

By Gray Barker

KING WINTER throttled the Campus with his icy hands the past week as about a hundred souls huddled around radiators. One of the greater evils of the cold was icy walks—and walks are steep on the Campus. Winter seemed to be waiting until freshmen could don warmer headgear than the now archaic freshman caps before it got down to business.

RETURNING Thanksgiving vacationers that arrived via the Clarksburg bus Sunday evening, Nov. 26, had a happy surprise when Miss Alma Arbuckle played the role of a one-person reception committee. She had them load their overgrown suitcases in her car and sped them up College Hill.

SHORT STUFF: Maxine Wright, holding tight to a copy of "Here Is Your War," by Ernie Pyle, who, she asserts is "my hero." Ernie's going to the Pacific area soon . . . The aged clock, pointing a warning finger at the deadline for class . . . The steam radiators, grumbling at being awakened . . . Fair damsels stealing one last look at a paragraph from their Lochinvars in the Service before they take their seats in the dining hall . . . "Happy birthdays," that definitely come more than once a year in Kanawha Hall . . . Bobby Jean Coe, presenting book marks as parting presents to her students in directed teaching. They were very pretty . . . Abou Ben Adhem, whose name led all the rest on the angel's list—and did the same in the telephone directory.

A FAMILIAR SIGHT on the Campus to those of at least junior status was Mr. E. R. Grose, retired instructor in biology. Mr. Grose looked just like he did when he used to come on the hill for classes—had in his hand a portfolio he always carried. Asking if Thelma Ryan, former student now teaching, were here, he recounted how she was fearless of black snakes when on field trips and would pick them up by their tails, causing general screaming among the other girls. Mr. Grose visited the Library and obtained names of new books pertaining to botany and related fields, the Science Hall, and his former class room, now occupied by the music department.

HEARD AN INTERESTING explanation by a radio news-caster as to why American airmen didn't bomb the Son of Heaven's palace when they spent many more than the original thirty seconds over Tokyo on the recent big raid. He thinks they wanted to spare Hirohito because if they ever could get their hands upon him through some trick of fate, he might be used as a puppet god the Japs would obey.

PERHAPS YOU'RE tired of reading the lauds for "Desert Victory," to be shown in assembly tomorrow, but we'd like to quote what Eunice Wilfong, author of The Musings in 1943, said after seeing the film. Her comments, in The Musings of May 11, are as follows: "Desert Victory, which I saw at the same time, is the most pathetic, soul-stirring film I've ever seen, and it is the REAL thing . . . Filmed in North Africa by English and American cameramen, many of whom were killed, captured or wounded . . . Close-ups of soldiers about to charge, tense, nervous, sweatbathed; but never a sign of fear . . . And when you see a soldier drop in his tracks and lie still, you know he won't get up again as soon as the cameras stop grinding. Most bizarre scene is the Scottish Highlander's Infantry Division, charging to the thin, weird notes of bag-pipes played by comrades swinging along beside the troops."

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The noon-day meal is enjoyed by Polish students, above interned in Switzerland, is provided by the World Student Service Fund for which the local Campus organization will solicit funds.

College Senior's Mother Injured In Auto Accident

Mrs. Shirley Westfall of Glenville is a patient in the Weston General Hospital where she is being treated for a fractured pelvic bone and numerous body bruises suffered shortly after 11 o'clock Friday night in an automobile accident at Fisher Summit, on State Route 119, near Jane Lew.

Mrs. Westfall and her husband were enroute from Clarksburg to their home in Glenville. Riding in a Hudson sedan, they had started up the Fisher Hill, found the highway slick and were forced to pull to the left of the road, coming toward Glenville, until they could get a set of chains.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Westfall had gotten out when a truck-trailer came by and accidentally skidded into the car, knocking it over the bank. The car in turning struck Mrs. Westfall and threw her over the prespice.

Because of the condition of the road it was an hour or more before she could be removed to the hospital. Her daughter, Juanita, a senior in Glenville State College, and a brother, Hugh Osborn, went to Weston early Saturday morning and remained at the hospital until Mrs. Westfall's injuries were diagnosed.

To Start Student Fund Drive Jan. 12

A committee in charge of the World Student Service Fund Drive for the campus, represented here recently by traveling secretary Miss Judith Austin, met in the Lounge of Louis Bennett Hall Tuesday to map a strategy for the local campaign.

Willis Summers, chairman; Helen Cox, Isobell Clark, and Gray Barker, members; and Mr. John R. Wagner, faculty adviser, set January 12 as the starting date for the drive which will extend to February 2. A goal, yet unannounced, was set. Helen Cox was elected treasurer.

Methodists Raise \$627 At Church Supper on Nov. 26

The local Methodist Church's Crusade for Christ movement will require but little effort to reach the \$750 assigned goal, it was revealed a recent evening when at a supper at the church, with about eighty persons present, a total of \$627 was raised by voluntary subscriptions, with several members contributing as much as \$25 each.

John R. Wagner was toastmaster, and among the speakers were Wilfred Hinchcliffe, Dr. D. L. Haught, Mrs. Robert Davies, Mrs. Demming Wells and Mrs. R. C. Bramlett.

