

WILLIS SUMMERS' poster having a mirror behind simulated prison bars and asking "What if YOU were in a prison camp instead of on a campus?" drew interest of those passing by the bulletin board in Administration Hall. Besides the girls who found it utilitarian in adjusting makeup Mr. Carey Woofter, College registrar, found it of enough interest to post a little note above it.

Said MR. WOOFTER'S card: "If any solicitor or student contributing to the W. S. S. F. wishes to pay the price of a show for 16 weeks, and the price of a coke for 16 weeks, I will match it. First come, first served. (signed) Carey Woofter." At this writing, Mr. Woofter had no comers.

CONTINUING THE following of the macabre, the ghastly, the supernatural, and what not, we find the latest strange story emanating again from Verona Maple Hall where many follow the black art of the Ouija Board. It seems there is a legend that has persisted for a long while about a phantom "old woman who roams the halls." She, or more properly IT, is heard often in the dead of midnight, according to Hall girls, sounding a muffled "tramp, tramp, tramp" up and down the gloomy corridors. Apparently she is only audible, as no one has seen the specter. The girls were definite in differentiating her from any corporeal entities that stalk the halls—the latter is never heard when walking, they say.

Hearing a piercing scream the past week, Hall residents rushed to Edna Brannon's domicile to hear her excitedly state she had heard "the old woman." Everyone thinks she was dreaming—having a simple nightmare.

ANOTHER TINGE of the supernatural (The word probably is not rightly used) emerged during a class in Modern European instructed by Miss Bessie Boyd Bell Wednesday (History 320). Desiring to find details of the Kellogg peace pact, Miss Bell opened the text on the exact page! "Coincidence" we say, never thinking that such could logically occur only one time in about 450, the number of pages in the text, multiplied by the number of other books one opens. The number of times this sort of thing occurs is more often than could be charged to coincidence!

STILL FOLLOWING the Poetical path, we read in TIME, February 5, under "Latin America" about what the magazine labeled a "spectral appendectomy." It seems a spiritualist had a had appendix he wished removed. So before a number of reliable witnesses other spiritualists called forth the spirit of a late Dr. Luiz Gomes do Amaral, who died 19 years ago. When the lights came on noted was a neatly closed incision, and X-rays showed the appendix actually had been removed. The patient said he "felt clammy hands on his body, a tingling scratch on his abdomen," and heard "a soft voice" assuring him he would feel no pain. Water splashed in a pail by his side as if an invisible surgeon were washing his hands.

ERNE PYLE, almost anyone's hero, is in the Pacific with the Navy, will cover the "human side of the war" there. In a column written before he went across, Pyle expressed his dislike of going back to the war. "I'm going simply because there's a war on and I'm part of it and I've known

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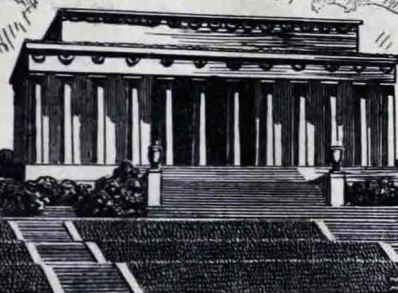
TO GREAT AMERICANS

ABRAHAM LINCOLN

"Let us have faith that right makes might and in that faith let us to the end, dare to do our duty as we understand it."

GEORGE WASHINGTON

"Integrity and firmness are all I can promise. These, be the voyage long or short, shall never fail me."



AND TO THE AMERICAN IDEALS

FAITH · COURAGE · INTEGRITY · HUMANITY

Mrs. Almira Miles Dies at Home In Glenville After Illness of 2 Years

Ill for the past two years and bedfast for three weeks, Mrs. Almira P. Miles, 78 years old, died of cancer at her home in Camden Flats Addition, Glenville, at 12:30 p. m. February 9.

A daughter of the late Edgar M. and Nancy Wolfe, she was born at Revel in Gilmer County, and was married on June 4, 1887, to Mr. Albert F. Miles, who survives.

She united with the Glenville Baptist Church at the age of fifteen and remained throughout her life a devoted and active worker.

Surviving besides the husband are three sons, S/Sgt. Fred Miles of Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Ark., Florent of Akron, Edgar of a Veterans' Administration Facility in Chillicothe, O.; two daughters, Mrs. Flora DeWitt and Mrs. Bonnie Ashcraft, both of Akron; two sisters, Mrs. Worthy Bailey of Clarksburg and Mrs. Madge Waggoner of Parkersburg; three brothers, Lloyd and Harley Wolfe, of Glenville, and Albert of Rowlesburg.

Also surviving are ten grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Two daughters, Olena Miles Elliott and Mollie Lusk; one sister, Rosa Wolfe; and four brothers, John, William, Granville and Elmore, preceded her in death.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Gilbert B. Moore Monday at 2 p. m. at the local Baptist Church and burial was in the Otterbein Cemetery. R. L. McGee of Glenville was the funeral director.

all the time I was going back. I'm going simply because I've got to—and I hate it."

REV. MR. JOHNSON TO BE ASSEMBLY SPEAKER

The Rev. Grover J. Johnson, pastor of the Trinity Methodist Church, Glenville, will be assembly speaker tomorrow.

Pfc. John Holy Assigned to AAF Liaison Office

Pfc. John Holy, former student, and Weston High School teacher, has been assigned to a program of familiarizing civilian educators with the Army Air Force teaching methods and techniques, with particular attention to utilization of obsolete aircraft equipment.

