

Santa Claus Visits Mercury Office, Is Interviewed

Added impetus was given the Christmas season the past week when Santa Claus entered the Mercury office and offered an interview.

Mercury staff members, who for years had been hearing statement that "there is no Santa Claus" were slightly nervous, but were reassured by the Saint's hearty laughter with which he greeted the reporters.

"Will you turn down the fire a bit?" he requested. "I'm used to cold weather from where I come, and I am dressed somewhat too warmly."

It seemed that a spirit of good will pervaded and that everybody wanted to smile as someone asked "Well, what's on your mind, Mr. Saint Nicholas?"

"Mainly this," replied Santa, shaking ice from one boot and looking serious, "I'd like to set straight all this propaganda that's

a mail order red suit and false whenever we gave something to someone at Christmas—is that the fact."

"Well, what do you know, every one of us has helped you out been going around—this 'ain't no Santa Claus' business—it's downright discouraging."

"You must admit it is a little hard to believe that one Saint can manufacture and supply all the world with toys on Christmas," a reporter challenged.

St. Nick was not at all angered by the remark. "You do have a good point there, and you're partly right. However, it is absolutely true that before the world population started growing at such an alarming pace I was able to cover the territory and often get to bed by 4 a.m. Quite naturally I had to engage the help of many assistants throughout the world, although it did irk me at first to



see them hamming up my role so terribly as soon as they got into line of reasoning?"

"Absolutely," Then Santa, his face becoming sadder, continued, "Of course it doesn't work out just like I wish sometimes. Sometimes when I depend upon others to work certain territories they fail to take care of certain children. I am sure that on this

Christmas some children will have no pretty things; some may have no food; and some even no house or clothing to keep them warm."

"But is there anything we can do?" a reporter queried.

"Well," replied Santa, "it isn't so bad here in America as it is in other places, but I really will appreciate it if you will make a special effort to give gifts to persons who are in need. And if it happens that you don't have too much money, a few kind words are as great a gift as anything."

"But I fear I'm rapidly becoming a wet blanket," said St. Nick, forcing a laugh, "and I MUST be getting back to the North Pole to supervise that latest batch of toy phonographs. I DO live at the North Pole, you know."

"How come you aren't discovered in the aerial photographs," asked Hastings Bailey, always on the spot to detect loopholes.

"Oh, I'm located far underground—have been ever since the explorers came nosing around up there. I'll go ahead with my work, atom bombs or no atom bombs."

"But how do you commute back and forth so rapidly?" asked another.

"Sorry, but that's a secret. I'll admit that being a saint does have some advantages, as far as transportation is concerned. Well, I really must be getting along. Remember what I told you, and remember that I keep a list of all my assistants which I turn over to my supervisor when I take my summer vacation. I can't tell you who he is, but you read about him a lot in the Bible."

Reluctantly he accompanied him to the door. As he vanished there he chuckled and said, "I hope you'll pardon me if I leave without the conventional scattering of pop corn."

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MERCURY MUSINGS

By GRAY BARKER

NOTES FROM the Louis Bennett Sick Ward: Louis Bennett Hall has become Louis Bennett Hospital in effect at this typewriting, with everyone, with the exception of some strong people like Paul Jackson, Donzel Bellis, Joe Marra, and Raymond Taylor, who have had or have some degree of the flu epidemic.

WE DODGE as we re-submit this well-worn joke: "We opened the window and in flew Enza." (Playing on the word "influenza," of course—har, har, har!)

THANK ARE due those who have been carrying trays, running errands, and in many other ways being helpful. Thanks also to Mrs. Opal Sharp, College nurse, who faithfully appeared every day, and oftener, to see that everyone was getting the proper care.

MEANWHILE absconees from classes have nothing but the kindest sympathies for those who are enjoying long assignments and tough tests down in Administration Hall, at the Science Hall, etc. Bob Galford, back from a get-well vacation at home, is enjoying a fresh counter-attack from the flu malady. . . . Fred Boggs, bored with the exciting life of being confined to the dormitory, borrows his slide projector and entertains himself with improvised slides made from motion picture film.

IF THE snow lies on, one won't have to dream of a white Christmas. . . . With nothing else to do, and in that one doesn't feel like getting assignments, we turn to our 1946 calendar mooched at a local merchant's place. The 12-page wall hanging prognosticates the weather for every day of the year and happily informs us there will be "local-snows" on Christmas, 1946. We don't happen to have one for 1945 to see what kind of weather we'll enjoy next Tuesday.

HASTINGS BAILEY, between periods of convalescence and break-downs, ambles in to say he

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BARKER'S ARTICLE IS PUBLISHED IN THE SOUND TRACK

Gray Barker, pictured above, announced the past week that his article, "Also Selected Short Subjects," has been published in Volume 5, No. 3 of "The Sound Track," a national monthly motion picture equipment magazine issued by Motiograph, Inc., manufacturer of motion picture projectors.

