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Talley's Folly Presented

Like oil and water, well-bred Southern ladies and Jewish German immigrants during World War II didn't mix, much less in love.

When Theatre West Virginia presents Lanford Wilson's 1980 Pulitzer Prize-winning drama "Talley's Folly" on November 4, the audience at Glenville State College will get a firsthand reminder of how prejudice can be overcome if confronted with honesty and a touch of humor.

"Talley's Folly" has everything an audience could want for an excellent evening of entertainment," Theatre West Virginia General Director J. R. Wears said. "The story has touches of comedy, but its serious side shows us how important it is for people to communicate honestly with each other." "Talley's Folly" is the tale of how Matt Friedman, a Jewish accountant, refuses to take no for an answer from Sally Talley, a Missouri woman who continually rebuffs Friedman in the face of pressure from her family and friends.

Undaunted by Sally's continual rejection, Matt visits her in her hometown one spring evening, refusing to leave until he has changed both her mind and her heart. "Talley's Folly" is both a tender, touching love story and a valuable lesson," Wears said. "Sally clearly is a victim of the thinking of her time. Her rejection of Matt is understandable on one hand, but ridiculous on the other."

Even after Sally's brother chases Matt away with a shotgun, Matt doesn't abandon his pursuit. Instead, he goes down by the river to the Talley boathouse, where



Matt (Charles Kennedy) and Sally (Denise Killiam) of the Theatre West Virginia production of Lanford Wilson's *TALLEY'S FOLLY*.

he tries to charm Sally with wisecracks, imitations of Humphrey Bogart and determination.

When Matt finally crumbles Sally's high wall of reserve and disdain, he discovers that something besides prejudice is preventing Sally from admitting that she cares for him.

Both characters struggle to overcome deep secrets in order to work for a happier future as the show closes.

Matt is played by Charles Kennedy; Sally is played by Denise Killiam. Both are from Logan, West Virginia.

"Talley's Folly" is one of five productions offered by Theatre West Virginia during the 1986-87 touring season.

The others are: "Shakespeare: Through the Stages," which features classic scenes from the bard's best-loved dramas narrated in modern language by Shakespeare himself; "Tales of the Grotesque," an original production that parallels the life and works of Edgar Allan Poe; "Jack and the Beanstalk," a special puppet adaptation of the traditional favorite; and Theatre West Virginia Dance Company, an exciting performance of all forms of dance.

The dance company and

"Tales of the Grotesque" will be available in the fall only, while the other productions will tour until spring of 1987.

"We have something for audiences of all ages," Wears said. "As the state's only professional touring company, we have entertained more than a million people during the past 25 years, and our history of dramatic excellence speaks for itself."

"Talley's Folly" is being sponsored by the GSC Cultural Affairs Committee. Performance begins at 8:00 p.m. A minimal charge to off-campus adults will be accepted at the door.

Recruitment efforts noted

President Shows Appreciation

Expressions of appreciation for faculty recruitment efforts were highlighted at a Noon Luncheon for faculty in the Ballroom, Pioneer Center, on Friday, October 17.

Dr. Simmons expressed appreciation to all administrators, students, staff, and alumni for their recruitment efforts, but applauded the faculty, in particular, for their key role in making young people aware of the opportunities available to them at Glenville State

Portraits Shot

Due to technical difficulties, the Kanawhachen's portrait photographer was unable to complete his work two weeks ago. Several people were turned away and a great deal of inconvenience was created.

Yearbook Associates, Inc. has made a photographer available next Thursday and

Friday to remedy the problem. Appointments were taken both Tuesday and today, although appointments are not required before being photographed.

Pictures will be taken in the Vandalia Room from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. next Thursday and Friday, October 30 and 31.

Halloween Arrives...

by Harriet Whipkey

Halloween should be moved up to coincide with mid-term week. The thrills produced by watching *Friday the 13th* or *The Shining* are nothing compared to the chilling sensation of sitting down for a test and having your mind do a total erase of prior memory!

Well, it's over now so we'll lay to rest the Ghost of Mid-terms Passed (or Failed); after all, lurking around the corner is the Specter of Finals to Come--a real monster.

Getting serious--I asked a classmate if Halloween was still alive and well for anyone except youngsters trick-or-treating. She gave me a

thought provoking answer.

Yes, Halloween is still important, to grownups as well as children. It's the one time of year when a person can do a complete reversal of his/her normal identity and raise not a single eyebrow. It's like getting into another person's skin--or maybe into your real one; a way to throw off the constraints of the labels that become affixed to us, and in complete anonymity, become someone else. Good therapy!

So happy Halloween--get into costume and enjoy. As for me, I'm thinking of maybe trying on Cyndi Lauper...

College.

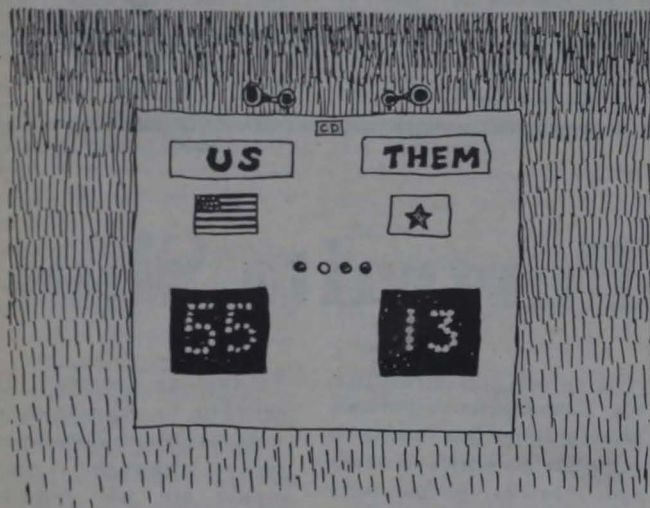
The College experienced the largest increase in fall enrollment among West Virginia's 15 public colleges and universities. The fall enrollment at Glenville State College is 2,063.

