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Dr. Stalnaker Presents Abstract To Library



DR. STALNAKER

Taught Social Studies Here

Dr. Wade O. Stalnaker '21, who is State Supervisor of Services for the Blind and Severely Disabled in West Virginia, recently sent an abstract of his thesis for his Ph. D. degree to the Robert F. Kidd Library. The subject of the thesis is "A Comparative Study of County Superintendents of School in West Virginia."

Dr. Stalnaker who was born and received his elementary education in Lewis County, graduated from Glenville Normal school in 1921; received his A. B. degree from Fairmont State Teacher's College in 1927; his Master's degree from West Virginia University in 1929; and his Ph. D. degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 1945. He taught social studies and economics in Glenville State Teachers' College during five summer terms; education and social studies in Greenbrier College for five summer terms; (Continued On Page Four)

Freshmen Present Variety Program

The freshmen class will present a variety program in Convocation, Thursday, Oct. 25, according to plans which were made at a class meeting following Convocation, Oct. 18.

A program committee representing the various sections of the class was appointed. It is composed of: "Sis" Ellis, representing the town students; Loraine Springston, Sand Fork; Velma Shipman, Verona Maple Hall; Nelson Smith, Louis Bennett Hall; and Betty Teter, Troy.

MERCURY MUSINGS

By Gray Barker

Irate subscribers who have been waiting hopefully but in vain for the regular appearance of The Mercury have good reason to be same, considering that since the beginning of this semester this marks only the third appearance of the paper that Margaret Barrett, former student, banteringly calls the "scandal sheet" in a subscription communication. Inability of the local plant to print The Mercury after the first issue had been processed there forced the job to be taken to The Braxton Central, Sutton weekly, where a lack of help and other vicissitudes such as the foundation of the print shop becoming unsafe forcing moving a big press slowed up the second issue.

ON AND off the Campus grass: Billie Burke appearing himself once more after rolling down his trouser legs at the expiration of his penance for breaking freshman rules. He looked like a little boy... A certain dame, inquiring at auditorium entrance: "Is Homer Paul in there yet?" ... Nina Moore when she saw crowded interior of same room: "Goody—we can't find a seat." Kidding of course. Of Kers! Nina is quite an artist. Witness her drawing of the wiener and the hungry boy on the roast propaganda she made for the bulletin board. A gastronomic masterpiece...

"FRESHMEN SHALL read the bulletin board daily." It doesn't (Continued On Four)

More Than 100 Is Off Campus Student Figure

More than one hundred are confirmed as enrolled in extension classes taught by College instructors after organization has been completed and class work well underway, according to Dean R. T. Crawford.

Extension courses announced in the past issue are all continuing, although a course to be organized at Orma failed to materialize. At Spencer two new classes, Problems of the Family, and History and Appreciation of Art, were organized by Dr. J. C. Shreve and Miss Margaret D. Kenney, respectively, with twenty persons enrolled in both classes.

Miss James Speaks At Tanner Meeting

Miss Goldie C. James, instructor in biology, spoke on "Human Conservation" at Tanner High School on a program sponsored by the Tanner Woman's Club Thursday evening, Oct. 18.

Miss James discussed the subject from several viewpoints including cost of rearing children and their real, non-monetary value, diet, and morale, after which Gray Barker projected film, "And So They Live," that dealt with living conditions in isolated rural areas where the economic situation has degenerated. The motion picture was obtained by Miss James and Mrs. Emma Speir, College Dietitian, from the New York University Film Library.

Preceding the talk two students, Maxine Riddle and Betty Lydick, together with Harold Ferguson, Billy Bennett, Edith Lockard, and Caroline Riddle, sang three numbers: "Sentimental Journey," "The Navajo Trail," and "Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe." They were accompanied by Miss Helen Wright, former student here.

Chairman of the meeting was Mrs. Leo Riddle.

ON VACATION

President D. L. Haught left here for a short vacation Thursday. He and Mrs. Haught will visit relatives out of the state.

Social Calendar

Oct. 27—Hallowe'en party to be sponsored by sophomore class.

Oct. 31—Student Council to sponsor entertainment.

Nov. 3—Square dance in college gym.

Nov. 10 — Sadie Hawkins' Day party sponsored by junior class.

Admission for all except college students—25 cents per person.

Dean To Help Set Credits For Veterans

Dean Robert T. Crawford will attend a state-wide meeting of admission officers from all West Virginia colleges on Oct. 25, 26, 27, at Clarksburg, to set up credit standards for returning veterans.

Meeting there will be the following state officials: The state high school supervisor; secretary, board of education; director of certification. County school superintendents will also attend the meeting, along with a representative of the Veteran's Administration, and of the High School Principals' Association.

Dr. J. D. Williams, president of Marshall College, will be chairman.

Current Events Club Ends, But New One Begins

The Current Events club, which was organized in 1928, under the name of The History Club, was dissolved Tuesday evening, Oct. 10. The functions of the Current Events club are to be incorporated in a new club, The International Affairs Club, which is sponsored by the Carnegie Endowment for World Peace.

Some of the old members of the Current Events club met with Miss Beattie Boyd Bell in her classroom and decided that two clubs so closely related in aims and purposes would not be necessary or desirable in a school of this size. In the absence of the president, Jack Rader, Ellen Welch the secretary-treasurer took charge of the meeting and carried on the dissolution of the organization.

White Attends Shimer Inaugural

Mr. H. L. White, head of the English Department, and Dr. Edward G. Rohrbough, President Emeritus, attended the inauguration of Dr. William Shimer, '14, president of Marietta College.

