

By Gray Barker

THE OLD linings in the out-of-style handbags hanging in the closet should be searched and pockets explored deeper when the Seventh War Loan starts May 14, to continue through June 30. Colleges may count April sales on their drive objectives, the War Finance Division of the Treasury Department says, and states there will be only two war loan drives this year instead of three as in the past year. That will mean more bonds for each drive—and more bombs on Hitler's and the Son of Heaven's pates.

MISS LOUISE Whitlow commends the financial practices in the Treasury Department's floating loans for war prosecution. In the past war, she said, people didn't buy the most of the bonds. Instead, a lot of extra bank credit money was created by loans from bankers, who bought the bonds. This put enormous supplies of extra money into circulation. The people kept their extra money, and instead of lending it to the government, used the extra purchasing power to bid up prices. At present many of these "dangerous dollars" are being drained away into War Bonds. When they, in ten years, are cashed, chances are that the funds will do much to revive the depleted money market after the feared postwar slump.

MEIN KAMPUS: Margaret Barrett, who walks militantly into the Mercury office, tries to kick our shins, and mumbles something about "Campus Dirt." Her name must have got into the paper again. . . . Mr. Hunter Whiting's newest contribution to the annals of philosophy: "It isn't either juvenile delinquency or parental delinquency—it's juvenile MENTALITY." This wisdom was inspired when he told how the bobby socks arose at 4 a. m. to stand in line at a New York theater where the BOW TIE was to appear.

"OLD MAN WINTER" took another unappreciated encore the past week. Louie Bennett furnaces labored and there came forth a calorie. . . . A student, we presume, at Concord College, who will take part in a play, "The Rivals," is named Helen Hayes. . . . Nina Moore and her big sister were palavering over what seat from which to swoon at Alan Ladd in his picture Tuesday evening. . . . and two Halls were at the show together same night: Katherine and Arnold (Johnson). . . . The Pictureland beat Weston to "Lake Placid Serenade" by about two months.

ALTHOUGH IT IS likely biased, a booklet published for the Automotive Council for War Production gives some interesting information on the hampering of war production by organized workers. Some examples are: "One hundred thirty-eight workers pulled out their shirt tails and paraded through an automotive plant in 'protest' because management wanted the safety laws obeyed. . . . Tank test drivers wouldn't test their tanks because the test track was too dusty; after wetting, because it was too wet. . . . Six girls gathered around a seventh and threatened to beat her up if she didn't quit working so hard."

MR. KARL V. BROWN and his students from Spencer High School know how to be good neighbors—and good neighbors (Continued on page 4)

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Buy War Bonds

"The rules of war of past centuries have become out of date. In the battle against the enemy all means are proper, right and allowed."

That was what Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels told Germans recently when he urged them to discard warfare rules and use every means to defend the country.

Germany isn't defeated yet, but our War Bonds will help to bring that defeat.

BUY WAR BONDS!

Sgt. Conley Receives Distinguished Service Cross Posthumously

Mrs. Ethel C. Conley, of Zona, mother of Technical Sergeant Irvin F. Conley, former student in the College, has been informed by the War Department that the Distinguished Service Cross has been posthumously awarded to her son.

The citation relating to this award is as follows:

"For extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy. On July 13, 1944 in the vicinity of * * * France, when the platoon led by Sergeant Conley was pinned down by heavy enemy fire from strongly fortified positions, Sergeant Conley, exhibiting great courage and coolness under fire, advanced toward the nearest machine gun emplacement, fired his rifle until the weapon jammed, and then continued the attack with hand grenades, including several enemy grenades which he threw back before they exploded. Upon reaching the hedgerow, behind which the enemy machine gun was emplaced, he leaped into the enemy position and killed the remaining members of the crew with the butt of his rifle. Determining that his platoon was still unable to advance, he returned to his own lines with the enemy machine gun, thus weakening the network of enemy fire. Although wounded in the leg during the action, Sergeant Conley remained in active command of his platoon, and through his courageous leadership, inspired his troops to the subsequent capture of the strong enemy positions in the area. His heroic achievements exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States."

Sergeant Conley was killed in action August 10, 1944 somewhere in France. He entered the Army in January 1941, spent 13 months in the Panama Canal Zone, and was transferred overseas in May 1944.

STORY NEXT WEEK

As the Mercury goes to press, final preparations are being made for the Monday evening concert to be presented at 8:15 in the College auditorium by Mr. Baldwin Allan Allen, baritone who will sing the folksongs and ballads of Scotland. News stories of the concert, third Lyceum program of this year, will appear in next week's issue.

The most completely lost of all days is that on which one has not laughed.—Chamfort.

Language is a city to the building of which every human being brought a stone.—Emerson.

Works of the intellect are great only by comparison with each other.—Emerson.

'Hot Dogs, Lots of Fun' Promised By Sophs Friday Night

Students had better store up plenty of bicarbonate and excess energy, and get ready for a big night of hot dogs (embellished with the usual trimmings: mustard, onions, ketchup, relish) and lots of fun Friday night when the Sophomore Class will entertain with an annual party, to take place at the College athletic field. Besides "eats" galore, party planners promise an entertaining evening of games, and announce no admission will be charged.