In comments to the faculty, Mr. Mack K. Samples, Dean of Records and Admissions, emphasized the importance of maintaining high levels of faculty involvement in recruitment efforts. "We need to redouble our efforts for the coming year to stay at

current enrollment levels or to move ahead," Samples said.

Increasing the college-going rate in West Virginia has been a topic of study and debate among educators for some time. Drs. Simmons and Flack have commented that accessibility is a key factor in West Virginians attending college, citing Glenville's centers in Parkersburg and Summersville as prime examples of taking educational opportunities to the people.

OPINION



HALFTIME SCORE OF THE DIPLOMAT GAME

Students Being Poisoned

I strongly suspect that I am being poisoned and not by some disgruntled football player who was irritated by last week's editorial. I think he is being poisoned too. I'm convinced everyone on campus is being poisoned... by the cafeteria. It seems that most on-campus students get sick after every meal; there must be a reason.

Student X checks the date on the milk carton before she takes a drink: it doesn't expire for another week so she assumes it's okay and drinks it. However, that

carton of milk set out at room temperature from 7:00 to 8:30 a.m. and was put back in the refrigerator after breakfast. Then it set out for another 45 minutes at lunch time before she picked it up. After it was delivered how long did it set out before it was put away?

How about the chips and desserts that are already in little bowls or on plates when lunch begins? How long have they been out? Sometimes they appear at every meal for a week.

What about the baked spaghetti that always appears

at lunch the day after spaghetti is served for dinner?

These are only a few complaints based on observations made while going through the cafeteria line. Only cafeteria staff members know what atrocities go on in the food preparation areas.

Perhaps it's time for the Health Department to inspect the premises. After all, we are not paying assassins to poison us; we are paying the college to feed us.

Mahala Strauss
Editor

Organizations

Sigma Sigma Sigma

The Delta Alpha chapter of the Sigma Sigma Sigma Sorority held their weekly meeting Thursday, October 23 on Sigma floor.

We have a get-together with the alumni planned after the November 1 game.

We also have a big sis/little sis planned with the alumni.

Please try to be on time if you signed up to work the candy sale. If you didn't sign up to work and you have some free time, please stop by. Remember, these trick or treat bags will be delivered Thursday evening.

The Big Sis/Little Sis was held Sunday at 9:30. The pledges and their big sisses are as follows: Denise Davis-Ellen Compton; Teresa Adams-Veronica Walker; Laura Legg-Camella Tenney; and Charlene Cole-Mary Kay Jones.

This week's awards are: Cultured Pearl-Tracy and Camella. Sis of the Week-Teresa, Debbie, and Charlene. Sigma Sweetheart-Will Adkins. "Freedom of the Press" Award goes to Mahala Strauss.

Order of Diana

The weekly meeting of the Order of Diana was called to order on October 21 at 5:45 by president Jane Kelley.

The O.D.'s would like to welcome our new O.D. coordinator, Brian Ruth, to our meetings. We promise our

full cooperation!

All O.D.'s remember that the Dollar Drop will be November 1 at the game against W. V. Tech at 1:30. Good Luck Pioneers!

We love ya TEKE'S! (Charlie, where's the chipmunk?)

Ladies of the White Rose

The Ladies held their regular meeting Thursday, October 23, at 6:00 in the Wesley Foundation Chapel.

There will be a pumpkin sale, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 11:00-1:00 in the Pioneer Center Lobby. Congratulations to Beth Oppe on picking up her bid and to the Pioneers on their win over Concord. Remember Ladies that Commode Bowl is November 6 at 7:00.

We love ya Chi's!

Delta Zeta Pledges

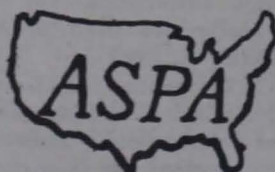
Officers were elected for Delta Zeta Pledges and are listed as follows: President-Amber Moats, Vice president-Deidra Burrows, Secretary-Kim Gould, Treasurer-Lisa Walker, Reporter-Avan Ratliff, Ways and Means-Anita Hess, Panhellenic Representative-Teresa Knowlson.

We will be sponsoring a Baby Beautiful Contest November 17-21 and selling suntanning bed chances for ten free sessions. The cost is \$1.00 per chance and the drawing will be on December 8.

The Delta Zeta Pledges will be holding the actives a party on October 30 at 9:30. The Pledges wanted to say: WE LOVE YOU ACTIVES!

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Reflections

Booze is my shepherd
I shall be in want
He maketh me to lie down in
strange places:
he leadeth me beside
troubled waters
He robbeth my soul
he leadeth me in the paths of
wickedness--
my name is disgraced
Yeah, as I walk through the
valley of the shadow of

death, I will fear all evil;
for thou art with me; thy
wine and thy beer they
comfort me
Thou preparest a bar before
me in the presence of mine
buddies.
Thou anointest my head with
sweat; my mug runneth over.
Surely Happy Hour shall
follow me all the days of my
life;

and I will dwell in the Beer
Garden forever.
If you suspect that you or
those you love may have a
problem with alcohol, and
you need someone to talk to
about it, please feel free to
look me up. It might make a
difference.

