

## MERCURY MUSINGS

By Gray Barker

DURING THE mid-term recess we read with more than usual interest a curious volume from the large library belonging to Mr. Carey Woofter, registrar. The cover, orange, bore a faded title in gold letters, "THE VAMPIRE," by Montague Summers. The book is a comprehensive study of vampirism and good for many a shudder on a cold night when a dark wind rattles the windowpane.

While yet under the influence of the thesis we heard a report from Peggy Sweeney (Most talked-about girl in these columns) that verged onto the tangent of the unreal. Sweeney, it seems, retired late Monday night, carefully locking her room door. Came the dawn and she happened to look at the rings on her hands. During the night a friendship ring that was on one hand had been transferred to the opposite hand! And the previously locked door was all of two feet ajar!

STUDENTS are urged to report all psychic occurrences to this column. Strange things do happen on the Campus—and it may happen, fortunately or unfortunately—that we have a high ectoplasmic ratio. Witness the talking Ouija Board owned by the Hall girls, which always has been diabolically articulate—diabolically exact!

MEIN KAMPUS . . . Even Shelley would shrink from addressing the cold winds that blow across the Campus. Most collegians are suffering from frostbite—while it keeps snowing . . . David Tewell was the only male who stayed here during the recess—while Sylvia Cunningham was the only waitress in Kanawha Hall dining room.

OTHERS STAYING here were Ruth Groves, Bobby Jean Coe, and Madeline Nutter . . . Student Council members are still planning for that promised "Gay Nineties Revue." The presentation may not be too far into the dim future . . . Is Mr. Hunter Whiting a Buddhist? . . . Edna Brannon, waitress at Kanawha Hall, did a slapstick dive recently with a tray of dishes. Some said it caused an international disturbance — The fall of China. Yes, that's an old gag.

FOUND IN THE Mercury Laboratory recently was the first copy of The Glenville Mercury ever printed. The copy, a first proof, carried as the lead story an account of how Carmen Rinehart, a former student, named the publication. Miss Rinehart suggested as the name "The Mercury," but in order to provide a better identification for the Normal, as the College was then, the staff added "Glenville" to the masthead.

ALSO APPEARING in the yellowed pages were: A story headed G. N. S. PIONEERS SLAY SALEM TIGER 19-0 IN SNOW-STORM — FOUR HUNDRED FANS IN HUDDLE; a story stating construction had begun on the Robert F. Kidd Library, which was to be built at a cost of \$41,921.; a feature story on T. M. Marshall, the College's first president. Running at the Pictorial Theatre then on Monday was "The Redeeming Sin," with Dolores Costello, Conrad Nagel.

### MAY PUBLISH SEMESTER HONOR ROLL NEXT WEEK

An honor roll for the past semester probably will be available next week, according to Mr. Carey Woofter, registrar.

Marian Means visited an uncle in Grantsville the past week-end.

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### "WITH MALICE TOWARD NONE"



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## Four Deaths Noted the Past Week Among Former College Personalities

Several deaths reported recently in various sections of the state are of interest to Mercury readers.

Dr. Edward Newton Flowers, seventy-eight years old, died at 2:25 a. m. Thursday, January 25, at his home at 163 West Pike Street, Clarksburg, following a period of declining health.

Prominent in state medical circles for the past forty years, Dr. Flowers was one of the founders of the first institution to offer medical care in Harrison County, the Harrison County Hospital, now the St. Mary's Hospital. He received a teacher's certificate at GSC and, after five years as a school teacher, entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Md., where he was graduated in 1893. From that time until his death he practiced medicine in Clarksburg.

He is survived by his widow, the former Lelia Ash, and one son, Dr. Earl Newton Flowers, of 117 Chapel Street, Clarksburg.

Mrs. Mary Ann Keiss, sixty-one years old, of Adolph, died January 20 at her home. She is survived by one son and seven daughters, two of whom, Mrs. Josephine Blackwood, S. N. '30 and Miss Mary Keiss, S. N. '31, both of Baltimore, are former College students.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, Jan. 25, at the Wallace and Wallace Chapel, Lewisburg, by the Rev. J. F. Cook, former pastor of the Glenville Baptist Church, for Mrs. Gertrude N. Lovett, of Keenan, wife of Dr. G. G. Lovett. Mrs. Lovett is survived by three children, all of whom attended the College: Mrs. Lalah L. Givens, Keenan; Mrs. Thelma L. Jennings, Berkeley, Calif.; Layne Lovett, Library, Pa.

Final rites were conducted Monday, Jan. 29, by the Rev. Gilbert Moore in the Tanner High School auditorium for Asa Hardman, sixty-seven years old and janitor of the Tanner public school for the past four years, who died instantly the previous Saturday morning in the basement of the school building of a cerebral hemorrhage. Four brothers, I. N. Hardman, S. N. '89, Glenville, Virgil and William Hardman, both of Morgantown, and Thomas J. Hardman, deceased, were students

here. Four children survive; they are Mrs. Eva Currington, of Akron, O., Mrs. Lena Bishop, of Logansport, Ind., and Ross and Russell Hardman, both of Glenville. Also former College students are two grandsons, Billie Hardman, of Charleston, and Jack Hardman, USN, now stationed at Duke University, Durham, N. C.

### Miss Ralston's Grandmother Dies

The Rev. Gilbert B. Moore conducted final rites at the family home at Linn this afternoon at 12:30 o'clock for Mrs. Arthelia E. Burke Wilfong, 75 years old, who died late Saturday night following an extended illness. Burial followed in the Otterbein Cemetery near Glenville. Widow of Frank B. Wilfong, she was the mother of Mrs. Eula Fair of Linn, Mrs. Helen Ralston of Glenville and Mrs. Lena Keith of Sand Fork and Dr. C. T. Wilfong of Roanoke, Va., all former College students.

