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Dr. Edwin P. Adkins Will Assume Post As GS Dean

University Alumnus Will Arrive Dec. 20

Appointed Dean

Dr. Edwin P. Adkins, a member of the history department at Ohio State university, recently was appointed dean of Glenville State college by the West Virginia State Board of Education, effective Dec. 20, it is reported by Pres. Harry B. Heflin.

Since the resignation of Former Dean Robert T. Crawford Sept. 11, the position of dean temporarily has been filled by Registrar Michael E. Posey.

Dr. Adkins, a native of West Virginia, is married, and is the father of two children. His major fields of study have been history and education.

He received his undergraduate training at Berea (Kentucky) college from which he was graduated with the degree of bachelor of arts. Graduate work was begun at West Virginia university and was from there that he was awarded an M. A. degree.

Degree Awarded at OSU
After the war Dean Adkins entered Ohio State university where he began work leading to the degree of doctor of philosophy. Last summer this study was finished when he was graduated with a major in history.

For several years he was a teacher in West Virginia, having taught at Guyan Valley high school, the Demonstration High school at West Virginia university, and Charleston high school.

During the war Dr. Adkins served a year and a half in the United States Army.

Mercury Musings

By William Luzader

The most noticeable phase of the recent press conference held on the Morris Harvey campus was the cordiality extended all schools by the conference host.

Attending members of THE MERCURY staff observed that such young journalists as COMET editor Virginia Bailey, Business Manager Naomi Thabet (president of the Intercollegiate Press association), and Feature Editor Neil Boggs went out of their way many times to make delegations feel their welcome.

As an added note, it must be stated that they throw a fine party, too.

During the press meet, John Lautz exercised his prowess as a politician, feeling completely at ease in a smoke-filled room.

See-saw conference fight begins

With the opening of GSC's basketball card last night in the gym, the Pioneers entered what promises to be one of the most controversial conference contests in many a season. Favored teams are being set back this early in the season, and time promises to disprove all, or (Continued on Page 2)

"Yes, Virginia, There Is A Santa Claus; Your Friends Have Never Sought Him"

Virginia Hanlon wrote a classic letter in 1897 in which she asked the editor of The New York Sun if there was a Santa Claus.

What the editor, Francis P. Church, told Virginia remains as one of the abidingly fresh answers to this ever present problem.

Because of its significance in a world becoming increasingly materialistic this newspaper is privileged again to print this time-honored piece of prose.

"Virginia," wrote Mr. Church, "your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are



Pictured above is Dr. Edwin P. Adkins, who will assume the duties of Dean of Glenville State college Dec. 20, coming to the campus from Ohio State university where he has been a member of the History department.

GS Pep Band Makes Debut

Home-coming Films Shown; V. Carson, E. Bragg Speak

Glenville State college Pep band, under the direction of Prof. Harold Orendorff, made its initial appearance in the chapel program last Thursday.

The band, which was organized to play at basketball games, will play at all home games and will make three trips to other colleges for cage contests there.

Velma Carson '49, and Edsall Bragg '52, each spoke for a few moments concerning their trip to Chicago to the National 4-H club convention which they won for outstanding club work in West Virginia.

Home-coming and Sadie Hawkins day movies of events on the campus during these days of celebration were shown in the second portion of the assembly program. The films covered Home-coming 1947, Senior day, Home-coming 1948, and Sadie Hawkins day.

The chapel program was under the direction of Prof. Byron Turner, Jim Marsh '51, was narrator for the silent films, and Harold Ferguson '49, was movie projector operator.

James Marsh Resigns Social Committee Chair

James Marsh '51, has resigned from the chairmanship of the social committee because of basketball practice and other duties, announces Bob Higgins, president of Student council.

Elmer D. Strickler became chairman and Joe Kanis was chosen as a new member of the social committee.

little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no child-like faith, then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The external light with (Continued on Page 4)

Christmas Music Program Features Choir, Orchestra

President Heflin Extends 1949 Season's Greetings

The Christmas season with its special meanings and memories for all of us has again arrived. Its air of peace and joy seems to have a calming effect on man and nature alike. An unselfish attitude of thoughtfulness for others is evidenced as at no other time.