Karen Frank
Campus Pastor

THE ARTS



photo by Scott Kitchen

Paige Waldron - Deitz, mezzo soprano and Connie Adams, flutist.

Adams/Deitz Recital Given

by Lisa McHenry

The GSC music department is putting two of its seniors on the recital stage November 2. Connie Adams, flutist, and Paige Waldron-Deitz, mezzo soprano, will be giving their senior recitals this Sunday at 3:00.

Connie is originally from Doddridge County and she is majoring in music education, K-12. Here at GSC she has been a member of the band, choir, and jazz band. She is a member of MENC (Music Educators National Conference) and Kappa Delta Pi. Connie was awarded the Bertha E. Olsen Music Scholarship and the C&P Scholastic Scholarship. Connie will be graduated from GSC in May upon the completion of student teaching.

Paige is majoring in music education K-12 and comes to us from Richwood. While attending GSC, she has been a member of band, choir, and has been selected to sing in the Honors Recital for four consecutive semesters. Paige has also been a strong force in GSC theatre, being a member of Ohnimgohow Players and winning two awards for best actress. She was nominated for the Irene Ryan Acting Scholarship and was chosen as a finalist in the Southeastern Theatre Conference in the spring of 1986. Paige is a member of MENC, and she will be doing her student teaching in the spring.

As one can see from their credentials, two very talented individuals are on the bill. Ms. Adams will perform pieces by Mozart,

Godard, Debussy, Poulenc, Miyagi, and Bolling. Ms. Waldron-Deitz will sing works of Verdi, Schubert, and Barab and Parker. One piece by Bach (Ich folge dir gleichfalls mit freudigen schritten) will be performed as a duet. Mr. Edward McKown will provide piano accompaniment for the recitalists.

This recital is a culmination of four years of college learning experience in music for Connie and Paige. Many months of rehearsing have been invested in preparation for this event, in addition to choosing the perfect recital pieces.

The recital begins at 3:00 p.m., Sunday, November 2 in the GSC auditorium. Admission is free. Allow yourself to attend and be entertained.

GSC Artist Spotlight: Colleen Rousher

by Lisa McHenry

A passerby might notice some of her pots in the windows of Firestone Lodge, smooth beige greenware waiting to be glazed and fired. Not all of the pieces have been created by Colleen Rousher's hands; some belong to other art students here at GSC. But this week, the Mercury will spotlight Colleen, a senior art major who offers the world something a little different.

Neil Young sang on a cassette, Colleen brushed some bits of clay from an upturned bowl she had on the wheel. "I think my style is a little more eccentric than most people care for," she muses.

Colleen came to GSC with the intention of studying ceramics, and she has been for four years, though she also feels a particular fondness for sculpture. I asked what she saw for herself as an artist in ten years. She is considering museum work, she says, and



photo courtesy of Charles Scott

"pottery as more of an avocation." She hopes to set up a small scale pottery operation; a wheel, a kiln, and her two skilled hands.

As do many artists in rural areas, Colleen sometimes feels the stagnation that can settle upon the quiet of the hills. People begin to accept and expect a certain kind of art. Colleen points out that those of us uneducated about art often want simply a tree, a field, and a couple deer. We are very conservative where

art "takes open-mindedness-acceptance." Colleen plans to have her senior art show in December.

The Neil Young cassette had clicked off. The bowl had been planed and smoothed by the skilled hands of this young artist. My pen was put away and one last look at Colleen showed an artist intent on her work, molding plain earth into timeless, simple shapes of beauty.

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The National Casein and Acrylic Society has provided the art department with paintings for exhibition. These works are on display on the Hallway Gallery next to room 308, upstairs in the Administration Building.

Please stop by and see the paintings.

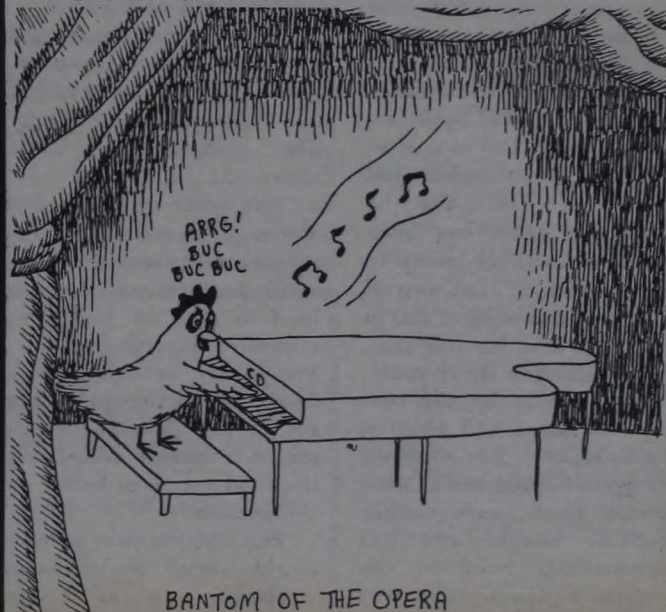
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PBL is selling chances on a pumpkin filled with candy. Chances are 25¢ each or 5 for \$1.00. See any member. Drawing is Thursday, October 30 at the dance.

Ohnimgohow Players

There is a meeting of all the Players Wednesday, October 29 in the Underground at 5:30. See you there.

OFF-CENTER



Letters

Dear Editor

Hopefully my letter of last week has gotten some attention and has started people thinking about what I wrote. I know that some of you cynics out there will say that I'm living in the past, that things have changed and that students today have other interests. This may be and possibly is true, but my previous time at GSC was one of the best times of my life, and I wouldn't change it even if I could. We also had other interests, but we still found or made the time to see the Pioneers play. We felt that showing school spirit was something good, something to be proud of. We were proud to be GSC students and we were proud of our teams, win or lose.