YW Christmas Party Tomorrow Evening

The College chapter of the Y. W. C. A. will hold its annual Christmas party tomorrow evening at 7 in the lounge of Louis Bennett Hall.

Program for the evening will include: Instrumental prelude of Christmas carols; hymn, "O Come All Ye Faithful"; scripture reading, St. Luke 2:8-20; prayer, Helen Cox; trombone solo, "Silent Night," Evelyn Finster; hymn, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"; talk, "The Christmas Star" by Mrs. L. D. Zinn; hymn, "It Came Upon A Midnight Clear." A social hour will follow the program.

Garden Club Will Have Gift Exchange At Meeting Dec. 8

An exchange of gifts useful to members will be a highlight of the entertainment program when the Glenville Garden Club meets Friday evening, Dec. 8, at 8 o'clock in the music room at Glenville State College.

Miss Bertha E. Olsen, instructor in music, and Mrs. John E. Arbuckle are arranging a program which will include a violin solo by Miss Eleanor C. White of Glenville, vocal music by the college choral club and group singing of Christmas carols. Flower and decorative arrangements are to be handled by Miss Grace Lorentz, Miss Alice Arbuckle, Mrs. A. N. West and Mrs. O. O. Hardman.

War Film to Be Shown at College Wednesday Morning

Local people are invited to attend a showing of "Desert Victory," a 63 minute documentary war film, when it will be screened during assembly period tomorrow at 10:30 a. m. in the auditorium of Glenville State College. There will be no admission charge.

A documentary film record of the British Eighth Army's campaign which climaxed the war in the Libyan desert, "Desert Victory" was made by men of the British Army Film and Photographic Unit under the supervision of Lieut. Col. David MacDonald. Except for a few minutes of re-enactment representing the opening night assault on the El Alamein Line, it is composed of actual newsreel film, portraying the ordeal of warfare on the desert and giving an exposition of the driving fury which carried the Eighth to victory.

Although originally in most of the theatres of the nation, it is now released in a 16-mm version, which Gray Barker, sophomore in the College, booked for the showing Wednesday. An animated cartoon will be added to the program.

RAYMOND BODKIN SENDS COPY OF 'THE BUGLE'

A copy of The Bugle, student publication of Brownsburg High School, Brownsburg, Va., under the supervision of Raymond Bodkin, a graduate of the College, has been received here. Mr. Bodkin, principal of the school, is the father of Betty Bodkin, a student here, and the husband of the former Miss Eula Gerwig, an alumna of the College.

The mouth obeys poorly when the heart murmurs.—Voltaire.

ORLAN HATFIELD KILLED IN ACTION; IS COLLEGE'S 14TH WORLD WAR CASUALTY

Protect Your Home from TUBERCULOSIS



BUY and USE Christmas Seals

College Alumnae Get Teaching Jobs

The Gilmer County Board of Education in a meeting Saturday, Nov. 25, accepted the resignations of Mrs. Floy Decker, Dusk school, and Mrs. Paul H. Woodford, Glenville High School, and announced the appointment of Miss Jean McGee, to replace her sister, Mrs. Woodford, at Glenville high, and Mrs. James Bramlett, for a Normantown vacancy when Mrs. Muriel McGinnis Curry was granted a leave of absence. All are graduates of the College.

GUEST OF WAGNERS

Miss Ivy Lee Myers, director of elementary teacher training in the College, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Wagner at a Thanksgiving dinner, November 23. Mary Alice Wagner, daughter of the host and hostess and teacher at Cairo, also was present.

Former Student Shows Film Stressing Importance of Soil Conservation Work

Students and faculty were made conscious of conservation both visually and audibly Wednesday morning, when Glendon Burton, soil conservationist who is manager of the Gilmer County West Fork Soil Conservation District and a former student, spoke and showed two sound films in convocation.

Beginning his short talk with a humorous note, he told the audience they might be disappointed because they would not see Wallace Beery or Frank Sinatra in the films to be shown, but "were in for a pleasant surprise." "You will see a character," he said "who, along with 25,000,000 of his kind are playing a very important role." He was speaking of the American farmer, each one of whom, he said, is feeding five city families. It was his opinion that as time progresses the number of families the farmer can provide with food will be decreased greatly.

"The opposite of soil conservation is soil wastefulness," Mr. Burton stated. "We see many more practicing soil wastefulness than conservation. When we see mud flowing down a hill side, it is part of our homes, factories, churches—civilization itself. Nowadays if we have a leak in the gasoline tank of our automobile, and we get only eight or ten miles to the gallon,

The College's fourteenth casualty of World War II was reported Thanksgiving day when Mrs. Erma Tanzey Hatfield, of Harrisville, received a telegram from the war department informing her that her husband, Orlan Hatfield, died Sept. 28 in France from wounds received in action. He had previously been reported "missing since September 27."

Hatfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hatfield, of Goffs, Ritchie County, was a graduate of Harrisville High School and received the Standard Normal certificate here in 1936. For the past several years a teacher in the Ritchie County public schools, he was principal of the Pullman grade school when inducted March 10, 1944.

Besides his wife and parents, he is survived by one son, Donald, three brothers and two sisters.