May we this Christmas season as never before give thought to our fellowman and how our small part can make this world a better place in which to live. Our task and our responsibility at Glenville State College is to further that goal. During the past year I believe there has been further development of this feeling on our campus. As we consider the many good things that have been our lot may we appreciate better the part that we each play in promoting the happiness of others.

To the faculty and students of Glenville State College I wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

—Harry B. Heflin

Directs Chorus



Prof. Harold Orendorff, current head of the music department, is in charge of the annual Christmas program which is being held Thursday in conjunction with the campus celebration.

DREAMERS PLAY FOR YULE BALL

College students danced to the music of Clark Wolf's Dreamers, a home town orchestra, at the annual Christmas hop held Saturday night in the college gymnasium.

The dance, which is one of the college's major social events, was sponsored by the G-club.

Decorations featured a large Christmas tree with lights, pine branches, candles, and streamers of Merry Christmas and Happy New Year could be seen by the dim light of the candles.

Coach and Mrs. Carlos Ratliff acted as chaperones at the informal dance.

Students Will Get Turkey For Dinner

A Christmas dinner has been planned for the students who eat in the college dining halls. The dinner will be held Dec. 16 at 5:30 p. m. Prof. Mabel Todd announces.

The students will decorate their own dining halls and furnish entertainment.

Christmas carols will be sung and Miss Todd hopes the turkey will last till Santa Claus can arrive.

There will be about ten guests in each of the dining halls.

Faculty Exchanges Gifts At Club Party

Members of the faculty club held their annual Christmas party Wednesday night in the lounge of Louis Bennett hall with yule season decorations predominating.

Under a lighted Christmas tree were assembled gifts which were exchanged among faculty members.

Table arrangements and decorations were provided by Mrs. Harry B. Heflin and Prof. Julia C. Nutter. Chairman of the party committee was Mrs. Esmy Miller with Prof. Jeanne B. Scott and Mabel Todd, Mrs. Charles Ratliff, Mrs. Joe Ball and Miss Erma Edwards assisting.

Prof. Bessie B. Bell is general chairman of the faculty club.

Guests at the party were Prof. and Mrs. Everett Withers, Glenville.

Waitresses Hold Party In Men's Dining Room

Waitresses and their guests had a party in Kanawha hall dining room last week under the leadership of Prof. Mabel Todd.

Dancing and games provided the entertainment.

Santa Agrees To Carolling

St. Nicholas Promises To Join College Party

Christmas carolling for students and anyone else who cares to participate is being planned for Dec. 16, Thursday at 7:30 p. m. with singing starting at Verona Mapel hall.

In recent years Santa Claus has been unable to join the college group, but by special arrangements his appearance this year has been assured.

Carolers will gather around the Christmas tree at College and Main streets to sing Christmas songs.

Residents of town and surrounding communities have been invited to join the group, Prof. Harold Orendorff, instructor of music, informed THE MERCURY today.

After the carolling, girls of Kanawha and Verona Mapel halls will have their Christmas party at Verona Mapel hall.

Glenville shut-ins and invalids will be visited by the chorists as far as time and distance will permit.

Seldon W. Brannon '31, Is Granted Post At Romney

Seldon W. Brannon '31, Orma, was recently appointed assistant principal of the West Virginia school for the deaf and blind at Romney by a recent action of the West Virginia State Board of Education.

Mr. Brannon who is also blind was an outstanding student at Glenville State college.

Verona Mapel Preceptress Dons Thinking Cap; Yule Spirit Spreads Over Campus

With the thought of using portraits as a yule time decoration at Verona Mapel hall, Mrs. Hazel K. Marshall, preceptress, came up with the idea of saving magazine covers that were affiliated with the holiday season, thus, she planned to use them to adorn the walls of the Verona reception room.

After discovering that some of her most prized covers were missing she immediately wrote a letter to Ben Gibbs, editor-in-chief of the SATURDAY EVENING POST, requesting replacements for the lost portraits. Mr. Gibbs not only answered but sent many covers and compliments to Mrs. Marshall for her idea.