Among eight grandchildren surviving are Miss Mary Jean Ralston, a student here this semester, and Atty. Jack Keith of the U. S. Army, T/5 Taylor Burke Keith, a former student, was killed in France a few months ago.

### PRESIDENT EMERITUS IS VISITOR ON CAMPUS

E. G. Rohrbough, College president emeritus and a former member of the U. S. House of Representatives, Third W. Va. District, was in Glenville the past week and visited friends on the campus.

Though his two-year term as a congressman has expired, Mr. Rohrbough will continue to live in Washington, D. C., where his address now is 110 Maryland Avenue, N. E.

### SENIORS MAY HAVE VALENTINE PARTY

Plans are being made for a Valentine Party for College students and faculty members to be directed by the Senior Class. No definite date has been set. The party will probably be held in the gymnasium.

## SEMESTER ENROLLMENT IS APPROXIMATELY 179; MAY OFFER EVENING CLASSES

Glenville State College has an enrollment of approximately 179 this semester, including students who are taking residence work and those taking extension classes, according to figures from the office of the Dean, Robert T. Crawford.

### DOYLE FITZPATRICK DIES AT HOME IN GLENVILLE

The Mercury staff was sorry yesterday to receive news of the death of Doyle Fitzpatrick, a veteran janitor at the training school, who died early Monday morning following an extended illness. An account of his death was not available at press time and therefore will be carried in next week's issue.

### Dr. Powers And Rabbi Applebaum Will Speak Here

Speakers for two assembly programs have been announced by Mr. Hurter Whiting, chairman of the committee to arrange for the College's weekly student-faculty convocations.

Scheduled to speak here February 21 is Dr. William Powers, who is to be in Glenville to assist the Rev. Gilbert B. Moore in a revival series at the Baptist Church.

On March 7 Rabbi Applebaum of Detroit is to be a guest of the College and a speaker in assembly.

Other programs are being planned but have not been announced.

### Five New Girls Take Rooms On College Campus

At the beginning of the second semester Verona Maple Hall found itself host to five new occupants, who enrolled in the College Monday of the past week.

Mrs. Dorothy Gruden, sophomore, of Davis, is a sister of David Tewell and a graduate of Davis High School, class of 1940. Previous to enrolling here she attended Shenandoah College, Dayton, Va. Her husband, Tony Gruden, of the U. S. Navy, is a machinist specialist aboard a cruiser, in the Philippine area.

Bessie Brown, freshman, is a graduate of Green Bank High School, Green Bank, and Anna Powell, Irene Powell, Pearlina Phillips, freshmen, are from Elizabeth. They will be graduated from Wirt County High School with the class of 1945. The four latter students entered the College under the new State plan whereby high school seniors of superior ability are allowed to enter college after completing the first semester of their senior year.

### JOHN GYGAX REPORTED MISSING IN ACTION

According to a report coming from Buckhannon, Mr. John Gygax, husband of the former Miss Willerna White, is missing in action on the Italian front. Mrs. Gygax is a former College librarian, and after leaving here in 1943 was head librarian in the Ashford General Hospital, White Sulphur Springs. At present she is living with her mother and a son, born recently, at Buckhannon.

Keep on buying War Bonds!

Seventy-nine students have registered for day classes on the campus, a figure corresponding closely with the number enrolled the past semester, according to Dean Robert T. Crawford. Enrollment is expected to increase when two or three evening classes are organized. Courses being considered are European history, a class in some phase of biology, and a class in art, if demand is sufficient.

Nine new students enrolled the second semester. They are: Bessie Brown of Arbovale, Mrs. Dorothy (Tewell) Gruden of Davis, Wanda Lea Marks of Sand Fork, Pearlina Bell Phillips of Elizabeth, Anna Virginia Powell of Windy, Hazel Irene Powell of Elizabeth, Lucille Stalaker of Glenville, Jacquelin Walker of Adrian, and Raymond Taylor of Richwood.

Two classes, History 436, and Biology 366, listed on the class schedule, were discontinued because of insufficient demand.

Approximately 100 students are enrolled in seven extension classes organized the past week in various sections of the state, with 12 to 15 students in each class. All classes meet in the evenings.

Sociology 404 at Harrisville on Monday is taught by Dr. J. C. Shreve; a class in art appreciation at Burnsville Monday by Miss Margaret Kenney; Biology 452 Tuesday at Orma, by Miss Goldie C. James; History 381 Wednesday at Craigs-ville by H. Y. Clark; also Wednesday, Sociology 404 at Richwood by Dr. J. C. Shreve; Friday, Mathematics 210 at Grantsville by Dean Robert T. Crawford; and History 331 Friday at Sutton by H. Y. Clark.

Miss Ivy Lee Myers' class at Clay is being continued through two semesters. A class probably will be organized at Spencer; but no definite arrangements have been made.

One hundred twenty-five students are expected in extension courses when final figures are totaled.

### \$30.00 COLLECTED SO FAR IN WSSF CAMPAIGN

Helen Cox will report tomorrow in assembly on progress of the campus World Student Service Fund drive, which to date has brought in \$30.00 on the \$111.00 quota.

Progress of the drive and plans for bringing the campaign to a close soon were discussed the past Thursday by members of the committee and Mr. John R. Wagner, adviser.

## NOTICE

A physical examination is required of all new students enrolling this semester and should be taken at the earliest possible date, announces Dean Crawford. Before reporting for the examination by the College physician, Dr. Waitman T. Smith, however, students must fill out a health form in the Dean's office. Dr. Smith, whose office is located on Main Street, prefers to examine students from 7 to 8 p. m. and is available any day except Saturday.