Dr. Shimer finished his standard Normal course here in 1914 (the Lena M. Charter Class). He was injured while serving overseas in World War I. After the war he attended Harvard and received his A. B. Degree from there in 1917 and later the Ph. D. He served as secretary of the National Scholarship Fraternity for many years and was editor of the society's magazine, The American Scholar, which is noted for its high standards of editing.

FITZPATRICK IS BACK

"Jake" Fitzpatrick, who was discharged from the army at Fort Meade, Md. under the point system, has enrolled as a student of the college. "Jake" is the third veteran to return to the campus.

Lt. William Whetsell Returns To Campus



Pictured here is Mr. Whetsell, when he was a member of the Pioneer basketball squad in 1943.

Dr. Geo. Hand Of Fairmont To Speak Nov. 8

Dr. George H. Hand, new president of Fairmont State College, will be the speaker at the weekly assembly of the Glenville State College on Nov. 8.

Dr. Hand, who began his new duties at Fairmont on September 16, succeeded Dr. Joseph Rosier, president of the college for 30 years, and became the nineteenth president of the institution, which is beginning its seventy-ninth year.

A native of Wheeling, Dr. Hand attended West Liberty college, and received his bachelor of arts degree from West Virginia University, where he was prominent as a baseball player.

He coached athletics and taught for a while at the University high school. Later he did graduate work at Princeton University, receiving both his masters degree and his doctorate in economics from that school.

Dr. Hand has been professor of economics at Denison and Ohio Wesleyan Universities, and was chairman of the department of economics at the University of Vermont prior to coming to Fairmont.

He is a Methodist, a Rotarian, a member of the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, and a member of the American Association of University Professors.

Registrars Office To Be Rearranged

Dean R. T. Crawford announced today that plans have been completed to re-arrange the room now being used as the registrar's office. Materials have been ordered to build a partition marking off a room 9 ft. x 12 ft. near the door which will have an L shaped counter. This room will be used as a consultation room, while the other will be equipped with desk, book shelves, and record filing cases, to be used by the secretary.

Failure is often that early morning hour of darkness which precedes the dawning of the day of success.—Leigh Mitchell Hodges

Family To Join Him Here Later

The Campus took a step back toward "Pioneer days," when Mr. William Whetsell, former 2nd Lieutenant in the U. S. Army Air Corps, discharged Oct. 19, returned in both a teaching and student capacity.

Enrolled for five hours in directed teaching, Mr. Whetsell will assist in College physical education instruction and will be a student teacher of history in Glenville High School for a three-hour credit period.

Mr. Whetsell, former member of the Pioneer basketball squad, would have slipped on the gown and mortar board here in the spring of 1943, but was called in to active service in February of that year. He had been in the Enlisted Reserve Corps since June 2, 1942.

Basic training was received at Miami Beach, Fla., and after that he attended Davidson College, Davidson, N. C., for five months under the College Training Detachment program for aviation cadets. Then he became an aviation cadet at Nashville, Tenn., in September of 1943, after which he attended the following training schools: Pre-flight, Maxwell Field, Ala.; Primary, Dorr Field, Arcadia, Fla.; Basic, Bainbridge AAF, Ga.; Advanced, Turner Field, Ga.; B-24 Transition, Maxwell Field, Ala.; R. T. U. (B-24) Walla Walla, Wash. He was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant and presented pilot wings on June 27, 1945.

A member of the 8th Air Force stationed in England, he flew two combat planes, a B-25 Mitchell, and a B-24 Liberator.

Mr. Whetsell will live in a faculty apartment of Louis Bennett Hall. His wife, the former Miss Pauline Burke, former student, and son will join him later.

Designate Wed. As 'Play Day'

Miss Rose Funk's class in Club Leadership is sponsoring a Play Day at the college Wednesday from 9 o'clock until 4 o'clock.

Two girls and two boys from the five high schools in this county will be the guests of the class. The theme of the day will be "Army and Navy." The following program will be carried out:

9:00—9:30: Registration and dressing.

9:30—9:35: Election of captains.

9:35—9:50: Posture Parade.

9:50—10:00: Relays.

10:10—11:00: Volleyball and badminton.

11:00—11:45: Individual sports.

12:00—12:30: Lunch will be served to the guests at Kanawha Hall.

12:30—1:00: Tour of the campus.

1:00—1:30: Movie will be shown in the college auditorium.

1:30—2:30: Treasure hunt on the campus.

2:30—2:40: Awards will be given.

Scores will be kept throughout the day and will be totaled at the end of the day. Awards are to be given on basis of high scores.

Success in life depends upon persistent effort, upon the improvement of moments more than upon any other one thing.—Mary Baker Eddy

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"GUARDIANS" OF FRESHMEN

Picking up a copy of a cer-
tain West Virginia college news-
paper we look down the columns
to find an interesting feature
article, "Paula in Wonderland"—
or "Through the Screwiness of
Kangaroo Court."

The context of the article, by
Paula herself incidentally, follows
the headline adequately. Concern-
ing the activities of an unofficial
campus hazing association—and
surely it isn't sanctioned by
the administration—it goes in
part like this:

"This court is in order," shouts
the secretary of the court, Mr.—;
and as complete disorder contin-
ues to reign, reaches for his base-
ball bat to quell the noise. Thus
begins the freshman's favorite
nightmare, Kangaroo court. The
judges... reside in solemn dignity,
only slightly marred by the fiend-
ish grins which bedeck their oh-
so-sympathetic countenances. A
jury of eight sophomores, there
to insure justice and fair dealing,
actually drool as they contemplate
various ghoulish punishments."

Miss Paula Williams, the writer,
although she spells "ghouls" in-
correctly in spite of making the
highest score on an English place-
ment test, just about sums up the
activities of campus organizations
existing all over the country, hav-
ing as their main purpose ter-
rorizing freshmen.

