

MERCURY MUSINGS

By Gray Barker

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AFTER READING the story in the past Mercury about his father's making "weasel tracks" for Good-year Rubber Company, Billy Bell Lorentz, seven-year-old second-grader in the training school, corrected us. His father works for GOODRICH Rubber Company, he informed.

PFC. SHELDON Riggs writes us from Luxembourg, sending his "Best wishes to Charles McIntosh and all others I knew . . . Would love to hear from all of you. You'll all be gone when I get back, but I'll remember every one of you." Thanks for writing, Sheldon. We'll all remember you too—especially how you used to perspire when you carried that big bass horn around. (He was in the College orchestra.)

THE STUDENT COUNCIL and Mr. H. Y. Clark, adviser, wish us to express thanks to everyone who helped and worked so hard to make "The Gay Nineties Revue" a success. So to the following people we say, "Thank you; without your help the show could not have been possible." The cast: Helen Wright, Charles Berry, Peggy Sweeney, Mr. Earl Boggs, Dr. D. L. Haught, the Rev. Talbert N. Bennett, Hastings Bailey, Helen Cox, Mr. Hunter Whiting, Ray Brannon, Grover Weaver, and Miss Bertha E. Olsen, who led group singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" and accompanied Mr. Hunter Whiting's reading. Make-up helpers: Jean McGee, Katherine Hall, Janet Boggs, Jimmy Furr and Billy Gainer, who distributed handbills. All who loaned costumes, Miss Louise Whitlow, who sold tickets, Miss Alma Arbuckle and the Library staff, who provided tickets. Finally, the Council wishes to thank the 230 people attending who were so generous with their laughs and applause.

TWO CO-EDS went to a certain Tea Company and asked for a pound of coffee. The clerk asked if they wanted drip grind, and they said "Yes," later changing their minds about the time he was ready to grind it. After many minutes of argument, while the clerk laboriously extolled the qualities of each type of grind, he finally asked them if they would just take the coffee beans. They finally agreed on how it should be ground, however, a reliable VMH source said.

BRIKKBATS TO: A certain county weekly that said so and so "Is a graduate of Glenville State Teachers University." . . . Mr. Hunter Whiting for his devilish glee in murdering Edgar's "The Bells" . . . The curtain that just would have to stick at crucial moments during the G. N. R. . . . The audience thought it was coming down on their heads.

AS YOU READ in the Mercury the past week, no one need take the proposal placed before the state legislature to abolish certain state colleges seriously. The College's main concern right now, however, is not whether it will be here after the war, but HOW TO MAKE THE MOST OF CERTAIN OPPORTUNITIES PRESENTED. For instance: With G. S. C.'s modern farm, why not offer extensive agricultural training when the war is over? Our central location could serve many students who are interested in learning how to make the best use of those "top twelve inches." The College is already conscious of conservation, and has done much toward offering work in that field.

The reward of one duty is the power to fulfill another.—George Eliot.

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Will Lecture At Glenville State College Tomorrow

Principal speaker in convocation tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock will be Rabbi Applebaum, pictured above. Mr. Hunter Whiting has announced.

Rabbi Applebaum received the B. A. degree from the University of Toronto in Canada, and was ordained at and received the Master of Hebrew Letters degree from the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati. He is active in many civic and religious organizations and has also contributed articles to many Anglo-Jewish periodicals. At present he is serving as Rabbi of Temple Beth El in Flint, Michigan, and has lectured at many colleges in Michigan.

On the following Wednesday, March 14, the Rev. J. Perry Cox, rector of the St. Paul's Episcopal Church of Weston, will address students and faculty on the subject, "Prejudice." The Rev. Mr. Cox traveled extensively in Europe before the outbreak of the present war and while in Germany he came to know Adolf Hitler personally.

Mr. H. L. White's History Is Praised By OPA Director

After writing a history of the Gilmer County War Price and Rationing Board, to be included in a projected war history of Gilmer County, Mr. H. L. White, head of the English department, received the following letter of commendation from Mr. S. Grover Smith, district director, OPA:

"Dear Mr. White: "Last Sunday I had the opportunity of reading your very interesting history of the Gilmer County War Price and Rationing Board, dated from January, 1942, to January, 1945. This document is so interesting and inspiring that I am having a copy forwarded to our Regional Administrator, Mr. Birkett L. Williams, with the suggestion that he send it on to Mr. Bowles.

"It is the kind of picture that could be helpful not only to other boards, but to those who have charge of the planning in Washington. It clearly shows what can be done with a proper perspective and a desire to do, and you are to be congratulated on the preparation of this report. You have my personal appreciation and thanks."