Serving for the past few years at Keesler Field, Miss., first as a civilian instructor and later as a soldier, Pfc. Holy is one of twenty-seven enlisted men assigned to special duty.

After a special indoctrinational course they will contact the civilian educational groups from secondary schools and colleges and other educational institutions, to offer them the Air Forces methods of teaching. Obsolete aircraft and aircraft equipment will be made available to the institutions offering such aviation and technical training courses.

Pfc. Holy has been assigned to the Army Air Force Training Liaison Office at Baltimore, Md.

Miss Elizabeth Clark, graduate of the College and now a teacher in Sutton High School, spent the weekend on the Campus visiting Peggy Sweeney.

THIRTY-SIX STUDENTS ON FIRST SEMESTER HONOR ROLL; TWO STRAIGHT A's

Thirty-six of the eighty students, who were carrying eight hours or more, are on the honor roll for the first semester, according to Dean Robert T. Crawford. Two of the eighty were carrying eight hours. Eleven others completed twelve to fifteen hours. Sixty-seven completed sixteen hours or more. Thirty-four students living off the campus completed a total of 556 hours with an honor point average of 2.016. Forty-six students living in the dormitories completed a total of 776 hours with an honor point average of 1.756.

Fonda Mae Wellings, freshman, and Leona M. Kilmer, senior, head the list with a point average of 3.00.

A list of those who made the honor roll, with number of hours carried and point averages indicated, follows:

Name	Hrs. Carried	Pt. Avg.
Fonda Mae Wellings	18	3.00
Leona M. Kilmer	12	3.00
Helen Wanda Strader	17	2.88
Bobby Jean Coe	18	2.78
Edna Ruth Ellyson	17	2.76
Mary Ellen Welch	17	2.76
Ruth Lucille Groves	16	2.75
Janette Cunningham	18	2.72
Gray Barker	17	2.70
Mary Helen Reed	16	2.62
Marjorie Janet Boggs	18	2.61
Marjorie Lucille Hardman	18	2.56
Marian Elizabeth Means	17	2.53
Betty Jean Wimer	17	2.49
Harold Allan Foutty	17	2.41
Mary Jean Ralston	17	2.41
Sylvia Mae Cunningham	18	2.40
Virginia Hupp	18	2.40
Robert Dean Murphy	18	2.40
Meredith Maxine Riddle	17	2.39
Rosa Lee Stalnaker	17	2.39
Jack Rader	17	2.35
Wanda Imogene Wimer	17	2.29
Hastings Bailey	17	2.29
Evelyn Finster	18	2.28
Talbert N. Bennett	12	2.25
Jean Nottingham	17	2.23
Mary Jo Ellyson	18	2.22
Betty Jean Campbell	17	2.17
Jack Fling	17	2.12
Homer Paul Heckert	17	2.06
Ava Nell Loudin	18	2.05
Margaret Wilson Sweeney	19	2.05
Mary Virginia Floyd	18	2.00
Glendon McKee	13	2.00
Laura Pritt Eck	16	2.00

Seniors Present Valentine Party Saturday Evening In Gymnasium

In the gymnasium, decorated with red and white crepe paper streamers, and under dim red lights, College students and faculty members danced, played folk games, and heard special musical numbers at a Valentine party directed by the Senior Class Saturday from 8 to 11:30 p. m.

Red crepe paper streamers hung from the lights half-way to the floor and white streamers of various lengths, to which were tied small red paper hearts, formed a curtain which separated the front half of the floor from the back half, which was not used. Along the sides were white crepe paper streamers and large red hearts.

Entertainment consisted of square dancing, a new experience for many students, round dancing, and folk games such as "Four in the Boat," "Three Pretty Bluebirds," and "Bingo." A vocal sextet, composed of Peggy Sweeney, Nina Moore, Ellen Welch, Lucille Hardman, Janette Cunningham, and Helen Wright, former student, who also accompanied the sextet and played piano music for the folk games, sang three numbers: "That's An Irish Lullaby," "Please Think Of Me," and "Let Me Call You Sweetheart." Guests joined in the chorus of the last song.

Refreshments, served buffet style, consisted of sandwiches, heart

shaped cookies and candy, and red punch.

The party was closed with a folk game, "Good Night, Ladies."

Former students who attended the party were Elizabeth Clark, teacher in Sutton High School, and Billy Bennett, of Tanner.

Organizing Night Classes This Week

Two night classes will begin this week on the campus. Dean Robert T. Crawford has announced. A class in Biology 452 (Forestry), to be taught by Miss Goldie C. James, will be organized Wednesday, Feb. 14, at 7 p. m. in the Science Hall. Thursday, Feb. 15, History 320 (European History), will be offered by Miss Bessie Boyd Bell at 7 p. m. in Room 106 of the Administration building. Both courses carry 3 hours credit, and the fee for each 3 hour course is ten dollars.

Other courses may be offered if six or more students desire the same subject.

Juanita Westfall, senior, substituted for Mrs. Mary Allen Boggs at Normantown High School, Friday. Mrs. Boggs visited her husband, Pfc. William Boggs, who is stationed at Newton Baker Hospital, Martinsburg.

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fall, Ada Wilson, Katherine Hall.