Realizing that before Christmas holidays, parties would be in the making for the dormitory, Mrs. Marshall, with a scarcity of serving trays was indeed desperate until her thinker began to tick again.

Speech Class Gives Action

Nativity Will Be Enacted By Choir, Speech Students

Annual Christmas music program, traditional climax to pre-holiday festivities at Glenville State college, is being held this year on Thursday, Dec. 16, at 10 a. m., in the college auditorium with a new touch being added in the form of a dramatization of the nativity.

Under the direction of Prof. Harold Orendorff, music, the college choir of 38 voices will sing carols and the 18-piece college orchestra will play a prelude, "March of the Three Kings," by Bizet.

This year for the first time in recent years the speech department under direction of Prof. Opal V. Starcher, will provide narration and action for a dramatization of the Christmas story based upon the gospel of St. Matthew.

Students Will Participate
Students who will participate in the program are Vincent Placek, narrator; Margaret Ann Miller, angel; James Butcher, Donald McCartney and Lewis Villers, wise men.

Others are Eileen White, Mary Lou James and Barbara Fulk, shepherds; Betty Lykins and Payne Tharp, who will portray Mary and Joseph.

Carols that are to be sung by the choir are "O, Come All Ye Faithfuls of Orient Are," "Silent tique de Noel," "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night," adapted from Handel, "Angels We Have Heard on High," Westminster carol.

"The First Noel," "We Three Kings of Orient Are," "Silent Night," by Bruber, "Mary's Lullaby," Schumann, and "Hallelujah Chorus," from Handel's "Messiah."

GSC Falls In Line With Station Wagon

A maroon Chevrolet station wagon has been received on the campus for use by student groups, extension classes, and other occasions arising which necessitate college transportation, announces financial secretary Lloyd M. Jones.

The vehicle, purchased from Brown Chevrolet company, of Montgomery, was used for the first time by Prof. Max Ward and one of his classes when they visited the State Health department in Charleston Thursday.

It is understood that the station wagon is not to be used for personal pleasure, or as a maintenance vehicle, but shall be utilized solely for the purpose of transporting student and faculty groups.

This time, she came up with discarded five gallon car can lids. She removed the by-products, then painted the lids bright colors of different hues. The trays are serving their purpose.

Christmas is not Christmas without greeting cards although they are used for different purposes than usual at Verona Mapel. There are 150 to 200 cards, standing at various angles on the mantle above the fireplace. Originality with impressiveness.

Christmas trees are starting to appear in the windows of Verona Mapel and the most noticeable thus far is that of Eileen White and Barbara Fulk, who, apparently got an early start in tree cutting.

Spirit is ever reaching and the spirit at the girls dormitory does reach as evidence from Louis Bennett conversations prove so. The (Continued on Page 3)

New Building Needs Your Support

All students are afforded a chance to aid the progress of the college this vacation period in the form of an individual campaign with local state legislators on the subject of the proposed Health-Education building for Glenville State college.

Early in 1949 the bill probably will go before the state legislature for consideration, and during the forthcoming holidays when lawmakers as well as students will be home, explanation can be made concerning the needs and desire for the structure which the salons will be asked shortly to consider.

If they are told of the inadequate gymnasium facilities, the complete absence of a swimming pool, lack of classroom, space, and the need for increased spectator space pertaining to indoor sports, opinions may be altered. Better still, if they are undecided, additional support may be recruited.

What students must remember, though, is that the building is far from being a reality—in fact is still only a plan—and is going to require the support of students as well as the administration in order finally to come into being.

What we must not do is decide that the issue is settled—for it is not. The appropriation has already been cut and could easily be buried altogether.

In order further to assure the campus of added physical education facilities, talk with the men you helped elect. Give them a chance to keep the campaign promises made earlier and at the same time aid a worthwhile cause.

Slow Down, Think, Christ Is Born

Although sunny skies and autumnal weather have collaborated to defy seasonal spirit which usually follows the first snowfalls, the calendar unmistakably indicates that Christmas is now only 11 days in the future.