In addition, four students who did not comply with the regulation requiring an examination at the beginning of the fall term were reminded the past week that they must do so at once to avoid complications.



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### IS YOUR DIME IN?

The March of Dimes is on. It is, a march of conquest against one of the most dread-  
ed of diseases and one which  
deals its cruel blow to the hope  
of the world—its children.

In recent years infantile  
paralysis has crippled and  
killed thousands of children in  
several wide-spread epidemics.  
It is a disease which, like a  
robot bomb, strikes entirely  
without warning, and which,  
like war, knows no favorites.  
The National Foundation for  
Infantile Paralysis is spending  
a large part of its funds for  
scientific research toward the  
end that better preventative  
and remedial measures may  
be found.

One of our precious "cer-  
tain inalienable rights" spok-  
en of in the Declaration of In-  
dependence is the "right to  
life," which enjoys precedence  
over the other two enumerated  
ones, "liberty and the pursuit  
of happiness"; it should be an  
equally prized privilege, then,  
to help defenseless children to  
enjoy that right to life—walk-  
ing and playing games and do-  
ing things over as other chil-  
dren do.

Numerous pleas have been  
made and many reasons have  
been stated as to why the  
March of Dimes should be  
supported. Columnist Walter  
Winchell says, "Join the  
March of Dimes and walk  
right into some crippled child's  
heart." It could be, too, that  
the dimes and dollars we give  
may make a happier home-  
coming and a more complete  
reunion for many a service  
man on that happy day we've  
dreamed of so long.—Janette  
Cunningham.

### END OF FASCISM

There has been much talk  
in government circles about  
"ridging the world of Fascism  
forever." Apparently the gen-  
eral opinion is that when Ger-  
many is defeated Fascism can  
be wiped out with the govern-  
ment and the war criminals.  
Whether the form of govern-  
ment will still possess enough  
latent energy to rise again in  
Germany and Italy, we are  
not prepared to say—but we  
can point a finger in some other  
directions—some directions  
in which usually we are not  
wont to look.

Look at Spain. Untouched  
by this war the Fascist govern-  
ment arms to the teeth and  
militarizes almost every citi-  
zen. The press is tongue-tied.

Boys are put into military ser-  
vice as soon as they attain  
school age. Surely after we  
defeat dictatorship elsewhere  
on the globe, Franco will con-  
tinue to stand as a threat to  
our citizens and our way of  
government. Even if Spain  
never attacks us (We thought  
Japan was too small to do.)

Probably even a greater po-  
tential danger exists to our  
South. Look at Argentina. A  
recent "March of Time," mo-  
tion picture release, titled  
"The South American Front—  
1944," pictured Argentina  
shortly after it became un-  
friendly with the U. S. The  
film showed armies that were  
pitifully small, equipment that  
was ridiculously crude; but  
the troops marched with the  
same old swagger we have  
hated so often in Germany and  
Italy. What can Argentina do  
after, say ten years, of build-  
ing for war? We don't know,  
but for our own good, we  
shouldn't be in the least op-  
timistic.

These two Fascist nations  
also could well provide havens  
for Hitler and the other war  
criminals. In fact it was ru-  
mored a while back that Hit-  
ler actually was in Argentina.

Whether these nations will  
ever prove a threat to world  
peace will be known some day  
—but perhaps a bit too late.  
Right now is the time for  
Washington to be thinking  
about and taking a stand on  
the problem. Although it is  
doubtful that any magical  
governmental radium could  
be invented that would eat out  
the root of the cancerous  
growth of Fascism, some sort  
of therapy ought to be de-  
vised.—Gray Barker.

## ON THE CAMPUS

By Janette Cunningham

**SMART ANSWER??** In Eco-  
nomics class Miss Whitlow asked,  
"What do you get from your state  
teachers' associations?" (Mean-  
ing, of course, what benefits in  
the way of [better terms for  
teachers]. Margaret Hawkins said  
all she got was a "little maga-  
zine."

**MR. HUNTER** Whiting sym-  
pathized with Student Council  
members who were having finan-  
cial difficulties but made the droll  
observation that "talking to me  
about such things is just like talk-  
ing to the devil about getting  
some snowballs." He said he didn't  
even know what money looks like.

**PROSPECTIVE STUDENT**  
teacher D. Tewell has the situa-  
tion pretty well in hand. Upon be-  
ing told that a daily lesson plan  
should contain a statement of the  
general objective and the immedi-  
ate objective, said that his general  
aim would be "to teach history"  
and his immediate one "to teach  
the lesson." Take heed, G. H. S.  
juniors.)

**THERE WERE** a number of  
"intermissions" during Cecil B.  
DeMille's mighty epic, "Reap the  
Wild Wind," Fri. at the Picture-  
land. Assistant Operator Barker  
hastens to announce that the reason  
was that the film was so old.  
... Absolutely no fault of his, he  
says. Projection—psychologically  
and mechanically.

**SPORTSWOMAN** Strader is  
making quite a name for herself  
in basketball officiating. ... Not  
only girls' games. ... She's called  
some for Troy Jr. Hi. ... Willis  
Summers reads the Mercury's  
copies of The Wesleyan PHAROS  
and the WESTON DEMOCRAT  
diligently and well. ... Maxine  
W. says Margaret Barrett is be-  
coming quite interested in the

## CAMPUS CARTOON



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"Someone called her for a date"

## Notes From . . . . . The Robert F. Kidd Library

By Ada K. Wilson

Six new books have been added to  
the Home Economics shelf in the Li-  
brary.