In charge of games will be Katherine Hall, chairman of the committee, Isabelle Clark, and Grover Weaver. Ima Jean Wimer, Maxine Riddle, and Juanita McWilliams make up the refreshment committee.

The Glenville golf course will be the location for another wiener roast, this time sponsored by the Freshman Class, Friday, May 11. On the refreshment committee are Ellen Welch and Chessie Spencer; and on the entertainment committee, Betty Bodkin and Ola Satterfield.

Dean Robert T. Crawford and Mr. H. Y. Clark are planning to attend a meeting of the State Department of Education at Clarksburg tomorrow for the purpose of working out an elementary social studies curriculum.

Keen on buying War Bonds!

Spencer High School Chorus Here For Concert As Guests of Glenville State

An unusually large assembly audience, and an appreciative one if judgment may be based on applause, composed of College students and faculty members, training school pupils and teachers and several townspeople, heard a concert by the Spencer High School music department Wednesday at 11 a. m. in the College auditorium. Mr. Karl V. Brown, High school music instructor, under whose direction the program was presented, is enrolled in a night class on the campus and will be graduated here this spring.

Because of bus schedules, the assembly hour was changed from 10 to 11 a. m. and fourth period classes met at 10 a. m.

Making its third appearance here in the past four years, the Spencer High School chorus is composed of fifty-three members, though only forty-two were here. Selections sung by the chorus included "Praise to the Lord," Christiansen; "In Joseph's Lovely Garden," Dickinson; "Souls of the Righteous," Noble; "This Is My Country," Jacobs; Wilhousky arr. of "Battle Hymn of the Republic"; "O What a Beautiful Mornin'," Rodgers; "Mistah Rabbit," Trehearne; "Old King Cole," Forsyth; "The Lord Bless You and Keep You," Lutkin. Tommy Long, member of the chorus since Christmas, was tenor soloist and accompanist was Jean Walker.

A cornet quartet, composed of Robert Withers, George King, both members of the chorus, Chester Dodd and Eddie Vogeding, played one number, "The Four Horsemen," by Guentzel.

Mrs. Virginia Camicia, daughter of Mr. Brown and formerly music instructor in McDowell County, played two violin selections: "Meditation," by Massenet, and "Canon-etta," Mrs. Camicia is the wife of

College Plaque to Commemorate Those Who 'Gave Their All' In World War II

PLAN VISITS TO STATE HIGH SCHOOLS

President D. L. Haught and Dean Robert T. Crawford are planning visits to several high schools of the state before the middle of May. The President and the Dean will talk to seniors of Richwood, Widen, Clay, Clendenin, Walton, Spencer, Jane Lew, Walkersville, Weston, and probably Cowen, Webster Springs and Greenbank. The past Tuesday President Haught visited Sand Fork, Burnsville, Sutton and Gassaway high schools.

Committee Reports Council Nominations

At a Student Council meeting the past Tuesday the committee to nominate Council officers for next year, composed of Hastings Bailey, Ruth Groves and Charles McIntosh, submitted the following nominations:

For president, Homer Paul Heckert and Gray Barker; vice-president, Nina Moore and Evelyn Finster; secretary, Maxine Wright and Helen Marks; treasurer, Janet Boggs and Ellen Welch; sergeant-at-arms, Lyda Farnsworth and Jack Rader.

Students will have an opportunity to make additional nominations from the floor at a meeting of the Student Association to be held soon and an election date will be set soon thereafter.

Erected in the main corridor of Administration Hall, and soon to be dedicated, is a plaque honoring former Glenville State College students and graduates who have given their lives in World War II.

Made of Bronzite, a plastic material, the plaque is black with gold letters and consists of three parts at the present time. At the top is a plate twelve inches high and eighteen inches long on which is inscribed: "In Memoriam—We pay reverent tribute to those from our midst who gave to their country the last full measure of devotion in World War II."

Names of those who have lost their lives, their rank, and place, month and year of their deaths are on individual plates one inch high which may be attached to the main part of the plaque. As casualties are reported, new attachments may be obtained on which to place their names.

A simple dedication ceremony will be held soon, perhaps during a regular assembly period, although no definite time has been set.

Red Cross Quota Passed As County Goes Over Top

The quota for the Gilmer County Red Cross, in the drive which opened March 1, has been oversubscribed by about \$50.00 with collections reported the past week, announces Mrs. Jane Berkhouse, executive secretary of the county chapter.

Although the drive officially closed April 1, each chapter has been instructed to continue the drive until its quota is raised, and it is hoped, states Mrs. Berkhouse, that the county's quota may be oversubscribed by as much as \$200.00 when all reports are received.

Liberal donations by College instructors and students make up a part of the county's quota.

Rabbi Cooper To Be Here Tomorrow

For the second time this year cancellation of the appearance of a Rabbi was made here, when Mr. Hunter Whiting, head of the assembly committee, received word that Rabbi Louis Feinberg, scheduled to address students and faculty here tomorrow at 10 a. m., will be unable to come.

Speaking in his place will be Rabbi Samuel Cooper, of Charleston, who will be presented here by the Jewish Chautauqua Society. The College is extending invitations to all who wish to hear the address, which will be held at the usual assembly hour.

RICHARD WILSON, FORMER STUDENT, ENTERS NAVY

Richard ("Dick") Wilson, a brother of Peggy Sweeney and student here during the first semester, was sworn into the Navy April 14 as a volunteer. He likely will be assigned to submarine service later, Mrs. Sweeney said.

