: Willis Tatterson of Reedy was elected president of the Chemistry Club. Other officers elected were: Vice-president, Neil Albaugh; recording secretary, Lota Carnifax; corresponding secretary, Marjorie Craddock; treasurer, Fred Bell.

1938 SIX YEARS AGO: Miss Goldie Clare James, instructor of biology, took a leave of absence from the college to attend Columbia University. She expects to resume her work here in June.

1939 FIVE YEARS AGO: A deed of gift for \$500 to establish the George Firestone Loan Fund was provided for in the will of the late George Firestone.

1940 FOUR YEARS AGO: The Glenville Pioneers remained undefeated for the 1939-40 season as they added two hard-earned victories from Alderson-Broadus 52-52 and the Salem Tigers 55-37.

John Tyson, A. B. '43, was a visitor in Glenville during the week-end.

Leona Williams, freshman, was ill and unable to attend classes the latter part of the week.

Norita Gallien, sophomore, was unable to attend classes the past Friday because of a sprained ankle.

The room used for band practise in the music department was painted the past week.



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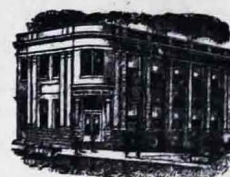
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