We're not thinking of the G. S.
C. Student Council, of course.
The Council, although occasion-
ally it may slip up in trial pro-
cedure, has a solemn purpose to
perform and, usually does it in
that manner. Its powers are
given by the president of the
College, and a member of the
faculty is always present at meet-
ings. Council trials for violation
of freshman rules have improved
in objectivity too, since a de-
crease in enrollment has tended
to elect officers on the basis of
competency rather than popu-
larity.

The writer continues by stating
that the jury was lenient in the
case of—, freeing him of a charge
of rolling up the sidewalks, al-
though the next defendant fared
not so well, even after pleading
amnesia, and was sentenced to
wear a bird-cage over her head.
Another appears on the street
clad only in an Indian blanket and
feathers, "begging the towns-
people for alms," on Saturday
night, which we venture to say
is not conducive to good health
in this October weather. Miss
Williams concludes hopefully,
"It's all in fun."

Glenville State freshmen should
read this and emit a thankful sigh
of relief that they are not sub-
jected to a like procedure. Of
course it may be wrong to single
out a particular school and quote
the college paper voluminously,
but we wish to show one example

of what is going on in colleges
clear across the Nation. For in-
stance, at another State college,
freshmen are called "rats," accord-
ing to a recent issue of the col-
lege's paper. Some of the "rat"
rules are fine, such as the ones
requiring freshmen to keep rooms
in good order and to wear coats
to meals; but mainly they are of
this nature: "Rat girls can date
only rat boys once a week and
vice versa."

Of course these hazing "institu-
tions" may contribute to many
humorous memories among alu-
mi and alumnae, if we have the
plurals straight; but if all the
energy dispensed by these keepers
of the freshmen were turned into
socially approved channels such
as chemistry book perusal or con-
structive club work, freshmen
could make those big adjustments
a lot easier and the administra-
tion would be free from much
worry.

Here at Glenville we are fortu-
nate in having no such organi-
zations at present. The Student
Council has taken care of small
disciplinary problems in a respect-
able manner. Larger ones are and
should be problems for the admini-
stration.

But sometime in the labora-
tory of the mob mind something
along the "Kangaroo" line may be
organized. It will proceed limply
for a while, but if allowed to grow
will gain ground. Students should
be careful that they be not like
Dr. Frankenstein, who started
with good intentions, but made a
monster.

ARE YOU CHEATING YOURSELF?

Glenville students who attended
a recent convocation heard two
pleas, one for better manners and
more dignity in dress at college
parties and social affairs; the
other for economy of language.
Both pleas are based on the fact
that students here are not taking
advantage of the cultural and
social training necessary to fit
them for positions they are equip-
ping themselves to fill.

Student government has given
students greater freedom of action
than was formerly allowed. But
if this new freedom is not used to
an advantage it can cheat of us
of more than it is worth.

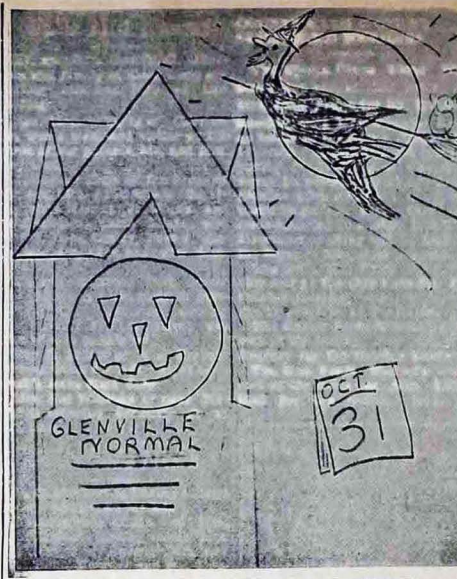
College years should be greedy
years used to cram all the cul-
tural and social advantages that are
available. Music, art, literature,
social procedure and general
knowledge are spoon-fed during
those years by faculties capable
of selecting the best. In after
years these things come only by
choice. The ability to select, if not
developed now, is a reflection on
the individual.

Students and faculty working
together can fill college years with
rich experience, scope of learning,
dignity of mind and manner that
are sorely needed for leadership
in the world today.

Are you cheating yourself of an
opportunity to learn here the
same curricula offered in the
School of Hard Knocks without
credit and without amica?

The campus seems to have come
alive again. We cannot state the
exact reason for this increased
enthusiasm and school spirit. It
may be due to the increase in the
number of students, the prospect
of a basketball team, organiza-
tion of M. A. A. or more social
affairs. No matter what the cause
is we feel that the student morale
is much better than in the pre-
ceding year.

We have an excellent library but
not enough people use it. The
library is for the benefit of each
individual. Don't just go there be-
cause an instructor assigns a
report, but take a few minutes
each day to read the daily papers,
look at the latest magazines, or
to read a good book. We believe
that the library in one of the best
places on the Campus to spend
our leisure time.



THROUGH THE FILES

Oct. 10, 1944. The Gilmer Coun-
ty Board of Education at a meet-
ing Wednesday, Oct. 4, made three
new teacher assignments. Helen
Boggs was hired to teach the
Laurel Run school, Fred Jennings
for Lower Run and Maysel Lusa-
der for Little Bull Run. All are
former students.

Oct. 12, 1943. Games party and
wiener roast were sponsored by
the social committee Friday. Ap-
proximately fifteen students play-
ed games in the Robert F. Kidd
Library, then enjoyed the wiener
roast back of the library. Miss
Alma Arbuckle, chairman of the
social committee, has announced
that the library will be the scene
for week-end parties for students
and faculty quite often.

