

By Gray Barker

BY THE TIME you read this, only four more days of classes will cloud or illuminate the future. Then, starting Monday, will rise the malign serpentine heads of finals. Whether it is a sigh of relief or a sigh of regret you eject, everyone must admit that it has been a good and interesting nine months after all is said and done. For some, it represented the first strange year of college; for others, a shrugged off but precious last year.

THE FACT THAT war hit enrollment hard, as it did the preceding two years, may have or may have not been to our advantage. True, college life has not been as impressing as that students enjoy in larger institutions, but other angles come up on the debit side. More personalized instruction, more opportunities to be leaders in club work and social life, are two favorable things the war has brought about.

IN A DISCUSSION of false V-E day news flashes, Mr. H. Y. Clark told a class: "The international news is just like when a baby is born and the father, mother and doctor don't know about it. President Truman, Mr. Churchill, and Mr. Stalin, don't seem to know anything about V-E day yet." That was a few hours before the official news.

LACONIC HASTING Bailey brought forth another epigram: "A prerequisite to losing your mind is having a mind to lose." We wish to thank Ruth Groves for faithful submission of the words of wisdom you see sandwiched between stories in this sheet each week. While she was on the Mercury staff the first semester searching for these "quotes" was one of her jobs as a reporter; and after she left us she was kind enough to continue threshing out the wise sayings.

WE HEAR WITH due regret of the demise of each of the nine lives of each of the felines (Note to seniors: "feline" means cat.) used in laboratory work in Biology 104 (Vertebrate zoology). Miss Goldie C. James, instructor. After the last part studied, the brain, was dissected, the kittens, slaved over for the past few weeks by Ruth Groves, Marion Means, Charles Fluharty, Ray Brannon, The Rev. Glendon McKee, Helen Marks, and Jack Fling, were given fitting cremation (or should we say "cremation") in the science hall furnace room.

A BULLETIN board saying that "The final meeting of the College Red Chapter will be in the Lounge, at . . ." was enough to lead our suspicions toward an un-American activities on der Kampus until we saw "Cross" penciled in between the "Red" and "Chapter."

WE'RE GLAD WE aren't paying a dollar for each mistake we make like the publishers of Grover Weaver's Chemistry manual did. When writing the squib about Weaver's getting the buck for correcting a mistake in his chemistry manual, we stated that his instructor was Mr. John R. Wagner. Of course chemistry is taught by Miss Rose Funk.

#### GETS TEACHING JOB

Imogene Wimer, sophomore of Crawford, received information regarding her placement at the Kanawha Head grade school for the coming year. Miss Wimer will teach in the lower grades.

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## Miss Bell Again Elected Secretary Of Association

Miss Bessie Boyd Bell, instructor of social science, was elected secretary-treasurer of the Association of Higher Education of West Virginia for the third time at the spring meeting which she, Dean Robert T. Crawford, and Miss Goldie C. James attended May 5, in Fairmont.

Dean David Kirby of Concord College was elected president, and Dr. R. H. Eliassen, Bethany College, was chosen vice-president.

Officers of the Divisional Council of State Supported Institutions of Higher Education elected were: Chairman, Mr. Kirby; secretary, Miss Goldie C. James.

Three part-time College students, Betty Bodkin, Charles Berry, and Don Shreve, who acted as janitor, took part in a Senior Control Day in the training school Monday, May 7.

## THREE GLENVILLE STATE GRADUATES LIBERATED IN GERMANY; TO BE HOME SOON

Three Glenville State College graduates whose families have been dreaming every day of their sons' safe return to the States and to their homes were released recently from German prison camps.

In Moosburg, Germany, some ninety-two miles from Berlin, Lieut. John Barnett, a prisoner for about thirty months, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Barnett, formerly of Glenville, now of Charleston, was liberated April 29 after having been confined there since November 9, 1942, when the flying fortress which he was piloting over France was shot down.

His family had not heard from him for the past several months and on May 5 received a letter in which he suggested he would be home soon, might even beat the mail back to the States.

Also liberated in a German prison center about the same time was Lieut. Joseph Hought, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Hought of Grantsville and a former principal of the Grantsville graded school.

The past week the family of Pvt. James M. Murphy of Glenville received a War Department telegram stating he had been liberated from Stalag 2-B in Germany. Pvt. Murphy is now back in the States and talked to his wife, said "hello" to his small son, James A. Murphy, by phone the past week from Washington, D. C.

Pvt. Murphy is a former teacher in Tanner High School; is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Murphy; entered the service October 26, 1944, and was taken prisoner March 11, 1944, while serving with an infantry regiment in France and Belgium.

## MRS. RADER RECOVERING FROM CANCER OPERATION

Mrs. Stella Rader of College Street is reported recovering satisfactorily from an operation in the People's Hospital in Akron, O., and is now convalescing at the home of her sister, Mrs. Lulu Stump, of Mogadore, an Akron suburb.

Mrs. Rader, who for many years was a cook in the College dormitory, is the mother of Jack Rader, sophomore.

## An Announcement

Students whose work for certification is to be completed at the close of the present semester should fill out the certificate application blank and pay a fee of \$1.00 before examinations begin, according to an announcement posted by Mr. Carey Woofter, registrar.

When all requirements of the College are met, it recommends for the first class high school, first class collegiate elementary, second class collegiate elementary, and third class collegiate elementary certificates.

The College does not recommend for any kind of emergency certificate, the announcement stated. However the College will send a transcript of the credits of students who are to be recommended for emergency certificates to their county superintendents upon request from the latter. Applications may be made at the office of the registrar.