TEACHER SALARIES

A letter to the editor, ap-
pearing Wednesday on the
Clarksburg Exponent editorial
page, expressed the reader's
shame when telling people
from other states about the
salaries of school teachers in
West Virginia, which he called
"disgracefully low."

He pointed out how in New
Jersey a teacher of French in
a high school told him she
earned \$3000 last year, which
included one hundred as a bonus
for coaching the school
plays. Then he quoted figures
from literature of the W. Va.
State Education Association,
"The total salaries of over
15,000 teachers in West Vir-
ginia, including vocational
teachers, principals, coaches
and supervisors, averaged
\$125 a month."

It was thought by the read-
er that the higher salaries en-
joyed by industrial laborers
for the same number of work
hours made the educational
requirements for a teacher
appear unprofitable to bother
to obtain.

Of course our state can take
some comfort from the fact
that in many states, the South-
ern ones mainly, salaries are
much lower than they are
here. But still when we think
that when one can obtain a job
calling for no skill—not even
an eighth grade diploma—and
get a larger salary than we,
after spending two, four, or
more years in college receive,
it is hardly worth the effort it
takes to meet teaching re-
quirements.

But there is another angle
to the question. The present
situation is abnormal, one in
which most "white collar
workers" are suffering lower
wages in relation to a higher
cost of living and high wages
in industry. Before the war,
even without the \$25 "raise,"
teachers fared pretty well re-
lative to other workers. Yet it
remains that now, and after
the war, teachers, if our
schools maintain high stand-
ards, must be paid more money.
Such would draw better
talent to the profession and
tend to eliminate the undesir-
able by competition.

We hope that what is ap-
parently a trend—a movement
toward higher salaries—will
continue, until at some time in
the not too distant future our
educational system can with a
shameless face tell other states
just how much money our
teachers are making. — Gray
Barker.

TO OUR ADVERTISERS

Beginning a new semester
in publishing The Mercury we
wish to express our sincere
thanks to our many advertis-
ers who have done much to
make the College publication
successful. We are sorry we
didn't get around to writing
each of you a personal letter
of thanks, but you know how
busy everyone is these days of
few workers and increased
duties.

We would like you to feel
that in addition to making a
profitable purchase in buying
advertising space in The Mer-
cury, you are furthering the
integration of College and
community, so very important
in a college town.

We feel we have been suc-
cessful in obtaining a large
circulation this year. To stu-
dents and to local subscribers
we distribute about 140 cop-
ies; our out-of-town mailing
list includes 100 addresses;
copies to extension classes to-
tal about 200; and to former
students now in the armed
forces we send gratis at least
200 copies. Reading their let-
ters of appreciation, the latter
makes us stick out our chests
the farthest. Some of them
commented that they liked to
read the advertisements of
the business firms back home
—that is something in which
you can share our pride.

Again we thank you for the
cooperation and friendly at-
titude you have expressed in
your dealings with us.—The
Glenville Mercury Staff and
Advertising Managers.

ON THE CAMPUS

By Janette Cunningham

SLIGHT DEPARTURE FROM
THE USUAL THING: Through
GROVES and over BOGGS they
fled. He, JAMES MCKEE, ELLY'S
SON, a WEAVER and a young man
of MEANS, had eloped with his love,
daughter of the town TAYLOR. She
kept wanting him MOORE and
MOORE until she attempted to
FLING herself out of the window
and when he failed to COE-operate
by dropping her she cried, "You're
a HARD MAN, MCKEE!"

As they fled toward the minister's
home the BELLS rang LOUDLY
clear for the ROWH started when
the TAYLOR found his child was
gone.

The young lover wore an old Mc-
INTOSH and she wore BROWN
clothing and a BARRETT in her
hair. His dog, PATRICK, who had
FITZ and was a perpetual BARKER,
followed them. Everything went
WRIGHT because her old fan had
to wait TEWELL the cows came
home to start a search. Rev. Jack-
son WILLIAMS, the minister, met
them in the HALL and wasted no
time in performing the WRIGHT.
His wedding gifts to her were a can
of CAMPBELL'S soup, some MY-
ERS eye medicine and a CLARK
bar. The honeymoon was spent in
SPENCER and WELCH and each
morning for breakfast they had two
cereals, BRANNON RALSTON.
They spent two happy SUMMERS
together then he went to the army
and marched STRADER than ever
to the Sgt.'s bark of "HUPP! 2, 3,
4!" (Any similarity to living persons
is purely intentional.)

"Very," said the professor, "is
a very indefinite word, and should
not be used very often."

"Hoover," said the freshman,
"was the only president who sold
vacuum cleaners."

Write to servicemen.

FROM THE MERCURY'S FILES

By Mary Jean Ralston

1939 — Seventy-nine students
made grade averages of B or above
the past semester, according to the
honor roll completed, the past week
by Mr. Carey Woofert, College reg-
istrar. 221 students eat in the Col-
lege dining halls, this is more than
half the students attending college.

1940—Only a step ahead of the
Robins has come to Glenville the
'big city' "Confucius Say" craze,
which may be even less ephemeral
than the recently out-moded
"Knock! Knock! Who's There?" fad.
Glenville State Teachers College
for the seventh consecutive year
will be host to the Sixth District In-
terscholastic Public Speaking Con-
test, it was announced yesterday by
Miss Pearl Pickens, of Glenville,
chairman.

1941—Dr. Clarence L. Under-
wood, instructor in chemistry and
education, has been ordered to re-
port, February 28, to the U. S.
Army for a year of active service,
at Fort Knox, Ky., for duty as a
Major in the armored forces.