Dr. D. L. Haught attended a business meeting pertaining to college affairs in general at Charleston the past week.

The illustration which solves one difficulty by raising another, settles nothing.—Horace.

Student 54 Years Ago Sells Magazine Subscriptions Here

Soliciting subscriptions Tuesday and Wednesday for "The Instructor" and "The Grade Teacher," Mr. M. D. Teter of Bridgeport, offered students who will teach next year May and June copies free with each regular subscription. In addition he offered a selection of teaching aids and special prices on other magazines displayed in Administration Hall.

A former student, Mr. Teter said "I spent my first night in Glenville fifty-four years ago. I taught from 1891 to 1894, teaching in between some terms to raise money on which to continue in school." He remarked that he received only \$140 per year for teaching then, no more than that earned in one month by present-day teachers. He said he thought the proposed increase in teachers' salaries was "a very fine thing."

Mr. Teter, receiving a copy of the Mercury Tuesday, spoke commendably of the issue, said it was "concise and complete."

Legislators Pass Teacher-Pay Bill

After a speech by Governor Clarence W. Meadows before the Legislature Friday, both House and Senate within three hours sent to him a compromise bill on increasing salaries of school teachers.

House delegates, with one exception, bound themselves to stand by the administration on its offer of a \$30 a month flat increase based on a multiple of \$3 a month.

The compromise, which seemed assured of passage, will cost the state \$1,226,000 a year more than originally planned for teachers.

W. Va. Education Bulletin Lists Post-War Objectives For College

"In building up the curricula leading to academic degrees Glenville State College will be able to offer to veterans opportunities for two or more years of preparation in such pre-professional fields as agriculture, engineering, law, medicine, dentistry, and others."

This was quoted in a January West Virginia Educational Bulletin, titled "West Virginia Offers Educational Opportunity to Her Youth Returning From the Armed Forces," which outlined post-war plans for the College centering around veterans' education and serving the type of community in which it is located.

Definite plans listed in the bulletin are:

(1) Development of courses in Commerce to a greater extent for those who wish to prepare for jobs in a short period of time and for persons who desire some foundation work for further work in the field.

(2) Proposed introduction of at least two years of functional and practical work in agriculture and to develop a strong department of home economics that will give attention to ways of improving rural home life and management.

(3) Pre-college courses for those veterans beyond high school age who need work of this nature, and short intensive refresher courses for those who may have been out of college for some time or those who require short reviews in certain fields or courses before undertaking more advanced work.

Because of its location in a rural

230 PERSONS SEE FACULTY AND STUDENTS PERFORM IN 'GAY NINETIES REVUE' HERE

COPY OF "TECO ECHO" RECEIVED HERE

Another college newspaper, "The Tecu Echo," a bi-weekly publication by students of East Carolina Teachers College, was received here the past week. A four-page seven-column paper, it contains news of the college, editorial material, and national news pertaining to education.

Samuel Wilson Is War Casualty

A War Department telegram, received the past Thursday by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Wilson, of Clay, informed them that their son, Samuel Wilson, student here two terms, 1941-42 and 42-43, was killed February 4 in Burma while serving with the Army Medical Corps.

Besides his parents, Wilson is survived by two brothers, Harold Wilson, serving with the Army overseas, and Ensign Charles Wilson, former student, now with the Naval forces in the Atlantic.

DEAN ROBERT T. CRAWFORD IS P. T. A. SPEAKER

Because Dr. D. L. Haught was called to Charleston on business, Dean Robert T. Crawford was substitute speaker at a meeting of the Glenville Parent-Teachers' Association held in the high school building Thursday night. His subject was "Schools In the Post War Era."

Nature is the master of talents; genius is the master of nature.—J. G. Holland.

area, most of its students coming from small cities, towns, and country homes, the College will offer courses that will promote better living conditions and health. Training of teachers for one-teacher schools will be stressed, the bulletin said.

PART-TIME STUDENT SWORN INTO THE NAVY

Charles Berry, part-time student, was sworn into the Navy as First Class Seaman, March 1. Mr. Berry enlisted at Clarksburg February 17 and passed a Radar test February 20. He will be allowed to remain in Glenville High School and the College until the end of the present semester.

WILL DO RESEARCH ON HISTORICAL CHARACTERS

Chosen by each student in History 320 (Modern Europe) the past week was a character who played a large part in European history since 1815, the beginning of the period covered by the course. Students in the course, taught by Miss Bessie Boyd Bell, will do extensive reading about their subjects during the next weeks, making the research the basis of a class report sometime in May.

Among the present and past-day figures chosen were Winston Churchill, Bismarck of Germany, and Napoleon III of France.