October 10, 1939. H. K. Baer,
state supervisor of elementary
schools, made the statement that
Gilmer county is the highest in
teacher certification in the state
and has made more progress in
certification than any other coun-
ty.

One hundred and twenty-four
of the 130 teachers employed are
graduates of Glenville State

Teachers College, and since 1936
all teachers employed have had a
Standard Normal certificate or
better.

In Gilmer County this year the
enrollment is: High Schools, 875;
elementary grades, 927; one room
schools, 1246. Five one room
schools had 100 per cent atten-
dance for the first month.

October 11, 1938. The Dobbins
Lumber Company of Glenville re-
cently built a special bus which is
to be used by the Gilmer County
Band.

The bus was used for the first
time Friday when the band, under
the leadership of Frank M. Beall,
went to Elkins, to participate in
the Forest Festival Parade.

October 12, 1937. Sociology
students believe their religious
fellow-students enjoy life more
than the irreligious. The irreligi-
ous are restless, discontented,
and misfits in society, while
religious students have con-
tinentment, better standards, and
less worry about consequences.
This was a conclusion reached by
members of the Sociology 301
class the past week.

Notes From the Robert F. Kidd Library

"On the only road leading west
over the mountains at Bedford
there is a tavern, Pendergasses".
Here centers the local life of the
frontier, and here we find Sala-
thiel Albine again, who was cap-
tured by the Shawnees, but escap-
ed to Fort Pitt.

"Coming east, eager to sample
civilization, he finds a varied
company of friends and enemies
at Pendergasses' tavern.

"While the story is centered in
Bedford Village and Pendergasses'
tavern, it also moves in the bleak
wilderness about, as Captain Jack
and his Mountain Foxes stalk In-
dians through the forest to a
bloody climax of death at The
Salt Kettles. Through it all runs
the story of Salathiel Albine and
his fight for his white heritage,
and the complications of his
search for a vanished wife."

Briefly that is the content of
"Bedford Village," by Hervey Al-
len, a new book which is on the
Library Table. Some of the oth-
er new books which appear on the
same table are: "The Blue Dan-
ube," by Ludwig Bemelmans;
"Young'un," by Herbert Best;
"Adventurers All," "John Mac-
nab," and "Witch Wood," all
three by John Buchan; "The Way
of All Flesh," by Samuel Butler;
"The Man Who Was Thursday,"
by G. K. Chesterton; "The Green
Years," by A. J. Cronin; "The
Building of Jalsa," by Mazon de
Roche; "Separate Star," by Lois
Grace Erdman; "The Broad High-

way," by Jeffery Farnol; "Free-
dom Road," by Howard Fast;
"Great Son," by Edna Ferber;
"Journey in the Dark," by Martin
Flavin; and "The Golden Rooms,"
by Vardis Fisher.

Quotes

By Ada K. Wilson

The condition which high
friendship demands is ability to
do without it.—Emerson.

Everywhere in life, the true
question is not what we gain, but
what we do.—Carlyle.

Hold him alone truly fortunate
who has ended his life in happy
well-being.—Aeschylus.

Health and cheerfulness mutu-
ally beget each other.—Addison

A man's first care should be to
avoid the reproaches of his own
heart.—Addison

An honest man's word is as
good as his bond.—Cervantes

Mind moves matter.—Vergil

Men are what their mothers
made them.—Emerson

Might was the measure of right.
—Lucan

If we cannot be a lighthouse,
let us be a tallow candle.—Moody

THE INQUIRING REPORTER

What do you think the students
should wear to the parties on
Saturday night?

Blondena Fitzpatrick: I think
they ought to wear school clothes
as long as they look nice.

Mary Anne Ellis: Neat sport
clothes so they will be able to
take part in all the entertaining
activities.

Peg Adams: I think they should
wear school clothes as long as
they aren't sloppy.

Robert Marshall: Sport clothes.
Mildred Bramer: Depends en-
tirely on what the party is like.
Dress according to the kind of
games they will play.

William Rexroad: I consider the
problem, if you wish to call it
that, unimportant. I think you
should dress within reason, yet,
use your own ideas of dress.

Marion Heaven: I think they
should wear what they are com-
fortable in so they can have a
good time.

Grover Weaver: Informal cloth-
es on one Saturday night and
semi-formal on the next.

Charles Furr: They should wear
informal clothes very seldom and
semi-formal generally.

Bill Wiant: Sport clothes with
trimmings on the side.

CAMPUS FASHIONS AND FADS

Fall is here and so are new
fashions and fads. We take our
skirts and sweaters from the
moth balls, add an iron and pre-
sto—we are slick co-eds.

Sweaters of all kinds are lead-
ing the fall parade — Fuchsia,
pink, blue, red and shades of deli-
cate lavender. Among the lead-
ing sweater girls are: Leona (Wil-
liams, Kathern Elliot, Peg Adams,
Lou Strader and Mary Jo Ellyson.

Saddles are still reigning this
year. It looks as if they are here
to stay. Freddy Boggs looks cute
in his flashy socks and saddies—
Charles McIntosh in his plaid
shirts, especially a red one. Robert
Galford looks quite handsome
in his plaids and bow ties.

Oh yes! girls, have you noticed
the new hair do's? Joan Cross,
Ethel Mae Radcliff and Evelyn
Finster recently made a visit to
the beauty parlor. Although we
do like our long bobs, we will have
to admit the new feather cuts are
super duper.

Bracelets, bracelets and more
bracelets. It's a fad today, so
girls, take advantage of it, and
grab your boy friend's identifica-
tion bracelet. Helen Cox, Joan
Gawthrop, Nedra Griffith and
Myrtle McKown have quite a col-
lection.

Well kids, this is all for now.
But let's get in the groove and
keep up with the fall fashions and
fads.