It's a sad state of affairs when I, a man of 33 shows more school spirit than many of you in your late teens and early twenties.

Apathy has set in on the GSC campus it seems, and perhaps a change of name from Glenville State College to Apathy State College might be appropriate. I would like to be proven wrong to my fellow students by their attendance at events put on by the college. Then we can put apathy into its well deserved grave.

Some of you will probably say "Why should we go to the game when we know we're going to lose." I say this to you Juniors and Seniors "Where were you in 1983 and 1984 when the football team won a total of 12 games in those two years?" Attendance then was just as poor as it is now. I know because I was there. A little more crowd support could have turned a couple of those few games that we lost into wins.

In basketball support has been just as bad, and the basketball team has been winning, finishing fourth in the 14 team WVIAC two of the past three seasons and in the pre season for this year, we're picked to finish sixth. Good support by the fans here at home will help us finish higher. The women's program has not had a losing season since Coach Carney became coach, and has consistently been in the women's final four for several years.

Glenville State College used to have the reputation of being a school that was tough to beat at home because of its student body support. I would like to see this again. I would again like to see people looking for alternative sites to view football games because the stadium is full. I would again like to see closed-circuit TV screens set up all over the campus to allow the one's who were late to the gym to see the games. All of this happened when I was here before. What ever happened to the Glenville State College I used to know?

A True Pioneer Fan
Daniel Williams

I must admit I was quite impressed to find the sudden outpouring of "concerned students", who have taken time to write the editor of the *Mercury* and criticize the unconcerned Harrys on the campus. I felt obligated to commend you on your outspoken concern for the well being of GSC.

I must also congratulate you on your foolproof argument scheme. What other conclusions could be drawn about someone who does not stay the weekend to watch a Pioneer football game than that they are ignorant, immature, and an embarrassment to the college?

Your letter really captured the spirit of what college is all about- supporting the team and getting out of your parents' house. It is great that you did not waste any of your concern on unimportant matters such as academics. Well, if that was not enough to amaze the unamazeable, your thought provoking questions surely could have. They really deserve being answered:

"How come unless food is served at an activity no one around this place ever shows up?" It beats me. I know food is one of the most attractive aspects of GSC. People are breaking down doors and tearing out walls to get to the delicious meals served in the cafeteria. I hear the food gets even better on the weekends.

"Hey! Maybe your parents could stand a weekend without you at home complaining about how

boring you feel GSC is." Just because your parents are not picking you up until Thanksgiving does not mean that we have to stay here and keep you company. Hey! GSC isn't boring either. Try taking advantage of some of the exciting activities offered in the area. Why not try window shopping at the Foodland Plaza?

Once again I would like to commend you on your concern and insight into the fundamental problems of GSC. Keep up the good work. I'll see you at the game!!

An unconcerned student
Homebound Harry

I would like to comment on the letters in the *Mercury* that refers to the football team's bad fate of luck (losing record) as their excuse for going home. Glenville's football team might not be doing so hot but the cross country team is burning up the courses, and at the top in conference standings. Glenville is 15-0 in conference and 26-4 overall, pretty good numbers if you ask me.

A couple of friends and I went to watch the runners this past week and were really impressed with what we saw, Glenville finishing 1, 2, and 3. The team is in action this Saturday when they host the Conference championship at the golf course. The women start at 10:30 and the men at 11:30 that morning. It is really exciting to watch these runners, so come out and watch the Glenville runners perform. Since you will already be out that way why not wait around a while and watch the game for even more action.

Now I ask you people: What's your excuse for going home now?

Sincerely,
James Cooper

Dear Editor,

Regarding the article concerning baseball in Jesse's Place 2 issues ago. What I said that afternoon at lunch was more along the lines "Jesse probably does not want to sign because of the article he wrote." At the time, I felt that Jesse might not want to sign a petition in favor of baseball because of his stand against it in his article. I didn't mean to

imply that it was because he didn't like baseball. Even if he didn't like baseball, he's entitled to his opinion. Jesse has informed me that economics are his only problems with bringing it back. I might even agree if I really thought it wasn't financially feasible.

When student interest is as great over something as it appears to be over the baseball issue, I think it would be nice if all parties would carefully check the matter out instead of automatically No. After all, aren't students paying athletic fees? There is obviously student support for bringing baseball back. Added to this are a lot of ideas and commitments concerning financial problems.

Athletics are something for both the administration and the students to enjoy, participate and take pride in. As Athletics are representative of the college, they should be supported. However, support has to be voluntary from everyone. No one can (nor should they try to) force people to support programs if they don't wish to.

I can understand it if the college doesn't wish to reinstate baseball because of financial reasons. Because I'm a student struggling with my own finances, I know just how tight they can be. I also know that if you want something and are committed to it- nothing comes as easy as we would like it to. All we're asking for is a chance to try.

John Lamb
"Frank Vincent is washed up," and "Frank Vincent is a terrible coach" are a few of the comments one may hear on the campus of Glenville State College. Sure, I have been mad at Coach Vincent and sure I have had my comments as well, but I feel it is time people hear the real story.

This past weekend, the football team of Glenville State defeated Concord College at Athens, which upped our record 2 wins and 6 losses. Now you tell me, did the players or Coach Vincent win the game? Of course, almost everyone will say the players won this game. So if the players won this game who lost the other 6 games?

Of course, almost everyone will say it was Frank Vincent's fault. Nobody wants to be a loser and I am sure Coach Vincent or any of the players, including myself, wanted to lose either.