Emphasizing that Navy life will leave him unchanged was a card received by Mrs. Sweeney here stating: "There are lots of pretty U. S. O. hostesses here, and they're about my speed."

Write a letter to your serviceman.

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A SMALL, GREAT MAN

On Thursday, April 12, America lost a great man; and the past Wednesday she lost another, a man who was great because he was small.

Ernie Pyle, through his daily newspaper column, sat beside the fire in most American homes, not because he was reporting the war as a cosmic occurrence, but because he could see with a sympathetic clarity the little corner of the war into which he happened to carry his portable typewriter. He saw the war as did the soldiers with whom he ate, slept, laughed and cried, and his stories were to his readers, as many said, "just like a letter from our boy."

Perhaps he was loved because he didn't go into the battle fields on his own choosing. He hated the war, and he said so. He went because, once in war, he knew his duty was that he must continue to tell "the folks back home" just what it all was really like, from the viewpoint of their Bills and Joes.

Not a daring man, and that is all the more to his credit, he refused to take unnecessary risks, often declining invitations to go along on bombing missions; nevertheless he constantly was in danger, escaped many times only because of what his buddies, the soldiers, called his "Ernie Pyle luck." He must have had forebodings that the "luck" would not last forever, though, for his columns hinted that many times. He would have declined the trip to the Pacific had he not known he couldn't let the public—and the fighting men—down.

Perhaps he can represent all the millions over there, who didn't go to war because they wished to fight, but, once there, resolved to strain every fiber of muscle and every bit of will power they possessed to bring the fighting to an end so they could come back home. Like so many of them, Ernie is one whom the returning ships will leave behind.

So, friends of Ernie, you won't find his column there any more when you open your paper and you are sure to feel not a little saddened when you don't see the picture of the common-looking little man inserted among the simple words.

But hope you will see there instead every day comments, written by others, telling you that those things for which he was fighting—and he was fighting, with all the power of his homely words—are consummated. Hope you will see written there the blazing promise that the "little men" like Ernie, as he wished it, can live and die in peace.—Gray Barker.

ON THE CAMPUS

By Janette Cunningham

WAA girls played softball at the athletic field last week to the "music" of Mr. John R. Wagner's scientific farming implements. . . . Talking of music, comments, and definitely favorable ones, can still be heard on the Spencer H. S. concert in assembly. . . . "Old King Cole" and "Battle Hymn of the Republic" seem to be favorites. . . . Glee Club girls have already begun practicing commencement music.

DISAGREEMENT in Mythology Class—a strange looking animal pictured in the textbook looked like a woodtick to Mr. Whiting while Charley McIntosh insisted that it looked like "an old sow we used to have."

SERIOUS misunderstanding: Mr. Clark made the statement at a recent Student Council meeting that we must have a quorum of the student body present to do business at a student association meeting soon to be held. . . . Said one SC member, amazed and alarmed, "Mr. Clark, did you say we had to have a QUARREL with the student body?"

Reports have it that in one of Dr. Shreve's classes the number of cats that can be supported by the average size family was discussed and that a student actually laid them in the isles by relating, "I have gone to a place where a woman lives who has a lot of cats. They're afraid of people, and if a stranger comes around you can see a streak of cats going out the window."

They say that Chas. Fluharty is constantly bringing strange dog in with him and that he just seems to have a way with them. . . . Sometimes he trains them and one would jump on the chair at his command.

VERSES . . . Contributed by (Poet requests that her name not be mentioned).

Katherine Hall enjoys the show
When with Johnson she does go.

Thompson's Drug's the meeting place
For Brannon and Hardman to meet
face to face.

McWilliams gets a knock on the head
Affects her like a look at "Flu,"
'tis said.

Bessie Brown has two hearts to
carry . . .
One belongs to her—the other to
Berry.

Mary Jean Ralston, 'tis said to be
true,
Is just cuh-razy about Navy-blue.

Say a few prayers for Charlie "Mac"
He sat on the business end of a tack.

Radio fiend is David Tewell
He'd rather listen than go to school.

Fitzpatrick and Taylor—quite a pair
They're seen just about everywhere.

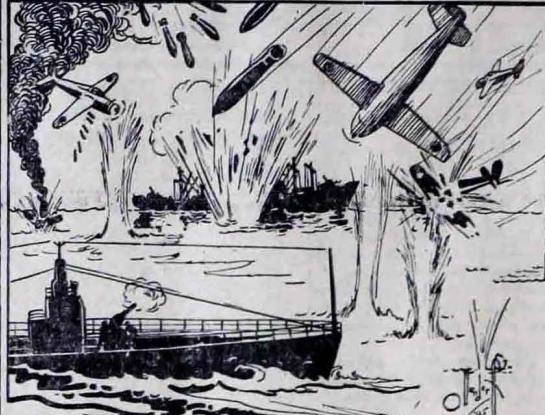
Gay Nineties cuties get weak in the
knees
While listening to that soldier from
overseas.

"Izzy" Clark is kept busy with pen
Writing to all her servicemen.