**"FOUNDATIONS FOR LIVING,"**  
by Fern Silver and Mildred Graves  
Kyan, discusses the problems of  
home management, food and nutri-  
tion, and child development and  
care.

**"MODERN DRESSMAKING  
MADE EASY,"** by Mary Brooks  
Pickens, makes dressmaking easy  
because it makes it interesting.

**"TEXTILES,"** written by Wool-  
man and McGowan, deals with the  
progress of the textile industry  
through the centuries.

People of today are conscious of  
the science of nutrition and its con-  
structive aims. **"THE ESSENTIALS  
OF NUTRITION,"** by Shesman and  
Lanford, tries to answer many  
questions on the important subject.

Students interested in science as  
well as home economics will find  
**"HERBS: THEIR USES AND CUL-  
TURE,"** by Rosetta Clarkson valu-  
able; because listed are 101 herbs,  
their cultural requirements, and  
uses.

Benjamin R. Andrews in his book,  
**"ECONOMICS OF THE HOUSE-  
HOLD,"** tries to unravel some of  
the major problems of general ad-  
ministration and financial back-  
ground of the private family.

The tree of liberty grows only  
when watered by the blood of ty-  
rants.—Barere.

Life is like a game of tables, the  
chances are not in our power, but  
the playing is.—Terence.

profession of journalism, and  
thinks newspapermen quite inter-  
esting. . . . Loyal Spencer Yellow  
Jacket fan is Hastings Bailey  
who can recount, play by play, the  
local Red Terror defeat at the  
hands of his Alma Mater. . . . Sug-  
gestion: Mary Hupp, senior, and  
Ola Satterfield, freshman, might  
do well by turning nurses and  
helping their younger brothers get  
off the inactive list and back into  
circulation in the field of sports.  
... particularly basketball.

### AREHARTS VISIT HERE

The Rev. and Mrs. Carl Lloyd  
Arehart and son, John Edwin, of  
Dunbar, were guests the past week  
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John  
E. Arbuckle, Glenville. Before ac-  
cepting his present position at Dun-  
bar, the Rev. Mr. Arehart was min-  
ister of the Glenville Presbyterian  
Church and part-time College in-  
structor.

### This Week We Present . . .

- M—ember of junior class.
- A—ctive waitress at Kanawha  
Hall.
- R—esourceful person.
- G—raduate of Pine Grove High  
School.
- A—lso a member of House Gov-  
erning Board at Verona Ma-  
pel Hall.
- R—etains school girl figure by  
drinking milk shakes.
- E—legant.
- T—rips the light fantastic.
- B—ehavior is good.
- A—ppreciates the Arts.
- R—esides at Pine Grove.
- R—eally pleasant disposition.
- E—nergetic? Yes.
- T—actful.
- T—aciturn? Never.

### MAY TURN OUT 'HEP-CATS' IN PHYS. ED. CLASSES

There'll be "hep-cats by the hun-  
dreds" when Miss Rose Funk's new  
class in Rhythmic Activities gets in  
to full swing. Music for the class,  
played by Miss Bertha E. Olsen. Sev-  
lsted as Physical Education 111, is  
eral forms of dancing will be taught  
during the semester.

Beads and junk jewelry are play-  
ing an important part in helping the  
servicemen in the Pacific Islands.  
They take the place of real money  
and the natives help guide the men  
back to their lines and do many acts  
of service to the disabled. North-  
western University had a drive and

## OFF THE REEL

By Gray Barker

Second semester fledglings should  
not take the coming week at the  
Pictureland as a fair sample of the  
quality of pictures regularly booked  
here, because the fare obviously is  
duller than usual. One bright spot,  
however is "Lost Angel," playing  
Thursday-Friday, having as its chief  
asset moppet Margaret O'Brien. It  
tells how a father, James Craig,  
uses his child as a guinea pig in the  
science of training children. Marg-  
aret is always good. On the stage  
both Wednesday and Thursday  
nights with the regular programs is  
a stage performance with some  
guys whose names we can't remem-  
ber right now. You can skip it by  
coming to see the regular picture  
programs on Tuesday and Friday.  
The trailer for the performances  
states a magician will appear, so if  
you go, be sure to get a front seat  
so you can see what he has up his  
sleeves.

Tonight the Pictureland's front  
shamefacedly announces "The Na-  
tional Barn Dance," about which  
we will say no more. "The Yellow  
Rose of Texas" is another of those  
ubiquitous Roy Rogers "big" mus-  
ical westerns, should be pretty good  
if you like Roy; and the twin pix,  
"Dancing In Manhattan," is an en-  
tertaining "little" musical, accord-  
ing to the movie journals.

Although "Lake Placid Serenade,"  
(Sunday-Monday) has eye-filling ice  
spectacles and tuneful numbers by  
two top orchestras (Ray Noble and  
Harry Owens), it is not Sunday film  
fare of the standard we usually en-  
joy here. However the film is brand  
new, not having been shown in  
neighboring large towns yet to our  
knowledge.

The Academy awards for the best  
picture, best acting, best writing,  
best directing for 1944 will be hand-  
ed out at Grauman's Chinese Thea-  
ter in Hollywood on March 15.  
Everyone in the film colony may  
vote for the nomination of five best  
pictures, while the actors, writers  
and directors vote exclusively for  
the best in their fields. After the  
nominations have been made, the  
full colony membership will vote on  
all four categories to pick the best  
from the nominated pictures and  
persons.

"For Whom the Bell Tolls" will  
be released February 12 to be shown  
at regular prices, and the Picture-  
land should be showing it by March.  
"Reap the Wild Wind," which played  
here the past week, was a return en-  
gagement at popular prices, having  
played here in 1942 at advanced  
prices.