A football coach or any type of coach can only do so much. A coach can teach a player a technique or teach the team plays, but they cannot go out on the field and play the game. A lot of people don't see if a player misses a hole or a block or even a tackle, they only know something went wrong and the coach is to blame. Last weekend, the Pioneers used the same plays against Concord as they did against Fairmont. However, we won against Concord 17-12 and we lost against Fairmont 37-0. This proves that it is not Coach Vincent's coaching (calls, plays, etc...) that is the problem, it is the mere fact that the players carried out Vincent's calls and plays to the best of their ability and as a result won!

When people talk about Coach Vincent, it not only changes his attitude toward the game but the players as well. This controversy is hurting the team as well as Coach Vincent. Put yourself in Coach Vincent's shoes and see how well you handle the situation.

I am not writing this to be a brown noser or the coach's buddy, I just wanted to state some facts that everyone overlooks. If everyone would just let the coach do his job and the players do theirs, everyone would be better off. This was not to insult anyone, just to let the people involved understand the situation. Coach Vincent is human, he makes mistakes

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just like everyone else and if he were left alone he would probably make fewer mistakes. Now lets thrash the Golden Bears this weekend and keep in mind what I said.

Pioneer Football Player

Dear Editor,
Hello, I'm Johnny Jock and I'd just like to say a few words about your article in last week's Mercury. I can only speak for the football players because that's what I am, but I'm sure the runners and basketball players can relate to what I have to say.

This morning I had to get up early and be in the cafeteria by 7:10 to eat breakfast, as do all football players. As I go to each of my classes, I try hard to concentrate, but I can't help think of how hard everyone is saying this week's game is going to be. I'll probably get crushed. "Hey! The teacher is letting us out a little early. I can run in the cafeteria and grab a bite before my 1:00 class. Coach will work it off real easy anyway. Oh no!

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There's a line! Well, Bob won't mind if I jump in front of him, he knows I have a class at 1:00 and we have to leave for the field at 2:00. Thanks, Bob." After class I run to my room to get my things for practice. "I should call Sal (my gal) but that might make me late. I'd hate to get Coach mad. I'll see her at dinner."

I get taped up and on the field at 3:00. Coach is feeling "good" so we practice until 5:40. Hurry and get showered and dressed (peeling the tape off is the worst) and get to the cafeteria before it closes at 6:00. "My stomach is still racing but I have to eat something. There's Bob. He threw a hard hit on me today and hurt my knee. I'll throw an ice cube at him. 'Nice hit today, Bob.'" He laughs at me.

Well, I didn't see Sal because she had to work. I guess I'll see her later. It's 6:10. I better go see Jerry in the treatment room about my knee because we have to lift and watch films at 7:00. I'll be back in my room by 9:00. I'll call Sal then.

It's 9:00. "Hi honey. No I can't come to see you. I have to do some homework and then get in bed so I can get some sleep for the game tomorrow. I'm sorry. Don't be mad... 'click'" If I go talk to her I'll never make it tomorrow. I hope she understands.

Saturday comes and goes and we lose the game. I had

some great tackles, but who noticed? The Coach is yelling; the fans are screaming, and Sal is with another guy. Oh well, he doesn't play football, so at least she'll get to see him.

What an awful day. I just want to sit back and relax and have a beer, but I can't even do that because some people get really upset if football players drink. I can't handle this pressure. Maybe I should just quit school, but that would make my parents mad. I can't please everybody and I'm getting tired of it all.

Please, Ms. Editor, you must be perfect, because you know how imperfect we jocks are. Can you please tell me how I can be more like you?

Sincerely,

Johnny Jock

Written by: Gina Davis

I am writing in regard to the letter about sports building character in athletes. I am an athlete, maybe even a "jock", but no the type of jock set by your standards. I cannot speak for the football and basketball players but I can speak for the runners. I'll admit that when we are in a group we are a little bit out of controll, but we are a team, and no matter what the sport is, team members do have disagreements. I think this is easily understandable, when we do our workouts each day we run anywhere from 6-15 miles and that alone is enough to make anybody tired and irritable.

What really upsets me is somebody like you judging us by your standards. Do you think you are God? Only God has the right to judge anybody as to what he sees fit. I know for a fact that you have insulted many of the athletes who compete in sports at this college and in doing this you have also made

us look like fools in front of everyone. Granted there are a few athletes that give sports a bad name, but I believe there are more who give sports a good name than a bad one. I also believe that these athletes deserve a little credit and an apology. I would also like to suggest that if you are ever going to publish an article like this again about sports at GSC, you will try to get all the facts or just not write the article at all.

Member of the fighting Cross
Country team
Sincerely,
Jay Dawkins

Dear Editor,

I know I am not alone in my feelings about your article in last week's Mercury. Every time I read it I became more and more angry. Yes, I can agree that there are "jocks" who may cut line and throw food (as for eating directly off the table, I'd say that's their business, and if you don't like it, look the other way). If these "jocks" do cut line it is probably because they are in a hurry, especially if they are football players. These guys have classes until 2 o'clock, then they have to get to the field to dress, get taped up and be on the field to practice at 3 o'clock. They go through this abuse for 2½ to 3 hours and then they have to shower, change and run back to the cafeteria before it closes to gulp down a "meal."

