

# State-To-Date

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## Noted Author Talks Mar. 15

William L. Shirer, noted author and radio commentator, will be the principal speaker before the General Assembly at 10:00 a. m. on March 15, 1954, in the college auditorium.

Mr. Shirer has chosen as the subject of his lecture, "The State of World Affairs."

Under his subject, Mr. Shirer will cover the world-wide struggle for freedom and peace, placing emphasis on America's role in international leadership. He will point up the problems confronting the United Nations and suggest the paths leading to amelioration of differences among the great powers.

Mr. Shirer, a keen analyst and noted reporter, is a Mutual Broadcasting Company commentator. He speaks on national and world affairs each Sunday afternoon on a coast to coast network of 250 stations.

Outside the literary field, Mr. Shirer has received the Peabody Award in radio, the Wendell Wilkie One World Award, the Legion of Honor from France and an honorary D. Litt. from Coe College, his alma mater in Iowa.

He is the author of two well-remembered non-fiction books: "Berlin Diary," (1941) and "End of a Berlin Diary," (1947). He has written one novel, "The Traitor," (1950) and is at present at work on another novel which is the outgrowth of his thoughts when working on "Midcentury Journey," (Literary Guild Selection). He has written numerous articles for such magazines as Harper's, at Atlantic, Life, Collier's, etc., and has done considerable lecturing.

During all this time, the world has literally been Mr. Shirer's beat. Born in Chicago, he grew up in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Immediately after his graduation from college in 1925, he left the United States with \$200 in his pocket on what was intended as a two-month trip. He stayed for two decades.

The day he was to leave for home, he got a job on the Paris edition of the Chicago Tribune where he worked with James Thurber, Elliot Paul, and Vincent Sheean. He moved to the "home edition" largely as a result of covering the Lindbergh landing in 1927, and his first regular assignment was to cover the winter Olympics in 1928.

The next few years found him in Paris, London, Vienna, and India where he spent two years covering the rise of Gandhi, the Balkans, Berlin and Rome. He was fired from the Chicago Tribune in 1932, took a year off, worked for a while for the Paris edition of the New York Herald and then went to Berlin for Universal Service.

His radio career began in 1937 when he was hired by Columbia Broadcasting Company, but his voice was not then considered good enough for broadcasting and he only introduced the other speakers. After a while, he was allowed to talk, himself, and, of course, his broadcasts from abroad became famous.

## Madrigals Journey To Present Concert

The Madrigal Singers, under the direction of Doctor Maurice Matteson, will give a concert in the Valley High School on Tuesday, April 6, at eight o'clock.

The sopranos in the chorus are Anne Dixon, Pauline House, Margaret Burkley, Norma Grimes, Betty Ann Hanna, Robertine Boyle, Caroline Hull, Beverly Merriman, and Charlotte Northcraft.

Altos are Maureen Manley, JoAnn Grindle, Mary Alma Winters, Joan Snyder, Caroline Smith, Norma Nelson, Eleanor Smith, Annette Delamater and Carol Sweene.

Tenors are William Neff, Lee Smith, Frederick Elchhorn, David Dunn, Bruce Ambrose, Davison Ayers, and Edward Wallace.

Those singing bass are Dale Swecker, Edward Smith, William Hyde, James Hall, James King and Allan Sweitzer.

The Madrigal Singers will leave on their two week tour to cities as far south as Miami, Florida, on April 19.



William L. Shirer

## Students Elect May Queen

Pageant Will Take Place On Friday, May 4

The May Day Committee recently changed the date of their annual pageant from Saturday, May 15, to Friday, May 14. This was done so that college students who work on Saturday could take part in the performance.

The May Queen and her court were elected during the week of March 1-5, under the auspices of Student Congress. William Kirk, president of this organization, and his committee aided in the election of two women and two men from each of the four college classes.

Miss Lillian Wellner, women's athletic director, will assist college girls in presenting two dances for the performance. The first will be the "Black-Eyed Susan," an interpretative dance presenting the state flower of Maryland; the second will be the traditional Maypole Dance.

"Mother Goose Fantasy" will be the theme of the part of the program to be presented by the children of the Laboratory School.