A busy man, Barker wrote as part-time projectionist at the Pictureland Theatre in addition to being editor of The Mercury and attending 18 hours of College classes. Referring to the picture printed above, he said, "It's no joke to balance a feature picture in each hand while carrying them from the post office—they weigh about 50 pounds each."

His article, he said, is concerned with ideas on using the correct types of short subjects to balance theatre programs when different kinds of feature pictures are booked. It suggests manipulation of

Dinner Menu For Christmas Is Announced

Christmas dinner will be served in the dining room of Kanawha Hall at 5:30 p.m., Dec. 20. Mrs. Emma Spier, dietician, has planned the following:

Christmas Menu
Chilled Pink Grapefruit
Roast Turkey Dressing
Snowflake Potatoes Giblet Gravy
Broccoli Steamed Kraut
Hot Biscuits
Stuffed Olives Celery Curls
White Cake Cranberry Relish
Coffee
Assorted Mints

Invited guests will be: Dr. and Mrs. D. L. Haught, Dean and Mrs. R. T. Crawford, Dr. and Mrs. John C. Shreve, Mr. and Mrs. H. Y. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. White, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Freed, and Miss Ivy Lee Myers.

Since the Christmas Dance follows the dinner, wearing of evening gowns to dinner is optional.

ANYONE ELIGIBLE IN PLAY TRY-OUT

All students in the College are eligible for try-outs for the one-act plays which will be presented in the near future. Student directors and the time for their try-outs are: Hannah Lou Garrett and Helen Marks, Tuesday, Dec. 18, 2-4 p.m.; Joanne Gawthrop, Monday, Dec. 17, 1-3 p.m.; Mary K. Shumate, Monday, Dec. 17, 3-5 p.m.; and Robert Marshall, Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2-4 p.m.

The try-outs will be held in the auditorium.

color shorts in particular to give the desired effect. In keeping with the policy of the publication, Barker slants the article toward both the management and projection departments.

Miss Bertha Olsen's Classes To Present Annual Program; Use Christmas Decorations

Pres. Haught Gives Season's Greetings

Dr. D. L. Haught, president of the College, extends season's greetings to all students and to their kinfolks at home, and hopes that in the midst of all the fun and festivities all of us will be mindful of the true spirit of Christmas.

TRAINS, RAILROADS IS SUBJECT USED IN TALK BY HICKMAN

Mr. Lynn Hickman, who is on leave of absence from the College while studying at Syracuse University, Syracuse, N. Y., was present in assembly Thursday, Dec. 13, and spoke to the student body and instructors. He chose "Trains and Railroads" as his subject, and made his point by quoting statistics and telling interesting facts about the railroad industry which he said we are inclined to take as a matter of fact. He said if education could be "sold" to the public in the same way that railroads might be "sold" that the educational system would benefit. Mr. Hickman expressed his pleasure at being back on the campus.

Dr. D. L. Haught concluded the program by briefly reviewing a recent survey that has been made of West Virginia colleges.

H. Y. CLARK ATTENDS FARM BUREAU DINNER

Mr. H. Y. Clark attended the annual dinner and business organization meeting of the Gilmer County Farm Bureau which was held at the Conrad Hotel, Friday night, Dec. 16. Mr. Clark led the group singing and joined in the general discussion of business matters.

The Orchestra and Choral Class under the direction of Miss Bertha E. Olsen, will present the main part of the annual Christmas music program in convocation period Thursday, Dec. 20. A festive appearance will be created on the stage, by the use of Christmas greenery in decorations.

Students of Glenville High and Grade school will be invited guests, and any one else who wishes to attend may do so.

The program, as announced by Miss Olsen, includes three numbers by the orchestra, namely: "Entrée De Procession," Batiste-Roberts; "Farandole from L'Arlesienne Suite," Bizet-Roberts; "The Blue Danube," Strauss-Roberts. Mrs. A. F. Rohrbough will play the cello with the orchestra.

The Choral Class will sing: "A Snow Legend," Clokey; "O Holy Night," Adam-Seymour; "The Birthday of a King," Neidlinger; and "Patapan," Wilson.

Selections for group singing are: "The First Noel," "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," "Deck the Hall," "Silent Night," "Oh Little Town of Bethlehem," and "White Christmas."

President D. L. Haught will give the scripture reading and lead the prayer, and Miss Opal Vincent, instructor in English and speech, will talk on "Christmas Customs."

CHRISTMAS DANCE THURSDAY, DEC. 20

The Christmas dance will be held in the gymnasium Thursday night, Dec. 20, from 7:30 until 11:30. The dance will be semi-formal, and an orchestra composed of students and directed by Miss Helen Wright will furnish music.