All New Students Must Take Standard Tests This Week

The first series of freshman tests, which have been postponed since the beginning of the semester, was started yesterday and will be completed today. The second series will be given to accommodate those whose schedules did not permit them to take the tests of the first series.

All new students, and all other students who have not taken the tests previously, are required to do so before credit is allowed on college subjects. There are three tests, and all must be taken. Each series of three is repeated once.

Of the second series, Test I will be given today at 1 to 2 p. m. in Room 203; Test III will be given today from 3 to 5 p. m. in Room 200; Test II will be given Friday, Dec. 8, from 1 to 4 p. m. in Room 204.

we're not long in getting it fixed. That is what conservation farming is—using without waste."

Speaking of future teachers, Mr. Burton emphasized the importance in teaching conservation practices in the schools, "if it is done efficiently."

Referring to the College he said, "I don't know of any school anywhere that has done anything in conservation to compare with what this one has done."

The visual part of the program consisted of "The Strength of the Hills," a one-reel sound film emphasizing the importance of conserving forests, and a two-reel color sound film, "For Years to Come," showing how a farmer learned and profited from modern methods of soil conservation. The motion picture equipment was operated by Orville White, assistant to Mr. Burton.

PRES. HAUGHT ATTENDS MEETING IN CHARLESTON

Dr. D. L. Haught, president, attended an education conference on school supervision at Buckhannon, December 1, and yesterday attended a joint conference on post-war problems and education at the Daniel Boone Hotel, Charleston. The conference was sponsored by the N. E. A. and the S. E. A.

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ita Lavaguhn Westfall, Ada Kelley
Wilson.

PLUG FOR 'DESERT VICTORY'

The Current Events Club's
showing of "Desert Victory"
in assembly tomorrow will
provide more than an opportu-
nity for students to see one of
the ten best films of last year,
according to New York Times
critics, free of charge—it also
provides a reminder that our
British ally has played and is
playing a magnificent role on
the stage of this world con-
flict and that the wholehearted
cooperation of Britain with
America has been a vital fac-
tor in our military success.

The courage and dogged de-
termination of the British
Eighth Army and the R. A. F.,
as shown in the film, are seen
on the home front, too. The
English people have their
"chins up" after five years of
war, a year and a half of
which they were in the fight
alone. Moreover, those days
were perhaps the darkest
hours of the war for the forces
of freedom. Recent statistics
have shown, among other
things, that one of every three
homes in England has been
destroyed. Such destruction of
the homeland must certainly
have made carrying on much
more difficult for both soldier
and civilian.

There have been stirring
deeds and great sacrifices
made by many people in many
countries in this, as in all wars,
but no one can deny that Brit-
ain has given her share—and
more—in heroic thought and
act. Her cause is and has been
our cause and it remains for
us, as Americans, to respect
her as our co-partner in this—
the greatest struggle in human
history.—Janette Cunningham.

ANOTHER IMPORTANT CALL

The Sixth War Loan for 132
million of grateful citizenry
started December 16. This is
the sixth opportunity for the
nation to show its support in
the all-out-war effort.

The war is not over, though
the situation, as the Sixth War
Loan comes on the home front
scene, is one of promised suc-
cess for the allies. But promises
are not enough. Citizens must
realize that the end is yet to
come—though we know not
when. America can not sit back
on her heels now, and boast-
fully say, "The war is over."
There is enough time for that

after when the end is here.
What would the Nation at
home think if the servicemen,
scattered to the four corners
of the world, would throw up
their hands, drop their guns,
and say, "The war is over, let's
go home." Where would the
nation be?

These men in the armed
forces have not done this but
are buying more bonds. We, on
the home front can help the
war effort by Buying! Buying!
Buying! The more bonds
bought the nearer the end of
the war. Bonds are a good in-
vestment, for what could be a
better investment than in the
Yankees, who are to bring
peace to the world?—Mary
Virginia Floyd.

ON THE CAMPUS

By Janette Cunningham

SITUATION . . . Ninety-odd
noses back to the grindstone with
fewer than usual groans right after
holidays.

NECESSARY CORRECTION
was made by Mr. H. Y. Clark
when Virginia Hupp stated that
"down around Welch people live
in coke ovens." Said Mr. Clark,
"You mean what used to be coke
ovens don't you, Miss Hupp?"

CORRECTION NO. 2 . . . Homer
Paul Heckert was slightly . . .
shall we say "miffed" . . . when a
Mercury reporter asked him, for
publicity purposes, what his holi-
day plans were and then failed to
publish his statement, to wit: "I
am going to take my annual bath."
Upon returning, he announced
that he was glad said reporter did
omit his statement "because it
was too cold and I did not get to
take the bath."

HE KNEW ALL THE answers
. . . Miss Bell, reseating her class,
said, "Well, Mr. Bailey, I guess
you're the head of the class."
Hastings B., "Yes, alphabetically."