Barnestness is enthusiasm tempered by reason.—Pascal.

The "Gay Nineties" lived again—for two brief hours—Monday evening, Feb. 26, when 230 persons jammed into the College Auditorium to see the Student Council's long-promised "Gay Nineties Revue."

Featuring both student and faculty talent, the two-hour program drew the largest attendance enjoyed by a College entertainment for the past two years, the net proceeds, for use by the Council, totaling more than \$44.

The program, opened by group singing of "The Star Spangled Banner," led by Miss Bertha E. Olsen, included:

A "Barbershop Quartet" featuring Mr. H. Y. Clark, Dr. D. L. Haught, Mr. Earl R. Boggs and the Rev. Talbert N. Bennett, who sang "Sweet Adeline," "Red River Valley," a parody on "Long, Long Ago," titled "I'm Romeo." For the former two numbers they wore white trousers, with black coats, derby hats, and handlebar mustaches. For the latter number Mr. Boggs caused many a chuckle from students in Glenville High School, of which he is principal, with a chenille house coat, a woman's black hat complete with flower and a face covered with cosmetics.

Chorus 'girls' were Charles McIntosh, Grover Weaver, Ray Brannon, and Homer Heckert, dressed in crepe paper costumes of pink trimmed in green and silver, who danced two numbers, "Alexander's Ragtime Band," and "Ta-Ra-Ra-Boom-De-A Ta-Ra-Ra-Boom-de-ay."

"The Villain Still Pursued Her," was an old-time "Melodrama," in which Charles McIntosh was the villain, Helen Cox, Virginia, the "sainted daughter"; Grover Weaver, Virginia's "sainted mother"; Homer Paul Heckert, Edward, "The Model boy"; Hastings Bailey, pious Brother Phillips, who persuaded Edward to "sign the pledge." The play, a pantomime, was written, directed, and narrated by Gray Barker, who interspersed jokes when the faulty curtain failed to work.

"That Old Sweetheart of Mine," James Whitcomb Riley's poem, was recited by Mr. Hunter Whiting, with musical accompaniment by Miss Bertha E. Olsen.

"When You Were a Tulip," was sung by Charles Berry and Peggy Sweeney, accompanied by Miss Helen Wright, pianist for the entire performance. In keeping with the subject matter one wore a tulip and the other a "big red rose."

"Father, Dear Father, Come Home to Me Now," was sung in a wailing voice by Nina Lee Moore, dressed in a black skirt and shawl, her hair in pig tails, while Gray Barker enacted the role of her drunken father at the bar.

Four Old Time movie reels, "Female Impersonator," starring Charlie Chaplin, Rudolph Valentino, in "The Great Lover," "The Gay Nineties Live Again," featuring shots of famous people of by-gone days, including Teddy Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson, Thomas Edison; and a reel of four short old-time films were a part of the show.

Ushers, dressed in old-fashioned gowns, were Lucille Hardman and Janette Cunningham, the latter doubling in brass to place cards announcing the various acts on the stage. Pop corn was sold by Lydia Farnsworth and David Tewell.

Audience reaction was typified by

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Gray Barker—Janette Cunningham

THE STAFF

Lucille Hardman, Homer Paul
Heckert, Jack Rader, Wanda Strad-
er, David Tewell, Juanita West-
fall, Ada Wilson, Katherine Hall.

WHAT WE NEEDED

The "Gay Nineties Revue,"
presented here by the Student
Council February 26 was a
good thing for several reasons.

Most of us know that this is
a hectic day in which we're
living. Our friends fly off the
handle at the least provoca-
tion, we get the blues at least
twice a week; and little by
little living on "the home
front" becomes less impres-
sive.

Some said they laughed
more than they had in two or
three years—that alone would
have made the program worth
while.

But more important was the
debunking of the impression
that we, up here on College
Hill, are just barely holding
out, moping around until the
war is over and our enrollment
rises. Unless something like
the "Revue" happens once in
a while Glenvillians start for-
getting that the College is re-
sponsible in a large part for
making our town such a nice
place in which to live.

And, the show was gratify-
ing to those who, throughout
the war, have not forgotten
the College's place in the com-
munity. Even they sometimes
become discouraged, but we'll
venture to say that after Mon-
day night they won't doubt
again for a long time.

The "Revue" also showed
what students, who are per-
haps worst afflicted with war-
time lotus-eating, can do, once
they set their heads to doing
something worthwhile. Stu-
dents on the Council, who
should represent the cream of
the Campus crop when it
comes to ability, naturally are
the students most over-work-
ed. Production of the show
was a hard, time-consuming
task and as a result only now
are its shapers catching up
with their other work. But it
was worth as much, even more
perhaps, to them as it was to
the audience; because it gave
them that satisfaction realized
from a job well-done.