MERCURYITE OF THE WEEK

C—anterbury and Chemistry
Club members as long as
the clubs were active.

H—as a major in foreign lan-
guages.

A—answers to the name of
"Cherry."

R—esides at Walkersville.

L—likes the cinema.

E—lected president of newly
organized M. A. A.

S—enior in the College.

M—ember of Alpha Psi Omega,
honorary dramatic fratern-
ity.

C—an generally be found work-
ing on his language assign-
ments.

I—interested in going to West
Point Military Academy.

N—ow the state's youngest col-
lege senior.

T—all, in fact, he's 6' 2".

O—nly child in his family.

S—ensational musician — mu-
sic, mandolin, and banjo.

H—ard to beat at punning, in
fact just hard to beat.

Social Events of the Week

Old Fashioned Dance Is Planned Nov. 3

An old fashioned square dance sponsored by Hayden Ellyson '46 will be held in the college gymnasium Nov. 3, beginning at 7:00 p. m. A group of musicians from Tanner will furnish the music. Admission fees for other than college students is 25 cents per person.

The Social Committee would like for members of the student body to volunteer to sponsor future entertainments. Any one who has a suggestion is asked to contact a member of the Student Council or Mr. John R. Wagner, faculty adviser.

Clubs Have Roast

Several students and faculty members attended a roast at the ballfield Friday evening. The roast was sponsored by members of W. A. A. and M. A. A. The following people served on the committees: Recreation committee, Evelyn Finster, "Jackie" Walker, "Bill" Rexroad, Hastings Bailey; refreshment committee, Kathrine Hall, Anna Mae Heater, Raymond Slack and George Hall.

Y. W. C. A. Discusses World Order Basis

Basis of World Order was the topic of discussion at a meeting of the Y. W. C. A. held in the lounge of Louis Bennett Hall Thursday night, Oct. 4. In this connection, "Spiritual Basis of a Christian World Order," the first chapter of the book, "Basis of World Order," edited by Ernest Trice Thompson and others, was reviewed by Ruth Frame. Political Basis of a Christian World Order, the second chapter of the book, was discussed by Evelyn Delaney. Subsequent chapters of the book will be the subject for the next meeting which will be held Oct. 25.

The rest of the program consisted of: Two songs, "Christ for the World We Sing," and "Wonderful Words of Life"; a poem, read by Isabelle Clark; scripture reading, by Betty Lou Simon; and the Lord's Prayer repeated in unison. Ruth Groves, president, outlined the proposed program for the year. Miss Alma Arbuckle, faculty adviser, pronounced the benediction.

Knock! Knock! Who's There

The weary swain shifted from one foot to the other and surveyed his bruised knuckles, after a fruitless effort to get an answer from some inhabitant of Verona Maple Hall. Such occurrences have been frequent on the porch this fall, and have led to repeated requests for a doorbell.

Just the past week the House Governing Board learned that to relieve the discomforts of our callers, and answer our requests Dr. D. L. Haight has said that a bell would be installed at an early date. Let us seem to complain too much, we will say that we realize that we have done without a doorbell because of war-time restrictions.

OUTSIDERS CHARGED

At the social committee meeting Monday, Oct. 15, the committee decided that "persons other than college students attending social events will be charged a fee of 25 cents." The committee also voted that only 10 students are at a social event, the event closed.

Campus Bits

Jean Boggs spent the past week-end in Charleston.

H. Bailey, Frederick Boggs, and Charles McIntosh hitch-hiked to Spencer Saturday, Oct. 13. "Just for the heck of it," said Bailey.

The Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Burns spent a recent week-end at their home in Hetty. Could be they wanted to see their young daughter!

Mrs. Nora Roberts, house director at Verona Maple Hall, had as her guest the week-end of the 13th her daughter, Miss Garnet Roberts of Charleston.

The Rev. Willis Summers '45, who is now a student of Westminster Theological Seminary of Westminster, Md. was a recent visitor in Greenville. Doris Sparks '48 and he were Sunday dinner guests of the Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Burns.

Verona Maple Hall has been nearly deserted for the past two week-ends. Among those who have been home for one or both holidays are: Joan Cross, Lockney, Leona Williams, Norman-town; Katherine Wilfong, and "Tizzy" Clark, Weston; Opal Sharp, Sutton; Ruth Brady, Sutton; Ruth Frame, Charleston; Ruth Groves, Orma; Helen Cox, West Union; Mary Meadows, Ripley; and Evelyn Finster, Weston.

Ellen McHenry recently moved into Verona Maple Hall. She had been commuting from near Sand Fork.

Miss Ivy Lee Myers and Dr. D. L. Haight, recently took some supplies to the one room school at Baldwin, which is taught by Miss Freda Arnold. The Baldwin school is to serve as a training school in directed teaching.

A district convention of the Woman's Club was held in the college auditorium, Saturday, Oct. 13.

Billie June Looney went home Tuesday, Oct. 9, suffering from poison ivy and a cold. She returned to school the following Sunday. Jean O'Dell also had a poison ivy infection but was able to continue classes.

"Bill" Wetzel, formerly an athlete of Greenville College, returned to school after having been discharged from the army. He is coaching men's athletics as well as taking some college work.

Lt. Cmdr. "Nate" Rohrbough, on leave of absence from the college, moved his family into Kanawha Hall, Saturday, Oct. 13, in anticipation of his release from the navy and his return to coaching duties here in the near future.

Rella Hanna, "Jerry" Kirkpatrick, "Rosie" Stalnaker, and Betty Joe Simon, members of the W. A. A. hiking team, walked five miles Saturday.

Billy Burke of Sand Fork, recently enrolled in college.

Leona Williams recently missed classes a few days because of illness.