The popular "Forever Amber,"  
definitely will be made into a pic-  
ture by Twentieth Century Fox, ac-  
cording to announcements. Mean-  
while the Hayes Office tries to avert  
a nervous breakdown. From the  
same company will come "A Tree  
Grows In Brooklyn," from the book  
by Betty Smith in February; plus  
"Nob Hill," and "Thunderhead, Son  
of Flicka," soon.

Myrna Loy and William Powell  
are back on the screen in another  
"Thin Man" opus, this time entitled  
"The Thin Man Goes Home." An odd  
note is that the "Thin Man," a char-  
acter showed briefly in the first of  
the many pictures of the series and  
who got "bumped off," providing a  
murder for Powell to solve, has never  
appeared since in the "Thin Man"  
shows.

The devil loves nothing better  
than the intolerance of reformers,  
and dreads nothing so much as their  
charity and patience.—Lowell.

One always returns to his first  
love.—St. Just.

collected 654 pieces of cast-off  
jewelry.



## LITTLE KANAWHA VALLEY TOURNAMENT TO BE HELD HERE ON MARCH 9 AND 10

By Jack Rader

The Little Kanawha Valley basketball tournament for Section 8 for the fourth time in succession will be played in the Glenville State College gymnasium, it was voted by coaches and principals here Sunday.

The meet will be played March 9 and 10 (Friday and Saturday) will begin at 2 p. m. Friday and end with the finals Saturday evening, beginning at 8 o'clock.

Seven teams will be entered. Earl R. Boggs will be director; Gilbert Reed, treasurer. The referee will be O. B. Farron of St. Mary's.

Here's how the teams will line-up: Friday at 2 p. m. Normantown will play Tanner; at 3:30 Walton will meet Glenville; at 7:30 Spencer will play Troy; and at 9 p. m. Sand Fork will play one of the two losers in the afternoon games.

Winner here will play in the regional meet in Clarksburg March 16 and 17. Glenville is the defending champion.

### W. A. A. NEWS

W. A. A. went into full swing again when girls interested in the activity met in the College gymnasium Monday evening at 6:30 p. m. to organize the club for another semester. Immediately following the business meeting, Bodkin's and Sweeney's basketball teams played their fifth game of the season.

Five more games will be played between the two teams. All girls who have participated in eight of the ten games will receive credit for this sport. Members of the winning team will receive twenty points while members of the losing team will receive ten points. The final game will be played Monday, February 19 and sports for the spring season will be organized soon after that date.

All girls enrolled in the College are eligible for membership in the Women's Athletic Association. All new students interested may pay dues (25c) to Edna Ruth Ellyson and join the fun. For further details about this organization see the W. A. A. bulletin board in the front hall of the Administration Building.

Awards for the first semester will be given out in the near future.

### Keen Competition Noted Among Teams In Local Conference

The Normantown Vikings, coached by Eugene Williams, College alumnus, are still in the lead in the Central West Virginia Conference as the race starts into its final month. The Vikings meet Tanner at Tanner tonight.

Normantown will take on the Spencer Yellow Jackets at Spencer on Friday in a non-conference affair that shapes up as a toss-up.

The Glenville Red Terrors, hot on the heels of the leader, will meet the Sand Fork Lions at Sand Fork tonight in what promises to be one of those typical Glenville-Sand Fork games with plenty of thrills for everyone. In their first encounter with the Lions on January 12, the Red Terrors closed fast to win, 60-44.

On Thursday night, Coach Hall's Terrors will attempt to repeat an early season win over Troy there. In their season's opener with the Trojans on January 3, the Red Terrors were able to beat Troy by only 50-38.

Also on Thursday, Sand Fork will attempt to make it a double win for the season over Burnsville at

### MISS MYERS ENTERTAINS FOR NEW STUDENTS

Miss Ivy Lee Myers, director of elementary teacher training, and her niece, Miss Jacqueline Walker, entertained new students living in Verona Maple Hall at her home Monday evening, Jan. 29.

The evening was spent working a jig-saw puzzle and listening to Barbara and Beverly Clark, small daughters of Mr. H. Y. Clark, sing.

Refreshments were served to Pearlina Phillips, Irene Powell, Anna Powell, Bessie Brown, and Dorothy Graden.

### 17 Students Take Directed Teaching

Seventeen students are enrolled in directed teaching courses for the present semester, according to Miss Ivy Lee Myers and Mr. H. Y. Clark, instructors in education.

Six students, Janette Cunningham, Juanita Westfall, Willis Summers, Peggy Sweeney, David Tewell, and Mary Hupp, are enrolled in Education 442, secondary directed teaching. The remaining eleven, enrolled in Education 218, elementary directed teaching, are Bobby Jean Coe, Edna Brannon, Mary Jo Ellyson, Chessie Spencer, Betty Wimer, Imogene Wimer, Jewell Osbourne, Juanita McWilliams, Sylvia Cunningham, Ava Nell Loudin, and Betty Lydick.

### Former Marine Is Now Freshman In Glenville State

Despite harrowing war experiences as a member of the 3rd Division of the United States Marine Corps, Raymond Taylor, twenty-year-old freshman, of Richwood, is "just a hillbilly," or so he says.

Taylor, a graduate of Richwood High School who enrolled at GSC the past week for his first semester of College work, was given an honorable discharge from the Marine Corps five months ago after receiving a shrapnel wound in one leg for which he spent some time in hospitals on Guadalcanal, New Caledonia, in San Francisco, San Diego. He participated in the invasion of Bougainville and spent three months on Guadalcanal following American occupation of the island. Since his discharge, Taylor applied for re-enlistment but was rejected.