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AMERICAN HEROES

by JULIAN OLLENDORFF



GEORGE A. VICKERS, master of the SS Nathaniel Greene, has a Merchant Marine Distinguished Service Medal for heroic maneuvering of that ship during eleven months when it delivered munitions overseas. Surviving 10 torpedo plane and bomber attacks, two submarine and four torpedo onslaughts, it was finally crippled on a trip to Algerian ports, but the master successfully beached it. Laden with cargo that War Bonds helped to buy for our fighting men, it was struck by two torpedoes, yet Vickers got it ashore. U. S. Treasury Department

Notes From . . . The Robert F. Kidd Library

Van Wyck Brooks has written a critical history of American Literature in a three-volume series. The first to appear was **THE FLOWERING OF NEW ENGLAND**, the second was **NEW ENGLAND INDIAN SUMMER**, and the latest volume, **THE WORLD OF WASHINGTON IRVING**, which is in the library.

More than a life of Irving, this book tells the story of our country in the nineteenth century. The characters are people who strove to make America a better place in which to live—such persons as Sam Houston, David Crockett, Anne Royall, Poe, Jefferson, Cooper and Bryant.

In the book we travel from Connecticut to South Carolina and west beyond the Blue Ridges. It is a picture of the growth of a great nation, of the people who saw it grow and who helped to make it great.

THE GREEN YEARS, by A. J. Cronin, author of **THE CITADEL** and **THE KEYS OF THE KINGDOM**, is another of our latest books. This is the story of Robert Shannon, an orphan, who was brought to live with his grandparents in the suburbs of a Scotch city, and his continual struggle from his early years until he reached manhood.

This Week We Present . . .

- L**—ives at Troy.
- Y**—es, he's the sophomore prexie.
- D**—evotes his summers to hard farm work.
- A**—lso rides the school bus each day.
- F**—reely gives his time to work on the "Gay Nineties Review."
- A**—lways takes snap courses, such as mathematics, physics, and chemistry.
- R**—esents being called Lydia.
- N**—ow and then is delinquent in getting to his 8 o'clock class because the bus is late.
- S**—ometimes drives his father's car to school.
- W**—orks on his hobby often. It is collecting dogs.
- O**—nions are undesirable as far as he is concerned.
- R**—eally enjoys driving an automobile.
- T**—roy High School graduate.
- H**—as a major in mathematics and physical science.

Tinge of Humor

War bonds are such good investments that even Hitler is buying them.

In excusing her tardiness in answering a letter, Mrs. Wiggins wrote:

"I would have written sooner, but I have been sick with a dogbite in the arm. The man that owns the sawmill's dog bit me in the road."

Indian Chieftain (making a speech to his tribe)—You all know me as "Old Chief Trainwhistle," but since I am extremely democratic, I hope that, for short, you will feel free to call me "Toots."

"The liquor industry was born of evil, but it exists because good men tolerate it."

Johnny had seen his mother measure a yard by holding one end to her nose and the other at arm's length. One day he came running in with a piece of rope.

"Here, Mother," he said, "sniff this and see how long it is."

"Oh, Doctor!" exclaimed the woman patient, "I was suffering so much I just wanted to die."

"You did right," said the physician, "to call me at once."

Scanning over the job application forms to see if they had been properly filled out, a personnel director came across one which read: "Age of father, if living—120. Age of mother, if living—112."

He called the applicant over and asked in astonishment, "But your parents aren't that old, are they?"

"Oh, no, sir," was the reply, "but they would have been, if living."

STUDENTS ATTEND OPEN HOUSE, COLLEGE LIBRARY

Several students attended open house at the Robert F. Kidd Library Friday evening from 8 to 11 o'clock, under the direction of Miss Alma Arbuckle, librarian. Games and dancing were main features of the entertainment, and magazines were available for those who chose to read.

Ingratitude dries up the fountain of all goodness.—Richelieu.

OFF THE REEL

By Gray Barker

If instructors are perturbed by any low grades students have been making since April 7-8, they are informed these scholastic deflations may be caused by worry about the Tiger Woman, a character in a serial by that name that is playing at the Lyric Theatre every Saturday and Sunday. The thing is stretched out into twelve episodes, one showing each week, with some dire catastrophe happening to the mentioned female and her prince charming, Allen Saunders, at the end of each chapter. Throughout each week students who have seen it the previous Saturday have to suffer from the gnawing question: "How is she going to get out of this scrape?"

It wasn't so bad when Saunders fell into a blazing lava crater—the Tiger Woman pulled him out just in time—and they got out of the exploding building without a singe. But at the end of the last episode a bunch of stalactites (they are funny looking icicles made of calcium carbonate, indigenous to caverns) suspended from the top of the "Cathedral of Carnage," as the place was called, catching the two principals right under them. How they get out of this scrape we can only wait until next Saturday to know. In case any new customer is interested, some chapters in store for you are "Echo of Eternity," "Dungeon of the Doomed," "Mile a Minute Murder," "Cruise to Cremation," and "The House of Horror."

Critics tell us that the screen version of "Jane Eyre," showing here Thursday-Friday, is well adapted from Charlotte Bronte's gloomy novel about Jane and the moors. A somber mood is sustained throughout the picture, by the aid of the acting, music, and photography. Few critics became excited about its fore-runner by two days, "Till We Meet Again."