Just to let YOU know that WE know that all of the college students don't live on the Campus, we'll name Ethel Mae Radcliff and Delores McCloud as commuters of the week. We hear they walk two miles or so before catching the bus at Linn. How does that make you Campus dwellers, who are too lazy to get up for breakfast, feel?

Some of the boys who have spent recent week-ends at home are: "Jimmy" Anderson, Spencer; "Billy" Facemire, Widen; Paul Jackson, Sutton; and Charles Fluharty, Hastings.

Before letting yourself in for a long siege of sewing, see that at least two bobbins are filled with the kind of thread you need. Then when the thread in one gives out, you have thread on the other to replace it.

Sophs Make Plans For Hallowe'en

The sophomores will be host at a Hallowe'en party on Saturday night, Oct. 27, which will be held in the gymnasium.

Ellen Welch, assisted by Mary Friend, Jo Ann Cross, Mary K. Shumate, and Carrie Yokum will have charge of the entertainment and refreshments.

Mary Helen Reed assisted by the whole class will have charge of the decorations.

There will be a masquerade held and appropriate prizes will be awarded for the funniest, prettiest, etc., costumes.

Both faculty and students are invited to attend.

Navy Day Program Given In Assembly

An advance Navy Day program was given in Convocation, Oct. 18, when three films were shown. "Men and the Sea," produced by the War Shipping Administration, dealt with the training of merchant seamen. "Day of Battle," released by the War Activities Committee of the motion picture industry, showed the life of an aircraft carrier from the mining of the ore and making of the steel plates through production and use until the ship was lost in battle. "Midnight," presented by the U. S. Marine Corps and Coast Guard, pictured what was happening on the fighting fronts around the world as far as the Coast Guard and Marine Corps were concerned, at the time of midnight at Greenwich, England, which is the hour for the beginning of the fighting day.

Miss Bessie Boyd Bell reviewed the history of Navy Day before the films were shown. On Oct. 27, 1975, a committee recommended to the Continental Congress that they buy a number of merchant ships as the basis for a Navy.

At various other times interest in a navy was shown and in 1903, during the term of Pres. Theodore Roosevelt, whose birthday was Oct. 27, a Navy League was formed by a group of patriotic citizens. In 1922 Pres. Warren G. Harding declared Oct. 27 to be Navy Day. This practice has been followed from that time, and now in 1945 at the conclusion of the biggest war the world has ever known, we find huge numbers of war ships steaming for American shores to participate in a Navy Day celebration. Secretary of Navy, Forrestal says that this proposed celebration will in no way delay the return of American fighting men to their native land.

Wright Is Given A New Position

Miss Agnes Wright, former student, has replaced Carolyn Wolfe as English instructor and faculty adviser of "The Centurian" at Hundred high school, Hundred, W. Va. While a student of the college, she served as News Editor of the Mercury.

A gum eraser is excellent for removing spots from dark suede accessories. Brush thoroughly after using.

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.—Matthew 5:16

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On the Campus

By E. Bailey

A piece of this, a pinch of that, and a horse hair—thus the industrious little bird builds his nest. This ought to put a feather in some one's cap.

It is plainly evident that Mr. Whiting will never starve. In addition to being an able instructor, he has at least three other outstanding abilities. I. e. music, style, and humor.

The cool weather that we have been having is enough to make the hardest person shiver. Two in a coat is cozy though, isn't it? The bright woodsman shirts that are being worn around sure put a little color into the old place.

One of the little things that make college life worth while is the social "doings." This year's social committee is deserving of the highest compliments for the good work they have done thus far.

It seems that it is rather unsafe to be in the vicinity of VMH on Tuesday afternoon when the would-be Robin Hoods of the campus get together to "slang" some arrows.

Some of the more amusing things seen on the campus in the past few weeks were: (1) Robert "Boob" Marshal going around over the campus with a piece of bread tied on to either ear and a large sign on his back bearing the legend, "I'm a ham sandwich." (2) Smith and Boggs carrying shining equipment around with them and offering to give a free shine to any council member who was desirous of a shine.

It will be good when the college gets back on its feet in the way of athletics and is able to put a formidable team on the hard wood, but it is sure going to be hard to keep training after being used to "pony express."

The new telephone which was lately installed in Louis Bennett Hall has been being put to good use.

Bennett Receives Miller Scholarship

The Rev. Talbert N. Bennett, U. B. Minister and a student here, has announced receiving the R. T. Miller Scholarship from The American School, a Chicago institution offering correspondence courses.

The Rev. Mr. Bennett took high school work through the school, and was selected upon the basis of grades and an achievement test, the latter in which he made the second highest grade in the group tested.

The scholarship, amounting to \$200, provides tuition and books in the College.

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Nominated: King And Furr Typical G. S. C. 'Bouncers'

If the Pictureland Theatre needed any regular employees to serve in the capacity of "bouncers," Ray King and Charles Furr probably would have a permanent position.

At least they exercised the art at "Durso's Spook Show," which played the local house Wednesday, Oct. 17. Gray Barker, senior, and Billy Rymer, both employed part-time as projectionists there were confederates in the performance whereby they were to toss out a drunk person, portrayed by a stooge from the act. But the latter two played their roles with such finesse that the former two thought the "drunk" man was really a "drunk," jumping to Barker and Rymer's assistance and giving the actor a rough "bounce" to the street.

The "stooge" took the whole situation with a gentlemanly air, however, saying, "That's O. K. It happens to me often."

MY WISH

I would I could cover myself with a light,
And let it shine like a garment of happiness.
I would I could walk on the wings of the wind, by night,
And let the clouds be a chariot of restfulness.

"Pat" '49.