If they do choose to throw food, it's at each other so I'd say that's none of your business. As soon as they finish eating, many have to go to the treatment room to get their abused bodies taken care of. Then many nights they have to meet and watch films, lift weights, and dicuss the next game. They might finally make it back to

their room by nine o'clock to start their homework. (I don't know about you, but I'd be pretty tired, especially since they have to be in the cafeteria by ten after seven to eat breakfast.) Somewhere between all this, they have to find time to spend with their friends and girlfriends. Now, as for getting drunk after every Saturday's game, I'd have to say that's none of your business either. First of all, how do you know? Do you sit downtown and watch for them? Also, you can't tell me that after getting beat up for 2½ hours on a football field, listening to the coach yell at you, (not to mention the ride to away games, especially the eight hour trip to Millersville) that you wouldn't want to relax and drink a beer. If you don't drink, more power to you, but that doesn't give you any right to say someone shouldn't. These football players are taking a lot of abuse to keep the program alive and to keep money coming in for the school. I admire these guys and I wouldn't trade places with them for the world! I don't know much about the runners and basketball players, but I assume they have difficult schedules too.

We're glad that you are so perfect, but all of us aren't that lucky. Maybe you should start a class for "jocks" and teach them how to be more like you, but don't be surprised if they miss class. It won't be because they don't want to come, but because they just don't have the time.

To all GSC athletes - I'm proud we attend the same school!

Lora Shieler

Editor's Note:

I would like to thank those people who disagreed with me and either spoke with me in person or wrote in to express their views. Because I cannot refute your points in this forum without writing another editorial, I invite you to speak with me in person. This invitation applies to all those "jocks" out there who sought to express their opinions by threatening gestures and remarks or comments made in passing or behind my back.

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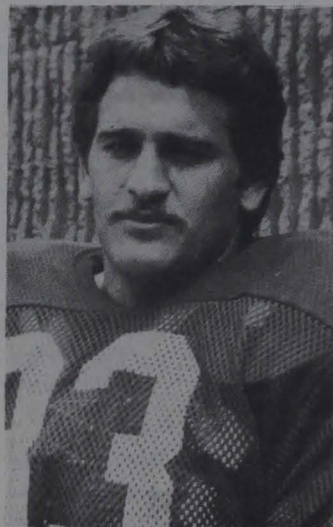
SPORTS

Pioneers Use Big Play To Upset Concord, 17-12

by Jesse Skiles

In last week's *Mercury*, Pioneer fullback Andy Pfefferkorn stated that Glenville could very well pull an upset against Concord or Tech. Amazingly, his words became reality last Saturday as the Pioneers defeated the Concord Mountain Lions, 17-12. It was amazing when you consider that the feat was accomplished in Athens, where the Mountain Lions are usually unbeatable.

Junior place-kicker Mark Szklennik put Glenville on top for good in the first quarter by booting a 32-yard field goal. The lead was extended to 10-0 early in the second quarter when Pfefferkorn bolted 38 yards through



Andy Pfefferkorn

38-yard TD run

the Concord defense for a score. The Pioneers led 10-7 at the half.

Bill Dunn put the game away for Glenville in second half by intercepting a Concord pass and racing 29 yards for a touchdown. It was Dunn's fourth interception in the last five games. This play gave the Pioneers a 17-7 lead. An advantage that proved to be insurmountable.

Concord managed to post five points in the fourth quarter, but it was too late. Glenville gave Concord a precautionary safety in the game's final minute to leave the final at 17-12.

At press time, the final game statistics were not available though some were released over the wire services. The most glaring and perhaps the most impor-



Bill Dunn

Key Interception

tant statistic is that the Pioneers intercepted four Concord passes (Bill Boyles,

Laurence Colley, Bill Dunn, and Luther Toney). Glenville's defense repeatedly came up with the big play and turned back many Mountain Lion charges.

This week, the Pioneers are returning to Pioneer Stadium to face the West Virginia Tech Golden Bears. Coach Jim Heal's Golden Bears are having a fine season (5-3), and are coming off an exciting 17-15 victory over West Virginia State. Last year, Tech defeated the Pioneers 13-9 in Montgomery.

Kickoff for Saturday's contest is set for 1:30 out at Pioneer Stadium. It will be the final home game for Glenville this season.

RUSHING LEADERS	ATT.	YDS.	AVG.
Gordon Stevens	117	303	2.6
Andy Pfefferkorn	61	208	3.4
Gary Holmes	47	156	3.3

PASSING LEADERS	COMP-ATT	%	YDS.	TD.	INT.
Chuck Wharton	41-104	42%	439	0	13
Mitchell Pantak	24-66	36%	278	1	7

RECEIVING LEADERS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.
Jeff Evans	10	101	10.1
Lonnie Hosby	8	123	15.4
Jason Campbell	9	118	14.7
John West	8	96	12.0

PUNTING	NO.	YDS.	AVG.
Bill Dunn	40	1305	32.6
Randy Rhoades	14	461	32.9

INTERCEPTION LEADERS	NO.	YDS.
Bill Dunn	4	55
Bill Boyles	2	40

KICKOFF RETURN LEADERS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.
Eric Mitchell	14	387	27.6
Gary Holmes	7	86	12.3
Tracy Haught	4	70	17.5

PUNT RETURNS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.
Eric Mitchell	12	128	10.7
Tracy Haught	4	39	9.7
Todd Sabin	8	66	8.3

TACKLE LEADERS	T	A	TOT.
Todd Layhew	45	56	101
Bill Dunn	41	44	85
John Lipscomb	38	38	75
Donn Layhew	29	43	71
Luther Toney	32	36	68
Bill Boyles	33	24	57
Laurence Colley	36	18	54
Eric Mitchell	35	19	54
Brian Hill	25	18	43
Aaron Woodhouse	26	13	39

Boyles: Mountaineer to Pioneer

by Jesse Skiles

Glenville has an experienced and talented secondary. Saturday they played a major role in the super defensive effort as Concord drives were thwarted by four Pioneer interceptions. One of the standouts in the secondary is veteran cornerback Bill Boyles.

