## MERCURY MUSINGS

#### By Gray Barker

IT IS COMFORTING in a way to know that this is next to the last is-sue of The Mercury and this is next to the last column that will have to be thought up. So it is high time the Swan Song be tuned up to the fork and started. It will continue next week

CONNECTION with the Mercury has been long and not unpleasant aside from a lot of hard work and headaches. It has been made pleasant by associations gained while working on and editing it. A student who has the opportunity to write for a school publication is in an enviable position as regards development of his capacities for future living, regardless of whether or not he takes up type-juggling for a career

TO KNOW THAT what you write, bad, or good, is before the entire student body and faculty is a good feeling, and it makes one work just reting, and it makes one work just a little harder than for regular class-work at times. My history, sociology, English, and what not have suffered of course, by virtue of the newspap-er business, but it has been worth it.

FOR ME THE MERCURY has come to mean in a large sense Glenville State College; for the College is reflected in its newspaper. And for me Glenville State College has been my only col-lege and as far as I am concerned the best in the United States. The greater part of all that I shall The greater part of an that is going to be a great deal—and at least a fellow should think that way—shall be a result of education, largely during the last four yeras

ON THE EDITORIAL page I hope you will read with care the comments, signed by a number of students, and directed at my editorial published two weeks ago in which I stated that I thought a student should be permitted to wear whatever he chooses to wear. This comment is fitting and proper, and tentine is fitting and proper, and i realize that not everyone in the world looks at things the way I do. There are a few things in the edborial, however, that I feel Cliff should not have said and naturally I want to have my say about it.

I WOULD PUT IT in another "one-man editorial," if I chose to do so, signed or unsigned, but it happens I am writing the Musings right now, another Mercury privilige which I appreciate and may even be abusing. There are only two or three names signed which surprise me to see there, and which hurt me in a way to see there. The statements concerned with the wearing of "G" letters are perwearing of "G" letters are per-fectly legitimate, statements which I welcomed the past week in this colu

BUT THERE ARE some state ments without ground, in my, and I hope in my faithful readers' opinions, hope in my faithful readers' opinions. In tht first place an editor can say anything he pleases, as long as it does not injure someone, regard-less of whether or not it repre sents the views of the readers. As for the Mervury staff, it is not concerned with what the editor says in the sheet if they don't agree with it. It's their privilige, of course, to write their own opinions, subject to the editor's approval, and in our case the faculty adviser's approval. In this issue and in the one next week the faculty adviser's approval. In this issue and in the one next week In issue and in the one next week I shall say anything I please as long as it is within reason and meets Miss Vincent's approval, along with the best interests of our college.

ON THE EDITORIAL page I shall place my personal views if 1 dee fit to do so. Everyone knew I wrote the editorial on letters anyway, and I wasn't ashamed of it. It was, in fact, a technical error that the name did not appear. I shall place in my

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Volume 17, No. 24 column what I wish to place there

AND IF OUR faculty adviser hap-

AND IF OUR faculty adviser ap-pens to be away when I feel an edi-torial should be written I shall write it and take it directly to the Demo-crat Office if I please. I feel I can do this because if Miss Vincent did not feel that I am a person ca-pable of responsibility and if Prespable of responsionity and it is a sub-ident Haught did not thisk the same way to a point at which the College pays me to work on the Mercury, I should not be the editor. ...AND NOW I wax vitrolic and

and mention the comments on my comment that "some think it, (college spirit) consists of raising the Perhaps I am wrong in that qualified the statement was not That "some" represents only SOME, thank heavens. And those "some" thank heavens. And those did not actually and literally raise the Devil, but they did raise some Clanville citizens from their beds one recent morning at about three o'clock to answer a false fire alarm.

I RESPECT the fact that many of the names, according to the ed-itorial on page two; know what dem-ocracy means. I realize that these men went through a living Hell that I and many of you can go college. But it is not my fault and many of your faults that we were many of your faults that we were not required to do so. Our draft boards will inform you why we who were subject to conscription were not drafted. But we did the best we could, used our privelige to the ut most, and endeavored to get an ed-ucation, and by so doing, learned, too, what democracy means.

AND NOW, getting back to Swan Song idea, I had better take time off to thank so many of you who have read my stuff regardless of how bad it has got sometimes. You have told me when you liked something and don't think your compliments were not deeply appreciated. Usually my eccentricity is just for publicity anyway, not a bad idea. Along with student readers I wish to thank you teachers too, not only for all you have done for me in classes and as friends but for tolerating me and the Mer cury even when we got you twisted out of all proportions in some of the stories. Some have bawled us out, but got in a good humor again. And as for President Haught, he is And as for President Haught, ac a greatly responsibility, along with the fact that he trusted me enough to give me a part time job on the Mercury, for my being able to at-tend college at all.

OF COURSE there may be other column next week. but if you liked this one, I wish you would tell me so. I haven't time to take a paper around to see if someone agree with me. I will take your your compli-And if you ment as a signature. less to tell me so, because with my college career drawing toward an end, there is little time for improve ment.