## WAGNERS ENTERTAIN 'Y. W.' AND 'Y. M.' MEMBERS

Members of both the College Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Wagner Tuesday evening. After watching a softball game between the Pioneers and Red Terrors at the athletic field the group played "Drop the Handkerchief" and relay games and were served Coca Cola and cookies.

## Nina Moore Will Be Senior Prexy

Classes hurriedly got together recently to elect officers for the coming year, and following is a list of personalities who will be leaders next fall:

Senior Class officers will be: President, Nina Moore; vice-president, Ruth Groves; secretary, Edna Ruth Ellyson; treasurer, Leona Williams.

Janet Boggs of Clay was elected president of the Junior Class-to-be, and other officers are: Vice-president, Jack Rader; secretary, Isabelle Clark; treasurer, Maxine Riddle.

## ELLYSON HEADS GOVERNING BOARD FOR '45-'46

At a recent house meeting at Verona Mapel Hall Mary Jo Ellyson, sophomore, was elected president of the House Governing Board, succeeding Evelyn Finster. Ruth Groves, junior, succeeded Margaret Barrett as vice-president, and Janet Boggs, sophomore, was retained as secretary-treasurer.

## CEMENT FIRM WILL PUBLISH PICTURE OF SCIENCE HALL

A photograph of the Science Hall will be published in a forthcoming issue of The Blue Band, a monthly publication of the North American Cement Corporation of New York. Printed on glazed paper, it is distributed to dealers and prospective customers.

Use of the firm's product in the construction of the Science Hall led Mr. Wayne H. Funk, a representative, to request a photograph.

## STATE SUPERINTENDENT W. W. TRENT TO BE HERE FOR GRADUATION, MAY 27



Pictured, above, is Dr. W. W. Trent, state superintendent of schools, who is scheduled to be in Glenville on Sunday, May 27, when Glenville State College offers a seventy-first annual graduation exercise, with Dr. W. H. Cramblet of Bethany College the principal speaker. The public is invited to this exercise, which will begin at 10:30 a. m. in the College auditorium.

## Student Committee Members Elected

Charles McIntosh, junior, won a position on the Social Committee, of which he has been a member the past two years, after his name had been written in on ballots for the election of various student committees eighteen times, enough to defeat his closest competitor, Gray Barker, by nine votes. Others chosen:

Athletic, Katherine Hall, Jack Fling and Paul Jackson; chapel, Grover Weaver, Bessie Brown and Rosalee Stalnaker; lyceum, Betty Lydick and Jack Rader; social, Maxine Riddle and Charles McIntosh. Helen Cox, new Student Council vice-president, automatically became a member of the social committee.

(Balloting was done at the office of Pres. D. L. Hought.

## DEAN CRAWFORD PREDICTS SUMMER ENROLLMENT WILL BE 'BEST IN MANY YEARS

The Glenville State College's summer school may resemble one of prewar days, according to Dean Robert T. Crawford, who said Thursday, "Indications are that we will have the best enrollment in many years."

Although enrollment has not started and will not until Monday, June 4, Mr. Crawford hinges his prediction partly on the fact that every room in Verona Mapel Hall has been reserved and the overflow has been assigned to Kanawha Hall. Further indications are that all available private rooms in the community have been or will be reserved by students in the summer session.

No reservations have been made at Louis Bennett Hall, although about twelve men are expected, among whom are six seniors completing work toward the A. B. degree.

Dormitories will open Sunday,

Thirty-eight seniors will march to the College auditorium to receive diplomas, and Dr. W. H. Cramblet, president of Bethany College, will have a double task Sunday, when he speaks at the combined Baccalaureate-Commencement exercises which will begin at 10:30 a. m.

This year, as in 1944, the College combined the exercises because of war-time restrictions on travel.

The academic procession will form at the College gymnasium and be led to the auditorium by Homer Paul Heckert, president of the Student Council, where Dr. D. L. Hought, president of the College, will confer A. E. degrees upon the candidates for graduation, who will represent fourteen colleges.

A distinguished visitor will be Dr. W. W. Trent, state superintendent of schools.

The Choral Club, directed by Miss Bertha E. Olsen, instructor in music, will sing "O Lord Most Holy," Cesar Franck, and "Guard Well Thy Trust, America," Gibb. Completing the music on the program will be Miss Eleanor C. White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. White, who will play a violin selection, Sonata in D minor, with two movements: adagio and un poco presto, by Brahms.

Completing plans for the exercises this week are members of the following committees: Decorations and arrangements, Mr. H. L. White, Miss Margaret D. Kenney, Miss Ivy Lee Myers, Mr. H. Y. Clark, and Mr. John R. Wagner; program, Dr. D. L. Hought, Miss Bertha E. Olsen, Mr. Carey Woofter; caps and gowns, Miss Rose Funk, Miss Louise Whitlow, and Mr. Hunter Whiting. Designated to give instructions for the academic procession and general procedure is Dean Robert T. Crawford. Miss Bessie Boyd Bell and Dr. J. C. Shreve, Senior Class advisers, will give special instructions to the seniors. Miss Goldie C. James will be in charge of ushers.

All seniors, on the campus and off, are invited to attend an informal party at the College residence where they will be entertained by Dr. and Mrs. D. L. Hought, Thursday evening.

June 4, and on the following day registration will take place, after which class work will begin Tuesday. The first meal will be served Sunday at noon in the Kanawha Hall dining room.

As in the past year, classes will meet six days a week, for a total of five weeks for each of the two terms. The second term will begin Monday, July 9.

Enrollment fees for one term will be \$22.50, while students may enroll for both terms for \$32, realizing a saving of \$12. Board and room at Verona Mapel Hall (women) will be \$26.25 for five weeks, at Louis Bennett Hall (men) \$27.50.