Also gratifying was the
whole-hearted cooperation
with so many not even con-
nected with the Council, who
put their leisure time away to
help with the show. Yes, per-
haps the "Gay Nineties Revue"
should happen more often.

What a day may bring a day may
take away.—Thomas Fuller.

INSPIRING CAREER

Not often do we hear of an
alumnus of the College having
earned such high and deserv-
ed recognition as has Dr. Wil-
liam Allison Shimer, whose
most recent honor has been his
appointment to the presidency of
Marietta College which oc-
curred about two weeks ago
and which has caused a re-
newed appreciation for and
pride in his achievements
among Glenville State College
students and graduates.

His record as student, edu-
cator, and nationally known
lecturer, which has appeared
in many newspapers recently,
is one that speaks for itself.
Interesting sidelights to a
brilliant career are such facts
as that he was a Sunday
School superintendent at the
age of fifteen and that he has
addressed graduating classes
in forty-seven of the forty-
eight states. In 1932, the same
year in which he was made edi-
tor of the high-ranking maga-
zine and official publication of
the Phi Beta Kappa, "Ameri-
can Scholar," Dr. Shimer was
commencement speaker here,
the first College alumnus to
return in that capacity.

It is with a great deal of
pride that we remember that
Dr. William A. Shimer was at
one time, like each of us, a
student in Glenville State Col-
lege, then Glenville Normal
School, and his accomplish-
ments should inspire us to
strive toward greater heights.
—Janette Cunningham.

ON THE CAMPUS

By Janette Cunningham

A great deal of laughter emitted
from three fun-loving souls,
Nina Moore, Wanda Strader and
Mary J. Ralston, when they read
in a little book that "in 1910 a
German Army officer committed
suicide by eating the contents of a
tube of Pebecco (tooth paste)." ...
Wanda S. recovers from the
mirthful moment to suggest that
we ship a few shiploads of Pebecco
to Germany right now and hope
that more German officers will do
likewise.

CRIME AND DELINQUENCY
class still has its amusing mo-
ments. . . . One member of the
class, and a married man, too,
listed marriage as one of the ma-
jor "social ills" . . . and H. P.
Heckert, with a definitely CON-
CERNED expression on his face,
asked Dr. Shreve's opinion as to
age differences being a factor in
marriage success or failure.

BASKETBALL is the order of
the day, in "fuller" swing than
ever. . . . College girls have been
playing more than usual, occa-
sionally having a tilt with local H.
S. basketballers. . . . Many a high
school game is played and replayed
in the halls of GSC by avid
basketball fans, many of them
getting active about it when the
honor of the dear old Alma Mater
is at stake.

This Week We Present . . .

- B—belongs to Y. W. C. A.
- O—outstanding in classes.
- B—became a junior this semester.
- B—busy in library in spare time.
- I—interested in biology.
- E—early riser each morning?
- C—comes from Jackson County.
- O—occasional movie-goer.
- E—earnest in the things she does.

Notes From . . . The Robert F. Kidd Library

By Ada K. Wilson

THE EXILE'S DAUGHTER by
Cornelia Spencer was added to
the biography shelf this week. It
is a fascinating story of the life
of Pearl S. Buck. The author has
written several other books, in-
cluding CHINA TRADER, THREE
SISTERS, A STORY OF THE
SOONG FAMILY, CHINA TRAG-
EDY, and many other stories of
Chinese life.

THE EXILE'S DAUGHTER is
a story of an American girl who
was reared in China and who be-
came one of the greatest authors
of the twentieth century. The
book contains vivid description of
her childhood in China and her
college years in America. Only
woman ever to receive the Nobel
prize in literature, she has writ-
ten the books of her beloved
China with great skill and insight.
Millions of readers have become
more familiar with Chinese life
by reading THE GOOD EARTH,
THE EXILE, OTHER GODS,
DRAGON SEED, and others of
her books.

Native West Virginians point
with pride to her old home at
Hillsboro. In 1940 she was pre-
sented an honorary degree of
Doctor of Letters at West Vir-
ginia University. In THIS
PROUD HEART, Miss Buck
wrote, "I want to be the best wife
in the world, the best mother. I
want to make a lot of lovely
things in stone and bronze—per-
petual things." Surely this great
desire has been accomplished by
the writer because generations
yet unborn will read and love her
books.