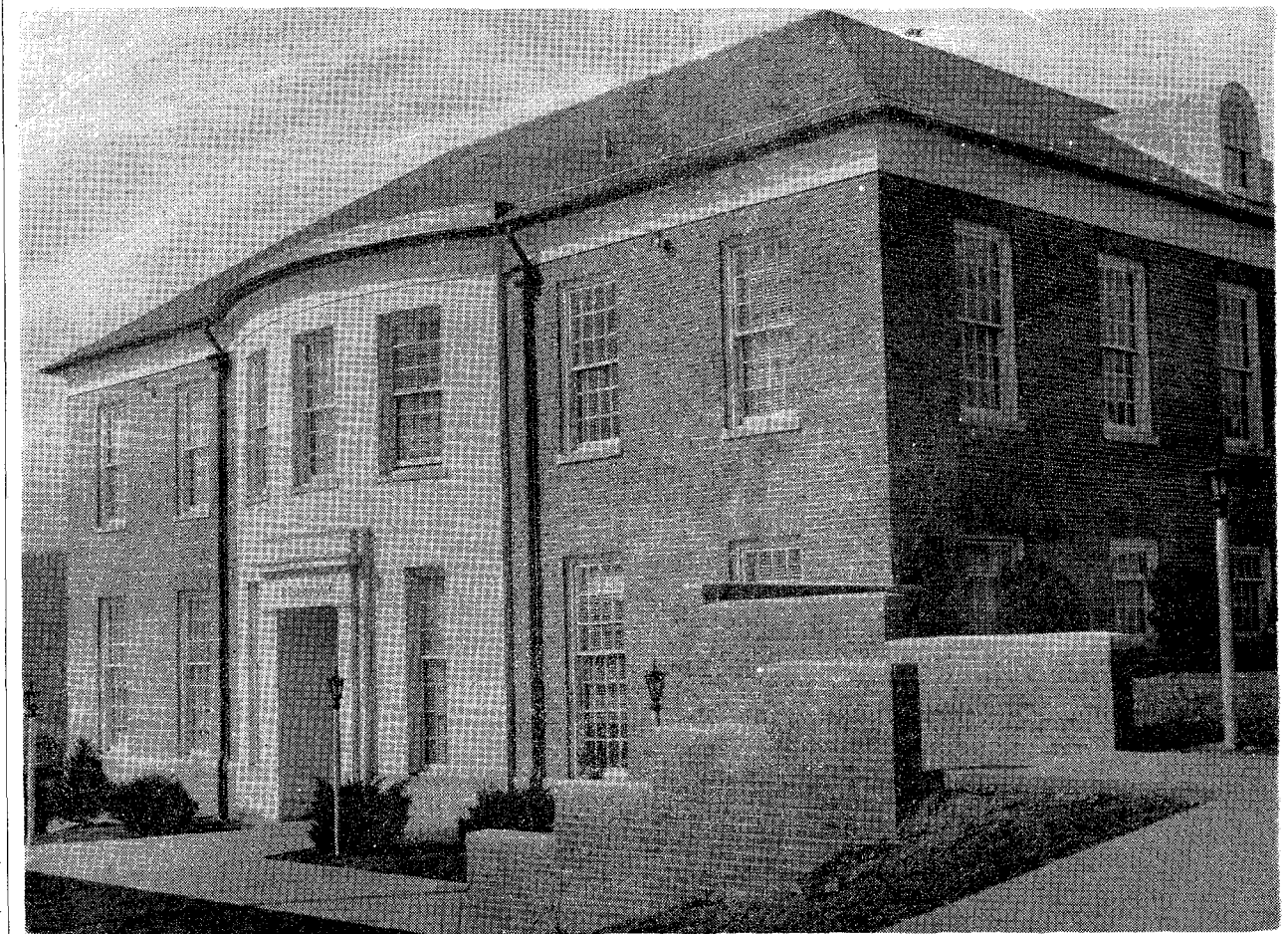
President Lillian C. Compton will crown the queen, and Mr. William Kirk, as president of Student Congress, will serve as the queen's escort.

Dr. Lucile N. Clay, of the Department of English, will again direct the production.

Members of the May Day Committee present at the meeting were: President Lillian C. Compton, Dean Ivan C. Diehl, Dr. Lucile N. Clay, Dr. Maurice Matteson, Miss Lillian Wellner, and Dr. Harold Reese of the Laboratory School. Michael Smith, vice-president of Student Congress, attended as the representative for William Kirk who was unable to be present.

## Librarian Urges Cooperation Of All Students In Moving Books

An unusual cooperative project, to be known as "Operation LMD" (Library Moving Day), will get under way at F. S. T. C. probably within a week, when approximately 21,000 volumes will be moved from the library in Old Main to the new library in Lowndes Hall. This project will involve every person on the campus, including students, faculty, and personnel staff.



Pictured is the library entrance of the new Lowndes Hall Administration Building. The library occupies all of the ground floor of this building and will have additional storage space on the basement level. A separate room for Curriculum Materials is provided as well as a room for Maryland Historical Data. There is also a librarian's office, a staff room, a work room, and a public cloak room.

Dean Ivan C. Diehl will take moving pictures of the procession and Mr. Howard Ward will take pictures for the local newspapers.

The plan, as given by Miss Helen Y. Hough, head librarian, is as follows:

On the first clear day after March 16 each student will be requested to devote two hours to making about six trips carrying ten books each time from one building to the other. It is suggested that each student make three trips in the morning and three in the afternoon.

It is hoped that the job can be completed within a day and a half. Certainly 385 students plus faculty members can in this way move 2,100 loads of ten volumes each.

Since the books must be taken from the old library in their proper num-

bered order and placed on the shelves of the new library in this same order, "briefed" supervisors will be needed to direct "traffic" in each building. These supervisors will necessarily "read" each shelf after the books are in place to be sure that no books are misplaced and consequently lost to use.

In addition to these 21,000 books there are 1,500 bound magazines, much unbound material, seven pamphlet cases, two display cases, six tables, twelve chairs, three map cases, three typewriters, an adding machine and its table, and a globe to be moved.

### Help Needed Now

Before Operation LMD can be carried out there are numerous jobs to be done—more than the present library staff can possibly take care of.

These jobs include: (1) typing and proofreading of destination charts; (2) making of direction signs for LMD; (3) labels for permanent use, etc.

Most of these can be done by volunteer help NOW.

A final job of LMD will be accomplished after some of the present book stacks are moved to the basement storage room in Lowndes Hall. All magazines published before 1940 (about 160 bound volumes) will have to be carried from the old library and Room 202. Unbound magazines and uncataloged books will be included.

Any helpful suggestions from students or faculty as to ways of expediting Operation LMD will be gratefully received by the library staff.