Admission prices are: 25 cents each for college students, 75 cents per couple for outsiders, or 50 cents for single outsiders. These prices include all taxes.

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Christmas Story

And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them: Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

Myrtle Lou McKown visited relatives in Grantsville recently.

Helen Marks is back in school following a two-day illness.

Resolution With a Future

To the American people, 1946 will be a year of rebuilding and readjusting. Jan. 1st of the coming year will be the first time in four years that we can observe New Year's Day with the deep satisfaction that peace and security have again come to us—a peace and security brought to us by American blood, American tears and American sacrifices. To those who paid the price we owe more than can ever be given them! Freedom and security are but two of the great articles they bought.

And now we are led to wonder if we show our appreciation for those who are returning from the fight with the problem of adjusting themselves to the changing world. These young men have fought a noble fight and returned to us with their problems of mental, physical, and social adjustment. In the hands of each community lies the destiny of so many war weary boys returning to the haven of four long years of dreaming, only to find the fold has changed almost as much as they. It is a critical time in their lives and the attitude of the community as a whole largely determines their future.

Therefore, let us resolve: That during the year of 1946, we, the people of this community, will show every respect due the returning service men. To the best of our abilities we will extend to them a helping hand, an uncritical greeting, and do our best to cure the cause of their problems. We will never let them down and will seek to find them a place in the community for which they sacrificed so much.

This is a resolution with a future; a guarantee that your conscience will never haunt you.

Rodney Minney

Be Ye Thankful

As we thank God for Peace on Earth this Christmas, may our prayers be for a lasting peace. Let us honor the birth of Jesus by continuously following in his pathway. We cannot fully realize his sacrifices and pain for us; yet what do we do for Him?

The snow glistening on the pine trees reminds us of the peace of His spirit; the drifts, His trials. He gives us our true happiness; without Him we live our lives in vain. He is ever ready to shelter us from the storms of life. We need to perceive true happiness, a lasting happiness, this Christmas; a happiness not ended when the day is over. Let us make this Christmas one of reverence.

Doris Sparks

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has enjoyed national fame as an author. It seems he had a short article published in the "Truth Is Stranger Than Fiction" department of True Story magazine. Got three bucks for the tale. Which reminds us that Mrs. Stanley Jeranko is a hobbyist at the short story trade. She has a short story and some articles published in national publications.

NEW YEAR'S resolution for 1946: Never to make new year's resolutions.

LIONS TO HEAR SHREVE

Dr. John C. Shreve, member of the College faculty and head of the Department of Education, will speak to the Burnsville Lion's Club Monday, Dec. 17. Dr. Shreve, in making the announcement today, said he was undecided as to what subject he would use.



Through The Files

1 Year Ago

December, 1944—The Lounge of Louis Bennett Hall was trimmed with pine, silver, and candles Tuesday evening when the College Y.W.C.A. organization presented a Christmas program, which included:

Instrumental prelude of Christmas Carols; "O Come All Ye Faithful"; scripture reading: St. Luke 2:8-20, and prayer, Helen Cox; trombone solo, "Silent Night," Evelyn Finster; "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," "The Christmas Star"; a message about Christmas by Mrs. L. D. Zinn; "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"; and a discussion of family life in Finland by Ellen Welch, freshman of Finnish ancestry.

During the social hour, the group participated in a treasure hunt which included finding a calendar for 1945, a book mark, and a Christmas card. Other games were: "Christmas Telegram," "What Christmas Toy Am I?" and a Christmas quiz.

2 Years Ago

December, 1943 — Serious and grim looks of determination seem to have a tendency to offset the customary Christmas spirit that usually prevails about this time of the year. Of course a noble attempt is being made to have the usual celebration, but we all know there are many things which will make this impossible.

A brief walk down any street in the United States will show quite a few of these things that are absent and lead to our abnormal conditions and state of mind. The first of these to be noticed is the lack of young men. Everyone knows where they are. Store windows, printed signs, conversations, popular songs, movies, clothing designs, and hundreds of other things are our constant reminders that we are a nation at war.

3 Years Ago

December, 1942—Assembly tomorrow, which will be under the direction of Miss Bertha E. Olsen, music instructor, will consist mostly of carol singing. The program will include: "Christmas Festival," the band; "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing," all; Scrip-

ture and prayer, Frances Myers; "Oh, Holy Night," chorus; "The First Noel," all; reading, Janette Cunningham; "Cherry Tree Carol," chorus; "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," all; "Jingle Bells," all; "White Christmas," all.

4 Years Ago

December, 1941—For the second consecutive year one may see the glad tidings of Christmas shine forth from the third-floor, fourth section hall window at Louis Bennett Hall.

Wreaths of pine cover the windows and an arc of lights intermingle with the red and green ropes that decorate the pine. Rope of red and green crepe paper are strung from one hall light to the other with icicles hung across gleaming their yuletide lustre.