You've heard a lot about the adjectives Hollywood uses in advertising. If you think some of it is "good," hear catch-lines from R. K. O.'s new horror epic, "The Body Snatcher," starring Boris Karloff:

"Panicky thrills of terror and macabre mystery, dramatized from the foul facts of the dark days of early surgical research, when no man's body was safe in its own grave." "Graves robbed!" "Corpses Carved!" "The Dead Despoiled!" By the way, the story was written by Robert Louis Stevenson. Let's hope the Pictureland books it!

MR. CLARK ATTENDS FUNERAL RITES

Mr. H. Y. Clark, College instructor in Education, was in Buckhannon Friday attending the funeral of his uncle, Jonas J. Zickefoose, who died after a long illness. His wife, Joanna Katherine Bennett, is deceased, and was a first cousin of the late Mr. Louis Bennett, former College president.

FIVE FORMER STUDENTS TO BE INDUCTED

Thirty-one Gilmer County men, among whom are five former students, have been called to report for induction in Huntington tomorrow, by the local Board of Selective Service. Former students to be inducted according to a recent announcement are Scott Franklin Stewart, Baltimore, Md.; Herbert Judson Lamb, Parkersburg; James Swisher Singleton, Weston; Atty. Arlan William Berry, Glenville; and Adren Gerald Jones, Glenville.

Weekly Round-up In Sports

By Jack Rader

Judging from the first few games played, it would appear that the hitters are going to have a field day this baseball season, while 20-game winning pitchers are going to be scarce. On opening day, twelve home runs were hit, including two with the bases loaded. In the National League opening day games, only Curt Davis of the Dodgers and Paul Derringer of the Cubs managed to go the route, beating the Phillies and Cardinals, respectively, while in the American League all four winning hurlers went the distance.

Locally, the WAA girls are still going strong in softball, and it is a real treat each Monday evening to trek to the football field to see the girls perform, and then back to the gymnasium for badminton and volleyball. Miss Rose Funk, faculty adviser of WAA, declares intentions of making Messrs. Brannon, Jackson, Fluharty, Bailey, Rader, honorary members of the WAA, in recognition of faithful attendance.

The girls are very adept at softball. Rosa Lee Stalnaker and Juanita McWilliams, the rival pitchers, are also both good hitters. Others who are pretty good at the bat are Betty Bodkin and Margaret Barrett. Tiny Katherine "Muscles" Hall, WAA prexy, does not play softball, reserving her energy for such strenuous games as badminton and volleyball.

At his first press conference since taking over as Chief Executive, President Harry S. Truman made it clear that there will be no lifting of the ban on racing, at least for the present.

Lee Patton, ex-Princeton High School coach and more recently mentor of a prep school in New Rochelle, New York, has been named head basketball coach and assistant in football at West Virginia University. Patton succeeds Johnny Bricks, who resigned recently to accept a position as assistant to Paul Brown, who will direct the football fortunes of the Cleveland Club in the new All-America Football League, which will operate after the war.

Meanwhile, bad news came to basketball fans who follow the destinies of the Mountaineers. Lt. Roger ("Shorty") Hicks, the tiny VVU forward who created such a sensation three years ago in the NIT tourney in New York City, has been killed in action in the European theater of war, it was announced.

The present trend of the war would seem to justify the optimism that sportsmen must feel. College officials in the state are hopeful that by the fall of 1946 the war will have ended and enough boys will have returned to school to resume football, and your columnist also adds that it will be good to see the Glenville State College Pioneers back in action, especially in basketball.

The cry of "play ball" today will send the major league baseball teams on their way into their fourth wartime season, with every promise of a hard pennant fight in both leagues. Actually, Washington and New York opened the season yesterday, as it is the annual custom for the first game to be held in Washington; but the rest of the two leagues do not

FROM THE MERCURY'S FILES

1939—Dr. Charles W. Gilkey, chapel dean at the University of Chicago, will deliver the commencement address here Monday, May 29, announces Dr. E. G. Rohrbough, College president. This year the College will grant the Bachelor of Arts degree to eighty-one seniors, the largest class in the history of the school.

1940—President E. G. Rohrbough was reappointed to serve his thirty-third term as head of the College. He is the third oldest teacher's college president in the United States in point of service.

1941—Miss Catherine Withers, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Withers, of Glenville, yesterday was named queen to rule over the annual G-Club letterman's ball, May 17. Princesses selected were Lorraine Skeen and Gwendolyn Beall.

1942—Thirty-three of West Virginia's fifty-five counties are represented by the 670 students enrolled

in the College for the 1941-42 term, according to records from the office of Carey Woofter, registrar.

Steryl Brown, of Arbovale, was elected president of the student body for 1942-43. Katy Adams, of Auburn, was selected vice-president.

1943—Miss Kathleen Robertson, instructor in Speech, has announced that four one-act plays, sponsored by the Alpha Psi Omega, national honorary dramatic society, will be presented May 19 in the College auditorium.

Marjorie Hall is Mercuryite of the week.

1944—Dr. John W. Elliot, president of Alderson-Broadus College, will be speaker at Glenville State College's first combined baccalaureate-commencement ceremony, to begin at 10:30 a. m. in the College auditorium.

Thelma Ryan, sophomore, of Spencer, was elected president of the College chapter of the Y. W. C. A. to succeed Helen Taylor.