ROHRBOUGH IS VISITOR

Dr. Edward G. Rohrbough, President emeritus, spent a business and semi-political visit in Greenville Thursday and Friday. He and Mr. H. L. White attended the inauguration ceremony at Marietta College, Saturday.

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Weekly Roundup Of Sports

By Fred Boggs

Perfect co-ordination in the line and backfield of the Glenville Red Terrors brought a 19-7 victory over Doddridge September 29. In the second quarter Bob Arnold took a short pass over center and galloped a good 30 yards for Glenville's first score.

Although Glenville held a 6-0 lead, the game still looked good until a fast backfield man, Don Bush, tallied again for the local team. The extra point was also good.

Again in the third quarter Arnold showed his ability by receiving a twenty yard pass and marching to the scoring line. During this third quarter Doddridge gained enough spirit to drive through Glenville's line for three successive first downs and a touchdown. The extra point was also good.

Weston and Spencer too seem to be in top form with a football. Weston outscored Victory 14-12, and Spencer took a game from her old rival, Grantsville, 29-0.

Boys of G. S. C. interested in basketball are listening and waiting patiently to hear news of the coming team. To them the news of Bill Wetzel's return sounds as if there might be hope for a team in the near future. Interest in the sport seems to be shown by all boys enrolled. Whether the team be organized in a week or a month, the boys will wait hopefully.

Although outdoor sports in the college have been brought to a halt due to the weather, indoor activities are being carried on by both girls and boys. Volley ball and aerobics, a modified form of badminton, seem to be the highlights of interest in the Athletic Associations.

Art Class Learns Variety of Crafts

Arts and crafts with its varied activities is a course offered in the college which might be likened to David's "coat of many colors". The arts of our grandmothers' day such as, knitting, crocheting, and carpet weaving are given equal importance with the more juvenile activities of chalk coloring, paper cutting, and mat weaving; and the painting of plates, trays, and plaques, which are the work of more advanced students.

The advantages of such a class are also varied. It keeps alive some of the skills of the early American housewives, gives the teacher ideas which may be used in the classroom, helps solve gift problems, teaches how to make useful and decorative items for the home, and last but not least is a pleasant way to earn needed hours of credit. This class is instructed by Miss Ivy Lee Myers.

M. A. A. NEWS

The Men's Athletic Association activities got under way Wednesday evening, October 3. Fred Boggs' team walloped James Reed's team in the volley ball games, 2-1. Reed's team was in the game from start to finish but the combination of Boggs, Flueharty, Heckert, and Jackson provided the winning margin.

The two teams met again the following Wednesday. Again Boggs' team proved too much for the team led by Reed and won 2-1. This meeting was similar to the October 3rd contests.

Reed's team came back fighting October 16 and turned the tables on Boggs' team. The teamwork of King, McIntosh, and Rexroad brought them their first victory of the year.

The thing most important is what we do, not what we say. God's open secret is seen through grace, truth, and love. — Mary Baker Eddy



AT THE MARSEILLE, FRANCE, Port of Embarkation, combat veteran Sgt. Reginald Gaudinier, Ossining, N. Y., using both hands to jiggle his equipment, lets American Red Cross girl Zalia Kennedy, Watsonville, Calif., tuck an extra pack of cigarettes into his pocket. Red Cross workers also serve canteen snacks to out-going soldiers. (Official ARC photo by Atkins.)

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

1st Lt. Mary Snider has recently returned from the European theater of war and is visiting her mother Mrs. E. L. Snider, of DeKalb. Lt. Snider served with the Army Nurse Corps in Oran and Bizerte. Her unit entered southern France with the invasion forces. She was attached to a base hospital at Marseilles. After her furlough, she will go to San Antonio, Texas, for reassignment.

"Jake" David Fitzpatrick received his discharge from Fort Meade Md., October 13.

"Bill" Whetzel has donned his "civies" and is back on the campus again. We are very glad to have you back, Bill.

Dr. John C. Shreve, head of the

education department, gives these reports of his three sons: Capt. Robert D. Shreve, of the Army Air Corps, is home on a 45-day furlough. Pfc. Fred H. Shreve, United States Marine Corps, who is stationed in the South Pacific, expects to return to the states soon. Lt. John W. Shreve is convalescing at the U. S. Naval Hospital at Bethesda, Md. His condition is improving.

Sgt. Sexton Wright has returned to the states after having been overseas a year. He expects to receive a discharge through the point system at Fort Meade, Md. While overseas he served with the 84th Quartermaster division in Belgium, Holland, France, and Germany.

Mercury Musings

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say anything about their comprehending same...Mr. White says he could have taken Ollie's ten bucks by naming something not affected, etc., by "little drops of water." "I could have told him a song or a poem, but he probably wouldn't have counted that," to misquote the English Department head.

JRS. AND Srs. from Tanner High school, here to hear all about soil conservation, piloted by teacher Ritamae Fling, former student. Mr. Hunter Whiting, oft in the news, bringing a wooly worm in his bare hand. The larva had a dark area almost exactly in the center, and even after the direction of locomotion was determined the question of which part of the winter will be the harder was yet unsettled. Mr. Whiting doesn't believe in it all, incidentally. All in all one can say he can smell winter coming strong as horse radish.

MR. RAYMOND Freed's amusing introduction to his revealing account of overseas experiences in convo recently. Well done...Coach "Nate" and Mrs. Rhorbough and their son, John, doing the Campus rounds... The errant radio tube in Louis Bennett Hall. Informed sources think they know the direction of its rambles...Ray King, who thinks his gal is even more beautiful than those lovely sundae scoops at Thompson's Rexall...Why don't they light the clock face every night? We have no watch...L. B. Boys grappling the rungs of the tennis ladder. Many are "netting" big scores. Hah!