It took Earle Spencer just thirty-
two minutes the past Tuesday night
at Elkins to score 35 points—points
which made the 72-49 victory over
Davis and Elkins' Senators a decisive
one.

1942—Glenville may be a little

town far from the nearest railroad,
but just the same, College students
in this little 'city' are not back on
their movies.

The fire behind an alarm that drew
students from Administration Hall
just before 10 o'clock Friday morn-
ing was located in an oven of a new
Magic Chef stove at the home of
Miss Ivy Lee Myers, instructor in
education.

1943—(From the Campus Capers)
Valentines appeared in the mails
the past week. College lads and
lasses received more than one of the
penny type . . . Sol Levin has a
unique Valentine from a girl in
Pittsburgh . . . He expects to change
her name to Levin some time soon.
He said so. David Tewell and Gray
Barker are the originators of a new
type of paper called "The Glenville
Prognosticator," for the occupants
of Louis Bennett Hall. Their slogan
—"All the news not fit to print."

1944—Elizabeth Clark, senior,
was elected president of the Current
Events Club at a meeting Monday
afternoon. A special meeting of the
Chemistry Club was called by Presi-
dent Homer Paul Heckert Tuesday
afternoon at which time Club mem-
bers voted to help the Y. W. C. A.
and Student Council in preparing a
College Honor Roll of former stu-
dents now in the armed service.

Notes From The Robert F. Kidd Library

Because of strained relationships
between the colored and white races
it is interesting to know what Negro
writers have written about this sub-
ject.

Now in the Library is WHAT THE
NEGRO WANTS, edited by Rayford
W. Logan. THE GREEN CONTI-
NENT is a view of Latin America
by its leading authors, historians,
biographers, novelists and essayists.
The anthology is selected and edited
by German Arciniegas.

The shelf for books for the Home
Economics department is being rap-
idly filled. New books are: KITCH-
ENS NEAR AND FAR, Herman
Smith, which contains many new
recipes; THE HUMAN HOUSE, by
Dorothy J. Field, gives charts,
sketches, pictures and suggestions to
aid the reader in organizing his own
home. EVERYDAY FOODS, Harris
and Long, and MANAGING THE
HOME, Wood, Lundquist and Stude-
ly, should be helpful to present and
future homemakers.

Students in Science will find
MANKIND SO FAR, by William
Howells, an interesting story of the
stages of the development of man.

Tinge of Humor

Student—"Really, I don't think I
should get zero on this examination."
Professor—"I know, but there is
no lower mark."

The student gets the paper,
The school gets the fame,
The printer gets the profit,
And the staff gets the blame.

The fisherman is to be pitied who
tries to explain to the wife that a
Hawaiian Wiggler isn't a woman.

"Let's have a little tete-a-tete."
"Sorry, I don't drink."

"I can get a date with any girl I
please."

"Well, go ahead then."

"That's just it; I don't please any
of them."

Then there was the freshman who
mistook a faculty member for a stu-
dent in the dining hall, punched her
and said, "Hey, Chicken, pass the
sugar."

44 STUDENTS LIVING IN COLLEGE HALLS

Forty-four students are living in
dormitories this semester and thirty-
five live off the campus, Dean Robert
T. Crawford has announced. Sixty-
two girls are enrolled and nineteen
boys. These figures differ very little
from those of the past semester.

The LETTER BOX

The following postal card, re-
ceived from Mr. E. R. Grose, re-
tired former instructor in biological
sciences in the College, attests to
the popularity of The Mercury and
shows that it passes one of the su-
preme tests of a newspaper.

No Mercury was published the
Tuesday after final examinations for
the first semester, and when Mr.
Grose did not receive his copy, he
wrote the following:

Sago, West Virginia
Gentlemen and Ladies:
Last week's Mercury did not
come to me. If the paper were
issued last week, please send me
a copy of the issue.

Yours very truly,

E. R. GROSE.

Thank you for your card, Mr.
Grose.

SOPHOMORES START PLANS FOR ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

The sophomore class discussed
plans for an assembly program
which they are to give sometime
in the near future in a meeting held
in the auditorium at the conclusion of
convocation the past Wednesday.

A committee consisting of Helen
Cox, Janet Boggs, and Ada Wilson
has been appointed by the class pres-
ident, Lyda Farnsworth, to work
out the details of the program. Miss
Ivy Lee Myers, instructor in Educa-
tion, will be faculty adviser.

Write injuries in sand, but bene-
fits in marbles.—French proverb.

There are three faithful friends—
an old wife, an old dog and ready
money.—Franklin.

OFF THE REEL

By Gray Barker

The text, "School Newspaper Pro-
duction," used in the class, "High
School Newspaper," says, among
other things, "Editors of such de-
partments as movie reviews, music,
and drama should be able to write
intelligently and interestingly, but
they should not set themselves up as
critics."

So we beg your pardon if we have
tried to be critics in these columns—
and go ahead trying to be. About
movies this column endeavors to size
up a picture as to whether you as
students will like it. Sometimes pic-
tures come up that no one has heard
about, and we think those pictures
need at least a bit of explanatory
criticism.