Among students who spent the past week-end at their homes were Imogene and Betty Jean Wimer, Paul Jackson, Grover Weaver, Charles McIntosh, Homer Paul Heckert, Peggy Sweeney, Evelyn Finster and Isabelle Clark.



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

### YOU GUESSED IT

"John George," said the in-  
structor of inter-planetary po-  
litics, as he reclined in his in-  
fra-suspended arm chair, "will you turn on the tele-flex  
screen? I always have trouble  
getting all those vertical  
sweeps and horizontal ac-  
cuments just right. And while  
you are up, please tear last  
year off the cosmic calendar.  
We must start 2046 right, you  
know." (Students chuckle).

Mr. John George Radar,  
junior in Glenville University,  
strode to the tele-flex screen  
and turned several shiny  
knobs. The ionitron tube  
quickly heated and a picture  
brightened on the three di-  
mensional screen.

"Ah, just in time for the af-  
ternoon session of the San  
Holotov conference. Now  
watch your cosmo-atlas,  
everybody," said the instruc-  
tor.

The radio voice faded in  
with F. M. clarity: "We are  
looking down, ladies and gen-  
tlemen, on the big conference  
room. The delegates from the  
three big constellations are  
huddled in a corner while the  
satellite delegates are dispers-  
ing for lunch. Mr. Phinius has  
just spoken on 'What To Do  
With Irmany,' saying, 'We  
must disarm Irmany's space  
army completely. We will not  
make the mistake we did in  
2018.' When Mr. Phinius said  
that, the audience rose in ap-  
plause."

"Now here beside me is the  
permanent chairman of the  
conference. I don't believe I  
remember your name, Mr. . . ."

"I'd rather you wouldn't  
use my name if you don't  
mind."

"All right, Mr. Chairman,  
perhaps you can tell us in a  
few succinct words—ha, ha,  
ha—condensed short summary  
of the proceedings here the  
past eight months?"

"Well, we've had a very  
good attitude among all the—  
and there's the great oppor-  
tunity of negotiation that has  
come to the front many times.  
I think that the past meetings  
have shown that—well, the  
conference is progressing very  
nicely. We have discussed  
various procedures for the uni-  
versal court and the conclu-  
sions we have come to were  
very nice. In fact everything  
is very qualitative, thorough,  
and, well—qualitative."

"Thank you, Mr. Chairman;  
ah, here's the official press re-  
lease for the day: 'The giant  
constellation of Gussia today  
demanded and received 150  
votes. She also demanded and  
received control of all the  
galaxy in which she exists—'  
Just a minute, ladies and gen-  
tlemen, here you can see the  
Largintina delegation arriv-  
ing. We thought our friends of  
the southern solaspere were  
enemies for a while, imagine  
that, and even thought about  
excluding them from the con-  
ference. The remaining dele-  
gates are welcoming them  
with hearty handshakes."

"Just a minute, Mr.—  
Would you like to talk over  
the radio? Right here, a little  
closer to the microphone. Now  
in a few words what do you  
think of the conference?"

"If you don't mind, I'll go  
home and take an aspirin."

"Perfectly all right, Mr.—  
What did you say your name  
was?"

"I didn't say. But it's Drew-  
sen,—Peer Drewsen."— Gray  
Barker.

## ON THE CAMPUS

By Janette Cunningham

The following items appear  
here by courtesy of the editors of  
THE GLENVILLE PREVARICA-  
TOR, campus rival to the Mer-  
cury, slogan of which is "unreli-  
able always" and in which the  
items originally appeared.

Item 1 . . . "Janet Boggs, Col-  
lege soph., will do work on her M.  
I. (Master of Insanity) degree at  
Spencer State Hospital." Head-  
line: J. Boggs Crazy.

Item 2 . . . "Hastings Bailey,  
noted Chemistry student, has re-  
ported a new chemical compound  
discovered by his colleague, Dr.  
C. E. Fluaharty, and Bailey. They  
have not yet revealed to the  
world all the elements contained  
in this comp."

Item 3 . . . "Charlie McIntosh,  
hefty Walkersville drugstore cow-  
boy, was elected to serve on next  
year's Social Committee by an 18-  
9 vote over his nearest opponent.  
. . . McI's comment: 'I retired to  
the tranquility of the library  
where I could enjoy the serenity  
in the accustomed manner with  
which I receive my jubilant vic-  
tories. I shall do everything pos-  
sible to shirk my duties.'

Library Column: For those in-  
terested in good reading, good  
books here are some suggestions:  
THIS THING CALLED DRINK, by  
Al Cohol; A CLEAR VIEW, by  
I. C. Plainly; HOW ARE YOUR  
EYES, by I. C. U.; BUFFALO  
BILL, by B. A. Cow.

END OF PREVARICATOR ITEMS.

Plainly visible across the cam-  
pus the past Wed. was a sign at-  
tached to the outside of a top-  
floor window which read, in big,  
black letters, "Home was never  
like this!" Inspiration for the  
sign-hanging remains unknown.  
The following remark, spoken  
in dismal tones on May 8 by de-  
feated pres. candidate G. Barker,  
reminds one of the co-incidence  
that V-E day was also on that  
day. Said Barker, "An ignomin-  
ious defeat was dealt not only to  
Hitler today."

### ARE CAMPUS VISITORS

Visitors on the Campus are Mrs.  
A. F. Rohrbough, wife of Lt. A. F.  
Rohrbough, College instructor on  
leave of absence, and son, John Da-  
vis. Mrs. Rohrbough plans to remain  
here until after commencement,  
when she and her son will join Lt.  
Rohrbough at Chapel Hill, N. C.

### SKEETS By Dow Walling

## SKEETS

SURE, SKEETS. WE'LL  
PAINT THIS ON ALL THE  
FENCES IN TOWN! THE  
COPS WON'T DARE  
STOP US!