ACCORDING to the recent

convo speaker, Mr. Fink, "The mother of every science is mathematics." We doubt if G. S. C. boys and girls will be very generous when Mother's Day rolls around... Title of Pictureland's "Salome—Where She Danced" should have been changed to "Salome—Where She Drooled." 'Tis rumored that by the time the "Snow White, etc." got to Glenville the second time only six dwarfs were left. Good movies coming up are "Bell of the Yukon," "Casanova Brown," "Son of Lassie," "Pride of the Marines," "It's a Pleasure."

DR. STALNAKER . . .

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taught in rural schools for four years; was a principal and teacher in elementary and secondary schools and was district superintendent of schools for seventeen years. During the past three years he has been associated with the West Virginia State Board of Education, State Department of Education, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Charleston, as a counselor in guidance, training, and placement.

Tharp Is Named Nurse for VMH

Mrs. Opal Tharp, freshman, has been appointed resident nurse at Verona Maple Hall. Mrs. Tharp states that the infirmary will be open each evening at six o'clock or in case of any emergencies. All illness should be reported to her at once.

A lighthouse sounds no drum, it beats no gong; yet far over the waters, its friendly light is seen by the mariner.—T. L. Cuyler

Speaker Emphasizes Role of Water, Minerals In Soil Conservation Talk

That "little drops of water" are the most important substance in the world, and that nothing appears on the earth not produced or influenced in some manner by them, were ideas set forth by Mr. Ollie Fink, executive secretary of "Friends of the Land," a conservation organization, when he spoke here to an auditorium full of College, Glenville High School students, and members of the junior and senior classes of Tanner High School Thursday morning, Oct. 11.

No one tried to win a ten-dollar bill Mr. Fink offered for naming one thing that can be purchased which is not affected in its manufacture or produced by water. "Water is wealth; but money is not," he stated, beginning to drive home some facts about soil depletion and water supply.

Although he said water is indispensable to life, he also showed how it becomes an enemy when allowed to carry away minerals from the soil and the soil itself.

"Of one cubic foot of soil which supports life ninety per cent is of no value, leaving only ten per cent for potential usage," Mr. Fink stated, adding that of that amount five per cent consists of vital minerals and the other five of organic matter. He emphasized how those materials, when taken from the soil without being returned, leave in their wake unproductive soil and malnourished people.

Seventy-five per cent of the top soil on West Virginia farms has been washed away, according to the speaker, who added that increasing population is noted along with decreasing land supply.

Mineral deficiency, especially that of calcium, in the soil was illustrated by exhibiting bones from two horses, one with an adequate supply, the other thin and weak because of mineral deficiency. Also a decreasing supply of nitrogen, used by the body to manufacture proteins, is appearing, he said, because of a depletion of the element in the soil. He feared that in the present post-war period a protein deficiency will menace the world because in a war "Nitrogen is taken from the cattle and given to the cannons."

The speaker was introduced by the Rev. Gilbert B. Moore, he being introduced by Miss Bessie Boyd Bell. Devotionals were conducted by the Rev. Marvin Burns, a student here.

SEE CONSERVATION FILMS

In connection with soil conservation Week Campus groups saw four films provided by Mr. Glendon Burton, Gilmer County soil conservationist, within the past few weeks.

On Monday, Oct. 8, the College Y. M. C. A. saw two films, "Farm Inconveniences" and "Permanent Agriculture"; and a group of students and faculty members saw "The River," famous documentary film based upon the Mississippi River, Wednesday, Oct. 10.

The latter was produced by a former West Virginian, Pare Lorentz, producer of "The Plow That Broke the Plains" and "The Struggle For Life," all prize-winning documentary films. Lorentz was once a student in a Sunday school class taught by Mr. H. Y. Clark in Randolph County.

Previously many classes and informal groups saw "Your Soil Conservation District," a color film about the West Fork Soil Conservation District and in which appeared several Gilmer County people.

There is no fit search after truth which does not, first of all, begin to live the truth which it knows.—Horace Bushnell

To avoid that "glazed" look which appears on rayon, iron it on the wrong side with a warm iron, never a hot one.

MAA Reports Current Results In Three Sports

The Men's Athletic Association has been active in the last few weeks in archery, volley ball and tennis.

Grover Weaver is currently taking top honors in the science of archery. Paul Heckert, Bill Rexroad, Paul Jackson, and Fred Boggs have been giving him plenty of competition.

Charles Flunarty seems to be the most outstanding tennis player with plenty of competition coming from Paul Jackson and Fred Boggs.

Jim Reed's volley ball team rallied in the last game of the three game series to take an easy victory over Boggs' team. A foot injury suffered by Boggs in the early part of the third game probably had something to do with the loss.

Thus far the record stands at two series for Boggs and one for Reed.

Furr-Boyce Girls Win 2 Matches In Volley Ball

Marie Furr's volley ball team defeated "Sis" Ellis' team 15-6, in the fourth meet of the year. Furr's team remains unbeaten. Garnet Boyce's team outplayed Hardman's girls 17-15 in the most interesting game of the evening. Both of the losing teams were handicapped due to the illness of some of their players.

The badminton contest proved to be more interesting than the volley ball games. In a hard fought game against Riddle's team, Betty Lydick's girls won the first game 15-13. In the second game Boggs' team outplayed Ruth Grove's team by a margin of three points.

Some of the college boys grouped themselves in the corner and sang some songs for the benefit of the losing teams. Thanks boys—it helped to some extent.

The talent of success is nothing more than doing what you can do well; and doing well whatever you do do, without a thought of fame.—Longfellow

No book can be as good as to be profitable when negligently read.—Seneca

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