The stair-railing from the third floor is decorated with red and green ropes which reach the first landing, thus forming a "V" of light.

Third-floor arc lights may be seen at night while the other lights are out.

5 Years Ago

December, 1940—Today, as on the night of the first Christmas, the words of the angels, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men," are being rehearsed, prayed, and hoped for. On this 1940 Christmas Eve this dream and expectation of peace seems far away, although we are taught and know that all things are possible to a certain degree.

This dream of peace and security can never be attained until all the peoples of all the world can realize and believe the real meaning of Christmas. If people and nations could be guided by the Prince of Peace and let His light guide them through the darkness—eventually all might find a sort of peace. Then we of today might truly repeat the angel song of many centuries ago, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men."

6 Years Ago

December, 1939 — Miss Willis Brand, sponsor, entertained the Canterbury Club and one guest, the Rev. Lloyd C. Arehart, at her annual Christmas party Saturday night.

Ernestine Harrison told Kate Douglas Wiggin's story, "The Bird's Christmas Carol"; Susan Sumner related the story, "The Other Wise Man" by Henry Van Dyke; and

Inquiring Reporter

By SANTA CLAUS

Well, children, here is Santa Claus back again this year, bigger and better than ever. I'm planning to do some of you students a great big favor by giving your best friends a confidential word about the hopes and wishes of some students this Christmas time.

I was sitting down on the street corner the other night when Kathryn Wilfong slipped up and whispered in my ear that she would like to have a Wimpy hamburger, nicely wrapped and sent to her via Air Mail through the Verona Maple Hall window.

"Sis" Ellis wants an extra large bottle of Peruna — nature's remedy for man's confounded cold.

Billie Burke asks for a nice big bottle of (?) (Hallowe'en Party) so he can keep on flying with the owls at night and let those eagles in the daytime go hang!

Bill Wiant wants a new suit of traditional Navy blue in his stocking on Christmas morning.

Bill King pleads for a new, quicker path to that Verona Maple "Hall."

Bob Galford hopes for freedom from those "depressed" feelings, and he also will take a blond damsel.

Lou Strader and Betty Teter want "Arney" Wilson and "Bertie" Furr enrolled in college as honorary members.

Evelyn Finster wants a new, or even second-hand set of plumbing tools in case another rat gets in her sink.

Opal Tharpe has to have a new thermometer. One of the boys bit hers off during the flu epidemic.

Miss Vincent longs for a germ-proof Mercury staff. The bug has them all but one.

Ruth Frame coyly asks for a little red Ford for Christmas. She wants a vehicle to tote the Mercury in.

Joe Marra would squeal and clap his hands in delight if, on Christmas morning a real live pippin' blonde were in his stocking.

FROSH SAVE DAY

Could the Mercury go to press without the help of the freshman English class? The freshman class always comes to the rescue on Wednesday morning with the paper going to press at 3 p. m. They rack their brains for stories, and in the case of the flu epidemic, Carolyn Hull and "Sis" Ellis went out in the cold and snow for ads.

Several students ran around over the campus and town getting last minute interviews and small stories. Typists appeared at the Mercury office to type what few stories there were.

Every freshman is doing his bit to get out the Mercury in case of emergency.

Clifford Garrett told Dickens famous "Christmas Carol."

Christmas tree and Santa Claus word games and drawing of reindeer while blindfolded occupied the guests' attention following the more serious part of the program. Winners of mechanical toy prizes were Barbara Hauman, Max Ward, Agnes Wright, and Ruth Anabel Hull.

A two-course buffet luncheon was served. The color scheme was red and green and the apartment was decorated with poinsettias, candles, and a Christmas pine.

Each student received a gift from the red stocking and Miss Brand received a gift from the club.

Faculty, Students Make New Year's Resolutions

Dr. Shreve has resolved to be no more than five minutes late for his early morning classes.

Joan Gawthrop thinks she will sleep one-half hour instead of the full hour in history class next year.

Myrtle Lou McKown resolves to catch a boy friend next semester.

Ellen Welch, in making her list of New Year's Resolutions, adds this one, "I resolve to train my bangs in orderly fashion."

Paul Dempsey Jackson resolves to win Ruby Carr's affection and to receive two quarts of milk daily instead of the usual one.

During the coming year Verna Dean Ellis says she will not see and talk to Jimmy Reed any more than she did the past year.

Charles Fluharty resolves to bring Juanita McWilliams to the campus because the mud up at Stumptown has worn out his hip boots.

Grover Weaver resolves to eat not more than 10 slices of bread per meal.

Since Mary K. Shumate misses her dessert at the drugstore, she says she won't go to Normantown during 1946.

Grace McKissic resolves to entertain her boy friend exactly as she did the last time he was in Glenville.

Evelyn Finster in turning the new leaf over, resolves next year to accept the bid to the Christmas Dance she refused this year.