## Award To Be Given

The Frostburg-George's Creek, Maryland Branch of the American Association of University Women, will present a cash award of five dollars to a student of Frostburg State Teachers College for outstanding creative writing.

The purpose of this award is to encourage and to give recognition to creative writing of merit.

### Conditions

1. The award is open to any man or woman student enrolled in the College who wishes to submit a paper.
2. The manuscripts submitted are to be limited to the field of Short Story.
3. The instructors in the English Department may submit a total of twelve student papers.

### Form

1. The paper must be typed and double spaced.
2. The name of the entrant shall not appear on the manuscript but each manuscript shall be numbered. The name of the entrant shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope which will bear the number appearing on the manuscript.
3. All manuscripts must be given to Miss Gertrude A. C. Williams, Chairman, not later than May 1, 1954.

### Presentation of the Award

This award will be presented Saturday, May 15, 1954, at which time the recipient shall be the guest of the Frostburg-George's Creek, Maryland Branch at its Anniversary Luncheon.

Manuscripts should be submitted to Dr. Dorothy Howard on or before April 15.



Cast of "The Happy Time" is pictured above. In the usual order, seated, are Joe T. Butler, Janice Hall, Bruce Ambrose, Lucy Kriechbaum; standing, Joseph Steen, Ronald Rowan, Gail Snyder, Gene Browne, David Dunn, Ruth Schade, Charles Briggs. See review of play on page 3 of this issue.



## Dorm Doodles

By MLM

Well, seems life I'm finally getting around to welcoming the newcomers to the dorm. I'm sure we all remember Janice Spessard who is now a second semester freshman. New freshmen residents are Rosemary Mullaney from Ursuline Academy, Joyce Moore from Martin and Betty Longnecker from Hagerstown.

All the gals were in a whirl of evening gowns, with all the various accessories last week, since the Sweetheart Dance was held Friday, March 5, at the Clary Club.

Intra-mural basketball for the girls is now in full swing and almost every evening you will see the gals on their way to practice at Beall Elementary. Incidentally, the girls did a fine job at the Sports Day at Hood College.

Even though it was just the beginning of March, after those two weeks of wonderful weather, the gals were almost tempted to bring out the spring wardrobe. But on Monday, March 1, Old Man Winter made a return visit.

Here are some letters representing the two extremes, a freshman and a senior.

Dear MLM,

I am a freshman. I was an honor student in high school. Something has happened.

For instance, in biology class my microscope is the worst. It simply refuses to let in any light. And those crazy little mixed-up amoebas refuse to stand still. Now don't blow your top, but, man, let me tell you, one stuck his tongue out at me the other day. Dig that, will you?

And then in English class it more or less seems I just don't rate. And I just don't dig the real answer. After all, as you can see, my grammar, diction and spelling are the most.

And so it goes. Algebra class is one big X or unknown quantity to me. In geometry I am just a "square" and music literature has me spinning.

Now, MLM, please be a real gone kid and find the solution to my mad problem.

A Freshman

Dear Freshman,

Why relax, my boy, you are just going through the typical metamorphosis that occurs about this time. Remember—"All's well that ends well," or as they say at State, "It's a great life if you don't weaken."

Dear MLM,

I am a senior. I am practice teaching. I am scared.

Have you ever faced a room full of those huge eighth-graders and seen those evil looking water pistols they carry? Why, I bet they hold a quart. I'm almost afraid to say "raise your hands." I'm afraid they'll go for their guns.

Now I know how workers with explosives must feel every time one of those bubble-gum bubbles bursts.

And when we play games or dance, I can sympathize with Art Neilson's opponent, we have so much in common.

Well, between bubble gum, water guns and vocal imitations of rockets, my nervous system is about done for. What would you advise?

A Senior

Dear Senior,

I am sending you a large size (1 gallon) water pistol, a case of extra loud bubble gum, a recording of Frostburg's fire sirens and a book on **How To Wrestle In Five Easy Lessons**. If this does not help, here's a ticket to Alaska. It's really not bad there, they say.

## Students Have Many High Ambitions

Fred Downs must have been thinking of the recent disclosure of the Dean's List when he said he wanted to make it. We have many other studious people in our midst. Pat Carter wants to learn geography, while Bette Ramsay just wants to learn to study. JoAnn Grindle has just the remedy for Bette, Jo wants to learn to study by the P Q R S T method and thus get an A in Psychology. Ronnie Chapman has a different slant; he wants to be a good teacher and thus teach other people.

The boys are naturally just a little concerned with their sports ability. Tommy Kelly just stated "Baseball" and grinned. Ed Thompson wants to be able to have good wind so that he can play basketball.

The next biggest thing on campus is money. Bob McAlpine wants to be a millionaire. Bill Scott knows just how he wants to get his millions, by writing a book on psychology. Phil Hamburg wants to make more millions than Scotty, but she seriously wants to become a sociologist. Bob Hamilton wants to make money and make it fast.

A lot of people on this campus want to be either famous, or would like to be a famous person. Ronnie Weicht

wants to be like Rudolph Valentino. Shirley Rhodes wants to be Chief of the Barton Fire Department. Bill Paylor wants to become a Congressman. Dale Swecker wants to get in with an already famous group, he wants to sing with The Four Freshmen.