Various college and civic groups have begun their respective rounds of plays, programs, recitals, parties, sings, and what have you.

Day after tomorrow, Thursday, the musical highlight of the year will be witnessed by hundreds who come to Glenville State college each year to hear and participate in the great music of the past, the singing of Christmas carols.

That night, Thursday, college students will conduct their annual Christmas carol sing in downtown Glenville.

On the day following the great exodus will begin. Students will return to their respective homes to join their families in celebrating this day of days.

Even in this age of jet propulsion and atomic energy we rather suspect that human nature is essentially what it was 2000 years ago. The sets have changed frequently, the actors are essentially the same.

Without fear of being considered old-fashioned we feel that the original intent and purpose of Christmas has been lost to some degree in the hurlyburly of a mechanical age.

And, while we do not delude ourselves into thinking this will prove the most popular theme at this moment, we do recommend that during the holiday season some endeavor be made to spend some time at home with Dad and Mom in the peaceful quiet of a winter's afternoon or the calm of a starry night.

Christmas cannot well exist in the minds of those who are too busy for meditation, for the calm repose which comes from an hour spent alone with one's thoughts.

Campus Calendar for Week

Wednesday, Dec. 15 ----- GSC vs Beckley in gym 8 p. m.
Thursday, Dec. 16 ----- Christmas assembly 10 p. m.
----- Christmas caroling 7:30 p. m.
Friday, Dec. 17 to Jan. 3 ----- Christmas recess 5:00 p. m.
Sunday, Jan. 2 ----- College Vespers 6:15 p. m.
Tuesday, Jan. 4 ----- GSC vs Concord 8 p. m.
Thursday, Jan. 6 ----- Assembly in gym 10 a. m.
Friday, Jan. 7 ----- GSC vs A-B at Philippi 8 p. m.
Sunday, Jan. 9 ----- College Vespers at V. M. H. 6:15 p. m.
Monday, Jan. 10 ----- GSC vs D-E 8 p. m.

Mercury Musings

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most pre-season paper work theories.

An attempt was made to dress up education recently in one of Dr. C. L. Underwood's education classes. The controversy arose when it was questioned whether one should be made to wear a collar and tie or dress for comfort when teaching in the training school.

Of course, no laws were passed, but Deacon Whiting and Jim Harper, who are teaching at present (and should know), voiced the theory that the added prestige is worth the effort. The question still remains, tho', which is more important—comfort or prestige?

Dogpatch was never like this. The campus awaits Al Capp's reaction to the marriage of Mary Bagwell and Eugene Lee who was the Daisy Mae and Lil' Abner for the recent Eddie Hawkins day celebration here. As far as is known, this is the first Daisy Mae to get her man in reality, and will have no bearing on the comic strip.

Even if the world is shaken by this deviation from custom, though the student body is not, and wishes them heavy turnip crops and plenty

of pop' chops for the rest of their natural lives.

Seldom does a day pass when favorable mention is not made of the progress of the music department—the band, the orchestra, and the most able chorus. In case he needs it, an honorary honor point is granted Prof. Harold Crenford for his paramount talent and his cooperation with the STUDENTS.

This department should become outstanding when Miss Olsen returns in January and this duo makes it possible the granting of degrees in music.

Old School Gets New Dean Young blood continues to be injected into the veins of the college—the new dean is in his early thirties.

Don't forget that during the holiday season vacation when you're home, it will be an opportunity time to speak to any state legislator or acquaintance about the need of the proposed health-physical education building here. This bill will be up for consideration ere long, and every plug and vote will make the structure that much more of a reality.

With the "G" club's Christmas dance, the holiday season officially opened on the campus. As is the case annually, students will traverse

ON the CAMPUS

By Jo Ann Foreman

The GSC campus is all "lit up" (figuratively speaking, of course) with Christmas cheer and Verona Maple has been changed into "The House of Blue Lights" with all coeds decorating their rooms with trees and evergreen.

The holiday mood has not as yet appeared with teachers, who continue to swamp students with tests. Possibly it is all for the best, since none of them would be guilty of making assignments over the holidays.