Betty Waybright reports that
the icy sidewalk came up to meet
her Friday . . . "Happy birthday,
Miss Kenney. Happy birthday to
you" rang out at breakfast same
morning . . . Others who performed
the Waybright feat were Nina
Moore, Carrie Yokum, and Helen
Cox . . . The latter is combatting
the man shortage by locking one
(A MAN) in the Lounge . . . We
have David "Winchell" Tewell to
thank for uncovering Cox's black
market, if it may be termed such.
. . . Campus and Mercury office
visitors were Lts. A. F. Robinson
and Earl Rymer "Rusty" Stalnaker
of Army and Navy . . . Hand-
bar mustaches, stove-pipe hats and
torch singers are being "dug up"
for the "Gay Nineties Revue"
soon to be presented.

QUAIL FOR BREAKFAST IS GREAT, SAYS PROFESSOR

"We had quail and toast for-
breakfast which at the Waldorf-
Astoria costs \$7.50," remarked Mr.
H. Y. Clark, instructor in social
science and education, after he and
his family had spent their Thank-
sgiving holiday with his mother, Mrs.
E. J. Clark, at Mill Creek.

"We went deer hunting but all
we shot was two quail, and my
brother shot them. Hence, we had
quail and toast," Mr. Clark said.

VISITS AT GREAT LAKES

Mrs. Ella Jones, A. B. '37, in-
structor in Tanner High School, left
Friday to visit her husband, S. 2-c
Lloyd Jones, former financial sec-
retary of the College, who is sta-
tioned at Great Lakes, Ill. Substi-
tuting for Mrs. Jones Friday and
yesterday was Mrs. Ruth Annabel
Murin, A. B. '41.

SMART GIRL

Hilda Terry—King Features Syndicate, Inc.



"I'm buying MY winter outfit at the Post Office this year—to wear in 1945"

Notes From . . . The Robert F. Kidd Library

"Man With a Borrowed Shoe-
string," by Frank Naylor, featured
in the Saturday Evening Post (De-
cember 2) portrays the life of Man-
chester Bobby who, despite the lack
of newspaper experience and money,
succeeded beyond his own expecta-
tions and has a newspaper today
with a circulation of 217,000.

Six of the ten outstanding maga-
zine articles for October as selected
by a Council of Librarians, in-
clude: "The Great Power and Euro-
pe," by Major H. A. DeWeerd,
YALE REVIEW, which tells how
the Japanese high command based
its strategy on the premises that
Hitler would defeat the Russian
armies in 1942; then, in eighteen
months of Japanese Pacific ascendancy
the United States would be un-
able to make a come-back.

"Labor and the War Administra-
tion," by George Soule, VIRGINIA
QUARTERLY REVIEW, an analy-
sis of organized labor between the
last war and this one.

"On the Beaches," by Lts. C.
Meyer and C. Stevenson, ATLANTIC
MONTHLY, gives battle reports
from young Marine Corps lieutenant
who survived some of the deadliest
fighting of the war at Eniwetok and
was disabled at Guam; it also tells
how the Navy medical corps goes to
war against the Nazi.

"Screening and Remaking Men,"
by Flander Dunbar, M. D., SURVEY
GRAPHIC, is the story of "remak-
ing" American boys into useful
citizens by leading psychiatrists and
physicians.

"America at War: The End Be-
gins," by Hanson W. Baldwin, FOR-
EIGN AFFAIRS, contains much new
information about the breaking of
the Atlantic Wall and the Germans
routed in France.

CURRENT EVENTS MEMBERS DISCUSS WORLD SOLIDARITY

Jack Rader and Bobby Jean Coe,
sophomores, discussed Argentina's
political situation in relation to
Western Hemisphere solidarity and
the United States Good Neighbor
policy toward Latin America, re-
spectively, in a meeting of the Cur-
rent Events Club Thursday in Room
106.

Three members of the Club, Mary
K. Shumate, Ellen Welch, and Bob-
by Jean Coe agreed to make posters
for the film "Desert Victory" and
the Club discussed ways to contrib-
ute to the World Student Service
Fund drive, of which Willis Sum-
mers, Club member, is the College
student chairman.

Buy War Bonds—more than be-
fore!

CHRISTMAS RECESS TO EXTEND TO JAN. 2

Although the College catalog
states that the Christmas recess will
begin Friday, Dec. 15, at 5 p. m., and
end January 1, Dean Robert T.
Crawford announced the past week
that the recess instead will end Tues-
day, Jan. 2, at 8:30 a. m., thus giv-
ing students an extra day for va-
cation.

This Week We Present . . .

- J—ovial person.
- A—lways on time to classes?
- U—ndecided as to future.
- N—ecophyte newswoman.
- I—s a graduate of Glenville High School.
- T—rips the light fantastic.
- A—ctive member of "Mercury" staff.
- W—orks in a store in spare time.
- E—lected commercial work as her major.
- S—enior in the College.
- T—ravelers in a Hudson.
- F—files of former students in service are in her charge.
- A—ttended summer school.
- L—ives in Glenville.
- L—ikes Blue Waltz perfume.

DEAN CRAWFORD ATTENDS TWO STATE MEETINGS

Dean Robert T. Crawford attend-
ed a meeting in Huntington Friday
of a state committee on the evalua-
tion of credit for service men and
women. Purpose of the meeting was
to determine how much credit would
be granted for courses taken while
in service. The committee consisted
of college deans and registrars of
this state.