Recommended is "Follow the
Boys," showing next Sunday. A
story about Hollywood and other en-
tertainers who go overseas to give
shows to homesick servicemen, the
film bristles with big-name stars in-
cluding Marlene Dietrich, George
Raft, Vera Zorina, Orsen Wells. The
latter has his famous magic show in
the film. It's a wonder this show
wouldn't have drawn the same criti-
cism as "Three Jills In a Jeep,"
which, critics said, served only to
give Hollywood a vehicle for giving
itself a pat on the back.

"Forever Amber," mentioned here
the past week, will be distributed in
a 25 cent pocket-size edition. COR-
ONET purchased a condensation
right to the best-seller recently,
spent lots of money on expensive
color plates to illustrate it—only to
find they had been scooped by an-
other popular monthly. The staff
members responsible for the slip-up
were fired, we hear.

Cecil B. DeMille still hasn't paid
his \$1 union due, will carry the mat-
ter to the Supreme Court. Appar-
ently Cecil does everything on a
spectacular scale. He lost his \$98-
000-a-year job when Lionel Barry-
more took over his Lux Radio The-
ater show.

M. G. M. will film "The Hidden
Eye." We wonder if Veronica Lake
will play the lead . . . The radio
show, "People Are Funny," will be
made into a movie . . . Important
movie people now starring on
Broadway are Franchot Tone and
Fredric March, the latter appearing
in "A Bell For Adano," which will
be before the cameras soon. March
is now on the Nation's screens in
"Tomorrow the World," a film ver-
sion of the popular anti-Nazi stage
play. Skippy Homier still plays the
role of the Nazi brat that terrorizes
a household. Paradoxical note is that
the film has been banned by the O.
W. I. for European showings; just
why, they won't commit themselves.

This Week We Present . . .

M—ajoring in social studies.
A—lways happy.
R—elishes banana cream pie.
G—raduate of Tanner High
School.
A—ppreciates good music.
R—esides near Glenville.
E—nergetic blond.
T—aught last year.

H—ardly ever misses a copy of
"True Story" magazine.
A—rdent sports fan.
W—ants to be like Ginny Sims.
K—ind.
I—s a junior in the College.
N—ever cuts class.
S—eldom taciturn.

Ask for a cigarette and you will
know thy friend.—Barker.

One today is worth two tomor-
rows.—Franklin.

As a man thinketh in his heart so
is he.—Proverbs.

Weekly Round-up In Sports

By Jack Rader

We hope that the reputation of basketball has not been seriously damaged by the recent scandal involving several players of the Brooklyn College team. It is certainly unfortunate that many unscrupulous gamblers, deprived of a prey when the government ordered the closing of race tracks, have now turned to other sports.

Coach Robert Greer's Salem College Tigers have come up with another "Brooms" Abramovic, in the person of Todd Willis, who recently broke, by one point, the previous record held by Abramovic by dumping in 58 points against Alderson-Broadus. It may be remembered that Abramovic scored his 57 points in an overtime game against West Virginia Wesleyan a few years ago.

Marshall's Thundering Herd is apparently in a bad slump, having lost three games in a row recently, something which rarely happens to a Cam Henderson-coached team.

West Virginia ran up against two of the top teams in the East—Army and Temple, and came out second best each time, but made a creditable showing.

Speaking of Army (and don't we all), the Cadets have been unbeaten in basketball for some two dozen or so games now, including sixteen straight last season, and along with Navy, also unbeaten, is setting a torrid pace in the East.

In the midwest, it's still Notre Dame. This year's Irish five is the highest scoring team in the school's history, having averaged close to 60 points per game. Johnny Dee, 5 ft. 7 in. forward, and guard Bill Hassett, who incidentally is a brother of "Buddy" Hassett, the Dodger and more recent Yankee first baseman, are the stars of the South Benders.

Kentucky will be "out for blood" on Saturday when they meet Tennessee in a return game, the latter having eked out a one-point win in an earlier tilt.

Little Bobby Ruffin, lightweight from New York City, finally broke a jinx when he outpointed Johnny Greco of Montreal, Canada, on February 2 at Madison Square Garden. It was the third meeting of the pair (a fourth is in prospect), and a crowd of 17,000 was on hand. In their two earlier meetings, the first resulted in a draw and Greco won the decision in the second. But this time there was no denying Ruffin.

"Mr. Perpetual Motion" Henry Armstrong still continues to engage in the pugilistic wars, although Father Time has given him about all the sympathy he can. The 33-year-old Armstrong, who, at the height of his career held three titles simultaneously, can no longer fight with the ferocity that earned him the title of "the human buzzsaw," but he is still dangerous.

Contract-mailing time has rolled around again for the baseball teams. The New York Giants were the first to do so, having mailed out 38 contracts, while the past week the two Philadelphia teams, the Athletics and Bluejays, also sent theirs out, 30 and 32 respectively. Whereas in former years, the managers would tear their hair out waiting for their players to return their signed contract, this year they'll be doing the same thing waiting for their players to return.

SUMMER SCHOOL TO OPEN MONDAY, JUNE 4

Dean Robert T. Crawford has announced that mid-semester reports are due Monday, April 2. The present semester will end Friday, June 1. The summer session of two five-weeks terms will begin Monday, June 4, according to a College bulletin, just released.