'Gay Nineties' Revue Nets \$219.47 For County Red Cross Chapter Quota

"Two hundred nineteen dollars and forty-seven cents!"

"Last, but by no means least" is a phrase which might well be applied to the final performance of the Student Council-directed "Gay Nineties Revue" at Normantown High School the past Thursday night when performers shared the spotlight with a local soldier just released from a German prison camp and where \$71.90 was contributed to bring the total contributions for this and the other three benefit performances at county high schools to the aforementioned sum.

Only change from the foregoing performances was the singing of old-time songs, as Frank Sinatra and Bing Crosby would have sung them, by Jack Rader in place of the original poetry number by Mr. Hunter Whiting, who was unable to be present.

Apparently the most popular performers were members of the Barbershop Quartet, Dr. D. L. Haight, Mr. H. Y. Clark, Mr. Stanley Hall and Mr. H. L. White, who were cheered back to the stage numerous times. One of their numbers was an especially arranged one concerning the Normantown state championship basketball team.

Immediately before the final number, Mr. James M. Bramlett, principal, presented to the audience Tech. Sgt. Junior McElwee, a graduate of the high school who was home on furlough after having been a German prisoner of war about one month and freed by the Russians recently. Sgt. McElwee told of his experiences in the prison camp and made the statement that he would not "be alive today were it not for the Red Cross."

get under way until today.

Several former college football stars, most of whom are now in the armed forces, were "drafted" by the professional football team at their recent spring meeting for such a purpose. Among those taken were: Charley Trippi of Georgia, by the Chicago Cardinals, Jim Hardy of Southern California, by the Washington Redskins, and John Yonaker of Notre Dame by the Philadelphia Eagles. The League also approved a merger of the Boston Yanks and the Brooklyn Tigers for one year.

Meanwhile, the selection of a baseball commissioner to succeed the late Judge K. M. Landis appears not far off. Ford Frick, president of the National League, still appears to have the inside track.

Is Prisoner Of War In Germany

Word was received here the past week that T/5 Ernest Ray Hersman, listed missing since December 16, is a prisoner of war in Germany.

His mother, Mrs. Hazel Hersman, A. B. '38, teacher in the Sand Fork Elementary School, received a letter from him the past week in which he stated he was a prisoner and was physically well.

Fitzpatrick Awarded The Purple Heart

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Fitzpatrick, of Camden Flats Addition, Glenville, received the Purple Heart the past week with which their son, Pfc. David ("Jake") Fitzpatrick was decorated for wounds received in action while serving with the 95th Division of Gen. Patton's 3rd Army in Germany.

In a letter received with the decoration, Pfc. Fitzpatrick said, "Mom here is an unexpected souvenir I got in Germany, and I am presenting it to you and Dad." Mr. and Mrs. Fitzpatrick also received a card from the hospital telling them that their son had been wounded in the right lower leg and that he was getting along fine.

LIBRARY DISPLAY WILL FEATURE 'JANE EYRE'

Planned for this week is a display of the novels "Jane Eyre" and "Wuthering Heights," plus other material about the Bronte sisters, Charlotte and Emily, who wrote the books, at the Robert F. Kidd Library.

Interest was stimulated in "Jane Eyre" because of the coming showing of the screen version Thursday and Friday nights at the Pictureland Theatre. Miss Alma Arbuckle, librarian, was presented a guest ticket to see the motion picture, which will star Orson Welles and Joan Fontaine, and feature Margaret O'Brien, who won the 1944 Academy Award for the best child player.

It is often better not to see an insult than to avenge it.—Seneca.

No man ever did a designed injury to another without doing a greater to himself.—Henry Home.

No star ever rose or set without influence somewhere.—Owen Meredith.

Illusion and wisdom combined are the charm of life and art.—Joubert. Where ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise.—Gray.

W. A. A. NEWS

By Lucille Hardman

Members of Mary Jo Ellyson's softball team added another victory to their list the past week when they defeated Evelyn Finster's girls by a 20-12 score.

Juanita McWilliams, pitcher for Finster's team, was knocked unconscious in the second inning by a ball batted by a member of Ellyson's team which hit her on the forehead. Although not seriously injured, she did not return to the game until the last inning. Despite Finster's girls every effort to stop Ellyson's team from scoring, they could not be thwarted.

Members of Stalnaker's badminton team chalked up another victory when they defeated Clark's girls by a 21-17 score. This is the fourth victory for Stalnaker's girls while Clark's team has three to their credit.

Members of Spencer's team won their second straight victory when they beat Cunningham's team by a 21-20 score. The game was very close throughout but Cunningham's girls were unable to keep Spencer's team from scoring. This is the second victory for Spencer's team this year while Cunningham's girls have five wins to their credit.

Former Student to Be Dealer In Postwar Aircraft

When citizens from this area take to the skyways after the war is over, Mr. Carl E. Woodford, a former student, will be a prominent figure in civilian aircraft distribution; because he announced the past week that the Woodford Flying Service, Inc., of Weston, of which he is president and manager, has been appointed distributor for Aeronca airplanes in central and northern West Virginia and part of Ohio.

Having owned and operated airplanes for the past 16 years, Mr. Woodford is well known throughout the state as one of the pioneers in aviation. He holds a commercial pilot's license, flight instructor's rating, and radio operator's license, flew the first air mail from this section of the state a number of years ago.