#### **College Men Practice** "Know West Virginia"

Frank Boles, Jack Hammett, "Zeke" Wolfe, and Hastings Bailey are practicing the program sponsor ed by the State Department of Edu cation, "Know West Virginia by Traveling." After attending church Favering. After attending church Sunday these boys took a drive that covered about four hundred miles by way of Davis, Blackwater Falls, Richwood, and other points of inter set est. They plan more trips-the next next of the state.

to the southern part of the state.



### Mrs. Ada K. Wilson Has Leading Role

Ada K. Wilson, a senior and Play member of the Ohnimgohow P ers, will have the leading role in the one-act melodrama, "Parted on Her Wedding Morn". The three ong-act plays, "Why I Am A Bachon:-act plays, why I Am A Bach-elor", "The Ghostly Passanger" and "Parted On Her Wedding Morn" will be presented May 23 in the col-lege auditorium. The plays are und-er the direction of Miss Opal Vingent, instructor in Speech and Eng-lish.

## Mr. Wagner Reports **Interesting Sights**

Members of the faculty, Miss Goldie James, H.C. Clark, Bessie Boyd Bell and John R. Wagner, at-tended the Academy of Science and Higher Education Meeting held at Athens,, W.Va. They saw very beautiful scenery and many points of interest, among them being the first church west of the Alleghenies, still standing and a tombstone wi markings "died 1832, born 1777. still with

## **High School Class** Has Play Tonight

"Wedding Spells" will be presented in the College Auditorium tonight by the members of the Senior class of Glenville High School. The play is under the direction of Miss Jean McGee, instructor in English. The cast is as follows: Billie, Hy-

lah Kight; Reeves, Glenn Bush; Steve Arlen, Bob Arnold; Charles Coanlly, Don Bush; Julia Pettingill, Steve Joan Barrett; Frances Brown, Jean Davis; Niki Murphy, Mary Shaver; Jean Brannon; Blake, Ruth Aurburn, Jean Brannon; Blake, Ralph Keller; Sigsbee Sullivan, Dick Fultineer; Mrs. Gay, Joan Graves.

## **Out-Of-Towners** Attend Court Dance

Among the out of town guests at-Among the out of town guests at-tending the Holy Roller Court Dance May 3 were: Sgt. and Mrs. Clifton "Tink" Huffman, Parkers-burg; Mr. and Mrs. Albert W. Lil-ley, Oak Hil; Mrs. Paul Rishel, Spencer; Mrs. Olin Hill, Harrisville; Hugh Hurst, West Union; Lt. Earl Spencer Army Air Rase Greens. Spencer, Army Air Base, Greens, N.C.; John Marra, Kingston; Louie Romano, Clarksburg; Joe Haught, Grastsville; Joe Rodriquez, Beckley; and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kafer, West-

## Kyle, Pickens To Be Members **Of Summer School Faculty**

#### HOLD LAST MEETING

The last meeting of the Y.W.C. . is to be the 23rd of May in the Δ Lounge.

## **College Students** Present Program

Nine college students present ed a program to the students of Nicholas County High School (Wed-nesday. Representing the speech department were, Gray Barker, department were, Gray Barker, Ada K. Wilson, Evelyn Finster, and Jac-queline Walker. Caroloyn Hull, Ver-na Dean Elis, Kathrine Wilfong, Peggy June Adams and Alma Grace Douglas provided music under the direction of Miss Bertha E. Olsen, instructor in music. The students were accompanied by Ada

The students were accompanied by Dean Robert T. Crawford and Doy Fitzpatrick, College electrician, who drove the car. Immediately

following the pro-was served a lunch gram the group was served a at the Summersville Hotel.

## **Elect Finster** To Head House

Residents of VMH met Tuesday evening in the lobby and held the annual election of house officers.

The following were elected: Pres. Evelyn Finister; Vice Presi-ednt, Katherine Hall; Secretary and

Treasurer, Freda Davis. Short talks were made by new officers and the four se girls residing in the Hall-Ada K. Wilson, Bobby Jean Coe, Ruth Groves and Cecelia Duffy.

## Drive Reaches \$136.44 Mark

Donations for the W.S.S.F. drive total \$136.44, according to Mr. John R. Wagner.

Individuals report the following Northview, canvassers, Betty Rose Hardman, Carolyn Hull and Sis Ellis, \$12:30; Town, Canvasser, Peggy June Adams, \$25.00; Louis Bennett Hall, Canvasser, Allan Foutty, \$25.-00; Faculty, Canvasser, Ruth Groves, \$35.20; Verona Maple Hall, Canvassers, Evelyn Finster and Ellen Welch, \$25.00; Commuters, Canvasser, Homer P. Heckert, \$13.00; and ball games (class tournaments) \$18.78.