The rest of the answers were varied. Rosemary Mullaney wants to find out what Bob Kirk knows that she doesn't. Fred Gero wants to be the great lover. John Swope wants to build a new world. What's wrong with the old one? Tommy Conner just gave me that Tommy Conner look and stated that it was a silly question; maybe so. Tommy Rowan must have a passion for being unusual; he wants to be able to stand on his head and stack B-B's. Dave Phillips wants to become an artist. Bill Hamilton wants to live to be ninety-nine. Dave doesn't seem to be the only one who wants to develop a talent; Bruce Ambrose seems to want to take acting seriously. Ann Adams wants to excel at housekeeping.

I think the most unusual answer I got came from Jim Pope. He wants to milk thirty-eight cows at 6 a. m. without getting out of bed.

We certainly have a variety of ambitions on campus.

## Old And Battered Alarm Clock Returns To Erratic But Active Dormitory Duty

I am now only a battered, bruised, old fashioned alarm clock; but I was once considered among the best, as alarm clocks go. My paint was not scratched and marred like it is now. I often irritated my owner by my punctuality, especially when my piercing ring penetrated her peaceful slumber early in the morning. I just couldn't seem to please some people; still no one could say I shunned my duty.

What a job I had; trying to rouse not only my owner, but her three sleepier roommates for eight o'clock classes. Frankly, I thought I was doing a good job until I heard them grumbling about my losing time. What was I supposed to do, defenseless as I was, when one of the girls knocked me from the stand to the floor? Her

excuse for that treatment was that it was only an accident. However, that was only the beginning. Soon my timing mechanism went on the blink; the girls were ten to fifteen minutes late for classes. I knew the end was just around the corner.

Second semester commenced and I was discarded in the closet. My successor was a compact travel alarm clock, complete with luminous dial. I was completely forgotten.

One day, to my amazement I was dragged from my retirement and put in my old place. No, I don't keep perfect time; that's the job of the new clock. But who awakens the girls in the morning? Yes, I do. My shrill ring, complete with rattles, does the trick. They've christened me "Old Faithful."

## Poison Phenomena Pursue Private Eye

By Charles Briggs

Compulsory synopsis (this means you) of the story so far. Read the first installment again.

Inspector Smythe, upon hearing of the two murders, called everyone into the library, one at a time. I sat on the solid green couch with white stripes and took notes. Lady Giggleshire fainted, Lord Glutton couldn't make it through the double doors, Lord Sloth arrived late, as usual, Lady Canmore said almost nothing and what she did say was nothing; Pimberton, the butler, thought he was cute by being mute, Sheila, the maid, spilled the beans, literally, and Dr. Witherspoon, from the village, believed that the half pound of arsenic in Lady Abbercrumb's tea cup was an attempt at murder. I could see it was going to be a tough case.

Dinner was eaten in complete silence broken only by the slurp, slurp of people sucking spaghetti. Inspector Smythe thought it wise for everyone to retire early. We did so. A loud scream followed by a shot rang out in the dark (also in my ears). We all rushed out into the hall. The door to the Trophy room was open. It was horrible! Some one had made pizza pie out of Lady Canmore with an elephant gun. As Sheila mopped up Lady Canmore, I thought of my very first case, **The Case of Nitro or Butterfingers Wouldn't Melt in His Mouth**.

The elephant gun bore no fingerprints. I had expected this. The killer we were looking for wore gloves, smoked the hookah, and chewed gum. (Once when I was observing a sleepy class, the bored curriculum, the teacher yelled out, "Drop da gum, Louie!") The trophies were a collection of relics from safaries. Safari—that's British for hunting wild animals by beating around the bush. As Confucius said, "Safari, so goody."

Inspector Smythe and I decided to take up a night watch. His watch (9 p. m.-3 a. m.) was uneventful. My watch—speaking of watches, have you seen the new Swiss watches? They tell the day, the week, the month, the year, the decade, the century, the temperature, the altitude, the longitude, the latitude, the direction of the wind, your bloodpressure, the weather—it is water proof, seamproof, shockproof, and, in fact, it is fully guaranteed to be run proof.

(to be continued)

## Learned Dissertation Reveals Secret Data

The following is an excerpt from "The Invention, Development, and Uses of the Wire Hanger," a doctoral dissertation by I. M. Smart, Ph. D.

"Aside from its intended purposes of supplying inexpensive triangles for children's orchestras, the wire hanger has also been discovered to be extremely useful in various other fields.

"This invention has played havoc with the toy bow-and-arrow industry. Thousands of American children have discovered that, by cutting off the curved hook and attaching a guide feather to the end, they can make a bow and arrow with that modern wrought-iron look. This is naturally more appealing to the child than the gaudy, unrefined Indian variety.

"Opened out, the wire hanger has long been used as a shish-kabob stick at the most elite beach parties. This is also the instrument used by the head waiter of the Waldorph-Astoria when he serves crepe-suzettes.

"The most popular use of the opened-out wire hanger is as a crowbar for lifting bales of feathers, but "Scar-amouche" fans have found that it serves excellently as a fencing rod.

"However, the most recent and undoubtedly the most valuable use of the closed hanger was discovered by an amateur acrobat who placed two of them (one for each foot) on a trapeze and hung suspended by his feet until, unfortunately, the wire broke. This has presented a new opportunity for aspiring acrobats. The first to accomplish this attempted feat will attain certain stardom. This will also result in an increase in business for the manufacturers of wire hangers and for undertakers as well.

"Thus we can see the value of the wire hanger to American entertainment and economy."

It should be noted, however, that Dr. Smart failed to mention the newest discovery for the use of wire hangers—that of hanging clothes.