Mr. Woodford is a brother of Paul H. Woodford, Lieut. Graydon Woodford, Mrs. Ruby Lutz, Mrs. Roxie Gilkeson, and Miss Goldine Woodford, all former students, and the latter a teacher in Tanner High School.

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Miss Arbuckle Is 'Y. W.' Sponsor

Miss Alma Arbuckle, librarian, was chosen faculty adviser of the College YWCA chapter for the second consecutive year at a meeting Wednesday evening. At the meeting, Miss Arbuckle spoke on the subject, "Values of Worship."

A committee of Dorothy Gruden, chairman, Ellen Welch, Betty Jean Wimer and Isabelle Clark, was appointed to make plans for an outdoor party, to which the members voted to ask the members of the Y. M. C. A. as guests. Scripture was read by Helen Cox.

Isabelle Clark and Helen Cox will help with a recreational hour at the Presbyterian Church this evening.

PICTURELAND THEATRE

Tuesday-Wednesday, April 24-25
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Susannah Foster
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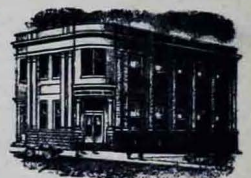
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Sgt. James Woofter, accompanied by his wife, the former Miss Grace Ramsey, is spending a ten-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carey Woofter, of Glenville. Sgt. Woofter is to report to Fort Meade, Md., April 29. He was previously stationed at Camp Howze, Texas.

Ensign Bernard Coberly of the U. S. Merchant Marines was a visitor in the Mercury laboratory the past Thursday. Ensign Coberly lives in Baltimore, Md., but spent the past week visiting relatives and friends in Glenville.

Sgt. Goff Summers was recently promoted to Staff Sgt. He has been serving overseas about four months and is presently stationed in England.

Tom Starcher, of the U. S. Army, was visiting at his home in Spencer the past week.

Lt. O. R. Wheeler's address since he was wounded is: Lt. O. R. Wheeler, 0-1328778; 4194 Hospital Plant; APO 407; c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Pfc. David Fitzpatrick, who is in an overseas hospital receiving treatment for wounds in the right leg, writes that he is getting along fine and having fun kidding his nurses. He also said he was getting caught up on his music and reading. Leonard Grose and Francis Riley, both former students, visit with him often and they have long talks about their college days. The past week his mother, Mrs. Emory Fitzpatrick, received a German sword which "Jake" sent home as a souvenir.

18 MEN CALLED FOR EXAMINATION MAY 4

Eighteen men will go to Huntingdon on Friday, May 4, for preinduction examination for the military services according to Call No. 28 received at the office of the local Selective Service Board. This group will leave Glenville at 11:30 a. m. and the examinations will be given Saturday, May 5.

Fifteen Record Albums Added To College Music Department Library

Fifteen albums of recorded music were added to the record library of the music department the past week, which will do much to widen the scope of classes in music appreciation, it was announced by Miss Bertha E. Olsen, instructor.

Both classical and modern composers are represented in the collection, including both Columbia and Victor records.

Columbia records received were Symphony No. 5 in C Minor, op. 67, Beethoven, played by the New York Philharmonic, Bruno Walter conducting; L'Arlesienne Suite No. 1, Bizet, played by the London Philharmonic Orchestra, Sir Thomas Beecham conducting; "Song of Destiny," Brahms, Orchestra of New York with Westminster Choir, conducted by John Findley Williamson; "The Three Corned Hat," DaFalla; "Symphony on a French Mountain Air," op. 25, D'Indy, played by the Concert Cologne Orchestra, Marguerite Long, pianist; "Music of Victor Herbert," played by Andre Kostelanetz and Orchestra. "Arias" (Lilly Pons in Mozart Arias); Symphony No. 40 in G Minor, Mozart, and Symphony No. 41 in C Major, Mozart, played by Sir Thomas Beecham and the London Philharmonic Orchestra; Moldau, The ("Vltava"), Smetana, played

Civilians at War

The Government needs and asks its citizens in the 176th week of the war to:

1. Begin buying your 7th War Loan E Bonds by increasing your payroll savings.
2. Secure free training for a lifetime career in the nursing profession by joining the U. S. Cadet Nurse Corps, if you are between 17 and 35, and a high school graduate.
3. Continue to save shipping space by sending at least three out of five of your overseas letters by V-Mail.

Gilmer County Track Meet To Be Held May 3

The second annual Gilmer County track meet will be held May 3 at the College football stadium. The past year Glenville won the meet with Normantown second and Troy took third place. These were the only three teams to participate. This year all five county teams are expected to take part. The events of the meet shall be the following: 100 yard dash, 220 yard dash, 440 yard dash, 880 yard run, 1 mile run, shot put, broad jump, and high jump. This meet promises to be two hours of interesting activity. It does not take a star in team play to be a star in track; this meet will offer opportunity to every high school boy in Gilmer County and every boy should be a member of the school track squad.

Will Speed Up Announcing Names of Americans Released From Prison Camps

ALEXANDRIA, VA.—The War Department has announced that, effective at once, it has authorized the immediate release to press and radio correspondents in the European Theater of the names of American prisoners of war returned to military control from prison camps

overrun by Allied forces.