Proof that GSC students believe in Santa may be found in the fact that most of them have already made out their Christmas list and sent them to WPDJ to be read over "Breakfast With Santa." Looking over these letters we find:

All Norman Ball wants for Christmas is a two week vacation with Scottie.

George Volosin wants a book of paper dolls, bearing resemblance to Margaret Anne Miller.

Jim Marsh will settle for a brand new nose—just a plain one—without amplifier.

Harry Fritt is hoping for a life membership in the Charles Atlas club and a Betsy Wetsy doll.

Betty Fitzwater wants a new set of bangs.

Doug Carpenter, who gets tired of washing all of those wet blankets, has only one thing on his list. A girl, must be experienced laundress. Doug says there are no references needed—just someone nice to wash—clothes, that is.

Herb Shimer says, "All I Want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth!"

Mole Bock says, "Please, Santa, bring my wife a recipe for biscuits." J. D. Hopkins was an eager beaver and got his present in advance. Rumor has it that he was shooting dice with Eddie Starcher the other night and won his car—luggage rack and all.

Bernard Lee Poole wants a big referee's whistle and a mask to use in officiating.

Bill Luzzard wants a new electric bass fiddle completely equipped with a nice blonde attached. Purpose—to turn music.

If, on Christmas eve, any student should happen to hear something coming down the chimney it probably is not Santa, but Mr. Clark rounding up persons for teaching conference.

Anyone wanting to pick up a little money on the side might try playing Santa at the R. B. store. We hear it is a good way to keep up your Christmas spirit!

And as a parting shot—if any one should be contemplating having a hilarious Christmas and New Year's Eve, take this work of advice. If visiting a tavern: Please Don't Stand Up While Room Is In Motion. 'Twas the night before Christmas And all through the house Not a creature was stirring Not even a mouse—who mentioned Bob Hardman? Merry Christmas to all.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Editor, THE MERCURY

Sir: In all of the speeches and papers presented at the recent convention of the State Education Association that were reported in newspapers there is found "one clear call" for the schools to shift from their thirty-odd year experiment in technological vocational "training" to the wider and more needed work of "education."

The change is going to be tedious, trying, and time consuming, but it will doubtless prove extremely gratifying in benefits and improvements effected for the "general welfare."

Yours respectfully,
H. L. White
GSC '04

The United States and China produce the largest amount of poultry.

the town this week singing carols, while receptions and parties are on the bill some place "most every night."

Yes, the world's favorite season is again upon us, and the MERCURY staff should like to extend Season's Greetings to the readers—adding a pair of appropriate lines by John Glines:

"The only things we ever own Are what we give away!"



"With nothing. — That's our housemother."

DOG CAPTURES LADIES' HEART

By Janice Chapman

Providing sufficient evidence that the feminine sex hasn't lost it's love for the young was well established in the lounge of Verona hall last week.

Arriving on the scene, from which this evidence comes was a young cooer-spaniel, "Mathew," by which the girls undertook to portray the kind-loving mistress by stroking the soft fur of the animal and by cooing with pet expressions in dulcet tones.

The hall was in an uproar with the echoes of the word "Mathew" ringing from the first to the third floor, while the dog itself appeared unable to cope with the situation.

"Mathew" had come to Verona Maple with expectations of spending a week, but to the girls' dismay the dog was returned home since his chances of survival, it was thought, would be greater.

Early Books Shown By College Library

Two outstanding books on display last week in the library for children's book week are: COMENIUS, ORBIS PICTURAE; THE NEW ENGLAND PRIMER, 20th century reprint.

New books received by the library are: TURNER, LIST OF REFERENCES ON THE HISTORY OF THE WEST; INFORMATION PLEASE ALMANAC, 1948; BLACK, BLACK'S LAW DICTIONARY; KRAPP, A COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE TO GOOD ENGLISH.

YEAR IN AMERICA MUSIC; JAMESON, DICTIONARY OF UNITED STATES HISTORY; MARSHALL, APPLIED MEDICAL BACTERIOLOGY; BENNETT, SOIL CONSERVATION; WORTHEN, FARM SOILS.