## Suggests Teachers' Pledge . . .

The following suggestions are from the Minnesota Education Association. This group requires that their teachers take a pledge which states that they shall be loyal to the ideals of the profession, shall teach only what they have been judged competent to teach, endeavor to ground the pupils in the fundamentals of truth, build strong in their minds and souls reverence for God, mental respect for the dignity of the individual, and loyalty to the basic, democratic principles of our American government. This pledge is ended by "I shall be vigilant in the advancement of learning, and shall dedicate my efforts to putting life into knowledge."

If each of us as teachers could seek to pledge our lives to instilling these goals in our pupils, to what a great height it would raise our profession. "The greatest personalities that ever walked on this earth did not deem it beneath their dignity to walk as teachers."

All of us are aware that "life is growth and progress" and that man is forever pushing forward into the unknown. The teacher is the one who plays a leading part in the advancement against ignorance.

It is evident that teaching is a great profession and for this reason the Minnesota Education Association feels that when a person enters this profession, which plays such a vital role in our society, some ceremony should emphasize the dignity and solemnity of the occasion. It is thought by the M. E. A. that the "actual empowering of an individual to function as a teacher is preceded by nothing more than the sending of a remittance to a state agency. This seems much too casual an entrance to a profession that plays such a vital role in our society."

Preliminary ceremonies would probably involve an expression of the person's attitude of heart and would make clear to others what is involved in being a teacher. If more people would realize the importance of dedicating their life to this service, they would make a final evaluation of their abilities toward teaching and maybe some would realize that this is not for them.

## Oratory Given Award . . .

On October 15, 1953, in the first Nobel Prize ever to cite oratory as a reason for the award, Sir Winston Churchill was honored by the Swedish Academy with a citation which read: "For his historical and biographical presentations and for his scintillating oratory in which he has stood forth as a defender of eternal human value."

In its editorial account of the awarding of the Nobel Prize, on October 16, the New York Times said:

"This award says that words well chosen, uttered at the right time, bravely spoken, are the most powerful things in the world. They are powerful because they appeal to the hearts of men. They can drive men to madness, as Hitler's words did. They may inspire them to acts of utter heroism and self-sacrifice, as Churchill's did . . .

## Budget Gives Lift To Education . . .

The following items in the Budget Message of the President are of special interest to education:

The appropriation for the Office of Education is increased seven per cent for fiscal 1955 (beginning July 1, 1954) over fiscal 1954. This is an increase of \$2,900,000 to be spent for consultative services with respect to the education of children of migratory workers, more comprehensive statistical services, and an improved publications program.

No change was proposed in the grants-in-aid for Land-Grant colleges and universities.

The appropriation for vocational education was reduced approximately \$1,000,000.

An item of \$300,000 was included for the National Advisory Committee to the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare.

The House Committee on Education and Labor reduced the proposed appropriation for state conferences on education from \$1,500,000 requested by the Administration to \$750,000. The bill, with this reduction, has been favorably reported out of Committee.

The Veterans Administration budget request for education and training is \$458,000,000 for fiscal 1955. This is based on an estimate of 400,000 veterans under Public Law 550, of which, it is estimated, 168,000 will be enrolled in institutions of higher education. No change is proposed in the present \$1.00 per month per Public Law 550 veteran paid to the institution to reimburse the institution for administrative costs. The VA estimate of Public Law 346 veterans in institutions of higher education for the fiscal year 1955 is only 32,000 as compared with 136,546 in December, 1953.

A total of \$15,000,000 is recommended for fiscal 1955 for the exchange of persons program under the Smith-Mundt Act—a slight increase over fiscal 1954.

The budget of the National Science Foundation includes \$14,000,000 (of the total government research budget of \$2,000,000,000) to be used primarily for institutional grants for basic research.

"There is a portion of reading quite indispensable to a wise man. History and exact science he must learn by laborious reading. Colleges, in like manner, have their indispensable office — to teach elements. But they can only highly serve us when they aim not to drill, but to create; when they gather from far every ray of various genius to their hospitable halls, and by the concentrated fires, set the hearts of their youth on flame." (Emerson)

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## Art Frat Initiates

The Beta Mu Chapter of Kappa Pi was delighted to receive Mrs. Marie B. Ryan, of Kearney, Nebraska. Our group was very much impressed by the initiation and Mrs. Ryan extended to us her friendship and generous kindnesses. She arrived in Cumberland, Maryland, February 26, and after having dinner with the members of the faculty and administration of our college, she attended the Little Theatre's presentation of **The Happy Time**.

Miss Langhans, the faculty advisor, had an after-theatre coffee hour at her apartment, in honor of Mrs. Ryan. On Saturday morning Mrs. Ryan visited places of local interest around the campus and saw the group's art exhibit.

A luncheon was held at Ali Ghan Shrine Country Club with the initiation following.

The officers of our chapter are: Joseph T. Butler, president; Joyce Fike, vice-president; Benjamin F. Elkins, secretary; W. Edward Wallace, treasurer. Other members of our chapter are: Betty Hinzman, an alumni member, Mary Sowers, Harold Harrison, Clyde Fazenbaker, Robert Alexander, Robert Smith, member in the armed forces, and Dr. Roger N. LeFevre, honorary member and member of the college faculty, James Goldsworthy, past president of the Art Club, an alumni member and an honorary member.

This chapter, Beta Mu, of Kappa Pi is the first honorary art fraternity to be installed in a Maryland State Teachers College.