#### Home Ec. Members **Give Bridal Shower**

A linen shower was given Mrs. Richard Whiting, the former Isobel Clark, by the girls enrolled in Foods Selection and Preparation Wednesday afternoon in the dining room of the Home Economics department. Angel food cake, ice cream and cof fee were served the Auge 1000 care, receared and con-fee were served the guests. Those present were Mrs. Richard Whiting, Mrs. Emma Spier, class director, Marion Reed, Lois Reed, Mary Helen Reed, Nedra Griffith, Margaret Ullom, Col-pellucation Names Mariates len Ellyson, Naurene Morriston, Mary Friend, Ethel Mae Radcliff, Peggy Cottrill, Mary Casto and Max-ine Riddle.

# Ada K. Wilson, senior, has been notified that the 2nd Annual College Anthology of Poetry has been pub-lished. Included in this Anthology is Mrs. (Wilson's poem, "Three Loves."

Mary Jo Ellyson and Ester Hinzman visited their homes at Tanne the past week end.



Miss Eunice Kyle, of Buckhannon, will take over Miss Magraret Ken-ney's duties as instructor in Art during the summer term while Miss

Kenney attends Columbia University

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in New York. Miss Kyle taught music at the college during the sum mer session last year and is regular instructor of music at Buckhannon Upshur High School.

Miss Pearl Pickens, teacher at Glenville High School, will be direct or of training school.

## Forty-One Spencer **Pupils In Assembly**

A mixed chorus of forty-one students from Spencer High School under the direction of Dr. Karl V. Brown, music director for Spencer and Walton High Schools, presented a program of vccal and instrumental numbers in assembly, Thursday, May 9, before a capacity crowd of college

9, before a capacity crowd of college students, town people, and Glenville High School students. Jeanne Walker, a student in Spen-cer High School, served as accompa-nist for the chorus. Members of the chorus, Dr. Brown, and Mr. Ken-neth Shaffer, Superintendent of Roane County Schools who were the guests of the college at a luncheon served in the Kanawha Hall Dining Room immediately after the accompany. Room immediately after the program. The program follows, Bless

The program follows, Dedication—chorus; Bless the Lord, O My Soul—Chorus; In the Gloaming—Chorus; Old Kentucy Home—Coronet solo by George Ed-die King; One World, with solos by Jim Hayes and Charles Romise; Litt-le David, Play on Your Harp—Chor-us; Cindy (Mountain Dance Tune) —Chorus; Second Hungarian Rhap-Chorus; Second Hungarian Rhap-sody—piano duet by Jeanne Walk-er and Betty Miller; Donky Sere-nade—Chorus; Goin' Home (From New (World Symphony) with solos by Jo Ellen Roung—soprano, Winifred Jo Ellen Roung-soprano, Winifred Corper-alto and Charles Romine-tenor; and Benediction-Chorus. Jo Ellen

## Freshmen Plan Party

The Freshman class plans to have an out-door party either the 17th or 24th of this month. Arrangements have not been definitely planned.

WHITE TO SPEAK

WHITE 10 SPEAK Mr. H.L. White, English Instruc-tor, will deliver the graduating ad-dress to the Junior High School Class at Burnsville on May 17, 1946.

"Wedding Spells", May 14, Senior class at high school. Admission 20-35c. College auditorium 8 o'-clock. Miss Jean McGee, director clock. M director.

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#### STUDENT OPINION

In response to the recent editorial which appeared in the Mercury, which appeared in the Mercury, which we do not believe represented the view point of the majority of the Mercury staff or the majority of the tudonte we will be of the students, we make this reply. wish to

After the editorial appear-ed in the paper, we interview-ed some of the students who wore high school letters and unauthorized "G" letters on the campus. These students reted "the wearing of said stated "the wearing of said letters should not be permit-ted on the campus." The reasons they gave for wearing them this year, was that they did not know there was a tra-dition on this campus, forbid-ding the wearing of these letters

With the above statements from the people who are to be-come the victums of such tra-dition and with no objection to razor blading their letters, we thing there is no issue for arguing over this point. How-ever we shall endeavor to bring out the many strong points for students not wear-ing high school letters or un-authorized "G" letters. As Mr. Barker stated, the With the above statements

authorized "G" letters. As Mr. Barker stated, the strongest argument for the majority, as he calls us, is the hard work that is attached to the earning of the letters eith-er by a member of the Pioneer teams or a member of the WAA or MAA. Without any award of some sort for these people (and the letter is the only reward granted them) why should they put out any effort to obtain a letter, but do as some of the other memdo as some of the other mem-bers of our student body, ord-er one from the nearest sport shors.