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comments from Mrs. Robert T.
Crawford and Mrs. John R. Wagner.
Said Mrs. Crawford, "I liked it very
much and think we should have more
programs with home talent." Mrs.
Wagner said, "I certainly was well
pleased with it. I think people en-
joyed it more than any such pro-
gram here in many years."

Mercury Quoted In N. C. Bulletin

An attest that the Mercury is
widely quoted as well as widely read
is a recent number of an East Caro-
lina Teachers College bulletin, titled
"College Bound." Filled with advice
for freshmen who enter the college,
the publication quotes a passage
from the Mercury of November 13,
1934, which the writer describes as
"worth remembering."

"Most freshman rules in college
do not curb the thought or freedom
of thought of the student, although
they do direct it in the way in which
experience has found to be best.
Even this would be modified in the
usage of a restricted set of rules.
And even though, at the time, the
freshman himself may condemn the
laws which bind him, in his later
years in college he will most likely
foster a tolerant attitude for regu-
lations, not only those of the college,
but those of the community of
which he is soon to become a part."

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Winters,
of Parkersburg, have announced the
birth of a son, Danny H., February
21, in the Camden-Clark Memorial
Hospital. The father is a College
graduate. The paternal grandparents
are the Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Win-
ters, of St. Mary's, formerly of
Glenville.

Heflin-Delbridge Marriage Announced Recently

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Heflin, of
Roanoke, are announcing the mar-
riage of their daughter, Lorraine, to
Pfe. Sidney L. Delbridge, of Spring
Hope, N. C. The ceremony took
place Tuesday, February 6, at 7 p.
m. at Augusta, Ga., at the home of
Army Chaplain Elnathan Tartt, offi-
ciating clergyman.

Mrs. Delbridge, graduate of West-
ton High School and former student
here, has for the past few years
been employed as a teacher by the
Lewis County Board of Education.
At present she is teaching in the
Roanoke Grade School.

Pfe. Delbridge has been in service
the past few years, first with the
Merchant Marine, and now with the
Army at Indiantown Gap, Pa.

Miss Rymer, Petty Officer Spurgeon Married

Miss Jean Rymer, former student
and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan
Rymer, of Troy, and Petty Officer
Jennings Spurgeon, son of Mr. and
Mrs. Okey Spurgeon, of Auburn,
were married Saturday at 7 p. m. at
the First Methodist Church, Park-
ersburg. The ceremony was per-
formed by the Rev. V. C. Cutright.

Mrs. Robert Thomas, sister of the
groom, was matron of honor, and
Mr. Ralph Shaver served the groom
as best man.

Preceding the ceremony, Mrs.
William Rymer, sister-in-law of the
bride, sang appropriate selections.

A wedding dinner was served in
the Blennerhassett Room of the
Chancellor Hotel. The couple left
Sunday for a short wedding trip.

Mrs. Spurgeon is a graduate of
Troy High School and attended col-
lege here and at Wesleyan College,
Buckhannon. Until immediately be-
fore her marriage, she was located
at Charleston.

Petty Officer Spurgeon, pharma-
cist's mate 2/c in the Navy has just
returned from active service in the
Pacific area. He has been in the
armed service for more than two
years.

Miss Erma Stump Is Bride of Norman Oles

Announcement has been made of
the marriage of Miss Erma Stump,
former student and daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Howard Stump, of Stump-
town, to Norman Oles, shipfitter 1/c,
USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn
Oles, of Grantsville. The Rev. U. E.
Wilt performed the single ring cere-
mony February 19 at the Methodist
parsonage, Spencer.

The bride wore a two-piece grey
tailored suit with white accessories.
A graduate of Normantown High
School, she is at present a teacher
in the Crummies Creek School.

The groom, a graduate of Calhoun
County High School, has been serv-
ing with the Naval forces for three
years, eighteen months of which he
was stationed in Bermuda. He is
now stationed at Harvey Point, N.
C.

Many Students Away For Week-End

Bad weather that featured a per-
sistent, all-day rain Friday did not
faze a large number of students
who braved the elements to travel to
various places out of Glenville.

Many visited their homes over
the week-end: Helen Cox, Blandville;
Juanita McWilliams, Normantown;
Evelyn Finster, Isabell Clark, Ho-
mer Paul Heckert, Weston; Charles
Fluharty, Pine Grove; Raymond
Taylor, Richwood; Chessie Spencer,
Clay; Jewel Osborne, Bickmore; Ed-
na Brannon, Rosedale; Maxine
Wright, Duck Run, where she visit-

OFF THE REEL

By Gray Barker

After again watching Laird Cre-
gar's performance as "His Excel-
lency" in "Heaven Can Wait," a po-
lite name for "The Old Scratch," we
feel a bit saddened at realizing the
actor died recently, when he finally
was climbing to recognition as a
great actor.