## Child Literature Class Presents Play In County

Members of the Children's Literature Class, under the direction of Dr. Dorothy Howard, presented "The Moon and the Princess," an original three-act play, at Central Elementary School in Lonaconing on Saturday, February 27.

A second show was given March 6 at 10 a. m. at Mt. Royal School in Cumberland.

The play was written by Misses Nancy Tennant and Jane Sowders and was sponsored by the Association of Childhood Education International.

Students taking part were Phyllis Campbell, Bruce Ambrose, Ellen Morgan, Arra Marie Bishop, James Cain, Jane Sowders, Janet Maddrix, Rosemary Folk and Nancy Tennant.

## Class News

### Freshman

Bill Hyde, Freshman class president, called a class meeting last Wednesday, March 3, at 4 o'clock, in the Visual Education room.

Two new student representatives were elected to Student Council at the meeting.

Eddie Andrews, class treasurer, submitted the budget and the group discussed ways to make money.

The Freshmen intend to plan a Spring outing or party but nothing has been definitely decided as yet.

The Freshmen also selected two young men and two young women to serve as attendants to the May Queen on Friday, May 14.

### Junior

The Junior class sponsored a bake sale on March 1 to aid the fund for the Junior-Senior Prom.

A chocolate cake, baked by Mrs.

## Alpha Tau Alpha Holds Smoker-Meet

### G. Harris, Grand Senior Don

At a "smoker" held Thursday, February 25, in the Day Room of Old Main, pledges of Alpha Tau Alpha Fraternity met the present members and were entertained with games and movies.

Prior to the movies, refreshments were served. Instructions were given the pledges concerning certain duties which must be performed for club membership.

This was the first social event under the newly elected officers. They are: Francis E. Harris, Grand Senior Don; Harry Lennox, Deputy Grand Senior Don; Ronald Ruffo, Grand Recorder; Lee Weisenborne, Deputy Grand Recorder; Charles Smith, Grand Treasurer; Robert Rahn, Grand Chaplain; David Philips, Grand Tyler; and Charles Thompson, Historian. These men will hold office for the remainder of this school year, and during the first semester of next year.

At the fraternity's regular meeting Monday, March 1, at 8:00 p. m. in the Club Room, a vote was taken on the pledges who indicated a desire to join the fraternity following the smoker.

The formal initiation of pledges will take place March 15, at 8:00 p. m., the next regular meeting of the club.

Contributions for the March of Dimes from the inter-fraternity game with Delta Kappa, including the money donated by each club in the foul-shooting, amounted to slightly over \$20.

## Jean-Francois Champollion Honored By Students At French Club Dinner

On Wednesday, March 4, Le Salon Francais de Frostburg held its dinner meeting. Jean-Francois Champollion, French Egyptologist, who deciphered the Rosetta Stone, was honored at the banquet.

Place cards and menus, cut in the shape of Les Fleur-de-lis, were designed and made by Joan Kidwell. The centerpiece, a miniature of Marie Antoinette on a turn table, was lent by Schuler Briggs, who made it. The soft glow of candlelight gave the repeat a truly continental flavor.

Gypsies with violins—well?—But, we did have "Guillaume" Hyde, Charles Briggs, and Charles Smith in a zany skit. Norma Grimes, "Guillaume" Hyde, Joan Kreiling, and Charles Smith sang some popular French songs, accompanied by Marie Goldsworthy, while Anne Leonard in "Un Coup de Telephone," lost her centime on the Metro. Charles Briggs served as a waiter—Garcon! Nancy Sitter and Norma Grimes were program chairmen.

Attending the banquet were Miss Kirkeby, advisor, Miss Hobbs, Charles Briggs, David Dunn, Bill Hyde, Marie Goldsworthy, Norma Grimes, Nancy Sitter, Charles Smith, Earl Shumaker, Gary Zimmerman, Joan Kidwell, Anne Leonard, Mary Frances Mertz, Joan Kreiling, Schuler Briggs, Joe Stein, and Fred Sloan.

Perry Ambrose, Bruce and John's mother, provided a great deal of mystery. Persons were encouraged to venture a guess as to its contents. Lucy Kriechbaum, a sophomore, was awarded the delicious pastry product when she correctly identified the object as a "key."

## 'The Happy Time', Spring Play, Proves To Be Successful Hit

The spring production of Little Theatre, "The Happy Time," was presented Friday, February 26, with the curtain opening promptly at 8:15 p. m. Unfolding before us was a very delightful story of a French household, centering around the "growing-up" antics of sweet little Bibi, who was portrayed by Bruce Ambrose. Bruce was in perfect character as he portrayed the adolescent cravings of a French boy not yet old enough to start wearing long pants. But then, with relatives such as Uncle Desmonde and Grandpere, what young man could hope to grow up without having some inkling of life and love?

Uncle Desmonde and Grandpere, depicted by Ronald Rowan and Gene Brown, respectively, were in and out all the time. Ronnie, as Uncle Desmonde, was the traveling salesman who collected garters from ladies—I mean women—all over Canada, and even from so far away as Detroit. Ronnie finally falls in love with a beautiful young lady, and parts with his garter collection.

Grandpere, a sprightly person seventy years young, lived for the love of Widow LaTouche, and without love would have died. Although the doctor prescribed complete rest and a wet toast diet, Gene believed that the doctor needed the rest more than Grandpere did. Charles Briggs gave a wonderful version of the doctor who was dead but too dumb to lie down.