BUY MORE  
BONDS  
7<sup>th</sup> WAR  
LOAN



DOW  
WALLING

## Miss Barbara Messenger, Sgt. Beecher Reed Married, Are Now in Ashville, N. C.

Miss Barbara Messenger, eldest  
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Okey Mes-  
senger, of Baldwin, became the  
bride of Sgt. Beecher E. Reed, son  
of Lula Lowe, of Glenville, in a  
single-ring ceremony performed at  
noon Sunday, May 13, at the bride's  
home by the Rev. T. N. Bennett,  
pastor of the Troy U. B. Church.

Only attendant was Miss Ruby  
Messenger, who served her sister as  
maid of honor. The ceremony was  
performed in the presence of the  
immediate families of the bride and  
groom and a few friends. The Mes-  
senger home was decorated with

spring flowers and lighted tapers.

The bride wore a gown of white  
satin with tight-fitting bodice and  
long sleeves. Her finger-tip veil of  
tulle was gathered to form a heart-  
shaped cap and her corsage was an  
orchid.

Sgt. Reed completed his freshman  
year in Glenville State College in  
June, 1942, and for the past three  
years has been a member of the  
armed forces. He recently returned  
from serving nineteen months of  
overseas duty at a Greenland air  
base and has reported to Asheville,  
N. C. for a rest, and reassignment.  
Mrs. Reed is with him.

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

By Ada K. Wilson

THE BIBLE AND THE COMMON  
READER, by Mary Ellen Chase  
gives a clear explanation of the Bi-  
ble, a vivid history of the Hebrew  
peoples and a description of the  
characteristics which mark their  
literature.

BOSTON ADVENTURE, by Jean  
Stafford, is the story of a girl's  
dream and how it revolved around  
her family and the proud and fu-  
tile decadence of Boston society.

Two new books by the English  
writer, Evelyn Waugh, which brings  
to mind Alexander Woolcott's  
statement that she "is as near to be-  
ing a genius as any member of the  
past war generation now writing in  
England," are SCOOP, which tells  
how William Boot became the hero  
of the newspaper world, and VILE  
BODIES, a satire of the mad whirl  
and extravagant parties of the Lon-  
don society.

### H. L. WHITE YEARNS FOR POSTWAR PIPE

One thing Mr. H. L. White, head  
of the English department, will be  
looking for after the war is a pipe  
which won't burn out in the bowl  
the first few times it is smoked.  
That was the fate of one of Mr.  
White's pipes which he handed to a  
Mercury reporter. It had a hole in  
the bowl large enough to admit a  
small finger.

Nature is a volume of which God  
is the author.—Harvey.

### FRESHMAN CLASS DIRECTS WIENER ROAST

Several students attended a  
wiener roast Friday evening, May  
12, at the golf course under the di-  
rection of the freshman class, head-  
ed by Robert D. Murphy. Entertain-  
ment consisted of folk games and  
group singing.

### BIBLE CLASS STUDENTS ATTEND INFORMAL PARTY

Twelve members of the Bible  
class (New Testament) taught by  
the Rev. Gilbert Moore, attended an  
informal party at Jackson's Mill  
Friday evening. A buffet dinner,  
games, and vespers were the events  
of the evening.

### 'IS MEANS IS OR IS SHE AIN'T A SENIOR?

After spending most of the term  
classified in the ranks of the caps  
and gowns, Marion Means learned  
recently she was not a senior but a  
"special student." Here to com-  
plete work for a secondary certifi-  
cate after graduation in 1941 with  
the A. B. degree in elementary ed-  
ucation Miss Means hardly knew  
under what classification she would  
come, believed she might have to  
don the cap and gown all over again.

She enrolled here in the fall of  
1935 and completed sophomore  
work by 1937. Then she taught  
school two years, returning to com-  
plete the A. B. degree in 1938.

## OFF THE REEL

By Gray Barker

As you probably know, our em-  
ployment at the local theater enables  
us to see all the pictures gratis.  
However if movie magnates would  
cast the following people in the fol-  
lowing roles, we would PAY to see  
every picture they made—and  
GLADLY.

For instances, if Mr. Shake-  
speare's plays were put on celluloid,  
we can picture the Academy Awards  
being handed out to Homer Paul  
Heckert as Petruccio and Mary K.  
Shumate as Katharine in "The Tam-  
ing of the Shrew." . . . Charles Flu-  
harty and Juanita McWilliams would  
make a prize-winning "Romeo and  
Juliet" team . . . Janet Boggs could  
get her teeth into the Lady Macbeth  
episode: "Blood on my hands, etc.,"  
because of her flair for the weird  
and melodramatic. . . . Almost any  
member of the faculty could por-  
tray the Shylock part aptly.

And wouldn't Ray Brannon be a  
good Puck in "A Midsummer  
Night's Dream"?

After giving these people the  
Bard (That was a clever pun, play-  
ing on the word "bird.") we turn  
our fancy to other literature . . .  
Janette Cunningham, who as every-  
one knows is VERY musically in-  
clined, would be our pick for the  
role of Clara Schumann, the famed  
wife of Robert. We might cast Wil-  
lis Summers as Brahms here, but  
we're reserving our crack at him to  
the next pair o' grafts. Of course  
singing Jack Rader could be Schu-  
bert. If producers bring True Stor-  
ies to the screen Margaret Hawkins  
will be our appointment for the  
feminine lead . . . Betty Bodkin's  
Cleopatra would wow them . . . A  
complete turnabout from her "Fath-  
er Dear Father" role in the Gay  
Nineties Revue would be Nina  
Moore as "some fierce maenad."  
(Note to seniors: the maenads were  
followers of Bacchus.)