His lines, at the end of the movie,
should give anyone a lump in the
throat and something to ponder.
Spoken to Don Ameche when the
latter came to the outer office of the
nether regions, they went some-
thing like this: "You can't tell, they
might let you in up—ABOVE. Of
course it may be a room in the at-
tic, and your bed may be hard—you
may even be uncomfortable. It may
be two or three hundred years be-
fore you can move into the MAIN
BUILDING; but still there may be
be some people there who know you,
who might plead for you. And if
everyone else fails, I'm sure there
will be ONE who will." (He was re-
ferring to Martha, his wife).

Those who attended the GNR
Monday evening, Feb. 26, likely
wondered if the old-time silent mo-
tion pictures they saw sandwiched
between the other acts "really were
like that" when they attended the
cinema in the "teens."

Inasmuch as we can remember
only one silent movie—which inci-
dentally contained a sequence that
scared the poor child—we cannot
say. Of course the movies we saw
Monday were intended to draw
laughs, consequently only the crude-
st were selected for showing. The
Rudolph Valentino reel obviously
was cut from a much longer feature.
Chaplin made much better movies
than "Female Impersonator."

But if the movies then were
crude and emotional, they did their
job; they appealed to the type of
audience who went to see them. In
an age of red upholstery, chape-
rões, and canaries, they reflected on
the yellowed screens the faces of
the people who watched them.

Some argue that an art vanished
with the silent film; the art of tel-
ling a story by pantomime. That per-
haps is partly true, because some
present-day "epics" depend too
much on the sound track. We must
admit, however, that the silent age
produced a few pictures that many
affirm still have not been beat. "The
Birth of a Nation," and "The Cov-
ered Wagon," for instance, may not
have been surpassed since, even in
the age of Selznick and "Dollar"
DeMille.

One thing we're sure of: Some of
the offerings of today's screen are
just as trite and maudlin as all of
"The Great Lover" type put to-
gether!

Please don't miss "Holy Matri-
mony" Thursday and Friday. Mon-
tey Wooley and Gracie Field make
a team, which with their honey hu-
mor, will really tug at your heart
strings.

"The Gang's All Here," (Sunday-
Monday) is not much more than a
monstrous technicolor tour de force.

ed a brother on furlough from the
armed forces; Betty Wimer, Imo-
gene Wimer, Crawford.

Visiting in Clarksburg was Hast-
ings Bailey.

Clarence Underwood, Jr., student
in West Virginia University, visited
his mother, Mrs. Clarence Under-
wood, here.

Paul Jackson left the past Wed-
nesday for his home at Canfield,
from where he reported for a pre-
induction examination Thursday.

Later during the week-end Peggy
Sweeney left for Pennsboro, to vi-
sit a brother-in-law, Mr. James
Sweeney.

SECTIONAL TOURNEY TO BE PLAYED HERE; FIRST GAME FRIDAY AFTERNOON

By Jack Rader

Seven teams, representing Gilmer and Roane counties, will participate in the Little Kanawha Valley Sectional Tournament in the College gymnasium this week-end.

Advance indications are that there will be a capacity crowd watching the teams battle it out for the honor of representing this section (8) in the Regional Tourney at Clarksburg's Carmichael Auditorium on March 16-17.

Favored to cop the tournament are the Normantown Vikings, who have completed a season with an unblemished Conference record. The Glenville Red Terrors, defending champions, are in the same bracket, and therefore if they win their opening game they will have to meet the Vikings in the semi-finals on Saturday.

In the opening round on Friday afternoon at 2:00 Normantown will meet Tanner while at 4:30 Glenville opposes Walton. On Friday evening at 7:30 Spencer's Yellow Jackets will tangle with the Troy Trojans and at 9:00 Sand Fork's Lions will play a redrawn team from one of the two losers on Friday afternoon. The semi-finals will be played Saturday afternoon at 2:00 and 3:30 and the finals at 8:15 Saturday night.

Season tickets will cost \$1.25 for students and \$2.00 for adults. Single admission prices are \$.35 and \$.50 (including tax) for Friday's sessions and \$.45 and \$.75 for Saturday's games.

Earl R. Boggs, director of the tournament, will be in charge of the proceedings, while handling the finances will be Gilbert Reed, principal of Sand Fork High School. The Eligibility Committee will be composed of the principals of three participating schools, James Bramlett of Normantown, Melvin Mackey of Spencer, and G. D. Ramsey of Walton.

O. B. Farren of St. Mary's will officiate. Official timekeeper will be L. H. Gibson of Glenville and the official scorer, Harold Eberley, of Roane County.