RED CROSS MONTH, 1945 By the President, United States of America

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, under the provisions of its Congressional charter, the American National Red Cross, in this fourth year of the war, is fulfilling its obligations to comfort our wounded, to cheer and help our servicemen on every fighting front, and to provide an essential link between these men and their families at home, thereby relieving anxiety and restoring hope to all those who are suffering and in need of aid; and

WHEREAS this organization is helping the people at home to stand firmly behind our fighting men through its collection of blood for our wounded, its shipment of food parcels, medical supplies, and comfort items to our prisoners of war in enemy hands, its production of surgical dressings, and its recruitment of nurses for our Army and Navy; and

WHEREAS the American National Red Cross is also carrying on its peacetime activities by assisting the civilian victims of tornado, flood, and other disasters, and by training the people of our Nation to combat sickness and accident and thus to prevent suffering and death; and

WHEREAS by the very nature of its services and the principles

for which it stands the American National Red Cross is helping to build a world of unity and peace and brotherhood, recognizing no barriers of creed or race; and

WHEREAS this organization, which represents a tangible expression of the desire of the people to reach out to the Nation's fighting men, now far removed from them, and which is entirely dependent on voluntary contributions to carry out its purposes, is issuing to every citizen of this country its 1945 appeal for a minimum War Fund of \$200,000,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, President of the United States of America, and President of the American National Red Cross, do hereby designate the month of March 1945 as Red Cross Month, confident in the readiness of the people to respond to the utmost of their ability in support of this organization built by their generous contributions in the past and dedicated to their services in this hour of increasing need.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed. s/ FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

High School Sports Summary

The Normantown Vikings continue to hang on to a narrow lead in the Central West Virginia Conference race as it starts into the last lap before tournament time. The Glenville Red Terrors are close behind with a 10-1 record, and on Friday they will have a chance to take over the lead by knocking off the Vikings in their own back yard, something they accomplished last year after losing at home. The task will likely be much easier now that the Viking star guard, Glennard Vannoy, has left for the service. Tonight the Red Terrors will travel to Burnsville for a return tilt with that Braxton County quintet, having taken an earlier 62-35 decision.

Another return game in the county tonight will find Walkersville playing at Troy, with the latter anxious to avenge a loss to the Lewis Countians earlier in the season.

Tomorrow night will find the Sand Fork Lions journeying to Gasaway to try and repeat a 48-41 win over the Elks on February 2, and on Friday the Lions will play Troy at home.

Burnsville will play a return game at Tanner on Thursday, having taken a 43-30 victory in their first meeting.

Among non-conference teams, the Spencer Yellow Jackets and the Clay Panthers stand out. The former has beaten Glenville, Sand Fork, and Normantown among others, while Clay has trimmed Gasaway and split a pair of games with Spencer.

The St. Mary's Catholic high school of Clarksburg is another team that was under-rated when the season began and is now beginning to make the so-called experts look bad. Coached by Frank "Yack" Mazza, former Salem College ace, the Clarksburg Irish have dropped only one game all season and are rated as "the team to beat" in the forthcoming Catholic tourney. Washington-Irving is certainly not nearly as strong as in former years, Roosevelt-Wilson is away below par, while Victory is an off-and-on team.

Among state teams, Elkins, Clendenin, Stonewall Jackson of Charleston and East Bank are rated high, although Clendenin's prestige was reduced immeasurably by the 62-25 rout they suffered at the hands of South Charleston, who also rank near the top, along with Morgantown, West Fairmont, Huntington Central, and Grafton.

BARKER, BAILEY ADDRESS CURRENT EVENTS CLUB

Gray Barker, junior, and Hastings Bailey, freshman, discussed "What Will Happen in the Movies After the War" and "The Greek Problem" respectively, in a meeting of the Current Events Club Thursday. The former's talk concerned the educational phase of motion pictures, while the latter's report was in the nature of a questionnaire, in which Club members discussed the British policy in Greece and the civil war.

Mary K. Shumate, freshman and secretary-treasurer, desires that each member pay his dues, 25 cents, for the semester soon. The Club welcomes new members.

Ruth Groves, junior, visited her parents at Nicot the past week-end. Evelyn Finster and Juanita McWilliams spent the week-end at their homes at Weston and Stumptown, respectively.

HARRY PRITT WOUNDED 2ND TIME IN ACTION

Reporting for duty December 21 after recovering from previous wounds, Pvt. Charles Harry Pritt, former student, was reported wounded again in action January 24, in Belgium. A telegram from J. A. Ulio for the Adjutant General, received Saturday by his mother, Mrs. Ivy Pritt, stated he had been only "slightly wounded," and that details would follow by letter.

A CORRECTION

In the Mercury the past week, a story appeared stating that four freshmen, Bessie Brown, Anna Powell, Irene Powell, Pearlina Phillips, entered the College one semester before graduation. The statement was an error, according to Dean Robert Crawford, who said that all four completed their regular high school work.

WAA Girls Receive Awards and Points For 1st Semester

Katherine Hall, president of the WAA, presented about twenty girls with their awards and points for the first semester the past week. Among those receiving awards were: Pin: Bobby Jean Coe and Lucille Hardman; letter: Evelyn Finster; chevron: Betty Bodkin.

The number of points earned by each girl during the semester ranged from 20 to 60. Girls earning points were: Betty Bodkin 60; Lucille Hardman and Betty Waybright 50; Nina Moore, Evelyn Finster, Ellen Welch, Rosalee Stalnaker, Margaret Barrett, Peggy Sweeney, Isabelle Clark, and Ada Wilson 40; Edna Ruth Ellyson, Mary Jo Ellyson, and Ava Nell Loudin 30; Helen Cox, Juanita McWilliams, Mary K. Shumate, Bobby Jean Coe, Janette Cunningham, and Katherine Hall 20 points.