The fair damsels on second floor of Verona Maple Hall resolve to answer all letters received from Jack Rader, now in service.

Evelyn Delaney and Emma Reynolds resolve to be less talkative in the coming year.

Maecel Jean O'Dell has resolves to use the piano more in the future in preparing her music lessons.

Alicia Doris Sparks resolves to move to Maryland next year.

The girls on first floor of V.M.H. resolve to shoot at sunrise anyone who gets hillbilly music on the radio.

Anna Mae Heater resolves to keep Homer Paul further under her protective wing during the coming year.

Isabelle Clark resolves to make her big decision between the Army and Navy during 1946.

Norene Morrision resolves to catch a certain young man with "pink" hair that drives a black car. Him—

Mary Jo Ellyson resolves that she will learn the nursery rhyme "Georgie Porgie Pudding Pie."

Kathryn Elliott resolves to catch that certain snub-nosed Bushman.

Gray Barker resolves to never read another newspaper while walking off Court House Hill.

Bob Galford resolves he will be a woman-hater.

Joe Marra promises he won't play any more football on the basketball floor.

Fred Boggs resolves to keep his ring for the duration . . .

Russell Slack says he will neglect the women in the future and concentrate on his studies.

"Bill" Rexroad and Blondena Fitzpatrick resolve to quit quarreling in public.

In conclusion, we, the noses newsters, resolve never to become professional.

QUOTES

By ADA K. WILSON

Curiosity is one of the forms of feminine bravery.—Hugo.

Who dares nothing, need hope for nothing.—Schiller.

Notes From The ROBERT F. KIDD LIBRARY

The library is being decorated in keeping with the season. In the entrance hall there is a rustic lantern post complete with candle and sign reading "Yuletide Greetings." A picture, "Home for Christmas," is on display, and a simulated package wrapped in bright paper and tied with red ribbon gives us "Season's Greetings" from the bulletin board.

Books of interest this season are: "Birds' Christmas Carol," Kate Douglas Wiggin; "Christmas Every-day and Other Stories," W. D. Howells; "Children's Book of Christmas Stories," edited by Asa Don Dickinson and Ada M. Skinner; "Good Stories for Great Holidays," Frances Jenkins Olcott; "Let's Celebrate Christmas," Horace J. Gardner; "Why the Chimes Rang," Raymond McDonald Alden; Dicken's "Christmas Carol"; and the Christmas annuals.

Many of these books are displayed on a library table, and if you want to read beautifully illustrated stories, articles, poems, and carols, and see Christmas art and photography be sure to examine the Christmas annuals.

CHRISTMAS ON THE CAMPUS

For a while the girls in Verona Maple Hall became quite excited over the news that they might be quarantined for the Christmas vacation. If such a thing should have happened, I can well imagine that there would have been about 22 homesick girls in the same building.

There would at least have been a tree in the lounge to add to the Christmas spirit and there might even have been gifts under it, and if someone would have donated some long stockings we could have hung them on the mantle, but still the Christmas wouldn't have been complete. We would have lacked the love of our families which seems to glow more at Christmas time than any other time of the year.

Now, since there is no quarantine, Christmas on the campus will be a quiet, peaceful one.

The doors of Verona Maple Hall will be locked and the girls who might have been very sad, had there been a quarantine, will be spending a very Merry Christmas at home.

Get Gift In Advance

"Br-r-r, it's cold." "Gee, I'm nearly frozen." These were some of the expressions heard last week in the girl commuters' room. The Santa decided to visit early and gifted the discouraged girls with the long wished for article—heat. The janitors came and connected the heater which was badly in need of repair.

Coats are off, girls are happy and the atmosphere is pleasant despite the snowy covering on the ground outside.

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FROSH TO MAKE VACATION TRIPS

Several freshmen will take trips during Christmas vacation. Those who have revealed their holiday plans as the paper goes to press are:

Mildred Bramer is going to visit in Washington, D. C.

Grace McKissic plans a trip to Cleveland and Geneva, Ohio.

Myrtle Lou McKown expects to visit relatives in Charleston and Spencer.

Rodney Minney will visit his father and mother in Tunnelton.

Monoka Nicholson may spend some time in Parkersburg.

Betty Jo Simon plans to visit her grandmother at Shadybrook, Weston, and her grandfather at Walkersville.

Lorraine Springston expects to visit in Parkersburg.

Lura Maude Rader will visit in Parkersburg.

Rosemary and Betty Teter are going to Morgantown.

Edsel Moss will visit in Summersville.

HEART ATTACK KILLS AIR VET

WESTON, Dec. 11—Staff Sgt. Myerl E. Frame, 34, an Air Corps veteran of 18 months in the Pacific where he won a Bronze Star medal, died Dec. 6 of a heart attack at Camp Anza, Arlington, Calif.