Local Girls Beat Glenville, But Lose to Tanner

In a last desperate effort to make the most of the waning season, College girls participated in two basketball games the past week, with high school girls as opponents.

In a game played Friday at 3:30 p. m., Wanda Strader scored 31 points—all the points made by her commuter team—to defeat a team of local high school girls 31-15. Radcliffe led high school scoring with 8 points.

A team composed of Nina Moore, Wanda Strader, Maxine Riddle, Lucille Hardman, Ellen Welch, Isabelle Clark, and Janette Cunningham, met a 32-34 defeat at the hands of Tanner High School girls at Tanner the previous evening. Again Strader held scoring honors, tallying 19 points.

Mary Anne Ellis, training school senior, officiated at both games.

Arthur Moore, assistant field director, ARC, Whiting Field, Melton, Fla., and Mrs. Moore, the former Miss Lucille Cain, are announcing the birth of a nine-pound baby boy, a third child and first son. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Cain of Glenville. The paternal grandmother is Mrs. Louis Moore of Normantown. The father is a former principal of Normantown High School.

Write a letter to your serviceman.

Weekly Round-up In Sports

By Jack Rader

Army, having gotten its winning streak in basketball broken recently by Pennsylvania, at least has the satisfaction that their chief rival, Navy, also was dumped from the unbeaten ranks by Bainbridge Navy soon after. Other doings on the national basketball scene were: Notre Dame's point-a-minute quintet closed its season with a resounding victory over Northwestern, DePaul's George Mikan hung up a new scoring record in Madison Square Garden by swishing the nets for thirty-nine points to pace his team to an easy triumph over NYU. . . . Bob Ulles, star of the Newport, Rhode Island, high school team, has an average of 35 points per game (he has been known to score as much as 60 points in a game). . . . North Carolina, a pre-tourney underdog, coming from behind to upset South Carolina and Duke to win the Southern Conference tournament.

Speaking of tournaments, the time is near for the big post-season tourneys to begin. Several teams have already been invited and accepted, while others have declined. West Virginia is one of those who are in line for an invitation, but it is not certain whether they would accept.

Bits o' This and That: Major League baseball teams will start spring training this week and next in preparation for the coming season. . . . major track meets still do not have any "name" stars, must therefore depend almost entirely on local talent. . . . Two new coaching changes have been announced, Ed McKeever, former coach of Notre Dame, has taken over at Cornell, while Ab Kirwan has been succeeded at Kentucky by Bernie Shively.

Mrs. Russell Moore and six-months-old daughter, Sharon Kay, have returned from Dayton, O., and are now at home with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moore of Lockney. Mrs. Moore's husband, a tech-sergt., U. S. Air Corps, was stationed in Dayton for about two years but recently was transferred to the infantry and is now in training at Camp Livingston, La.

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W. A. A. NEWS

By Lucille Hardman

Mary K. Shumate and Juanita McWilliams, sports leaders of volleyball and badminton, met with W. A. A. members in the gymnasium the past Wednesday at 6:30 p. m. to organize their sports. The following captains were chosen: Volleyball, Chessie Spencer and Janette Cunningham; badminton, Rosalee Stalnaker and Isabelle Clark.

The captains selected their teams and played their first games Wednesday night. Members of Spencer's volleyball team suffered their first defeat when Cunningham's girls won both games by 15-8 and 15-10 scores. Satterfield chalked up a large percentage of the points for the winners, while Finster was outstanding for the losers.

Stalnaker's badminton team came out strong to win the first set by a 15-9 score, but Clark's girls came back to win the second set by a 15-12 score. Both teams were very evenly matched, but Stalnaker's girls finally managed to pull ahead to win the third set by a 15-13 score.

Members of Betty Bodkin's basketball team won their sixth victory of the season when they defeated Sweeney's girls by a 12-8 score. Bodkin's team led 6-2 at half-time and was never in trouble throughout the rest of the game.

Sweeney	Pts.	Bodkin	Pts.
Hall, f	6	Clark, f	6
Moore, f	2	Hardman, f	4
McWilliams, f	0	Welch, f	2
Finster, g	0	Stalnaker, g	0
Loudin, g	0	E. R. Ellyson, g	0
Sweeney, g	0	Cunningham, g	0

Referee: Wanda Strader.