Dean Crawford attended a regional
meeting of the North Central
Association of Schools and Colleges,
at Marshall College, Huntington,
Saturday, Ohio, Indiana and West
Virginia were states represented.

STUDENTS COMPLETE HANDICRAFTS PROJECT

Members of Education 207 class,
under the supervision of Miss Ivy
Lee Myers, director of elementary
teacher training, have completed a
handicrafts project.

Some of the crafts completed are:
Soap carving, clay modeling, Christ-
mas greetings and favors, lapel pins,
cushion covers, belts, paper folding,
pocketbooks, hats and scarfs.

Common sense is in spite of, not
the result of, education.—Hugo.

OFF THE REEL

By Gray Barker

If you saw the newsreels the past
week, you probably noticed, between
cuddles, a new 3c postage stamp
commemorating the 50th anniver-
sary of motion pictures. It shows a
crude screen hung up in a jungle,
where a group of soldiers in the
South Pacific watch a movie con-
tributed by the Motion Picture In-
dustry. The movie industry is not
one to puff out its chest too often,
but it has been doing a marvelous
job in this war—distributing gov-
ernment short subjects, selling war
bonds and stamps in theaters, mak-
ing trailers advertising war-bonds
for free . . . sending its stars on
jaunts around the world to enter-
tain service men. Those activities
are added to the regular peace-time
functions which include vast collec-
tion and publicity campaigns on
Red Cross and March of Dimes
drives.

Chances are that your best movie
bet from now until the next dis-
course is "Double Indemnity," play-
ing Tuesday-Wednesday. In this
super-melodramatic tale of how
Fred MacMurray, an insurance sales-
man, makes a routine call at the
Barbara Stanwyck residence and is
influenced by her wiles to help plot
a murder, there are no small num-
ber of thrills. You see, the hubby is
not at home and Barbara isn't hard
to look at; so Freddie falls in love.
Next the WOMAN suggests they
kill off the old man by throwing him
in front of a train, collect his insur-
ance, which in that case would be
DOUBLE INDEMNITY. That they
do, but of course crime—or at least
Hollywood crime—never pays and
soon Edward G. Robinson, claim in-
vestigator, is hot on their trail.

"Chip Off the Old Block" is hard-
ly more than another chip off Un-
iversal's old block of corn wood.
There should be spots you'll find to
your liking, but we high class critics
never go for jive pictures.

Hopalong Cassidy again rides at
the Pictureland come Saturday in
"Mystery Man." "Hoppy" pictures
are usually pretty good as far as
westerns go. "Rosie the Riveter" in-
fests the same program.

"The Story of Dr. Wassell," Sun-
day and Monday, is another Cecil B.
De Mille "epic," inspired by a
broadcast by President Roosevelt in
1942, wherein he related how Dr.
Wassell (Gary Cooper in the pic-
ture), evacuated twelve wounded
men from Java under the fire of the
Japs. The picture starts earlier in
Wassell's life, extends to the present
war. Despite the serious war theme,
the film develops with typical Holly-
wood heroics and all the customary
De Mille sensationalism. In addition
to the regular cast, advance press
releases promise you will see, among
other things: 10 razorback hogs for
which De Mille paid \$100 each and
two trained sea gulls. This time
Cooper appears in the bath tub
scene, a De Mille trademark.

Although definitely a large budget
production, Republic's "The Fight-
ing Seabees," (Lyric, Sunday) re-
mains familiarly Republic.

WILL RELEASE POETRY ANTHOLOGY SOON

The 1944 edition of "The Annual
Anthology of College Poetry,"
which contains Ada K. Wilson's
poem, "The White Crosses Gleam,"
(The Mercury, November 21) will
be published soon according to an
announcement by the publisher.
Students wishing to purchase copies
are urged to place orders at once.
Further information can be obtain-
ed from Mrs. Wilson.

All celebrated people lose on a
clear view.—Napoleon.

It is always darkest just before
the day dawns.—Fuller.

Weekly Round-up In Sports

By Jack Rader

This column pays humble tribute to the memory of Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis, high commissioner of baseball, who died recently. The sports world in general, and baseball in particular, has lost one of its most honest, sincere, and colorful figures. Fiery, 78-year-old Mr. Landis, who has been baseball commissioner since 1920, has ruled the game with an iron hand. Baseball managers, players, and officials alike agree that Landis was plenty tough, but probably most of them will tell you privately that baseball through the fighting spirit and sincere honesty of Judge Landis has become the great American game that we know and love. Future Commissioners can profit immeasurably by the great accomplishments of Landis.

Football is all over but the shouting, which, however, likely will be considerable when the New Year's Day bowl games get under way. In the Rose Bowl game at Pasadena, unbeaten Southern California will meet unbeaten Tennessee; Duke will oppose Alabama in the Sugar Bowl; Georgia Tech and Tulsa will battle it out in the Orange Bowl; and Texas Christian will try to stop Oklahoma A & M in the Cotton Bowl.