In our opinion traditions should be followed as was done at Glenville State in the past. Our argument for this is if we look at other college en-rollments, other college strong past. Our argument for this is if we look at other college en-rollments, other college strong alumni and probally most of eight years in fight years glum! All other college's student's 4 years in high school and 4 epfort, we find that all other years in college-years spent colleges are superior to us in in preparing him to make his past week.

these things in other colleges, we thing it is best to keep with it at Glenville State. We think we realize what We think we realize what democracy means. Many of the undersigned having fought in the war in order that we might have all the freedom enjoyed today. We do not believe we are infring-ing on anyone's freedoms by telling them what clothing they they can and cannot wear. We do not object to dif-ferent high school athletic ferent high school athletic sweaters being worn as long as the high school letter has

all three. If tradition

does

as the high school letter has been removed. In no way does this hurt the sweaters or its appearance when worn. On the Campus, besides the athletic teams are two organ-izations in which students may negativity in a star to obtain participate in order to obtain these letters if they wish to have them to wear. These two organizations. WAA and MA-A, welcomes all students to join and there are no restrictions.

College spirit too, might well be defined in our article. we tend not to agree that the college spirit consists of raiscollege spirit consists of rais-ing the Devil. but by taking part and supporting all col-lege organizations and activ-itizs and the feeling of pride that it gives us when our ath-letic teams, or other college organizations which we parti-enter the organization of the prior whether cipate in or support whether as participaters or supporters. do a task and do it well.

We also feel that the editor We also feel that the editor of our college paper should not use the editorial page for his own personal views but use his column to which his name has been signed. Also been submitted through the proper channels and not hand-ed discritive to the printer by ed directly to the printer by author the

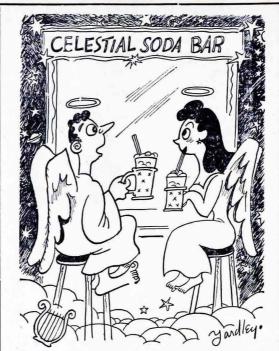
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Wilson, Jack Byers, Sammy Williams. Ross Morgan, Joe Taylor, James Collins.

#### JOE STUDENT

Joe Student was glum. He Joe Student was glum. He stood on the campus, cinder bluff overlooking a peaceful, picturesque, pastoral scene-the bend in the Little Kanaw-ha River, cattle grazing or green hillsides, the prosperous ous hillsides, the prosperous hum of a motor. the laugh of a child at play, a woman hanging washing on a line, and across the river the long hanging washing on a line, and across the river the long pencil thin green rows in a carden. The world-thought Joe Student, is bosh! A pict-ure book world seemingly but underneath a world where starvation stalks untold num bers-reeking with political turmoil-staggering under dip-lomatic distrust -reeling under labor strikes so far reaching in scope that no person can estimate the damage to recon-version--opposing sides to every question or issue of the day with the little man in between-debating whether to

tween-departing whether to have price control or inflation prices--reasoning it doesn't matter because there's noth-ing to sell anyway! Joe Student was glum! Fight matter the sell anyway!



"Suddenly I Realized I Hadn't Noticed The Crossing"

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

world--and now catastrophic up way in the he found a uphe aval--not a world in which he might make his living. The years of preparation were years of preparation were wasted, water over the dam-for nothing seemed to have a years

for nothing seemed to have a true meaning anymore. Just then his eves rested on a tiny moving figure across the river-two steps stop-two steps, stop. Absent mindly Joe Student echoed the farmers motion as he planted the rows of corn-two steps stop. motion as he planted the rows of corn-two steps, stop. What's the use even of that? Does the farmer know the seeds will amount to any-thing? He can only say he hopes the field will yield its customary number of bushels. Hopes? questions Joe Stud-ort ent.

And his mind answers-yes! hopes-even in this mixed up world! The farmers hope for a good crop-the scientist hopes for a discovery of atomic control-the doctors hopes for a drug that will be an effect-ive cure for many diseases for a drug that will be all filed ive cure for many diseases for which no cure has been found -the statesman hones for a workable basis of government for all nations. Hope still lives for it is hope that gives men the courage to take another forward or to try somehing else.

Suddenly-Joe Student was Niddenly-Joe Stildent was no longer glum for he remem-hered a line he had read---"Men live by the spirit and hope is its driving force." Baba Ellyson Reba Ellyson

Mr. Ward E. Gamble, director of restional rehabilitation, was here Tuesday at the office of County Superintendent J. Therin Rogers to interview students who are under the program.

Edna Ruth Ellyson was shopping in Clarksburg Saturday. Maxine Riddle was in Weston Sat-

Miss Alma Arbuckle has announc ed a list of new books in the library The Missouri, Vestal; Amerigo Vespucci, Pohl; China's First Lady, Nicolay; Radio Development in a Small City School System, Berry; Radios 100 Men of Science, Dunlap; Body Poise, Truslow; Re-Educating Germany, Richter; The Wild Seven ties. Lynch: Teacher-Pupil Planning Giles; The Biography of a Cathedral, Andernon; Black Boy, Wright; My Revolutionary Years, Madame Wei-Cao-Ming; The American Character Brogan; and Commodore Vander-Brogan; and bilt, Lane.

## Through the Files

#### PEG COTTRILL

Seven Years Ago Frank Beall's band will play at Alumni Dance.