Boyles graduated from Lincoln High School in Harrison County where he was captain of the All-County defensive unit and received special honorable mention on the All-State team. From there, Boyles was recruited by West Virginia University. He was a part of the Mountaineer team that year that went to the Hall of Fame Bowl. He saw action in three games that season.

You might ask "How exactly did he end up in Glenville?" Boyles smiles when relating the story; "It's really kind of weird. You see, Jeff Metheny (former Pioneer quarterback and assistant coach) was dating my cousin at the time, and he is actually who recruited me. He told me that Glenville would be needing defensive backs and convinced me that I could perform well in this confer-



Bill Boyles

ence." And so the story went, and Bill Boyles became a Glenville State Pioneer.

Boyles enjoys being a part of the veteran group in the secondary. He illustrated this by saying "we communicate so well...all of us. Like Bill (Dunn) and I, we are talking every play. As contain man on the runs, I know that all I have to do is turn the ballcarrier inside and Bill will take care of him." It must certainly be comforting to the Pioneer coaching staff to know that this entire secondary will be

back next season.

Boyles attributes a great deal of the pass coverage success this season to the pass rush. "When those guys up front are putting some real good pressure on, it really simplifies our coverage assignments," Boyles said. This can be seen from a statistical standpoint. As the Pioneer defensive line has jelled this season, the interception totals have mounted.

This Saturday should be a true test for Boyles and his secondary-mates. West Virginia Tech has some talented quarterbacks and may try to come at Glenville with a wide-open offense. Once again the Pioneer defense will be on the spot.

Bill Boyles will again be tested Saturday. He is a tough defensive back who continues to play a hard-nosed game no matter what the scoreboard says.

THE BOYLES BLURB

Bill Boyles

Junior - Lumberport, WV

HT - 6'0 WT - 190

CAREER TOTALS

Int.	No.	Yds.	Avg.
1985	3	3	1.0
1986	2	38	19.0
TOTAL	5	41	8.2

Runners Roll , Carry 26-4 Mark Into WVIAC Meet

Skiles: Harriers' Old Man River

by Steve Keenan

Less than three years ago, Jesse Skiles weighed 187 pounds, and the only running experience in his background was in staying in shape for high school football. A funny thing happened on the way to the office, though.

Skiles got hooked on running, and he's improved dramatically ever since. Now down to 160 pounds, the 1982 Dupont High School graduate is now much more than the recreational 10K runner which he envisioned being when he began the sport seriously in April of 1984.

Currently, Skiles is the only senior on a talent-laden GSC cross country team which is aiming for the West Virginia Conference crown this weekend. The Pioneers enter the meet with an overall record of 26-4 and a conference ledger of 15-0.

Speed's not the main thing that Skiles has to offer the Pioneers. He's only their seventh runner, and it's obvious that runners such as Andy Jarrell and Jay Dawkins are more talented.

Skiles, who lettered in football and golf at Dupont, is the glue that holds the



Jesse Skiles

Pioneers together. He's the team's hardest worker (he passed the 2,000-mile mark in training mileage recorded for the year on Oct. 24), and he provides valuable leadership for his younger, sometimes tempestuous teammates.

"My role is not to score points but to take away points from other teams," said Skiles. For example, even though he was GSC's seventh finisher in last Thursday's home meet, Skiles placed ahead of Wesleyan's entire team and in front of all but three of Fairmont's runners.

Skiles, who treats running as "an escape from the incredible horrors (i.e. reading Beowulf or Henry IV at 2:30 every morning) that this semester has brought to my life," rates the Pioneers as about even with Davis and Elkins in this Saturday's team race. He has set an individual goal of approaching the top 20 list of finishers (he was 29th last year).

Win or lose, this is Skiles' last go-around at collegiate competition. Since he's student teaching next spring and planning to get married later in the year, he's going to retire at the end of the current season.

Skiles would no doubt rather end his career at the NAIA national meet two weeks hence than at the WVC meet Saturday. It would make all the hard work that much more enjoyable.

THE JUNK ON JESSE
Jesse Skiles
Charleston, WV
Dupont H.S.
Height - 5'11 Weight - 160

PERSONAL BESTS
5K - 17:28
5m - 29:42
10K - 36:42

Volleyballers Drop Two

Last week the Glenville volleyball team participated in their third consecutive home tri-match. Last week's opponents were Fairmont and West Liberty.

Glenville opened play against West Liberty and lost a hard fought three-game match. They fell in the opening game 15-8, but bounced back to take the second game 15-11. West Liberty hung on in the third game to take the match 15-9.

Fairmont proved to be a much tougher foe for the Pioneers, winning in straight games. They won game one 15-5, and closed the issue in game two 15-5.

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Tom Clark leads the pack as Glenville dominated last Thursday's Quadrangular at the Glenville Golf Club.

by Steve Keenan

Photo by Kris Rogers

In its final tune-up before this Saturday's West Virginia Conference meet, the GSC cross country team easily handled three other teams last Thursday in a quadrangular competition.

The meet was contested on the Glenville Golf Club course which will be the site of the WVC meet. In addition to GSC, men's teams competing were West Virginia State, Fairmont and West Virginia Wesleyan. No full women's teams participated.

GSC's Pioneers cruised to a 30-point win to raise their record to 26-4 overall and 15-0 in the conference. The locals scored 21 points, followed by Fairmont-51, West Virginia State-73, and West Virginia Wesleyan-101.