Getting into the works of one  
Geoffrey Chaucer, Margaret Barrett  
might do all right as the Wyf of  
Bathe . . . Ray Brannon (Haven't  
we heard that name before?) should  
be cast as Chauntecleer . . . The  
Persoun could be Willis Summers.

Someone suggested a certain co-  
ed as Rochester's wife in "Jane  
Eyre," but we can't do that to any-  
one.

The "Li'l Abner" strip should be  
nitrated by a capable producer with  
the following cast: Li'l Abner,  
Charles McIntosh; Daisy Mae, Dor-  
othy Gruden; Pansy, Evelyn Fin-  
ster; Silent Yokum, Mary Friend;  
Tobacco Rhoda, Ada Wilson; and  
Earthquake McGoon, Grover Weav-  
er.

### CLASSES ARE OVER FOR SENIORS THURSDAY

Thursday will be the last day that  
the seven seniors on the Campus  
will attend classes at Glenville State  
College, because, according to an  
announcement from Dean Robert  
T. Crawford, marks for seniors are  
due on that evening.

Before Thursday any examina-  
tions required of Campus seniors  
will have been given; so while un-  
derclassmen sweat through their  
last classes of the term, on Friday,  
and the final examinations the fol-  
lowing week, the Seven will be, for  
the first time in four years, "taking  
things easy."

Recent visitors in Glenville were  
Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Rhoades, Jr.,  
and Mr. Charles E. Maxwell, all  
former students.

Miss Eunice Wilfong, former  
Mercury staff member, was a recent  
visitor in Glenville.

Better know nothing than half  
know many things.—Nietzsche.



## Crowds Marvel at Tech-Sgt. Erwin's Collection of South Pacific Souvenirs

No one but Gilmer County's Tech-Sgt. James W. Erwin will ever know the monetary and sentimental values of an extensive accumulation of hand-made South Pacific souvenirs which are on display currently at the Grill, a local confectionery, opposite the Democrat office.

A former county teacher, Tech-Sgt. Erwin, native of the Troy community, has been in the service two and a half years and eighteen months in Australia and New Guinea at a Fifth Air Force supply base.

All the souvenirs on display here were sent back to Mrs. Erwin, the former Bonnie Williams, now of Glenville.

Included in the collection of hand-made articles are a "Great Grey," a kangaroo skin from a 3-year-old male kangaroo; "Baby Koola," an Australian native bear; a number of wooden souvenirs made from Australian woods, and a number of novelty pins; a leather album, hand made, from kangaroo leather; a collection of Australian coins, hand-made bracelet, necklace and novelty pins carved and molded from coin and plex-o-glass.

Sea shells from the Australian coast; and all-shell necklace, bracelets, ear rings; a plex-o-glass kit for small plane parts; miniature chrome-plated B-17 and P-38 planes, souvenirs from Brisbane; hand-made planes from shells, Australian money and plex-o-glass; a miniature B-17 "Flying Fortress," a P-38 "Lightning" and P-51 "Mustang."

Two shells, one a 37 mm, the other a 20 mm; a collection of money from the Philippines (both paper and coins); a collection of Australian stamps; water-proof matches and a number of small penants.

Mrs. Erwin, who teaches at Troy, says she will leave the display at the Grill for several days.

## Former Gilmer County Man Heads Richmond Facility

The Richmond (Va.) Times Dispatch carried recently a news item to the effect that Dr. C. T. Wilfong, a former Gilmer County man, has opened a branch medical center of the Roanoke Veterans' Administration facility in Richmond. Formerly he had been in charge of the Roanoke facility.

Primary purpose of the unit, it is explained, is to provide information to veterans on matters relating to government insurance vocational rehabilitation, loans, claims for dependency compensation, etc.

Dr. Wilfong, as head of the new veterans' branch facility, said there is a possibility that a psychiatric out-patient clinic will be established later.

A native of the Linn community, Dr. Wilfong is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Wilfong and a brother of Mrs. Jack Keith of Sand Fork, Mrs. Kline Ralston of Glenville and Mrs. W. T. Fair of Linn.

### RADER, WELCH OFFICERS IN CURRENT EVENTS CLUB

Jack Rader, sophomore, and Ellen Welch, freshman, were elected president and secretary-treasurer, respectively, of the Current Events Club for 1945-46 at a meeting Thursday.

Following the election, David Tewell, senior, who has been a member four years, spoke briefly on the San Francisco conference, which he outlined as to organization and purpose.

Miss Bessie Boyd Bell, adviser, showed the members the book that is given annually by the Club to the senior having the highest average in social studies, to be presented tomorrow in convocation.

## Weekly Round-up In Sports

By Jack Rader

News of V-E day has brought with it the hopes of sports officials that it will not be long until many of its great figures that it saw march off to war will soon be returning. With the announcement that some 2,000,000 are to be returned to civilian life, baseball clubs are hopeful that the DiMaggios, Williamses and Fellers will be climbing back into baseball uniforms soon. Of course the oft-predicted boom in sports cannot possibly occur in full until the Japanese surrender, but now that Germany has been crushed, we have two strikes on the Axis, and Uncle Sam is getting ready to let loose with his high, hard one, but we must be careful—the Jap is still swinging and he is a dangerous hitter and a tricky runner, but with Uncle Sam and John Bull on our side, we can't lose.

The announcement of the recent controversy between Carroll Widdoes, coach of the Ohio State football team, and his former superior at OSU, Lt. Paul Brown, now in the Navy, has caused no end of comment from sports officials. It seems that Widdoes accuses Brown of "stealing" his football players, by signing them to play on his Cleveland team in the proposed All-America football league after the war. Widdoes cited several instances of players being approached by Brown on the matter.