This new policy was brought about as a result of the recent liberation of large numbers of American soldiers from German prison camps. Heretofore names of American prisoners of war liberated from enemy control had been withheld until the necessary military processing had been completed, and the War Department had made official notification to the emergency addressee.

While official notification will continue to be made by the War Department, in many cases in the future the first notification a family receives of the release of a father, husband, son, or brother will be through its publication in a newspaper or by means of radio broadcasts.

This new policy of releasing prisoner of war names to correspondents in the European Theater to meet the emergency created by recent large-scale liberations of American soldiers will enable the families of these soldiers to be in contact with them in a shorter period of time than would otherwise be possible. Soldiers so liberated will be permitted to write immediately to their families and friends, and the War Department will make every effort to establish this contact between the soldier and his family as expeditiously as possible.

Families of American prisoners of war are advised not to write to the War Department prior to the receipt of official notification from the Adjutant General as no information will be available. As soon as official word is received from the overseas theaters, official notification to the next of kin will be made in all cases in a matter of a few hours, it was pointed out.

To love is human, it is also human to forgive.—Plautus.

He who has health has hope, and he who has hope has everything.—Arabian Proverb.

People hate, as they love, unreasonably.—Thackeray.

SOCIAL EVENTS of the WEEK

Miss Leona Davis United In Marriage To Mr. Speers; Service at Ft. Mitchell

Sheriff and Mrs. Worthy Davis of Glenville were in Ft. Mitchell, Ky., Friday, April 13, to attend a ceremony in which Mr. Davis' youngest daughter, Miss Leona Davis, was united in marriage to Mr. William Montgomery Speers.

The single-ring service was read by the Rev. Mr. Bush, pastor of the Ft. Mitchell Baptist Church, where the wedding took place at 3:30 p. m.

The bride wore a pastel blue suit with matching hat and accessories and an orchid corsage, and was given in marriage by her father. Mr. and Mrs. Rand of Cincinnati, O., close friends of the bridal couple, were among the attendants. Also present were a few close friends from Dayton, O., and Ft. Mitchell.

The bride, a graduate of Glenville High School, received the A. B. degree at Glenville State College and later completed a commercial course in Morgantown. She worked in Charleston for a few years and then went to Cincinnati, where she is a secretary to Mr. Powell Crosley, of the Crosley Corporation.

Mr. Speers, native of Landowne, Pa., is a representative of Smith, Kline and French Laboratories in Philadelphia and is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania.

For the present the couple will be at home in Cincinnati.

THREE STUDENTS TO TAKE PART IN RECITAL

Three College students will take part in a recital to be presented by the piano and vocal pupils of Mrs. John E. Arbuckle at the Glenville Presbyterian Church Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Blondena Fitzpatrick, freshman, will sing "Sylvia," by Olej Speaks, and "My Heart Is a Haven," by Irving A. Stienel; Margaret Sweeney, senior, will sing "Sunset," by Dudley Buck, and "The Kashmiri Love Song," by Finde; and Janette Cunningham, senior, will play "Polonaise," (Op. 26, No. 1, C sharp major) by Frederic Chopin.

Peace Discussions Sponsored In Local Schools

A series of radio discussions of the coming peace and of international cooperation is being sponsored by the state and county school systems and by the combined radio stations of West Virginia, according to a news release from the W. Va. State Department of Education. Reaching into every schoolroom where a radio is available, the programs should serve to stimulate discussion of a vital subject during the time when the San Francisco Conference occupies the spotlight of national interest with its efforts to achieve a just and durable peace.

Children who have radios in their classrooms may listen, at 9:15 a. m. on four successive Fridays beginning April 20, to a discussion of peace proposals and of world friendship. Following the radio programs, they and their teachers will join in a discussion of peace. Schools without radios will give effective emphasis to these same themes through class discussion, special programs, and other planned activities. Interested citizens are urged to lend radios to schools where none are owned.

Of the program Secretary of State Stettinius said, "I hope every American will participate in discussion of these subjects during the coming months and will attempt to make up his mind about them."

Mr. Earl R. Boggs, principal of Glenville Public School, has announced he intends to follow the plans set forth by the Department in local classes.

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Troy Seniors To Present 'Brother Goose' Comedy

TROY. — William Davidson's three-act comedy, "Brother Goose," will be presented by high school seniors here tomorrow evening, April 27, under the direction of the class sponsor, Miss Virginia West.

In the cast, now rehearsing daily, are James Paugh, Rosemary Teter, Bernard Osburn, Wilda Flesher, Velma Carson, Annabelle Woofter, Dorothy Kennedy, Wanda Heckert, Reta Mason, Thelma Radcliff and Aaron Tomey. Miss Wanda Furr is the stage manager.

The play will serve as one of the features of the school's annual pre-graduation exercises.

STATE CLUB TEST

Several students in Glenville High School have received the Golden Horse Shoe pin, which is received by the students who made above ninety on the West Virginia Club test, and made the first, second, or third highest on the Golden Horse Shoe Test.

Mercury Musings . . .

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are nice people to have around. While hearing the chorus sing we had a thought that as long as young people still get together for such worthwhile activities as singing so beautifully as they did, the "younger generation," whom the juvenile delinquency enthusiasts say are "going to the dogs," definitely will take on no canine characteristics.

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