Glenville placed seven runners in the top 11 of the 25-

runner field. Tom Clark, Jay Dawkins, and Andy Jarrell all crossed the line in 28:13 for first place. Chris Shockey returned from an injury to place seventh in 29:15. Jim Kelly was eighth in 29:30, Jeff Trippett was ninth in 30:01, Jesse Skiles finished 11th with a 30:32, and John Fitzpatrick placed 14th in 31:34.

Of the five female finishers on a 2.8-mile course, GSC had two. Lori Barker recorded a time of 18:51 for second position, only four seconds behind West Virginia State's Crystal Neal. Andrea Davisson grabbed third place in 20:15.

"Everybody ran exactly the way we wanted to," said Steve Keenan, GSC assistant coach. "They treated it as a primer for Saturday, and it looks like we're ready to go."

GSC QUADRANGULAR CROSS COUNTRY MEET TEAM STANDINGS

1. Glenville	21
2. Fairmont	51
3. West Virginia State	73
4. West Virginia Wesleyan	101

GSC FINISHERS (5 miles)

1. (tie) Tom Clark	28:13
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7. Chris Shockey	29:15
8. Jim Kelly	29:30
9. Jeff Trippett	30:01
11. Jesse Skiles	30:32
14. John Fitzpatrick	31:34

WOMEN'S DIVISION (2.8 miles)

2. Lori Barker	18:51
3. Andrea Davisson	20:15

Jesse's Place

Last year, my Editor Beth Bragg chose not to cover a lawsuit against governor Arch Moore. I disagreed with her decision because a Glenville student was involved in the lawsuit. I must apologize to Mrs. Bragg because I am now facing a similar situation.

Joanne Vincent's charges of assault and battery against Dr. Randy Hunt has been an incident cited in both the *Charleston Gazette* and the *Parkersburg News*. I am not going to study this situation in depth right now because I feel certain there will be many more developments in the case. One way or another, there will be some things happening in the upcoming weeks.

To summarize the incident, we must go back to the evening of October 18. After the Glenville-Fairmont game Dr. Hunt and Mrs. Vincent apparently engaged in a heated disagreement. Whether Mrs. Vincent has grounds for her charges remains to be seen.

Glenville pulled a major upset over Concord last Saturday and everyone seems to have an opinion on GSC football (It is good that people do voice their opinions...at least they care). This just didn't seem like the week to include a story that is basically smutty. Just wait a few weeks... In the words of former Eagle drummer Don Henley in his song about newsmen, you will get your "dirty laundry."

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Conference Meet Previewed

by Steve Keenan

This Saturday morning Glenville State College will host its first-ever West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletics Conference cross country championships.

The women's race will be at 10:30 a.m., while the men will leave the starting line at 11:15.

There are 42 men and 17 women slated to participate. Men's teams will be West Liberty, Fairmont, Davis and Elkins, West Virginia Wesleyan, West Virginia State and Glenville. Women's teams will be West Liberty and West Virginia State. West Virginia Tech will have individual representatives in both divisions, while GSC, and Wesleyan will have female entrants, also.

The West Liberty girls won the team title in 1985 and are

heavily favored to repeat. They are led by Sherry Le Masters, last year's Runner of the Year.

Other runners to keep an eye on are Lori Barker and Andrea Davisson of Glenville, Unn Hidle of Wesleyan, and Crystal Neal of State.

Men's favorites are D&E,

West Liberty and GSC. The individual favorite is D&E's Jeff Trump. Other top runners include GSC's Andy Jarrell, Jay Dawkins and Tom Clark, West Liberty's Gene Saunders and Ken Sokolowski, Fairmont's David Deeley and D&E's Bill Lipps.

Volleyballers

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This week, the team will be in action at Salem in another tri-match. The other team in the match will be the tough Lady Battlers from Alderson-Broadbudd.

A Study Skills Workshop will be held Thursday, October 30 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the Verona Mapel Room. Lucie O'Brien will conduct the workshop. Students attending will need to bring class materials (i.e. texts, notes, syllabi, etc.).

It's A Student's Life

by Harriet Whipkey

"Hurry, hurry, super scurry..."—my theme song since becoming a college student. Rush to the bathroom to brush teeth—door locked—the heck with it—grab a stick of Dentyne and cram it in my mouth—pick up satchel and head for door. Phone rings, "Hello—what? You—All Trucking School? No, thanks." Bang. Trucking school! Really! I'm a college student!

Hurry to library and waste fifteen minutes of my tight schedule finding a directory. Hurry over to copier. It eats my first dime—no copy. Spits out one of the two nickels I have left—no copy. I stand staring at the machine as though it will suddenly talk to me. Someone else comes up needing copier. I explain. He volunteers his own quarter. It works! It even gave him back one of the nickels it ate, which he, being a gentleman, gave back to me. Thank you, sir.

Hurry to return directory to shelf and—bam! Sudden pain in my left knee leaves me witless. Staggering into

the next aisle, looking down, expecting to see a vengeful pygmy. But no, through the fog, my brain registers open bottom drawer of vertical file. Librarian comes up behind, and somehow I manage to get the directory back on the shelf. Hobbled out of the library, glanced at watch. Good grief!—gonna be late for eleven o'clock class.

Managing all million steps, finally reach AB 304. Slip in and take seat, a breath, and a

glance around. The instructor is staring at me—I stare back. Where's de Rosset? I turn and stare at my seatmate who is staring back at me—SHE's not TERESA, either! I lean over and hiss, "What day is this?"—"Tuesday," she says.

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