## W. A. A. NEWS

By Lucille Hardman

Members of Rosa Lee Stalnak's badminton team won their final game Wednesday evening, May 9, when they defeated Isabelle Clark's girls by a 21-8 score. Stalnak's girls have won 7 of the 10 games played.

Ellyson's softball team, still remaining undefeated, swamped Finster's girls by a 21-12 score.

Mary Jo Ellyson's and Evelyn Finster's softball teams met in the gymnasium at 6:30 p. m. Thursday, May 17, to play the final game of the year.

Finster's girls came out strong to gain 6 runs to Ellyson's 1 in the first inning. Ellyson's girls managed to pull ahead of Finster's team in the third inning and in the fourth inning added 13 runs to their list which gave them the game by a 22-11 score.

### MISS PEARL STALNAKER RETURNS FROM WASHINGTON

Miss Pearl Stalnak, a former student and a former teacher of grades 1 and 2 in the training school, has returned home from Washington where she was employed by the F. E.-L. because of the illness of her mother, Mrs. Delbert Stalnak, of Court Street.

Miss Stalnak is a sister of Lt. Earl Rymer Stalnak, a former student, and of Pvt. Jack Stalnak, a graduate, now in the Philippines.

Sgt. Jack Conrad, after undergoing an operation in a Richmond, Va., veterans facility, has been granted a second 30-day convalescent leave and at present is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Conrad in Glenville. Sgt. Conrad, overseas for several months, was wounded while in action in France. His wife and one child are living in Charleston.

## Seniors To Have Assembly Tomorrow

Final assembly program will be tomorrow at 10 a. m. and will be presented, as is the custom, by the Senior Class.

The program will include: the National Anthem; scripture reading and prayer; by Willis Summers; class will, read by Wanda Strader; class history, by Lucille Hardman; class prophecy; vocal solo, Peggy Sweeney.

The will, prophecy and history will appear in full in next week's issue of the Mercury. Inauguration of the 1945-46 Student Council officers will take place immediately following this program.

Dr. D. L. Haight, College president, or Dean Robert T. Crawford will administer the oath of office to new Student Council officers when on the stage will be members of both the retiring and the incoming Council. Brief speeches will be made by both the new president, Homer Paul Heckert, and retiring president, Janette Cunningham.

## March of Time Film In Assembly

Students learned about India and the future role of the airplane in world trade and transportation Wednesday morning in convocation by viewing two March of Time classroom films and saw three other pictures distributed by the U. S. government urging the purchase of War Bonds and made available here by Miss Crystal Summers, assistant FSA supervisor, and Mr. John E. Arbuckle, chairman of the Gilmer County War Bond Committee.

The March of Time subjects were the first two issues of a series of eight instructional films booked for the social science department, now a charter subscriber of the service recently inaugurated by Time, Inc.

### MEMBERS OF W. A. A. RECEIVE AWARDS

Highest awards earned by members this year, WAA pins, were received by Betty Bodkin, Isabelle Clark, Helen Cox, and Evelyn Finster at a short meeting yesterday.

Other members receiving awards were: Betty Bodkin, Isabelle Clark, Helen Cox, Ada Wilson, Rosalee Stalnak and Peggy Sweeney, letter; Janette Cunningham, Mary Jo Ellyson, Edna Ruth Ellyson, Ada Wilson, Rosalee Stalnak, Peggy Sweeney, and Ellen Welch, chevron; Katherine Hall, two bars. Besides these awards, twenty-seven certificates were given.

### BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT GETS OUTDOOR AQUARIUM

Work has been started on an outdoor aquarium in front of the Science Hall. In addition to being helpful in draining surplus water, the aquarium will be used by the biology department, and will be about 9 x 6 feet in size. Constructed of concrete, it will contain both a fountain and drain pipe, will contain fish and water lilies and will be surrounded by shrubs.

Miss Goldie C. James, instructor in biology, announced plans for planting weeping willows for the bank overlooking Kanawha Hall.

## BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cain of Rand are announcing the birth of a baby boy, their second child and first son, May 2 in the Kanawha Valley Hospital in Charleston. The baby weighed six pounds and four and a half ounces and has been named Frank Amos. The mother is the former Miss Toy Long. The father works at the DuPont plant at Belle.

In Charleston Sunday to see the baby and parents were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Keith of Glenville.

## Miss Willa Brand Returns Here to Speak at Woman's Club May Dinner

Miss Willa Brand, former instructor in Glenville State College who retired recently and is now a resident of Morgantown, was the principal speaker here the past week at the May dinner meeting of the Woman's Club at 6:30 o'clock at the Trinity Methodist Church. Approximately fifty women, including a few out-of-town guests, attended.

Principally, she reviewed Edna Ferber's book, "Great Son," but preceding this she offered comments and criticisms of fiction and non-fiction writers as she spoke of what she termed "Rambles Among Books."

Dinner was served by women of the church, and decorations included a table center piece of iris and lemon lilies.

Miss Pearl Pickens, vice-president, presided and as one feature of the dinner meeting presented the incoming officers, one of whom, the president, Mrs. R. L. McGee, is ill and was unable to be present.

Other officers, elected recently, are: First vice-president, Mrs. J. R. Wagner; second vice-president, Mrs. Earl R. Boggs; recording secretary, Miss Pearl Pickens; treasurer, Mrs. L. D. Zinn, and corresponding secretary, Miss Mary Elizabeth Young. Miss Brand, who has spoken on several former occasions at local club meetings, has been spending a

few days here visiting friends. As a college instructor in English, she traveled widely, visited abroad and frequently lectured on "Thomas Hardy" and "William Shakespeare."