Frame, who returned to the States the first of the month, had wired local relatives he would be home soon. He entered service Jan. 3, 1941.

Staff Sgt. Frame was born March 31, 1911, in Braxton county, a son of Daisy Kitts Frame and the late Nathan C. Frame. His mother is a resident of Webster Springs.

When about four years old, he came here and made his home with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Twyman. He graduated at Weston high school and was a star athlete. He attended Glenville State College and graduated from the School of Mechanics, Nashville, Tenn.

He is survived by his mother, his uncle and aunt, and one brother, Lawrence, of Morgantown. The body arrived early Wednesday morning, Dec. 12, at Clarksburg.—Clarksburg Exponent.

MR. WHETSELL SPEAKS AT ROTARY LUNCHEON

Mr. William Whetsell, student and instructor of men's physical education, talked about his experiences as a bomber pilot in the European theatre of operations during the war before the Rotary Club at its weekly luncheon at the Conrad Hotel, Thursday, Dec. 13. Mr. Whetsell was a guest of Mr. John R. Wagner, of the science department, who had charge of the program.

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Faculty Plans For Vacation

The majority of the faculty members are making plans for the Christmas vacation, and the Mercury staff has been able to ascertain some of them.

Mr. H. Y. Clark expects to spend a few days with his mother at Mill Creek, in Randolph County.

Mr. John R. Wagner will probably spend his vacation at his home here.

Miss Alma Arbuckle likewise will spend the holidays at home.

Miss Bertha E. Alson will go to Maine to visit with her parents at her home at North Kittery.

Miss Ivy Lee Myers will spend a part of her vacation visiting her sisters, the Misses Emma and Mabel Myers, at Huntington.

Miss Margaret Kenney will visit her sister in Jersey City and spend some time in New York.

Miss Rose Funk will visit in Fairmont.

Miss Bessie Boyd Bell will be at home, but will have relatives from Huntington visiting her.

Miss Opal Vincent will go to her home at Cairo for the holidays.

Dr. J. C. Shreve said he would do nothing unusual during vacation.

Miss Goldie C. James plans to visit in New York City and Washington and hopes to attend the opera in New York.

Dr. C. L. Underwood expects to spend some time in Fairview and the rest here in Glenville.

Miss Louise Whitlow will go to her home in Kentucky.

Dean Crawford said, "You'd better ask my wife," and Mrs. Crawford said, "Who knows, with two small daughters in the house?"

Mr. William Whetsell said he would spend part of the vacation at the home of his father-in-law, Mr. B. B. Burke, at Cedarville. He will also referee the Glenville High School-Alumni game here in Glenville. The rest of his time will be spent at his home in Kingwood.

Mrs. Nora V. Roberts plans to spend her Christmas holidays here in Glenville, and is expecting to be visited by her daughter, Miss Elsie Roberts, a nurse of Houston, Texas.

Mr. Linn B. Hickman, who has been studying in Syracuse University, Syracuse, N. Y., arrived in Glenville, Dec. 11, and is spending his vacation with Mrs. Hickman and daughter, Anne Lynn.

Miss Erma Edwards, the financial secretary, will spend her vacation at her home in Glenville working on the income tax returns for the teachers. Miss Edwards said that she hoped to visit some in Clarksburg if she could find time to do so.

Mr. H. L. White, head of the English Department, expects to

visit relatives in Charleston and Parkersburg during the Christmas holidays, and to make a trip to Weston. These plans, Mr. White said, are subject to change according to weather conditions.

Mr. White is looking forward to the arrival of his son, Lt. H. L. White, Jr., Dec. 22, who will spend an eight-day leave with his family. This is the first furlough Lt. White has received for the past 15 months.

Mr. White ended his holiday expectations with plans to complete the records of the local rationing board for the year 1945.

Mr. Hunter Whiting, instructor in French and English, said today that he expects to continue working throughout the holiday season, and hopes he will not be sick.

Dr. and Mrs. D. L. Haight plans to remain at home except for brief visits to Clarksburg and Charleston.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond E. Freed plan to spend part of the vacation at Mrs. Freed's home, Judge Jake Fisher's, in Sutton, and the remainder at the home of Mr. Freed's folks in Waynesboro, Va.

Mrs. Emma Speir will spend part of her Christmas vacation at Clarksburg, and the remainder at Pittsburgh, Pa.

Reports Game Scores

W.A.A. was held Monday night, Dec. 10, from 6:30 to 8, and three games of basketball were played. Cross' team defeated Groves' team by a score of 11 to 8. Although Cross' team was handicapped by lack of players, it came out on top.

Morrison defeated Ellis in a fast game by a score of 8-6. The last game was played between the teams of Foreman and Ellyson. This was an exciting game, and Foreman's team won by only one point, the final score being 8-7.