### College Girls Play As Tanner Alumnae

A Tanner High School girls' basketball team defeated an Alumnae team the past Tuesday. Players on the Alumnae team were Mary Jo Ellyson, Betty and Crystalene Lydick, Maxine Riddle and Janette Cunningham. College students, and Estella Ralston, former student. Rita-mae Fling, A. B. '44, coaches the high school girls.

Wanda Strader, College senior, officiated.

The world rewards the appearance of merit oftener than merit itself.—La Rochefoucauld.

Burnsville, and on Friday will meet Tanner at home. Sand Fork in a first encounter won 58-32.

The Gassaway Elks are still pressing the leaders strongly and can certainly not be counted out of the race, while Walkersville continues to be the surprise team of the Conference thus far. Sutton is still a threat, as shown by their 48-32 victory over Sand Fork the past Tuesday.

### Weekly Round-up In Sports

By Jack Rader

West Virginia's Mountaineers are still on the victory trail, having squeezed through to a 52-50 triumph over Geneva. However, selective service may soon deprive them of three good players—Jim Walthall, Ralph Ball, and Burke, all of whom recently passed their pre-induction physical examinations. Walthall has been a regular guard for the Mountaineers, while the latter two have seen frequent service as subs.

In losing a game to the Bethany Bisons, the Salem Tigers not only lost the ball game, but to add injury to insult the Tenmilers also lost three players via the foul route and two more by injuries. Pandak, Bethany forward, hung up 29 points for scoring honors.

In the national spotlight, the sudden slump of the Kentucky Wildcats has been the feature. The Wildcats, who had won eight straight games before losing to Tennessee, dropped another game, to Notre Dame, in an overtime affair on January 27. It would seem that the Kentuckians attack has bogged down now that their star center, Alex Groza, has entered the Army.

Briefly, the sectional leaders are as follows:

EAST: Penn, Navy, and Army, though the high-scoring Rhode Island State remains a threat.

SOUTH: Kentucky and Tennessee.

SOUTHEAST: Duke and North Carolina.

SOUTHWEST: Arkansas, Rice, Oklahoma A & M, and Southern Methodist.

COAST: UCLA.

The chief concern of the baseball moguls at present, outside of the manpower shortage, seems to be the selection of a successor to the late Judge Kanesaw M. Lomdas as High Commissioner of Baseball. Several names have been mentioned, but National League President Ford Frick seems to have the inside track on the job. Pending the selection of a High Commissioner, baseball will be ruled by an advisory committee of three, Frick, American League President William Harridge, and Leslie O'Connor, secretary of the High Commissioner.

Perhaps these people who find basketball too tame should try listening to a hockey game on the radio some Saturday night. Fouls are committed there that would make a basketball referee gray-haired overnight, and to make matters more complicated, the player committing the foul is allowed to re-enter the game after a few minutes "rest" in the penalty box.

Lee Oma, the ex-playboy from Detroit, won possession of the unofficial civilian heavyweight boxing championship by his January 26th victory over Joe Baksi of Kulpmont, Pennsylvania. Oma's unorthodox style completely baffled the ex-coal miner and it was not until Oma tired in the late rounds that Baksi was able to catch up with him.

"Lord" Byron Nelson of Toledo, Ohio, continues to show every day while he is the outstanding golfer in the country today. Nelson's style of winning tournaments is deceiving to his opponents. He usually starts off rather slowly but closes with a rush with truly amazing golf.

A father is a banker provided by nature.—French Proverb.  
Eloquence is the poetry of prose.—Bryant.

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### FROM THE MERCURY'S FILES

1936: Continuing their high scoring pace the Pioneers invaded the den of the Concord Mountain Lions and emerged with a 61-33 victory Saturday night. The Glenville attack proved too fast for the highly touted Mountain Lions who were completely submerged under a barrage of field goals. The Pioneers led 29-17, at the half.

1937: Students voting in assembly Wednesday authorized the Student Council to proceed in its program to eliminate all unladylike and ungentlemanlike conduct on the College campus.

Miss Goldie C. James, who was on leave of absence the past semester to attend Columbia University, has returned to the College and has resumed her teaching duties in the biological science department.

1938: Glenville State Teachers College, for the fifth consecutive year, will be host to one of the district meetings of the state literary contest, it was announced yesterday by Miss Pearl Pickens, principal of Troy High School and district chairman.

1939: Three hundred ninety-four students are enrolled in the College for the second semester. . . . Nine new members and eleven lost is the record for Louis Bennett Hall which now has a total of 105 men.

("Quick Quip"—To Coach A. F. Rohrbough and the Pioneers) Dear Boys: Sometimes we wonder how it looks to see, a game lost. Yours QUICKSILVER.

1940: Students went in a big way to Glenville's new course in social dancing, credit for which will count as physical education. There are 71 persons in the Friday afternoon section and 73 in the Tuesday-Thursday section.

1942: The Glenville debating team took to the road today to meet Wesleyan at 4 p. m. in the first of a series of debates this season, using the subject, "Resolved that the Federal Government Should Regulate by Law All Labor Unions in the United States." Those making the trip are Richard Harper, Burns Harlan and Kline Bush.

1943: (From the Campus Capers) Waitman Bailes, fond of redheads, has wavered from the formula to try his luck with the Veronica Lake type of blonde. . . . Jease Lilly is all smiles as Anne Withers takes up College work. . . . Clifford Stalnaker stays in Glenville on Friday nights to get in an extra night's courtin'. . . . Orchids to Miss Rosanna Gainer for the swell spaghetti feed she

treated the Pioneers to the past week.

1944: (From "On the Campus" by Catherine Withers) Thanks to Mr. H. L. White, practically all students can now sing and decipher the words to the ditty, "Mairzy Doats."