Correction

Last week the MERCURY published an error in the Who's Who in American College and Universities story.

The story stated that Norman Ball was captain of the football team.

Eugene Lee, Kenneth Koon and George Adams were co-captains of the football team for the 1948 season.

Ball is president of the G-club, president of the Junior class, a member of KSK fraternity, and Holy Roller court. He is a football and baseball letterman.

When the story was printed last week, no list of individual activity records was available. Prof. Beasie B. Bell, chairman of the selection committee, when asked if such a list is available replied, "No sir. There is not."

GS GRADUATES COACH AT WVU

Harold L. Scott, '41 of Troy, and Nicholas Murin '47 of Glenville, volunteered their services to the coaching staff when they enrolled this fall at West Virginia university as candidates for master's degrees in physical education.

Head coach Dudley S. DeGroot, who introduced a new system of football at West Virginia this year, accepted their offers and assigned them to the freshman coaching staff.

Scott, who played both basketball and football at Glenville, coached at Glenville high in 1946 and last year at Wirt County high.

Murin, who also played football and basketball at Glenville, coached at Glenville high in 1947 and last year he was coach at Renan high school, Gretna, Va.

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WALDO RETAINS I-M CAGE LEAD

The hardest fought three games in intramural competition so far this season occurred in last week's games.

In the first game, Herbert Holstein and John Marrone's boys kept the hoops singing to bring the game to a close with a nip and tuck battle to the last minute.

Coming from behind in the last quarter Holstein got a one point lead in the last few seconds to win by a score of 37-36.

James Terry of Holstein with 17 points and Arne Wilson of Marrone with 16 were high point men of the night.

Getting off to a slow start in the second game, Tony Megna broke through after the first quarter to take a 13-4 lead over but still went down to a 21-16 defeat by Megna. Fight! Fight! was the cry of both Donald Cobb and Carl Conrad's hardwood huskies as they went into an overtime period, when Jerry Roberts of Conrad made his foul shot in the second of play to tie the game at 23 all. Cobb's hoops came through in a fast ending to win the game 27-25 and end another night of play.

Albert Groves, in the first of three games last Tuesday, trounced Glen Thomas by a score of 33-15. Tony Megna edged out Cobb 38-36. Ray Waldo won his fourth straight game by winning over Conrad 18-11.

Standings at the present are:

	G	W	L	Pct.
Ray Waldo	4	4	0	1000
Tony Megna	5	4	1	.800
Albert Groves	5	3	2	.600
Donald Cobb	5	2	3	.400
John Marrone	5	2	3	.400
Carl Conrad	6	2	4	.333
Herbert Holstein	3	1	2	.333
Glen Thomas	3	0	3	.000

Class Tours Dairy, Observes Hospital

Bacteriology class, under the direction of Prof. Max Ward, visited the Weston State hospital and a Weston dairy to observe the procedures and techniques applied and used.

Mrs. Vincent Placek, conducted the tour and assisted in explaining the functions of the medical biological laboratories in medical center at the state hospital.

Homogenization, pasteurization, and bottling techniques were observed and explained at Webbers dairy near Weston.

The students also examined a sewage disposal plant in order to see how a modern plant operates.

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Hardwood Highlights

By Ronnie Rollins

Several potential pace-setters in the 15 team West Virginia intercollegiate conference have already embarked successfully on their ambitious '48-'49 hardwood cage calendars.

Always — dangerous Farimont State, last season's cream of the class conference, again sounded warning that she would be hard to handle in the bending borders of the hilly state by lambasting California, Pa. Teachers 79-42 in a lid-lifter.

Veteran campaigner "Squib" Wilson again has a veteran dominated, string scorching quintet which could pull a repeat performance this torrid, unpredictable season by copping the conference cup again. A surfeit of Falcon lettermen are again wearing Falcon livery including four of last season's starting regulars which prompts this cub to pen the famous commentator's opening remark. "There's bad news tonight."

Davis-Elkins Looks Hot

The figuring Filberts have already put the finger on the Davis-Elkins dandles as the scoring scourge to watch.