Six Years Ago The Mercury staff's first annual press banquet at the Whiting Tea

## Five Years Ago

Virginia West, college senicr, has never missed a day since she started to school fourteen years ago. Graduating class to blargest in college's history. class to be se

Four Years Ago 28 issues of the Mercury lished during 1941—'42. Three Years Ago was pub

## Alumni Notes

News items for this week being in the same category as nylons, butter and Whitman's Samplers, we sudden-ly remembered some of the good old days when-and how about you? Do you remember?-

Were you on or near the tennis court the May afternoon when spec-tators on the sidelines were pushed back by Mr. Grose who had seen the promise of a fair fight and in an in-stant was down the flight of stairs to protect the two combatants to protect the two combatant's priviledge of fighting it out honestly? Were you in the Library that day when Ed Harris at the desk met his Waterloo, Remember how pepplexed he was trying to make out what it was the lisping student wanted for it sounded as if it were something it sounded as if it were something like this—"I want de totten tingdom by doa"—That was riddle for he really did want a book "The Cotton Kingdom by Dodd." Do you remember how the boys used to watch for the size of Mr. Post's cigar, Yep! For if it was small you could expect him in class soon, but if it was of rook size there he

you could expect him in class soon, but if it was of good size then he could be counted on to take the long way round. Or were you one of the Kanawha Hall boys who 'way back there went out on the street to smoke? Or threw your cigarette out the window if the footsteps sounded as if they were a professor? Can you even go away back in the dim past and remember the stu-

dim past and remember the stu-dents of a welcoming committee meeting instructor Willie Cooper and dim

meeting instructor Willie Cooper and his bride with a wagon which they pulled up through the treacherous mud of Court House Hill? Did you take that trip over the hills with Mr. Grose in search of the airplane who everyone thought had crashed? You even went to the Cedarville bridbe, didn't you? Do you remember Miss Boyd, the teacher from the South and her his-

Do you remember Miss Boyd, me teacher from the South and her his-tory assignments? Did you try to find the book, "Men of the Road" for that class when she gave you a topic on presidents Yes, it could be blamed on Southern dialect for the book was "Meade Minneggrodes book on the Presidents " on the Presidents."

Mercury again gets 1st class hon or rating. Miss Pearl Pickens is new presi

dent of the Woman's Club. Two Years Ago

Helen Taylor has highest average in social studies ...

One Year Ago Nina Moore was elected senior

resilent. According to a tentative list com piled by Carey Woofter, registrar, there are at least 1119 former students in Glenville State College now serving in the U.S. armed for



#### TUESDAY, MAY 14, 1946

Members of Ruth Groves' league Memoers of Auth Groups league team were the hostesses at a ham-burger fry held in the Methodist Church last Sunday night at 6:00, for Ellen Welch's team because they won a contest that was held. Games were played until 7:00 and

Hamburger Fry Held

For League Winners

Games were played until 7:00 and then refreshments were served to twenty two college students. Mrs. Marvin Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Wagner and the Rev. Grover J. Johnson were also present. Ruth Groves and Carolyn Hull were in charge of refreshments and Sis Ellis, President of the Fel-lowship, was in charge of the games.

## **Tricks For Teens**

If your mother doesn't like to see numb-tack marks on the wall o thumb wardrobe door, here's a record breaker. For your pin-up board use a cork place mat.

what are you doing with those old cords of yours when they get too in? Why not surprise the gang recor thin? next time by serving your treat in dishes made from discard-ed records? Soften the records for a few minutes in a slow oven and gentlp mold them over tin plates or

cans until they take shape. An old phonograph record makes a striking frame, too. Paste one of your jitterbug friends in picture form) in the center, mounted on a slightlp large piece of plain colored paper to set off the picture. By heating a nail, you can make a hole for hanging your record frame.

If your hobby is photography, there do you keep your negatives? where If you keep that in your album under the final print you'll know where it is when you want it.

your hobby is collecting Or if photos of your friends and you want to display them all at once, paste them on either the red or black

blocks of Checkerboards. Girls who want a quick hair-do for a special occasion might try r a special occasion might try pistening the ends of their hair with cologne before rolling them up.

with cologne before round them up. Cologne drives faster than water and leaves a delicious fragrance. If you get your fingtrs smeared with nail polish, rub hand caream into your hands, and especially a-round—but not on—your nails. The excess polish will then wipe of in a

Have you played that favorite record until there is nothing but a feeble squeak left? Then have your friends autograph it in white crayon or poster paint and you can hang it on your wall. Speaking of records, I believe this is where I came in-

#### Mercury-ite

etiring YWCA president U-p every morning at 6:45 T-ook part in 1 R C Conferen ce at Shepherdatown H-as Glenville WAA "G" 国の語

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raduate of Calhoun County C High

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#### What's New?