After awards had been presented, sports were organized for this semester, and the following sports and sports leaders were selected: Badminton, Juanita McWilliams; volleyball, Mary K. Shumate; hiking, Ava Nell Loudin; tennis, Hla Satterfield; soft ball, Peggy Sweeney.

Badminton and volleyball will start February 19, and the other sports will be organized later. All dues for this semester are to be paid to the secretary and treasurer, Edna Ruth Ellyson, by February 19.

MISS MYERS SPEAKS AT COLLEGE 'YW' MEETING

Miss Ivy Lee Myers, College instructor, led devotionals and spoke briefly at a Y. W. C. A. meeting the past Wednesday evening in the Louis Bennett Hall Lounge. Nineteen girls were present.

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of them!)

W. A. A. NEWS

Peggy Sweeney's basketekers, Monday night, battered their way to a 10-8 victory over Betty Bodkin's girls. This was the first victory for Sweeney's team this season.

Both teams got off to a poor start, neither one having scored at the end of the first quarter; and at half time the score was tied, 4-4. But Sweeney's girls took and maintained an undisputed lead throughout the last half of the game.

Hall was high scorer for the winners with 5 points; Welch got 6 points for the losers.

Helen Cox and Nina Moore, of the winners, and Edna Ruth Ellyson and Rosa Lee Stalnaker, of the losers, played a good defensive game. Wanda Strader officiated.

Juanita Westfall, senior, was a recent guest of friends in Boston, Mass.

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By Juanita Westfall

Robert L. Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry V. Bennett of Kent, O., and Glenville, was a recent visitor here after completing a course of gunners mate training at Great Lakes, Ill.

Sgt. James McMillen has returned to the United States and is presently at Nashville, Tenn.

Lt. Ruby Bradley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bradley of Looneyville, was released from Santo Tomas internment camp the past week when the Yanks recaptured Manila.

When the Japs struck at the Philippines late in 1941, Lt. Bradley was a nurse at Camp John Hay on Baguio. As the enemy swept over the defending Yanks, Lt. Bradley was taken prisoner Dec. 28, 1941.

The first news of Lt. Bradley's release was flashed by radio about 4 o'clock Monday, Feb. 5, and was heard by Lt. Bradley's sister, Mrs. Blake Pritchard of Spencer.

John L. Wagner, S 1/c, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wagner of Glenville, has completed his course for radio technician at Gulfport, Miss., and was transferred to Corpus Christi, Texas, Feb. 1.

Lt. Earl R. Stalnaker spent a few days the past week at his home in Glenville en route from Seymour Johnson Air Field to Chanute Field, Ill., where he is to be for the next month on special assignment.

First Lt. Jack Hamilton has returned to Camp Lee, Va., after spending a fifteen-day furlough at his home in Grantsville.

Lt. Hamilton spent thirty-three months serving in the Southwest Pacific before returning to the States about four months ago.

Staff-Sergt. Aubrey F. Goff, of Hunter Field, Ga., arrived Sunday evening for a 17-day furlough which he will spend mainly with a sister and other relatives in Gilmer County. In Georgia, Sergt. Goff, a teacher before he entered the service, is attached to the Third Air Force Staging Wing.

In Glenville a recent Thursday night to visit his parents was Capt. Robert D. Shreve, who was enroute from Lexington, N. C., to Romulus, Mich. With him were three other Air Corps captains, Paul Streitz, Carro J. Knuths, and Wallace Kuhn, all of whom had gone to North Carolina to attend rites for Capt. James W. Artzow, who was killed Sunday night near Columbus, O.

All of them were in training together in Montgomery, Ala., and served together in India and now are stationed at Romulus.

Capt. Shreve and his friends made the trip by automobile.

122 Registrants Called For Feb. 22

Leaving Glenville at nine o'clock, a. m. on Thursday, February 22, by special busses, one hundred and twenty-two men will proceed to Huntington, West Virginia, for pre-induction examination for military service. Examinations will be given on the following morning after which the draftees will be returned to Glenville. This is the largest call yet received by the Gilmer County Selective Service Board. The largest previous call was for 90 men.

For everything you have missed, you have gained something else.—Emerson.

Home is home, though it be never so homely.—Clarke.

HELEN COX SPEAKS IN COLLEGE CHAPEL HOUR

Helen Cox, sophomore, urged College students and faculty to give to the W. S. S. F. drive at the beginning of a short convocation program Wednesday morning.

Mr. Hunter Whiting, chairman of the assembly committee, told students and faculty he had intended to read a poem, but he "had stuck it in a book case" before he came to the auditorium.

Miss Bertha E. Olsen, instructor in music, played parts from "The Piano Concerto," by Tchaikowsky, and piano concertos by Tchaikowsky and Rubinstein.

Training School Janitor Dies; Had Served 23 Years

Last rites were conducted by the Rev. Gilbert B. Moore February 7 2 p. m. at the Glenville Baptist Church for Doll Bernard Fitzpatrick, 52 years old, who died at 8 a. m. Monday, Feb. 5, at his home here following an illness of one month.