Bibi's mother and father, pictured by Lucy Kriechbaum and Joe Tom Butler, were very much in love. Lucy couldn't quite agree to Joe Tom's ideas about Bibi's life, and, as usual, proved that the woman is always right. Mama knew that if Bibi were allowed to live in the atmosphere of a drinking, girl-crazy family, he would soon start to think in the same way. Papa didn't say too much about it, for after all Desmonde and Louis were his brothers.

Speaking of Uncle Louis, we must give credit where it is due. David Dunn, of "Imagina-shion Cake" fame, gave a very drunken portrayal of the dear, red-nosed uncle of the family, who was never without a bottle in

some shape or form. Of course, the cause of all his troubles was his nagging wife, as played by Ruth Schade. Always yelling at poor Davey, Ruth wasn't on stage a minute that she wasn't complaining about him or to him. Both roles were very well played.

Naturally there had to be a little girl next door, who changed overnight from a brat with braces on her teeth and her hair done in pigtails to a sweet young lady who wasn't so bad after all. This role was charmingly portrayed by Janice Hall. After Bibi discovered the real reason for her telling lies about him, he was flattered instead of offended.

Mignonette, the dimpled young lady who tamed Uncle Desmonde and was Bibi's first love, was well portrayed by Gail Snyder. Joe Stein portrayed the lucky lad who was destined to be Uncle Louis' son-in-law, even though he wasn't the president of the bank or the richest man in town. Joe showed his preference for the "water" in Uncle Louis' water cooler, which, I am glad, was really water.

Last, but not least, was the strong depiction of the stern school principal by Jim Hall who was found to have a few weaknesses, too.

All in all, I must say that since the cast showed no after effects from all the water, colored and otherwise, that was drunk during the course of the play, it's really a shame that more people didn't go to see the wonderful spring production of the Little Theatre. Although there was a short wait between acts while the stage crew prepared a scene, credit must be given to the stage director, Don Drury, and his assistant, Tommy Rowan, and all the other people who worked behind the scenes.

Little Theatre wishes to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped. The cast and friends were entertained in the Dining Hall following the play. Those arranging for this event were Beverly Merriman and Clover Clopper. During the evening, the group presented Miss Edith Humphrey, director of "The Happy Time," with a token of appreciation.

## S. C. A. Makes Plans For Easter Assembly; M. Sowers, Chairman

The Student Christian Association recently held its regular meeting in the Club Room with Clover Clopper presiding. Tentative plans for the Easter assembly were made with Mary Sowers being named as the chairman for the assembly.

Fay Rhodes was in charge of the program which opened with Dolores Ross reading the Scripture. A discussion on the topic, "Should a course in religion be introduced in our State Teachers College?" was then held with Betty McLaughlin, Ruth Collier, and William Hyde serving as discussion leaders. The organization concluded that a course in religion would be worthwhile and hopes that this course can be introduced in our curriculum.

A social hour was then held with refreshments being served to the S. C. A. members and Miss Margaret Hamilton and Dr. Alice Schuster, advisors to the Student Christian Association.

### Lenten Season

The Student Christian Association wishes to take this opportunity to remind the students and faculty that Lent began last Wednesday, March 3. Most Christians do not understand the significance of these 40 days before Easter. This mystery can be made clear by endeavoring to strive for the best. During this Lenten period, let us each be aware of the need for belief and faith. Chapel services during this 40-day period will be based upon the pre-Easter events, so make an effort to attend Chapel each morning at 7:40 in the Visual Education room.

### Record Player Missing

The Student Christian Association is appealing to all students, faculty members and campus organizations for assistance in locating a missing record player. During the first semester, this record player was removed from the Visual Education room without authorization of the S. C. A.

Everyone is encouraged to take inventory of his possessions. If anyone knows the whereabouts of the record player, please contact Miss Margaret Hamilton or Dr. Alice Schuster immediately.

## Education Class Visits Board of Education; Discuss Teaching Phases

The class in The Teacher and the Public School, under the supervision of Dr. Harold Reese, travelled to Cumberland on February 25 to visit the Allegany County Board of Education.

Mr. Ralph Webster and Mr. Richard Rizer spoke to the group about the educational trends in Allegany County. Following their talks, the group discussed various phases of teaching. The group concluded their visit by touring the various offices of the Board of Education.

Those students making the trip were: Joe Kelly, John Ambrose, William Rephann, Leo Rowan, Ronald Ruffo, Joseph Sullivan, Harry Thomas, Roy Lottig, Teresa Cavallaro, Clover Jean Clopper, Ruth Collier, Mary E. Erling, Joyce Fike, Neva Geary, Willie Ann Howes, Dorothy Keefauver, Alice Meconi, Dorthy Shertzer, Mary V. Wiebrecht, Robetta Wilson.

Miss Winifred Green, supervisor of elementary education, recently spoke to this class. Miss Green emphasized the relationship of the supervisor to the teacher. She also stated the need for elementary teachers who practice strong democratic ideals and principles.

## Workshop and Dinner Attended By Principals, Supervisory Educators

A workshop and dinner meeting of superintendents, supervisors, principals, and supervising teachers from both Allegany and Garrett counties was held at F. S. T. C. on February 25.

The speaker was W. T. Boston, supervisor of teacher and higher education for the Maryland State Department of Education.

Greetings were extended by President Lillian C. Compton and introductions were made by Dean Ivan C. Diehl.