COUNCIL MEETS

As the paper goes to press, Dr. C. L. Underwood announces the meeting of the officers and committeemen of the Gilmer County Council of Religious Education, Dec. 14, in the local Methodist Church. Dr. Underwood is president of the organization, and some of the students of the College who are members are Nina Moore, Velma Carson, and Lyda Farnsworth.

Helen Marks and Hannah Lou Garrett spent the weekend at Charleston.

Peggy Cottrill and Lorraine Springston were at Parkersburg over the week-end.

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Social Events of the Week

Students Anttend Methodist Dinner

Among the students attending the Family Covered-dish Dinner in the social rooms of the Trinity Methodist Church, Thursday evening, Dec. 13, at 6 o'clock, were: Nina Moore, Mary Anne Ellis, Carolyn Hull, Ellen Welch, Marian Heavner, Ruth Groves, and Donzel Betts.

Student guests and members of the church engaged in group singing around the piano while the meal was being prepared for serving.

Mr. John R. Wagner, instructor in the College, announced that the Rev. Mr. G. J. Johnson, pastor, would receive 200 bushels of coal as a Christmas gift from the church.

Plans for V.M.H. Party Materialize

The first step in the plans for the V.M.H. Christmas party was carried out Saturday when a Christmas tree was erected in the lounge and trimmed by a committee of girls who had volunteered for that purpose. Doy Fitzpatrick brought in the tree and erected it.

For several days girls have been turning in the presents which are to be exchanged. We expect Santa Claus to be present with other gifts, unless the snow storms delay him.

The next event will be the actual party which will take place Wednesday night, Dec. 19, beginning at 8 o'clock. A candle lighting service will be held beginning on the third floor, with Evelyn Finster and Helen Cox leading the singing. Afterwards the girls will go caroling.

YWCA Holds Christmas Party

A social evening of songs, stories, and devotions was observed by members and guests of the YWCA at the annual Christmas party held in the lounge of Louis Bennett Hall the evening of Dec. 12. Miss Alma Arbuckle, faculty adviser, furnished the refreshments, and was presented a gift by the YW members.

Committees that helped arrange the party were: decorating committee, Evelyn Finster, Ruth Brady, Reva Brown, Betty Jo Simon, and Marie Furr; entertainment committee, Ellen Welch, Jacqueline Walker, Blondena Fitzpatrick, and Ruth Främe; and refreshment committee, Mary Jo Ellyson, Esther Hinzman, and Garnet Boyce.

Mrs. Opal Tharp '49, school nurse, and Grace McKissic '49 expect to spend a part of their Christmas vacation visiting in Cleveland.

Miss Myers Entertains

Beginning with her sister, Miss Rachel Myers of Salem College, and Miss Cole, librarian of Salem College, for the week-end of Dec. 8, Miss Ivy Lee Myers, instructor in the education department of the College, has entertained several guests recently. Miss Alma Arbuckle, librarian, was a guest of Miss Myers on Friday evening, Dec. 7. Mrs. Iris Arbogast '46 of Sand Fork, and Edna Ruth Ellyson '46 of Troy were Miss Myers' guests Thursday night, Dec. 13.

Miss Myers is often entertained, as well as an entertainer. She was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Post of Clarksburg the week-end of Dec. 15. Mr. Post was formerly head of the geography department here and lived here for several years, but the Posts moved to Clarksburg after Mr. Post retired in 1943.

LETTER TO SANTA

Glenville State College.
Dear Santa Claus:

Most college students think that they are too advanced to write Santa, but we are only kids at heart. We two childish students deemed it necessary to enlighten you as to the wants and wishes of the students and faculty.

Rodney Minney hopes to be awakened on Christmas morning, not by the stomping and stamping of big feet in Louis Bennett Hall, but by the patter of his own little Arliss.

Velma Carson wants at least a dozen more "cousins."

Miss Vincent would like to have a waste basket and a teacher's desk chair. (If you're out of stock, please drop a hint to the janitor.)

Nelson Smith wants a new class ring. He lost his in Thompson's Drug, and Verona Lee Hess found it.

Mary Friend wishes that you could find a stocking long enough to put Gray Barker in.

"Rod" Minney, Marvin Burns, "Bill" Whetzel, "Nick" Murin, Bennett Stump, Opal Tharp, and "Sandy" Jeranko all want you to bring their "kids" a very Merry Christmas.

Blondena Fitzpatrick wants the boss-job in the State Road Commission so she can be in charge of the Rex-roads.

Marion Reed prays, "Santa, bring me a man—six-footer preferred."

"Sis" Ellis will be satisfied with a new bow tie.

Monoka Nicholson wishes that you could do something to keep Gerald out of Uncle Sam's reach.

Mildred Bramer wants to find a rag doll with pigtail, in her sock. Lura Maude Rader wants a tri, "South of the Border."