It won't be long before we have slot machine dispensers in nearly every business or for everything. For ten or fifteen cents you may get For ten or rates conts you may get a hot sandwich, hot dog or hambur-ger. In snother, drop your goin and up comes a cup of hot chorolate. Uhen the filling stations are closed you may still get gasoline through one of these dispensers. What's new in electrical applian-ces? A new iron. When you have

## On the Campus

Of with the old and on with the Of with the old and on with the new. Now that the greatly anticipat-ed court dance is over, everyone should be preparing for the Alumni dance May 27. Hope everyone had a smash hit at the dance.

a smash hit at the dance. It seems that everyone (positively everyone) on the Campus is getting engaged or marriid. Witness enga-gement of Rella Hanah and Bill Bailey and the marriage of Izzy Clark and Deacon Whiting.

Emma Gale Reynolds and her beau from Weston, Kennath Wright, are really flying right. Another are really flying right. Another courle of flyers is Myrt McKown and Sammy Williams.

Wonder how much money Gum hnson cheated the court out of hen he took three girls to the Inh when he took thre dance on one ticket,

Everyone certainly appreciated the specialty dance rendered Skebo Lorentz at the court dance. Nelson Smith sure gets around as

Neison Simin sure gen concerned—es-pecially the high school gals. Betty Jo Simon is sure looking forward to next year. Hurrah for

Williamson! Wonder what kind of books Clem

Humphrey reads. Question of the week: Bud Willi-ams-"Are coal miners normal peo-ple?"

## Inquiring Reporter

What do you plan to do this sum-

Katherine Hall-Just sleep and eep, if I don't go to school. John B. Ellis-I don't know, just

Peggy Cottrill-Undecided

Jack Byers-Go to school. Alma Grace Douglas-It's school

for me! Charles Fluharty-Work for the

Charles Finarty-work for the Hope Natural Gas Co. Nina Lee Moore-Attend camp. Charles McIntosh-I, have an idea it will be the service. Velma Carson-Go to school.

Fonda Wellings-Anything but go

to s chool Janet Boggs-I'm just going to

rest Paul Siegrist-Go to Illinois and work in the oil fields.

Leona Williams-Take a month's acation in Colorado and then loaf. Kathryn Elliott-Work (period)

"Sis" Ellis-Foolin' around and have fun doing nothing. Joan Foreman-Work for Coyles

nd Richardson in Charleston

Myrt McKown-I'm going to do everything except work.

finished if the iron will remain r standing position, not hold-ing the iron handle, the iron goes off automatically.

In foods we now are to have or the market frozen French fries. Orange juice in candy form is on market now. It is seedles and the taste and vitamins are still preserved

For summer use there is a new sum bathing tent. The violet rays of the

sun are admitted but not the violent Something new for junior is a metal truck. (When he releases a lever the truck runs against an outside wall and tears to pieces. Junior can put it together again.

Gray Barker visited his home in Braxt n Wednesday and Thursday.

Miss Emma Speir was in Clarks-burg from Tuesday afternoon to Wednesday afternoon of last week. Grover Weaver visited his parents Spencer the past

at end.

Fresh Ground Hamburgers The Student's Hang Out LEON'S PLACE



I Hate To Still Be A Back Seat Driver, Dear, But You Should Have Stopped At That Grade Crossing

## Selznick's 'Duel in the Sun' Best Show Made, Thinks David O. Selznick

If we can believe Mr. David O. | another for promotion If we can believe air. David U. who made even a greater picture than "Going My Way" (Selznick made "Gone With the Wind"), the newest picture produced by his outfit, name of which is "Duel In the Sun," is the of which is "Duel In the Sun," is the greatest picture ever produced. One of his scribes recently sent the Mercury a broadside, including a press release on how to become a toreen writer and a crossword puz-zle to publish bearing the title "Duel In the Sun."

"Duel in the Sun." "Ask the next four guys," writes the proselytizer, 'if they've heard of "Duel in the Sun." According to Gallup, one guy will answer 'yes.'" A check revealed that two of the four asked, Gink Summers and our assistant operator Mr. William Rymer had been enlightened, the latter from ads on the back of our trade of the title and William Rexroad asked "What's the catch?" Success, success, Mr. Selznick. "Duel in the Sun" cost five and a

half million tomatoes to make," continues the writer, one Mr. Geor-ge L. Randall, "College Projects, Duel Motive Division" (catch the clever pun?), "And another million for pre-release promotion and still

another for promotion thereafter and you come up with a very fat cab-bage. But even a big revival here in Hollywood has estimated publicly that with solid promotion, DUEL will gross an even thirty million po-tatoes. And for one motion picture, that, son, is a large bucket of clams."

The press release says that "the screen story analyist, or 'reader,' as they prefer to call thefselves, is one

cae is always learning new things! "The primary task of a reader i Hollywood is to recommend stories to efficials of a studio. A reader is

of the most important personalities in a motion picture studio." Well,



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all the more valuable if he can anti-cipate trends in public taste." (What public taste?-Ed.) "Such a reader is dark-haired, brown-eyed Lucille Mercto, who reads 360 to 500 stories a year for the David O. Selznick

Then the release goes on to re-late the vicinsitudes other studies had while trying to case "Duel," which had cast, in succession, Hedy Lam-arr and Teresa Wright for the role of the ro of "Pearl Chaves the half-breed In-dian spit-fire heroine." Both damaels had to drop the roles because they were having babies.