Rapid "Red" Brown has no cause to be weeping and wailing and from the latest release from the Glenville grapevine, sold his crying towel to Mountaineer Mentor Lee Patton, who has more pressing problems than a math major.

Coach Brown has back intact the classy crew of Davis-Elkins Senators who were the hottest things in the closing chapters of the conference pennant chase and who waltzed off with the post season tourney honor at Buckhannon last season.

Carl Payne, the gangling scoring demon, is back along with hardwood hotshot Huey and that whirling dervish, ace ball handler Joe Cervola, the one-handed wizard who was hotter than a welders torch in last year's playoff.

Tech Looms As Tough Foe

West Virginia Tech, last season's circuit "sleeper" which never woke up, looms large in the muddled conference picture as another conference contender.

Hugh Bosley's cagers, who gave the nets at terrific beating in besting hapless Richmond Prof. Institute, 99-30, have finally mastered Bosley's new style of B-ball and are romping through their early season warmups without a hitch.

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High Pointer



Captioned above is Bob Hardman, high scoring sophomore standout on this year's edition of Glenville State Pioneers who will entertain the Beckley college Blue Hawks in the local gym tomorrow night. Bob was leading Pioneer scorer last year, amassing 385 points.

Martin, Lemine and a nifty newcomer, Louie Yauknich, who has the Tech sports scribes seeking new superlatives, Mentor Ratliff has a formidable five.

In the words of Cooper, livewire tub thumper for the TECH COLLEGIAN, "This Yauknich is one hot article!"

Rex Pyles Drills Battlers

Upon the windy hilltop at Philippi, Rex Pyles and his battling Baptists are working overtime to ready themselves for another blistering season run and stretch drive.

A-B blew hot and cold in bowing to Lee Patton's mighty Mounties in just another winning wait for the Mountaineers before they collide with the nation's "name" fives.

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Modern DRY CLEANERS
CHARLES W. GRIFFIN — PATRICK W. REALE
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Wave Meets Beckley College In Second Hardwood Game

Teams Clash On Home Court Tomorrow Night For Second Season Tilt

Tomorrow night at 8 p. m., Mentor Carlos Ratliff will yank the warmups off his sophomore studded Glenville State Pioneer hardwood aggregation and swing them into action on the home court against an invading, devitalized Beckley college quintet in the Waves' second hardwood skirmish.

Last night the Pioneers absorbed their first baptism of fire and launched their current season against arch-rival Salem college and tonight's battle shapes up as another dog fight with the outcome a tossup.

In swapping shots tomorrow night with the bucket bombarding, point-minded Beckley college Blue Hawks, the combine already dubbed by the state sports scribes as the conference darkhorse, the Pioneers are viewing with a regenerated, veteran outfit.

Beckley Is Improved Club

Beckley Head Coach Kent will floor a vastly improved band of Eagles tomorrow night and will have his Raleigh county club "primed" to grease the skids under their second conference victim.

Coach Kent lost only two regulars from last year's five which split even in ten loop games and will have returning regulars Dick Smith, polished Pat Nickell and Willard Bowman around which to build his assault which he will unleash against the Ratliffmen.

Bowman will be a marked man tomorrow night when the Eagles trot onto the court as he is the gunning Hawk-eyed guard who caged the winning field goal in the last two seconds of the Salem-Beckley thriller last week to give the Hawks a 60-58, upset win in a real story book finish.

Mentor Ratliff is standing pat on his lineup which he has used most in practice sessions, and from all

indications this is the way the starting Pioneer quintet will shape up at opening tipoff.

Lean and latent "Hooks" Hardman, who led the White Wave in scoring last season, nosing out Jess Lilly, by pumping 385 digits through the hoops, will get the call at center. Bob Conley, a reserve who saw plenty of action on last season's squad, has the right forward post nailed down although hustling Harry Pritt is crowding for the berth.

Pioneers Appear Formidable
Paul Tarasuk, the sensational southpaw from Grant Town, will be firing from the other forward post and along with Hardman and Conley should present the fast-breaking Pioneers with a net-tearing front court threesome.