Basketball swings into the spotlight with most teams already having started practice. The West Virginia Mountaineers, if they can keep the squad of former high school aces which have assembled in the Morgantown lair, should have a fine team, to say the least. All-Staters Bobby Carroll of Wheeling, Jim Walthall of Princeton and Jim Wilson of Huntington Central should be a happy addition to the roster, as well as Junior Keeling of Elkins and Jack Dial, another protégé of Coach Johnny Bricks, new cage mentor of the Mountaineers, who for many years coached Huntington Central.

The local Glenville Red Terrors have joined the other Gilmer County teams in starting basketball practice. While forward Don Shreve is the only regular from last year's Red Terror quintet, Coach Stanley ("Joe") Hall is extremely fortunate to have available several reserves of last season who saw considerable action—Hupp, Arnold, and Fultineer—as well as the undefeated junior high team a season ago, now sophomores, who may surprise a lot of people, including Coach Hall himself. The Glenville schedule was drawn up last evening at the meeting of the Central West Virginia Conference at Burnsville and likely will be available soon.

"All's well that ends well" is an old saying that can also be applied to sports—in this case, football. On Thanksgiving Day, two undefeated Titans of the gridiron clashed—West Union and Pennsboro—and when the smoke had cleared away nearly everyone went away satisfied, for the two teams had finished just where they started—in a 6-0 tie, and thus the unbeaten record of both teams was preserved, making it a successful season for all concerned.

Orchids and onions dept.: ORCHIDS to the before-mentioned Jimmy Walthall who was selected to play for the East in their annual football game with the West on New Year's Day; ONIONS to a certain local high school sports columnist who is getting deeper and deeper in "hot water" and soon may have to back up his words with action!

Here is my selection for the 1944 All-American football team: Ends, Phil Tinsley (Georgia Tech) and Jack Dugger (Ohio State); Tackles, Don Whitmire (Navy) and Clyde Flowers (Texas Christian); Guards, Pat Filley (Notre Dame) and Ben Chase (Navy); Center, John Tavenner (Indiana); Backfield, Jim Harby (Southern California); Glenn Davis,

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Town Boys Take Floor Game, 25-22

The Glenville State College basketball team was defeated by a team of local boys November 20 by a score of 25-22.

The College team jumped into an early lead and held a 14-11 advantage at halftime. However, in the final minutes of the game, Ray Brannon and Charles Fluharty left the game on personal fouls and the rejuvenated town boys forged ahead to win.

Charles Stout, local high school ace of the past year, paced the winners, both on offense and defense, while Brannon and Fluharty were outstanding for the College team.

Lineups:

Town Boys	Pts.	C. S. C.	Pts.
Sandy, f	0	Fluharty, f	5
Waggoner, f	0	Heckert, f	3
Hays, g	9	Brannon, c	10
Stout, g	9	Jackson, g	4
Greenleaf, g	7	Rader, g	0
Total	25	Total	22

Referee: Dick Satterfield.

W. A. A. NEWS

Badminton and volleyball ended for the semester Monday night as the W. A. A. girls played their final games.

Members of Peggy Sweeney's badminton team, having won the previous game, November 21, by 15-8 and 15-12 scores, put Betty Bodkin's team in a tough spot Monday night with the score then standing, Bodkin five wins and Sweeney four. Both teams came on the floor Monday night determined to win. But despite the fine serving by Helen Cox and Katherine Hall, Bodkin's team captured the final game by a one-sided 15-8 score. The final score now stands, Bodkin six wins and Sweeney four.

Members of Lucille Hardman's volleyball team won the final game of the season in the gymnasium Monday night when they trounced Nina Moore's team by 15-12 and 15-6 scores. Moore's team, having won the previous game November 21 with only three members playing, could not stop Hardman's team from scoring. Hardman's girls have won seven of the ten games played this semester.

One eye-witness is of more weight than ten hearsays.—Plautus.

(Army); Bob Kelley (Notre Dame); and Les Horvath (Ohio State).

Council Favors A Service Plaque

At a meeting Tuesday afternoon, the Student Council approved a plaque suggested by Pres. D. L. Haught honoring the thirteen former students killed in World War II. Plans were made for a "Gay Nineties Revue" to raise money for purchasing Council pins.

One freshman, Ray Brannon, charged with violating freshman rules, was sentenced to say, "Hear ye! Hear ye! Hear this honorable discourse: 'W. S. S. F. 1-1-1' three times in each assembly until the beginning of the Christmas holidays. On Saturday afternoon, he was required to say the words, the meaning of which will be published later, on a street corner down town.

MR. LEWIS BACK FROM A WESTON HOSPITAL

Fred Lewis, a student when the College was a normal school, is reported resting comfortably at his home at the "Beeches" in Glenville after having been in a patient the past several weeks in a Weston hospital. Presently he is confined to his bed, but his daughter said the doctor had informed her that her father may be able to walk about to house within the next few days.

Fame is the beauty-parlor of the dead.—De Casseres.
From the errors of others, a wise man corrects his own.—Syrus.

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FROM THE MERCURY'S FILES

1938—Twenty candidates reported to Coach A. F. Rohrbough the past week for the Pioneers' first basketball practice. Seven were members of the past years' sensational squad, probably the greatest team in the history of the College. The College faculty enrolled 100 per cent in the Gilmer County chapter of the American Red Cross.