So David O. got the story and went casting office happy. Mr. Selz-nick cast such stellars as Joseph Cotten, Jennifer Jones, Gregory Peck, Lionel Barrymore, Lillian Giah Herbert Harshall, Charles Bickford, Tilly Losch, Harry Carey, Sidney Blackmer, Otto Krager, Scott Mc-Kay, Joan Tetzel, and Butterfly Me-Queen "to make the picture one the most star filled on record" of

Chances are that "Duel in the Sun" will be the greatest picture ever to break up the theater man ager. Oh yes, in Technicolor, too. Anl oh yes, too, about the screen

reader we mentioned briefly above. When asked why thty don't write

original stories themselves instead of being content to read those of others all the time, they replied, "The very nature of our work frus trates any ambition to write."-Barker.

Grover Poling west home last week end.

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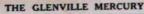
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## Miss Isobelle Clark Of Weston And Mr. Richard Whiting Married Here

Mr and Mrs. A. Clyde Clark of Weston are announcing the marri-age of their only daughter, Miss Gertrude Isobelle Clark, to Mr. Richard Craddock Whiting of Glenville.

The wedding was an event of Friday, May 3, and took place at 7:30 p.m. at the Trinity Methodist Church in Glenville with the Rev Church in Glenville with the Kev. G. J. Johnson officiating. Present were the bridegroom's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Freed Madison Whiting Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wells, all of Glenville. For her wedding the bride elected to wear a orray sui with black ac-

to wear a grey suit with black ac-cessories. Her corsage was of red roses

reses. Mrs. Whiting is a graduate of Weston High School, class of 1943, and is now a junior in Glenville State College, where next year she will serve as treasurer of the Student Council. She is active in many campus organizations and expects to complete work for the A.B. degree in 1947.

and a half.

At present he is assisting his father in operating a local dairy and the coming fall plans to reen-roll in college. The couple will live in Glenville.

## Public Asked To Help In Checking **Highway Accidents**

State Trooper W. E. Oldham of Glenville and Sgt. J. B. Jack of the Weston detachment are calling at-tention this week to the state-wide safety program being sponsored by the West Virginia Department

by the West Virginia Department of Public Safety. Particularly this month are state police and all other law enforcement officials calling attention to the need for the public to become safe-ty conscious, in view of the fact that highway fatalities are increas-ing in every section of the state. Gilmer County so far this year has been fortunate not to have ex-perienced'a single highway fatality, though at least three highway' ac-

though at least three highway" accidents have been investigated and in each instance injuries were reported.

Lewis County reports three high

way deaths already this year. And Trooper Oldham and Sgt. Jack report that surprising as it is Jack report that surprising as it is most serious highway accidents oc-cur on straight roads, during day-light hours and involve machines driven by experienced opérators. All of which, they point out, leads to the conclusion that speeding is the one principal cause for most road finalities. road fatalities

Trooper Oldham and Sgt. Jack ask the cooperation of all Gilmer County people in the current pro-gram and from time to time will furnish this newspaper with information on the progress of the progra

A total of 110 persons have been killed from January through April 30 in West Virginia this year and state officials estimate the number will reach 300 by the coming January unless measures are taken to eliminate highway speeding.

#### Sgt. Langford Will Go To Barboursville

Sgt. Beryl Langford of the West ( Virginia State Police, who for eight years has been stationed at Wayne,

has been transferred to Barbours ville, effective May 1, it was learn ed here this week. At Barboursville Sgt. Langford replaced Sgt. R.C. Dolly, who is retiring after 25 years with the State Police force.

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A native of Gilmer County and a son of Mr. and Mrs. Mort Langford of Duck Run, Sgt. Langford rejoined the police force after more than three years in the U.S. Navy. He was promoted to the rank of serg eant only a few months ago.

Mr. Langford married the former Miss Leo Wolfe of near Glenville, a daughter of Mrs. J.W. Wolfe and the late Mr. Wolfe, and is the fath er of one child, a daughter, Mary Jo, eleven years old.

The Langfords expect to move to Barboursville as soon as they can secure living quarters.

## **More Funds Needed** For Cancer Control

Mrs. Blaine Wilson of Glenville, chairman of the Gilmer County Candegree in 1947. Mr. Whiting, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Whiting, is a graduate of Glenville High School, class of 1942, attended Glenville State College before he enter-d the service. He was in the Army about three years and served over-seas with the Third Army for a year ave. days

Cancer, now taking scores of liv-es each year in the state, is be-coming a serious problem and the funds contributed are being used to fight this moled and the damalas fight this malady and to develop scientific research in an attempt to find a cure and preventive.

## **Religious Youth** Camp To Be Held At Troy, May 27

The Rev. T. N. Bennett of Troy today announced the Gilmer County Religious Youth Camp will be held at Troy May 27 to June 4 and that several state religious leaders will be present to serve as instruct-ors and advisers.