College Men Defeat 'Rinkydinks', 39-22

A Glenville State College basketball team defeated a team composed of local town boys known as the Rinkydinks the past Tuesday by 39-22. The College quintet, paced by center Ray Brannon who swished the nets for a total of 20 points, led all the way and had little trouble winning. Raymond Taylor, ex-Marine playing his first game for the GSC boys, was outstanding on defense, as was Fluharty. Lineups:

G. S. C.	Pts.	Rinkydinks	Pts.
Rader, f	4	Harper, f	2
Fluharty, f	10	Peggs, f	4
Brannon, c	20	Neff, c	2
Jackson, g	5	T. Sandv, g	10
Taylor, g	0	Waggoner, g	4

Total 39 Total 22
Referee: The Rev. Gilbert Moore.

Teacher—"Young man, you ought to take a lesson from the busy bee."
Smarty—"I did. I was out last night with my money!"

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

By Juanita Westfall

Sgt. Albert Moore, of Waco, Texas, is home on a fifteen-day furlough visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Moore, of Normantown. . . . Another picture post card was received this week from Cpl. Harley E. Reger. The picture painted by De Zwart was a typical wash day in Holland. . . . Arlena Walton, S. K. 2/c, has returned to Bainbridge, Md., after spending a twelve-day leave with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Walton, of Cox's Mills. . . . Jewell Beeson has received a medical discharge from the Army and is now at home in Buckhannon.

Egbert Mollohan, S 1/c, USCGR, has moved from Miami, Fla., to a Naval Operating Base at Norfolk, Va. . . . Clavel H. Smith, of Cedarville, has arrived at Fort Bragg, N. C., for basic military training. After his initial training he will be transferred to a field organization. . . . Pfc. Harry Hyer is now at Pinecrest Sanatorium, Beckley, W. Va., after having spent some time at General Hospital, Denver, Colo. . . . Pfc. Damon W. West, who has been stationed at Ft. MacArthur, is now at Camp Howze, Texas. . . . Capt. Shirley Brown, one of the first graduates from the College to go overseas, was a visitor on the campus and a dinner guest of Dean Robert T. Crawford at Rotary Thursday. He has been overseas twenty-nine months and has served in Africa, Italy, China and came to the U. S. from Burma. Capt. Brown will report to Miami, Fla., after his furlough.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS: High-licht of the week in Glenville will be the high school sectional tournament this week-end.

Lyle Satterfield, clerk in the Glenville postoffice, is now carless. His Plymouth sedan burst into flames from some unknown reason, February 24, on Sand Ridge Hill. Mr. Satterfield sold the remains for \$25.00 to J. H. Shuman for junk. . . . The Little Kanawha River has been out of bounds for the past week; but as yet, it has not done any damage. . . . The Normantown women teachers, including Oneta Arnold, Evelyn Wagner, Flora Moore Ferrell, Mary White, Mary Allen and the writer of this column, who did substitute teaching, played the Normantown Ladies' Aide in a thrilling and laughable game the past week at the Normantown High School gymnasium. The final score

was 33-19 in favor of the Ladies' Aide. Purpose of the game was to raise money to buy a stove.

Robert Butcher, RM 3/c, who has spent the past twenty-seven months in the North Atlantic, tells of the natives of Newfoundland and how they live. He says the weather in Newfoundland is warmer than it is in Boston, due to the fact that the Gulf Stream influences the climate. Most of the natives are Irish and are fishermen by occupation. In gardening they still use fish as fertilizer. He compared the fashions of Newfoundland to those of the U. S. in 1920. At the end of his fifteen-day leave, RM Butcher will return to Newfoundland.

Pvt. Catherine Withers writes: "Many thanks for my alma mater's publication. Every issue has faithfully followed me in my wanderings throughout the army de la femme. Am now settled in the Visual Aids Dept. at W. & L. University. Each month a new group arrives at the School for personnel services and believe me some of them are characters! Seriously tho, I don't expect one could be in a more interesting locality. Miami was great, but the Army kept one indoors too much to enjoy the sunshine. Thanks again for the paper."

From "Somewhere In Italy" Pvt. G. J. Jarvis writes that he has received the Mercury and appreciates it very much. "Although I don't know many of the students there, I am always anxious to know what is going on around Glenville and the College."

"I am a bookkeeper in the supply now. I have been working at this since the past July and I like it very much. I am hoping to keep this work for the duration."

"I have had some visitors lately. Kenneth Hutchinson came to see me a week or two ago, that was the third time he came to see me. Morford Johnson was to see me the same day, and my cousin from Spencer came to see me yesterday. The last time I saw him was at Piombino, in July. I wish they could visit me more frequently. I sure would like to be back home for a while. I will soon have twenty-two months of overseas service, and not a chance of going home. I can't see how some of the fellows are lucky enough to stay back there."

"Thanks for the Mercury; I appreciate it very much. . . . Buona notte e buona fortuna, which means in Italian, Goodnight and good luck."

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