This morning we will take Mr. Frog apart and see what makes him croak," said the professor to his zoology class. "I have a frog in my pocket to be used as a specimen." He reached into his pocket and drew out a paper bag which he emptied on the table. Out rolled a badly squashed ham sandwich.

"My goodness!" stammered the professor, mopping his brow, "I distinctly remember eating my lunch."

## PICTURELAND THEATRE

Tuesday-Wednesday, May 22-23

Anne Baxter, Michael O'Shea

William Eythe

THE EVE OF ST. MARK

From the Stage Hit by

Maxwell Anderson

Thursday-Friday, May 24-25

SING NEIGHBOR SING

Plus "Community Sing" Short

Saturday, May 26

Bob Crosby, Alan Mowbray

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Sunday-Monday, May 27-28

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THE SULLIVANS

Anne Baxter, Thomas Mitchell,

Edward Ryan

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Crosby, Linda Darnell, Betty Grable,

June Haver, Bob Hope, Harry

James and His Orchestra, Frank

Sinatra, Fibber McGee and Molly,

Carmen Miranda, Harpo Marx in

"ALL-STAR BOND RALLY"

A Twenty Minute Government

Short

LYRIC THEATRE

Saturday-Sunday, May 26-27

The heart-warming story of an 11-

year-old boy and his horse.

THE GREAT MIKE

With Stuart Erwin, Robert Henry

Plus

THE TIGER WOMAN

Chapter 8, "Passage to Peril"

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## On The Land, In the Air, And on The Sea

### With Our Friends In The Service

By Juanita Westfall

Lt. N. R. Callaghan, Jr., has been moved to the South Pacific Theater of War . . . Egbert Molloy, USCGR, was recently transferred from Norfolk, Va. to Galveston, Texas . . . Lt. Ruby Bradley, a nurse who was released from Santo Tomas internment in February and whose home is in Roane County, has been promoted to the rank of captain.

#### LETTERS:

Below are parts of a letter, written by Lt. Maurice Shock, in Germany, to his brother, John Shock, Webster County superintendent of schools. The letter recently appeared in the WEBSTER REPUBLICAN. "There are many things I'd like to write . . . We never get more than five and often six hours sleep or none at all. I've had my clothes off but once since I sailed March 9 and that was when I got to take a bath and change clothes. We do, however, have clean socks sent up every day and we also keep a pair inside our shirt. My captain, who was killed, said he had gone as long as four days without having anything but his shoes off.

"There is no doubt, of course, as to the outcome of this thing, but what we are doing is plenty tough and dangerous. We have walked (and fought along the way) as far as fifty miles in two days. We find thousands of young boys as snipers and even found a girl in one place and an eight or ten year old boy with a new rifle and a complete uniform cut down. Where there's one or a bunch there's always casualties. . . . Day before yesterday I helped liberate twenty-two American PW's. They had lost almost as much weight as those liberated from the Japs. One fellow was a Leatherman from Keyser, W. Va. . . . I have a German 32 pistol and also a German 38 Luger . . . I hope I can keep them and take them home with me.

"Lt. (Millard) Cunningham (A. B. '37) told me that Normantown won the state tournament. Is that true? They looked good in the game I saw them win from Webster Springs High School."

Lieut. J. Buhl Shahan, USNR, who left for duty in the South Pacific one week before his first son (and only child), J. Buhl II, was born, arrived in Glenville the past week on a 20-day leave from Guam, where he is attached to a military government unit.

During his absence, Mrs. Shahan, the former Miss Marjorie Bush, and the 16-month-old son have been living in Northview Addition, Glenville and the past week accompanied the husband and father to Elkins for a visit with Mrs. Catherine Shahan.

A son of Mrs. Shahan and the late Charles Shahan of Elkins, Lieut. Shahan is a former member of the House of Delegates and a former state senator. At the time he entered the service he was serving as state director of purchases.

After completing his leave he is to report to Monterey, Calif., for reassignment to another overseas post.

Lieut. A. F. Rohrbough, USNR, who has been stationed at Corpus Christi, Texas, has been transferred to a new post at Chapel Hill, N. C., and on a delay in route to his new post he and Mrs. Rohrbough and their son, John Davis Rohrbough came to Glenville, where the wife and son plan to live until such time as they may decide to join Lieut. Rohrbough at Chapel Hill.

Coach and instructor in physical education at Glenville State College and on leave of absence for service

with the U. S. forces, Lieut. Rohrbough said he probably would be assigned to a training program for U. S. naval aviation cadets, who under a new program will get about six months of training at Chapel Hill before being sent forward to an advanced training center.

David (Jake) Fitzpatrick sends word that "I hit the jackpot recently when the mail came in; got thirty-five letters at one time—the first from home in weeks." Young Fitzpatrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emery Fitzpatrick, was wounded several weeks ago and is now a patient in on ETO hospital. Because he was wounded he was awarded the Purple Heart, which was received here recently by the parents.

Leonard Cox, S 1/c, who has been serving aboard ship somewhere in the China Sea area, writes that he was a happy lad recently when for the first time in more than a year he met up with a Gilmer boy in person of Ensign Sammy Lamb. Seaman Cox is a son of the Rev. and Mrs. F. H. Cox of Letter Gap and has two brothers in the service, T-Sgt. Lawrence Dale, Ft. Jackson, S. C., and Carl, BKR 3/c, now a patient in a naval hospital in Oakland, Calif.

William Kellar, aviation storekeeper 2/c, and Mrs. Kellar, the former Miss Elizabeth Clovis, both of Quonset Point, R. I., arrived here this week to spend a 10-day leave with relatives and friends. Mr. Kellar has been stationed at the Quonset Point base for the past several months and recently Mrs. Kellar accepted work on the base. Both are former students in Glenville State College.