1939—Glenville swing fan says a Jitterbug is more active than a monkey on a grapevine. Beverly Louise Clark, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Y. Clark, of Court Street, was born at 9 a. m. Monday, Nov. 20.

1940—Sue Brown was named the most popular girl during a contest at the Thanksgiving dance. A new electric scoreboard and timekeeper is being purchased by the athletic department.

1941—Robert Armstrong, senior forward, Warren, Ohio, and a junior, Earle Spencer, center from Richwood, were named co-captains of the 1941-1942 Pioneer basketball team. Mildred Thompson, A. B. '37, was married on November 21 to Hessie Stump; son of Mr. and Mrs. Watt Stump, of Grantsville.

1942—The cast for "Letters to Lucerne" includes: Carolyn Sims, Janie Bingham, William Kafer, Cornelius Williams, Velda Betts, Anna Mary Mearns, Eunice Wilfong, Helen Taylor, Estella Bonner, Elsie Moore, Helen Goldberg, Gray Barker, and Sheldon Riggs.

1943—Joe Reed, College sophomore, took top honors at the annual Gilmer County farm show held here November 27. Ritamae Fling, College senior, substituted in Tanner High School.

SPECIAL ASSEMBLY TO BE HELD DECEMBER 14

The last assembly before Christmas will be Thursday, Dec. 14, at 10 a. m. instead of the regular time Wednesday. Classes meeting Thursday at 10 a. m. will meet the third period Wednesday. The annual Christmas program, under the direction of Miss Bertha E. Olsen, will be presented.

A thousand years scarce serve to form a state; an hour may lay it in the dust.—Byron.

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FITZPATRICKS VISIT SON IN ST. LOUIS

Doy Fitzpatrick, supervisor of buildings and grounds at Glenville State College, and his daughter, Elondena, have returned from St. Louis where they visited Mr. Fitzpatrick's son, Lamar, who has been suffering from a kidney ailment recently. Mrs. Fitzpatrick accompanied her husband and daughter to St. Louis and will remain there for a few days. Young Fitzpatrick served about eight years in the armed forces and several months ago was granted an honorable discharge.

Gratitude is the heart's memory.
—French proverb.

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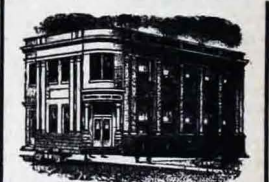
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With Our Friends In The Service

By Juanita Westfall

Frank Martino, chief specialist, USNR, has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant (jg) and is being transferred from Sampson, N. Y., to Eustice, Va., where he is to serve as a director in rehabilitation work at a Naval hospital. He expects to get a few days leave and will visit in Glenville en route to Virginia. Mrs. Martino, the former Miss Leah Stalaker, and son, John David, will join him there later.

Lieut. A. F. Rohrbough, USNR, of Corpus Christi, Texas, was in Glenville the past Thursday for a brief visit with friends while on emergency leave from his post. He was called home because of the serious illness of his father, A. A. Rohrbough, of Camden, who suffered an attack of pneumonia but is reported to be resting more comfortably at this writing. The elder Mr. Rohrbough is 83 years old.

Promoted to the rank of Lieutenant (full) has been Dr. J. A. Kyle Bush, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan H. Bush of Glenville and Cleveland, who for the past thirteen months has been stationed in the South Pacific. Meanwhile, his wife, the former Miss Eleanor Mockler, and a five and a half-months-old son are living in Mannington. Lieut. Bush is a former county teacher and at the time he entered the service was on the medical staff of a Detroit hospital.

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE BOMBER STATION, ENGLAND.—Technical Sergeant James S. Collins, 19, of Letter Gap, West Va., has been awarded the first oak leaf cluster to the air medal, equivalent to the second award of the medal, for "courage, coolness and skill" displayed on bombing attacks over Germany. The airman is a radio operator and gunner in the Eighth Air Force B-17 Flying Fortress group commanded by Colonel Frank P. Bostrom of Bangor, Maine. Sgt. Collins is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Collins of Letter Gap.

Pfc. William A. Cain, son of Mrs. James W. Keith of Glenville, has been transferred from Tallahassee, Fla., to Fort Ord, Calif.

Pvt. Bertie R. Gordon, of Newberne, inducted two weeks ago, has been sent to Camp Wheeler, Ga.

T-Sergt. Robert Lee Jack and Mrs. Jack of Washington, D. C., spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Glenville visiting Sergt. Jack's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jack, and other relatives. With them was Mrs. Jack's son, Raymond Nolan, radio technician, of Ft. Meade, Md. In Washington, Sergt. Jack is assigned to the finance office.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Frank M. Beall, of Pittsburgh, the former Miss Evelyn Jones, spent the past week-end at her home here.

Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Withers and son, Scott, of Glenville, and Miss Alice Duff, of Morgantown, spent a recent week-end at Lexington, Va., where they visited Mr. Everett Withers, instructor in Washington and Lee University, and Pvt. Catherine Withers, WAC, who is stationed there at present.