A janitor at the Glenville high and public school for twenty-three consecutive years, Mr. Fitzpatrick was a son of Albert Fitzpatrick and the late Mrs. Lilly Mae Bennett Fitzpatrick, was born October 6, 1893, in Gilmer County, and had spent practically all of his life here. Before taking the job as janitor he had been employed by the Hope Natural Gas Company.

He lived at Hay's City Addition for several years but recently had moved to a home on Church Street near the county court house.

Wednesday morning the body was removed to the corridor of the local high school building and lay in state there from 11:30 a. m. until shortly before time for the final rites. Local teachers and pupils were dismissed shortly before noon to view the body and to attend the last rites at the Church and burial in the Otterbein Cemetery.

Mr. Fitzpatrick married the former Miss Pearl Bennett, who survives. Also surviving are one brother and five sisters; namely, Harlan A. Fitzpatrick, Hay's City Addition merchant, Mrs. Earl (Dorothy) Beall, Mrs. John (Mabel) Bonnell and Miss Ruth Fitzpatrick, all of Glenville, Mrs. Paul S. (Garnett) Moyers of Burnsville, and Mrs. Frank Whitehair of Baltimore, Md.

R. L. McGee of Glenville had charge of the funeral arrangements.

Are Elected On House Board Here

Mrs. Emma Spier, College dietitian, compared menus from New York City restaurants with those of the College kitchen at the first house meeting of this semester in the Verona Maple Hall Lounge, Tuesday evening.

Bobby Jean Coe and Leona Williams, juniors, were elected to represent their class on the house governing board. Rosa Lee Stalnaker, freshman, was chosen to fill a similar vacancy left by Anna Bell McLe.

MR. CLARK SPEAKS TO YOUTH FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Mr. H. Y. Clark, professor of education, spoke on the work of missionaries in the Philippine Islands at the Youth Fellowship meeting at the Methodist Church Sunday evening, Feb. 4. Refreshments were served to eleven members of the Senior and College Fellowship groups.

Hubert Zinn Gets County School Board Appointment

Hubert Zinn of Troy has been appointed a member of the Gilmer County Board of Education to serve during the absence of Pvt. Ira Reed, also of Troy, who entered the armed forces a few weeks ago and is now with an armored training unit at Ft. Knox, Ky.

Mr. Zinn, whose appointment was made here Saturday at a Board meeting, qualified by taking the oath of office. He will serve until June 30, 1945, completing Reed's term, and also will continue in the office for such part of a term starting July 1 as Mr. Reed remains in the service.

Reed, re-elected the past November, qualified for the forth-coming term before he left for the service, and has been granted a leave by the Board.

In other action Saturday the Board accepted the resignation of Miss Hazel Fisher who taught several years at Normantown, and named Mrs. Demming Wells, the former Miss Madeline Moore, of Glenville, as a successor.

Meanwhile, Miss Fisher is in Charleston and has accepted a position in the Kanawha County Public Library.

Lincoln's Letter

On the one-hundred thirty-sixth anniversary of the birth of Lincoln we reprint this letter, perhaps one of the most famous letters ever written, and one that holds a very special significance today.—Staff.

Executive Mansion, Washington
November 21, 1864

Mrs. Bixby, Boston, Mass.:
Dear Madam: I have been shown in the files of the War Department a statement of the Adjutant General of Massachusetts that you are the mother of five sons who have died gloriously on the field of battle. I feel how weak and fruitless must be any words of mine which should attempt to beguile you from the grief of a loss so overwhelming. But I cannot refrain from tendering to you the consolation that may be found in the thanks of the Republic they died to save. I pray that our heavenly Father may assuage the anguish of your bereavement, and leave you only the cherished memory of the loved and lost, and the solemn pride that must be yours to have laid so costly a sacrifice upon the altar of freedom.

Yours very sincerely and respectfully,

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Lieut. Charles Wilson of Clay and Miss Imogene Hamrick Are Married

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Imogene Hamrick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abner Hamrick, of Clay, to Lt. (jg) Charles Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Wilson, also of Clay. The wedding took place in Washington, D. C. two years ago.

Mrs. Wilson is a graduate of Widen High School and was a student here two years. Before going to Washington, D. C., where she was

employed by the air signal corps at the time of her marriage, she taught in the Clay County elementary schools. She is a sister of Mrs. Eileen Hamrick Wolfe, also a former student.

Lt. Wilson, graduate of Clay County High School, completed his junior year here in June, 1942. He is now on duty with the U. S. Navy in the Atlantic.

Frank Lee, Former Student, and Miss Erma Lee Marshall Married

Word has been received here of the marriage of Miss Erma Lee Marshall, of Elizabeth, to Petty Officer 3/c Wetzel Frank Lee, USN, former College student and son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lee, of Palestine. The ceremony took place January 22 at the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Kelly, Parkersburg.

The bride wore a two-piece street dress of white wool, brown accessories and a shoulder corsage of orchids. Miss Wilda Martin, of Ellenboro, was the only attendant.

Mrs. Lee is a graduate of Wirt County High School and Mountain State Business College. She is now employed in the offices of the South Penn Oil and Gas Co. in Parkersburg.

Petty Officer Lee, also a graduate of Wirt County High School, was a teacher in the elementary schools in that county before enlisting in the Seabees, Naval construction group, on June 7, 1942. After nineteen months service in the South Pacific

theater of war, he is now stationed at Camp Parks, Shoemaker, Calif.

Hope ever urges on, and tells us tomorrow will be better.—Tibullus.

Facts are stubborn things.—Smollett.

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