Pvt. Arlan W. Berry, Gilmer County prosecuting attorney on leave to serve in the armed forces, has been sent forward to Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Ark., and his present address is Co. C. 113th I. T. Bn., 78th Regt., Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Little Rock, Ark. Assigned to basic training, he probably will be there for fourteen weeks.

### Gilmer County Red Cross Drive Huge Success

Gilmer County people went to bat in a big way this year and gave the American Red Cross the biggest financial boost ever recorded in a campaign here, though of course the some 800 young men fighting on all fronts in the ETO and Pacific areas were the real drawing card behind the urge to give and give liberally.

With a quota of \$5,300 assigned, the county Red Cross chapter realized contributions totaling \$5,786.14, or \$486.74 in excess of the minimum asked for.

The drive opened on schedule under the direction of Mrs. A. H. Moore, was organized in such a way as to include key solicitors in every community, and stressed throughout was the idea that each home should be contacted and all persons given an opportunity to contribute.

By districts, the total contributions to date are: Glenville Independent, \$2204.98; Glenville District, \$726.00; Center District, \$826.02; DeKalb, \$394.71; and Troy, \$881.63. Miscellaneous contributions amounted to \$460.50.

Willis Summers, senior, led a prayer service at the M. P. Church in Glenville the past Tuesday evening.

### SCHEDULE FOR FINAL EXAMINATIONS

Final examinations will begin Monday, May 28, and continue through May 31, according to an announcement by Dean Robert T. Crawford. Following is the schedule:

#### MONDAY, MAY 28

8:00-10:00—All classes reciting at 2:00 P. M.  
10:10-12:10—All classes reciting TTh at 9:00 A. M., and Spanish 102.  
1:30- 3:30—Classes reciting MWF at 11:00 A. M. and Art 101.

#### TUESDAY, MAY 29

8:00-10:00—Classes reciting MWF at 8:00 A. M., and Typing 102.  
10:10-12:10—Classes reciting TTh at 10:00 A. M., including Algebra and Physical Education.  
1:30- 3:30—Classes reciting MWF at 1:00 P. M.

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 30

8:00-10:00—Classes reciting TTh at 8:00 A. M.  
10:10-12:10—Classes reciting MWF at 9:00 A. M.  
1:30- 3:30—Classes reciting at 3:00 P. M. and classes reciting TTh at 1:00 P. M. (If a conflict arises here, please arrange for a change in schedule through the Office of Dean.)

#### THURSDAY, MAY 31

8:00-10:00—Classes reciting TTh at 11:00 A. M.  
10:10-12:10—Classes reciting MF at 10:00 A. M.  
1:30- 3:30—Classes meeting at irregular hours, or those for which conflicts have not been settled.

### HOMER PAUL HECKERT OF WESTON TO HEAD STUDENT COUNCIL HERE NEXT YEAR

Inauguration ceremonies will be held tomorrow immediately following assembly for members of the 1945-46 Student Council, to be headed by newly-elected President Homer Paul Heckert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carey Heckert, of Weston. Climax of one of the most vigorous campus campaigns for several years, an election conducted Tuesday, May 8, resulted in Mr. Heckert's victory over Gray Barker, of Exchange, by a margin of ten votes, 27-17.

Class presidents, also members of the Council by virtue of that office, were chosen in elections the past week.

Taking the oath of office as vice-president of the Council will be Helen Cox, of West Union, who won over Evelyn Finster, of Weston, 25-40.

Maxine Wright, of Duck Run, was chosen secretary, winning by a 30-34 count over Helen Marks, of Sand Fork.

Only one vote decided the race for treasurer; Ellen Welch, of Clarksburg, winning over Janet Boggs, of Clay, 33-34.

Council member this year as president of the sophomore class, Lyda Farnsworth will next year assume the duties of sergeant-at-arms, having won over Jack Rader, of Glenville, 25-41.

Although not on the official ballot, Nina Moore and Charles McIntosh each received one vote for

president, their names having been written in.

Senior class president next year will be Nina Moore, of Glenville; junior president, Janet Boggs, of Clay; sophomore president, Hastings Bailey, of Spencer. A freshman president will be elected next fall.

Mr. Heckert is a graduate of Glenville High School with the class of 1942. Since entering the College, he has been a member of the Chemistry Club, Social Committee, Mercury staff, Canterbury Club, Holy Roller Court, Ohnimgohow Players, Alpha Psi Omega, and this year has served as president of the College Y. M. C. A. chapter and as Student

### Miss Ralston Takes Job As Clerk In Selective Service

Miss Mary Jean Ralston, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cline Ralston of Glenville, has accepted a civil service appointment as clerk in the office of the Gilmer County Board of Selective Service, effective May 7, it was announced here today.

She succeeds Mrs. Winifred Bonnell of West Union, who has resigned but probably will remain on duty here for a short time in order to assist the new clerk in taking over the work. Mrs. Bonnell is a native of West Union and came here to her present position November 30.

Miss Ralston has been a student this year in Glenville State College and expects to complete another semester's work there this month.

Chairman of the Selective Service Board is C. W. Marsh, and the members are O. B. Wilson of Glenville and Hoke Williams of Normantown.

All extension classes of Glenville State College were completed Wednesday May 16, according to Dean Robert T. Crawford.

Be silent and safe—silence never betrays you.—John Boyle O'Reilly.

Council sergeant-at-arms.

Approximately eighty-eight per cent of students on the campus voted, Evelyn Finster casting the first ballot and Robert Dean Murphy the last one. The polls were open from 10 to 12 a. m. and from 1 to 3 p. m.

Campaigning previous to the election included printed cards, hand-printed campaign badges and a special screen advertisement for Gray Barker at the Pictureland Theater.

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