Miss Margy Jack, secretary in the office of the county superintendent, visited her sister, Patty Jack, of the WAVES, at Norfolk, Va., recently. Pres. and Mrs. D. L. Haught visited Mr. L. D. Haught, Pres. Haught's brother, who has been ill, during the Thanksgiving holidays.

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ARE GUESTS HERE

Visitors of Miss Goldie C. James and Miss Bertha E. Olsen at their apartment, Louis Bennett Hall, the past week were Mrs. Lynn McGee and small son, Bobby, of Clarksburg. Miss James and Miss Olsen were Thanksgiving dinner guests at the home of Miss James' sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. McGee, Glenville.

Former Glenville Resident Dies At Home In Charleston

Word was received here the past week of the death of James H. Riddle of Charleston, a brother-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. White of Glenville.

Mr. Riddle, an associate engineer, U. S. public road administration, died on November 28 following an illness of more than a year. Only a week ago he had been removed to a Richmond, Va., hospital, where his condition was diagnosed as critical and he was returned to his home.

A former engineer on private construction jobs in and near Fairmont, Mr. Riddle for a time lived in Glenville, later moved to Charleston.

Surviving him besides his wife, the former Miss Nell Cox, are three sons and a daughter, James H. Jr., U. S. Army, George Willis, Robert and Mary Katherine.

Funeral services were held November 30 in Charleston.



A son weighing nine pounds one ounce, was born Saturday, November 18, at the Myers Clinic, Philippi, to Mr. and Mrs. John Gyax. This is their first child and has been named John Erman. Mrs. Gyax is the former Wilma White, the and father, who is in the Army, is presently stationed in Italy. Mrs. Gyax is making her home in Buckhannon.

Sergt. and Mrs. Harry Woodyard, she a graduate of the College, are announcing the arrival of their first child, a daughter, Lou Lynne, born November 17, in a Catholic hospital. The baby weighed eight pounds. The mother is the former Miss Frances Groves and the father presently is in France. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lorentz Woodyard of Glenville; the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lundy Groves.

Lieut. and Mrs. Stanley D'Orazio have announced the birth of a daughter, Teresa Ann, November 16, at the City Hospital, Weston. The mother is the former Miss Lilla Mae Gladwell and, before her marriage, operated the Charm Beauty Salon in Glenville. At the present time she is making her home with her parents at Jane Lew. Lt. D'Orazio, former College athlete, is serving with the armed forces overseas.

W S S F — 111

Those who have been baffled by this strange slogan, now being heard and seen all over the Campus, will have their curiosities satisfied, according to the committee planning the Campus drive for the World Student Service Fund. Announcement of the meaning of the code message will be made in the next issue of the Mercury.

Ensign Robert Reed and Miss Rachel Huff United In Marriage Here Nov. 27

Ensign Robert Reed, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Ancil Reed of Glenville, and Miss Rachel Huff of Bethany were united in marriage here Monday, November 27, at 3 o'clock by the Rev. Grover J. Johnson, pastor of the Trinity Methodist Church.

Only attendants were Ensign Reed's mother and Mrs. Mary Reaser Harvey, a friend of the family.

The bride, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Huff of Bethany, is a graduate of the high school there

and recently has been working at Bethany College, where she plans to enroll for the second semester.

Ensign Reed, commissioned the past week at Northwestern University, is a graduate of Normantown High School and attended Glenville State College before he entered the service.

The young couple left Glenville for Bethany and from there Ensign Reed went to Chicago for a new assignment.

Campus Coed's Parents Both Born In Finland; Mother Came to U. S. In 1905

By Bobby Jean Coe

Perhaps few know that on the Campus there is a direct descendant of Finnish ancestry.

The father of Ellen Welch, freshman, was born in Finland and came to the United States in 1914 when he was twenty. His father and mother remained in Finland and were still living and writing to him at the beginning of World War II. The name of Miss Welch's father was Walimaki, but upon arriving in New York, he changed it to Welch. Before coming to America her father worked in a newspaper office in Helsinki, the capital of Finland.

According to Miss Welch, a Finnish child starts to school at the age of seven, is compelled to attend until he reaches the age of thirteen. Then he may enter college and be graduated at seventeen. It is not uncommon to be a doctor at the age of twenty.

Her only relative in the United States is an aunt living in New York City. Both her father and mother came from a small village, Vhan-koorda, near Helsinki. Some of the activities her father enjoyed in Finland were swimming in the Gulf of Finland, skiing, skating, and participating in village contests.

Her mother was born in Finland, but came to America in 1905 when she was three years old.

During the Thanksgiving holidays Mr. Carey Woofter, College registrar, visited his son and daughter-in-law, Sergt. and Mrs. James Woofter, at Langley Field, Va.

Tears may be dried up but the heart never.—de Valois.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. B. McQuain of Dayton, Ohio, have announced the engagement of their eldest daughter, Miriam, to Aviation Student Karl W. West, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. West of Glenville.

Miss McQuain, a graduate of Glenville High School, and former student of Glenville State College, is employed as an engineering aide in the Parachute Branch of Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.

Mr. West, who is stationed at La Junta, Colorado, is also a graduate of Glenville High School and a former student of Glenville State College and West Virginia University.

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