Dr. Haught wants only a toupee. He says, "Make it a blonde one."

ON THE CAMPUS

The war is over but queues are still with us—and I refer to the queue of boys and girls at the kitchen door waiting to carry trays to their friends and roommates who were confined to bed by the recent epidemic of flu.

Have you observed the particular part of fairyland in which we have been living the last several days? One day the trees on the hill behind V.M.H. and the library were covered with ice well up into the day. Since then the trees and vines have been covered with heavy frost in the morning, and now the broom-sedge under its white burden of snow looks like an old man's beard.

Clement C. Moore, a college professor, wrote a poem to give a little boy the will to live. It begins, "Twas the night before Christmas," and if you want to reread an old favorite during this season, there is an illustrated reproduction of the poem together with an account of how it came to be written in the December issue of Coronet.

Tennyson said, "In the spring a young man's fancy . . ." but love on Glenville College campus apparently knows no season but is ever present, judging by the number of romances—old and new. Question (to the nurse): "Do the boys mind being doctored?" Answer: "No, they act just like brother." (Ed's Note—Brother is one year old.)

Attractive??? "No Visitors Allowed" signs are hanging on the doors of some of the rooms in V.M.H.

Yuletide Greetings in the entrance at the library is one of the first Christmas notes to show up on the campus.

And since it doesn't cost anything, we say "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

Mildred Bramer spent the week-end with her family in Clarksburg.

Rella Hanna asks only for a cushion. It was really rough landing when she was making a rush to her 8 o'clock class.

Miss James wants more intelligent biology students.

Dean Crawford wants the little white tam he lost the night the fire alarm was set off.

Well, Santa, we'll leave the rest up to you.

Yours hopefully,
Dope and Dopey

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Katheryn Wilfong and Evelyn Finster are ill at their homes in Weston, and unable to return to school.

Jackie Walker spent the week-end with her grandparents at Buckhannon.

Marie Furr was visiting at her home in Weston over the week-end.

Anna Mae Heater spent the weekend at her home in Weston.

Evelyn Delaney was visiting with Ellen McHenry at her home in Ellis.

Homer P. Heckert is ill at his home in Weston and is unable to return to school.

Charles McIntosh, who has been confined to his room because of illness, will visit at his home in Walkersville until recovered.

Charles Fluharty is ill at his home in Pine Grove.

Mary Jo Ellyson spent the week-end with her parents at Tanner.

Emma Gail Reynolds was visiting at her home from Friday till Monday.

Ada K. Wilson is ill at her home in Frenchton.

Myrtle Lou McKown was visiting friends and relatives at Grantsville over the week-end.

Kathryn Hall and Helen Cox have been ill but are now well on the road to recovery.

Ruth Groves had as her guests over the week-end Ora Mae Linger, Newville, and Ada Ruth Hutchinson of Flatwoods. Both are elementary school teachers of Braxton County.

CAMPUS FASHIONS and FADS

With Christmas just around the corner the familiar sayings are heard around the campus: "I can't wait until our Christmas vacation starts." "Gee! What am I going to get Mary for Christmas?" "Do you think mother would like this present?"

Christmas is the time that everyone can show his appreciation by giving gifts. It isn't the price of the gift that counts, but it is the way it is given. There are many inexpensive gifts that can be bought for mother, sister, brother, or room-mate.

I saw some of the sweetest cuddle bears down at Midlands. Not only can they be given to smaller children but most all girls like them to set in their room.

Midlands also have some nice luncheon sets that would be suitable for mother.

The Grill has some very pleasing cosmetics. Scented sachets have such an enchanting fragrance. They make a beautiful gift.

Thompson's Drug Store has loads of pretty stationery.

McCullough has some really lovely sweaters that any girl would love to have.

Vogue Shoe Store has a wonderful selection of bedroom slippers, fruits, nuts and other goodies may be found at the R. B. Store.

You can find gifts for brother and father at the Hub.

Army seems to be doing all right for themselves, or so it seems. From 11 men on the Associated Press All-American, Army had a total of five.

Miss Funk Reports On Girls' Activities

Basketball is the prevailing sport in W.A.A., according to Miss Rose Funk, instructor in physical education and Dean of Women. Miss Funk has the following classes: Freshman orientation (boys and girls); club leadership, which recently conducted a "play day"; Physiology; Health Education; Technique of Teaching and Officiating Sports and Physical Education; and Directed Teaching.

Besides the classes, she sponsors the W.A.A. meetings, which are held each Monday evening at 6:30. She states that this organization "is active because W.A.A. is based on playing, not winning." She helped with the organization of M.A.A. and held the position of House Director at Louis Bennett Hall until she was relieved of both duties by Mr. William Whetzel.

Miss Funk recently attended a meeting of the American Cancer Society in Charleston and a physical education meeting at Jackson's Mill.

During the Holidays

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