. . . According to the answer to the question "What are fraternal twins?" asked on the Biology 101 semester test—"They are twins having the same parents."

### SOCIAL COMMITTEE OFFERS DANCE ON JANUARY 29

The Social Committee opened second semester activities with a dance in the gymnasium Monday, Jan. 29, from 9:30 to 11 p. m. Chaperons were Miss Alma Arbuckle and Mr. John R. Wagner. College and high school students spent the evening "cutting the rug" to such records as "Knock Me a Kiss," "My Beloved Is Rugged," and "Boogie Woogie."

### CURRENT EVENTS CLUB WILL MEET THURSDAY

The Current Events Club did not meet the past Thursday as planned but instead will meet this Thursday. The program will include talks by Hastings Bailey and Gray Barker, the former on the Greek problem and the latter on what movies will be like after the war.

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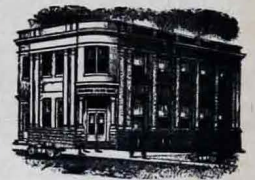
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## On The Land, In the Air, And on The Sea With Our Friends In The Service

By Juanita Westfall

Sgt. James Woofter is stationed at Truax Field, Madison, Wis. . . . Harold Cottle, brother of Willis, is reported killed in action in Italy. . . . Ensign Ralph E. Cox, who is on the Island of Cahu, says he has met and talked with Lt. (jg) Woodrow Morris, a GSC graduate. . . . Mabel Wolfe has received word that Lt. Denver Barnett, bombardier on a B-17, who was reported missing in action, is now a prisoner of war in Germany.

A letter from Pfc. Donzel Betts: "Tonight I am on duty in a barren hotel room with practically nothing to do, but stare at the walls and think. There are many of us over here in England doing nothing to shorten the war. I am writing not to tell of myself, but a Glenville man who deserves a little praise. The enclosed article (how a group of American prisoners escaped Nazi machine guns as told by William Bruce Summers) appeared on the front page of 'Stars and Stripes.' Maybe someone else sent an account of his experiences home, but you should find the enclosed article interesting.

"The press doesn't publish a very encouraging war report in this country. Of course with the enemy advancing through the First Army lines it is hard to be optimistic about the war ending soon.

"If a few Americans could see how British food and other articles are rationed and how every young man or middle age is in uniform they would be more thankful to be in America. Food is very scarce.

"I have spent four days in London seeing the sights. Some rocket bombs hit while I was there."

Cpl. B. W. Peck, Jr., stationed in England, writes: "I received two copies of the Mercury of November 7 and 14, 1944. They were very much enjoyed, especially interesting were the columns 'From the Front Files' and 'On the Land, In the Air, and On the Sea.' Besides bringing back many pleasant memories it gave me the first news I have received about old friends in several years.

"Thank you for your kind consideration."

Second Lt. Edward B. Marple, formerly of Burnsville, who recently arrived in the Mediterranean theatre of operations, has been assigned to a Liberator bombardment group of the 15th Army Air Force. . . . Lewis J. Conley, of Tariff, W. Va., navigator of a B-17 Flying Fortress has been awarded the air medal for "meritorious achievement" while taking part in bombing attacks over Germany. . . . Sgt. Robert Johnson spent a few days the past week at his home in Glenville. . . . First Lt. Harold Gainer, Camp Anza, Arlington, California, was promoted to Captain, Jan. 26, 1945. Captain Gainer attended the College from 1931 to 1935. Before entering the service he was an employee of the State Tax Commissioner's office, Charleston, W. Va. He is one of the six sons of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gainer, of Glenville, who are in the service.

The Mercury received a letter the past week from Cpl. Charlotte Hyer, who is with the Marine Corps at Cherry Point, N. C. She says, "Many thanks for your paper. It certainly helps me to keep tab on the fellows and gals in the service, as well as local happenings.

"I'm still holding forth at Cherry Point and am thoroughly convinced that the south is no place for me after the war. 'Gee whiz' they are still fighting the Civil War around

here. Since I'm from W. Va., I've been called both a stupid rebel and a damn Yankee!

"The girls in Motor Transport here are truly doing a 'bang-up' job. Who knows, maybe I'll be driving that 'Loonerville Trolley' from Sutton to Parkersburg when the war is over!

"Say hello to the faculty for me."

In a letter to his parents, Lt. Isadore Nachman wrote that he with Raymond E. Freed (A. R. C.), Andrew (Happy) Whiting, Ed Crawford, of Weston, and some others had a GSC homecoming in the Philippines, Jan. 17. . . . First Lt. Roland Holt, Jr., who is spending a thirty-day leave at his home in Clarksburg, was in Glenville the past week for a visit with his father and many friends. Lt. Holt entered the service four years ago, has thirty-one months of overseas duty, nine of it in the South Pacific where he has been flying Navy dive bombers. He is to report at Pensacola, Fla., to become an instructor.

Lt. H. J. Lindell, USNR, writes: "I have been receiving the Mercury and I literally devour its pages. I have been reading with interest your column.

"Today marks my third year in this man's Navy, and one year away from the good ole U. S. A. I was stationed in Kansas City at an Air Station from April to Dec. 1942 as a chief (Took my training at Norfolk. I was commissioned in Dec. of 1942.) I was transferred to the NTS at Farragut, Idaho, and stayed there a year until last Jan. 9, when I was sent to Lido Beach, N. Y. for duty outside of the U. S."

From N. Y., Lt. Lindell was sent to Scotland. While there part of his time was spent in a hospital and recovering from an operation. He was then sent to Cherbourg, France, and set-up what was considered the best Welfare and Recreation set-up in France.

Lt. Lindell is now stationed at Sandridge, England, which is a suburb of Dartmouth.