Eagle-eyed Fred Pennington and always-steady Glenard Vannoy, former all-state captain and stand-out from Normantown's all-conquering, state championship five, will be paired at the guards giving Coach Ratliff two clever passing, dead-eye Dick scorers in back court.

Pioneer boss Ratliff will smooth out the ragged edges which chopped up in the Tiger tilt and the pressure will be off the high scoring Pioneers now that the schedule has been inaugurated.

	Beckley	Glenville
Conley	F	Smith
Tarasuk	E	Worthington
Hardman	C	Nickell
Pennington	G	Bowman
Vannoy	G	Farmer

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Bagwell-Lee Nuptial In Kentucky Dec. 3, Announced Recently

Announcement is being made by Mrs. Minnie Bagwell, Sand Fork, of the marriage of her daughter, Mary Bagwell, '48 to Eugene Lee '49, Oak Hill.

The rite was performed in the First Baptist church at Ashland, Ky., Dec. 3, 6:45 p. m. with the Rev. Mr. Carrell Hubbard officiating at the double ring ceremony.

A moss green suit with brown suede accessories and a corsage of gardenias was worn by the bride. For their honeymoon the couple visited parts of Kentucky and southern Ohio.

The couple is residing at the home of the bride at Sand Fork.

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Wave Meets Beckley

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Salem clipped A-B for the first time in eight years in a mild upset. I never play the ponies but Concord college looks like the loop darkhorse!

The Mountain Lions, under their new tutor, Joe Friedl, looked impressive in their curtain-lifter and the outlook for the Lions this season is rosy. Four of last year's starting berth winners are back wearing the Lion skins.

Golden Eagles Are Ready
Down at the capitol city of Charleston, Coach Eddie King has his Golden Eagles double timing in preparation for a back breaking basketball menu.

High scoring George King, the sleight-of-hand, fancy Dan forward, is back to give the score-keepers the screaming ninnies with able abatement coming from sped merchant Moran, adjacent fast-firing turrent gunner.

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McKeever Appointed To Run State Parks

Appointed chief of the Conservation Commission's division of state parks, Kermit McKeever, former student at Glenville State college, will succeed Watt B. Powell in that position.

McKeever has been superintendent of Watoga state park since 1946. Conservation Director C. F. McClintic says. McClintic pointed out that all employees of the parks division have been on a merit system basis since July 1 and that he is following a policy of filling vacancies from within the department.

A native of Droop, Pocahontas county, McKeever joined the parks division in 1941. He was superintendent of Lost River state park.

District agent in the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Harrisonburg, Va., for five years prior to his service in the conservation commission, McKeever attended Glenville State college for one year and attended West Virginia university for three years.

"Yes, Virginia,

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which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Disbelief In Santa Decried

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to

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hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernatural beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus! Thank God he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the hearts of childhood."

Dr. Edwin Adkins

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States Navy, about a year of which was spent in Europe.

Dean Is Former Athlete

While in college he was active in athletics and debate. He was a member of a track team for one year, played on the varsity base-

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Librarian Suggests Books For Holidays

Books in the library which make good reading during the holidays, according to Alma Arbuckle, librarian, are:

Burnett, BULLIVANT AND THE LAME; Camus, THE FLAQUE; Maller, THE NAKED AND THE DEAD; Churchill, THE GATHERING STORM; Freeman, GEORGE WASHINGTON; Vogt, ROAD TO SURVIVAL.

Sherwood, ROOSEVELT AND HOPKINS; Toynton, CIVILIZATION ON TRIAL; Cather, THE OLD BEAUTY AND OTHERS; Shimsen, BUNDY ON ACTIVE SERVICE; Mann, DOCTOR FAUSTUS; Greene, THE HEART OF THE MATTER.

Farley, JIM FARLEY'S STORY; THE MEMOIRS OF CORDELL HULL; Ocell, TWO QUIET LIVES; Unger, T. S. ELIOT; Skinner, FAMILY CIRCLE; Chapman, THE BURNING MANTLE BEST PLAYS.

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of the debate team for two years, ball team a year, and was a member. His doctoral dissertation was titled, "Henry A. Wise and Sectional Politics 1831-1861."

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