Offered at the camp will be classe in Bible study, worship training and one course in leadership training.

The Rev. Mr. Bennett will ser-ve as dean, and to act as dean of women are Mrs. Marvin Cooper of Glenville and Mrs. Clay Linger of Cox's Mill. Others on the staff will be the Rev. Z.B. Edworthy, executive secretary of the State Council of Religious Education, of Charlest-on; the Rev. Ward Hibbs, of Par-kersburg; Mrs. A.J. Young, of kersburg; Weston, and a number of local lead ers

Damon West and Wanda Strader of Troy and Miss Nina Moore of

## **GLENVILLE THEATRES** PICTURELAND

Tuesday-Wednesday, May 14-15 THE NOTORIOUS LONE WOLFE' T Thursday-Friday, May 16-17 "VACATION FROM MARRIAGE"

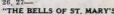
Saturday, May 18 Robert Mitchum, in Zane Grey's "WEST OF THE PECOS" And Tex Ritter, Dave O'Brien

"FRONTIER FUGITIVES"

Sunday—Monday, May 19—20 Robert Montgomery, John Wayne, Donna Reed "THEY WERE EXPENDABLE"

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Saturday-Sunday, May 18-19 Ingrid Bergman, Gregory Peck "SPELLBOUND" Coming to Pictureland May 24, 25, 26, 27-"THE BELLS OF ST. MARY'S"





Atom bombs will soon he explod-ing over the Pacific Ocean in a naval operation to assure your se-curity. At first glance, there seems little connection between atom bombs bursting over a fleet of ships and your continued investment in United States Savings Bonds. Think a moment, friend. Allotment of a portion of your current income for savings bonds is also an operation to assure family security. U.S. Treasury Department

## "Save Bread for Europe"



**Uncle Sam Says** 

Sixty-three years are this month, Americans discovered a new way of joshing a neighbor who invested his money anwisely: "Go buy your-left Brooklyn Bridge." Brooklyn Bridge had just been opened. Some people actually turned over their tavings to confidence men who sold them the great New York span. I could say to you today: "Go buy yourself a bridge," and I would be twing you sound advice. The bridge thave in mind consists of United states Savings Bonds. . . a bridge between the present and your future. *U.S. Treasury Department* 

The Glenville Town Council in a The Glenville Town Council in a meeting Monday evening granted a building permit to L. F. Conrad, voted to change the curfew hour to 9:30 p.m. during the summer mon-ths and 9 p.m. during school months, approved payment of routine bills and discussed phases of the movement to submit to voters a se movement to submit to voters a referendum to enlarge the corporate limits.

After hearing numerous After hearing numerous com-plaints about minors loitering on the streets at late hours, the Coun-cil voted that the hour should be moved from 10 p.m. to 9:30 and in-structed the town sergeant to enforce this regulation. The curfew ordinance applies to all young peo-ple under 18 years of age who are not accompanied by their parents or guardians.

## MR. HOWARD R. BRANNON RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Mr. Howard R. Brannon, cashier of the Glenville Banking and Trust Company, has returned to his home in Glenville aftet being a patient for the past two weeks in the Union the past two weeks in the Union Protestant Hospital in Clarksburg. Mr. Brannon had been ill a few weeks before going to the hospital. His condition is reported as satisfactory.

## Local Stores Will Close Thursday Afternoons Beginning On May 16

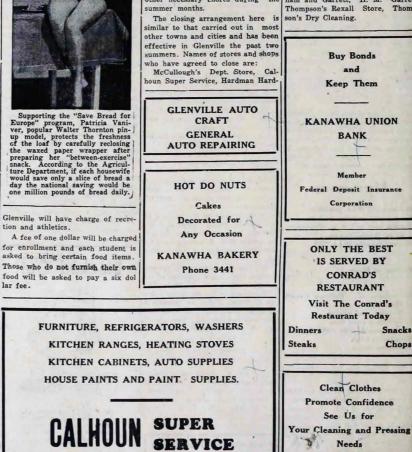
Attention of the public is called this week to action taken by most business men and women in Glenville to provide for Thursday afternoon closing, effective May 16, for the months of May, June, July and August.

The business places listed below will close at noon each Thursday, starting the 16th, so that proprietors and their employes may have time to work their gardens and do other necessary chores during the summer months.

ware, Glenville Hardware Co., C. C. Rhoades, R. B. Store, Howard Bess, D. T. Wright, Pritt's Beauty Shop, Monongahela Power Co., Rhoades Beauty Shop, Glenville Midland Co., Moore's Food Store, Murphy Store Co., Vogue Shoe Store, Glenville Shoe Shop, Bennett's Sport Shop, Reger Jewelry Store, R. W. Ben-nett, The Grill, Court Street Shoe Shop, Hub Clothing Co., Notting-ham and Garrett, H. M. Garrett, Thompson's Rexall Store, Thomp-

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