"Our camp is composed of Quonset Huts and is primarily a rest and rehabilitation camp. It has taken care of some two thousand men, although we only have eighty here now. My job is Welfare and Recreation as usual."

## R. E. Freed Doesn't Fancy Serving Coca-Cola to Big Water Buffalo

"If this gets to be a common practice, maybe I'd better put a load of hay in stock," was a remark made by Mr. Raymond E. Freed, former instructor in social studies on leave of absence and serving with the American Red Cross in the Philippines, according to a story in The Clarksburg Exponent the past week.

Mr. Freed's remark came when he and the entire staff of the Red Cross center were startled recently when they saw two G. I.'s approaching astride a massive water buffalo to receive Coca Colas, which, whenever possible, are served to the soldiers.

Often the boys would walk long distances for coffee or a drink of coke; but riding the buffalo, the native beast of burden in the Philippines, was a surprise to them all.

Mr. Freed called out to the soldiers telling them to stay put. He did not relish the idea of the buffalo being turned loose in the area. The soldiers sat still and Mr. Freed delivered their cups of coke to them.

Evidently curb service is just as popular with American soldiers in the Philippines as it is in the United States. The only difference is that

## THEY TALK OF PLANS FOR WAR-HURT COLLEGES

Plans for aid for the nation's schools, from the rural one-roomers to big universities, were heard in Washington recently, according to an Associated Press news release the past week.

The House Education Committee received a plan for rebuilding war-hurt colleges and universities formulated by an educators' group who made a study at the request of Congress.

The group said a prime requisite is a federal appropriation of \$25,000,000 for the next fiscal year, to be paid the higher schools under contracts in which they promise to maintain adequate facilities.

## COPY OF 'PUTNAM COUNTY TEACHER' RECEIVED HERE

A copy of "The Putnam County Teacher," published four times yearly by the Putnam County Teachers' Association, was given to the Mercury Staff by Mr. H. L. White, head of the English department, the past week. Designed to stimulate interest between the schools of Putnam County, the four-page, five-column newspaper carries reports from the graded and high schools and articles of professional interest.

## ALBERT LILLEY TAKES JOB AT OAK HILL

Albert ("Abe") Lilley, former College basketball headliner who played a center position here for four years and who recently was the coach at Burnsville, resigned there and has accepted a similar position but as assistant coach at Oak Hill under Paul Fulk, also a former College athlete and football captain. Lilley married the former Miss Mary Hazel Butcher, a College alumna.

Grades for the first semester have been mailed to students' parents, according to an announcement by Mr. Carey Woofter, registrar.

No assembly was presented Wednesday, Jan. 31, because of incomplete plans at the beginning of the second semester.

Peggy Sweeney, senior, accompanied by Edith Hinterer, graduate now teaching in the Fairmont Junior High School, visited Estella Bonner at Farmington during the mid-term recess. Miss Bonner is teaching in Farmington High School.

Student Council pins, ordered about two months ago, were received the past week. The pins are the same as those purchased in former years.

instead of being served in a car the boys have resorted to water buffalo for transportation.

## Tinge of Humor

"Do you suffer with rheumatism?" "Really, I don't know anything else to do with it."

A ten-year-old German boy was captured by allied soldiers. He was dressed in full German uniform. When asked how he got in the army, he said, "I lied about my age; I said I was eleven."

"Why is the English language called the mother tongue?" "Because the mother talks so much, no one else has a chance."

## DEFINITIONS:

Mugwump—A bird that can sit on the fence with his mug on one side and his wump on the other.

Attention—A form of tax. Example: "You are going to have to pay attention."

Beta—A gambling term. Example: "I bet five dollars you can't do

## Former Mercury Editor Engaged to James Junior Marks of U. S. Navy

Announcement has been made by Mr. Hayward G. Taylor, of 609 Locust Avenue, Weston, of the engagement of his daughter, Helen Gould, to James Junior Marks, petty officer, second class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Orval Marks, of Orton.

Miss Taylor, A. B. '44, senior class president and Mercury editor the

past year, is now teaching in Jane Lew High School.

Marks, a graduate of Norman-town High School, is stationed at Camp Bradford as an instructor. He recently returned from the European theater of war where he took part in the invasion of Tunisia, Sicily, Anzio, Salerno and Normandy. No wedding date has been set.

## H. L. White Prepares Paper of Interest To Those Planning Post-War Education

"In view of the fact that Congress, various state legislatures, colleges and schools throughout the United States, and some other agencies, are now planning and preparing for the post-war education or training for returning veterans, it occurs to me that a brief record of what the doughboys of one division in the Army of Occupation wanted—and to some extent, got—following the 1918 Armistice might throw some faint light on the current and immediate future problem."

Such is a statement made by Mr. H. L. White, head of the English department, in the College, who is having printed and distributed a list of the thirty-one post schools maintained by the 2nd Division of the American Army of Occupation in an area of approximately 400 sq. mi. in Germany in 1919 and of which he was one of two directors.

Included in the data Mr. White has collected are the location of each school, the army outfit served by each, and the local supervisor of each school. The following subjects were taught: auto-driving, auto-mechanics, barbering, baking, blacksmithing, cooking, debating and other public speaking, entertaining (vaudeville, et al), geography, first aid, government, history, hospital attendant, literature, mathematics and the three R's, later required for illiterates and those unable to read, write, or speak English.

"It will be noted," states Mr. White, "that most of the work was technical-vocational: something the men could be employed at immediately after return to the U. S. A."

Members of the College Red Cross unit met in Louis Bennett Lounge Tuesday evening. Navy sewing kits were packed with buttons, safety pins, needles, white and black thread. The next meeting will be January 9.

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