Others from the college staff in attendance were Dr. Harold Reese, chairman of the Education Department and principal of the Laboratory School; Mrs. Grace S. Kopp, supervisor of elementary student teachers in county schools; Miss Angela Brady, Miss Irene Condry, Miss Margaret Jones, Miss Ruth Sherman, Mrs. Rita Clark and Mrs. Betty Taylor, teachers in the campus school, and Miss Arline G. Petry, director of practice.

The supervising teachers from the two county schools had a workshop meeting prior to the dinner. The elementary teachers, under the direction of Mrs. Kopp, and the junior high school teachers, under the direction of Miss Petry, convened at 5 p. m. to work on mutual problems and to plan ways of improving the student-teaching program.

## Sweetheart Queen

At the annual Sweetheart Dance held March 5 at the Clary Club by the Day Student Council, Dr. Roger LeFevre, the advisor, crowned Miss Larna Cutter, a sophomore, queen of the dance.

The crowning ceremony took place during the intermission and immediately afterwards Gene Harris presented a bracelet to the queen.

## Anne E. Weaver Sorority Guest

Miss Anne E. Weaver, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, was guest speaker at the meeting of Phi Omicron Delta on Wednesday, March 3. Miss Weaver, who is traveling secretary for Pi Kappa Sigma Sorority, discussed the possibilities of the Phi Omicron Delta Sorority becoming national.

After the informal business meeting there was a social hour in the College Dining room. Background music was played by Miss Eleanor Smith on the organ while the refreshments were being served.

Miss Betty Ann Hanna led group singing, and both she and Miss Larna Cutter sang solos. Miss Anne Rigglesman was chairman of the Social Hour.

The co-advisors of the sorority are Dr. Lucile Clay and Mrs. Carol Tolson.

## Miss Kirkeby Attends Meet

Miss Irene Kirkeby, teacher of Spanish, French, and English at Frostburg, attended the monthly meeting of the Washington branch of the American Association of Teachers of French held in Washington, Saturday, February 27.

The meeting, which was in the form of a luncheon, was held at Tilden Gardens, with Professor Carriere from the University of Virginia as guest speaker.

Regular business for the month was transacted and plans were formulated for the annual French Essay Contest open to high schools and preparatory schools.

## Journalistic Book Is Included Among New Books For February

Among the new books received by the library during February are two which are closely related. **The Limits of the Earth**, by Fairfield Osborn, and **World Population and Production**, by Woytinsky.

The former is "an important and provocative analysis of the earth's capacity to provide for the rapid world-wide increase in population."

A book which should be very interesting to students, especially those who are interested in visiting Washington, D. C., and the surrounding area, is **Guide to Washington, D. C., Virginia, and Maryland**, by Andrew Hepburn.

**Exploring Journalism**, by R. E. Wolseley, places special emphasis on the vocational and social aspects of that field.

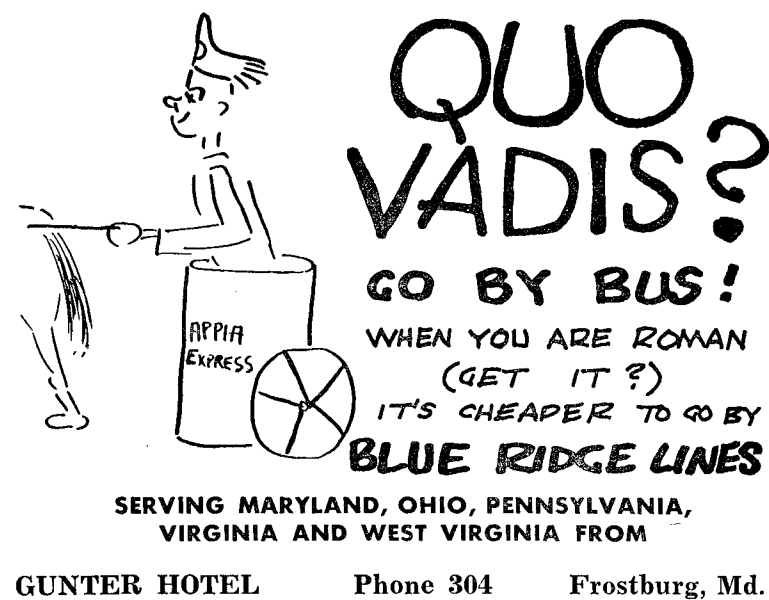
Of particular interest in view of world affairs is **Geography of the U. S. S. R.**, by Theodore Shabad.

An unusual and fascinating book also received by the library is **The Scottish Clans and their Tartans**, published by W. and A. K. Johnston, of Edinburgh, Scotland.

**The Wild Place**, by Kathryn Cavarly Hulme, has been reviewed by C. J. Polo in "Atlantic Monthly," in the following manner:

"This is a beautiful book; heartbreaking and at the same time veined with humor and a crazy sort of comedy . . . Although tragic, **The Wild Place** is not depressing reading.

"Wildflecken in the Bavarian forests is the wild place of the title. It was the site of a camp for Polish D. P.'s, where the author served as Deputy Director of UNRA from 1945 to 1947. Her story of her experiences in Bavaria and later in her own camp and the Resettlement center are told here."



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## State Basketball Squad



Pictured above are the members of the 1953-54 basketball squad. First row, Bob Wilson, Bob Kirk, Neil Grayson, captain, Jack Barham, Bill Kirk. Second row, Ronnie Carpenter, Tom Kelly, John Clarke, Ed Thompson, Ronnie Chapman, Joe Wolfe, Tom Faherty.

## Featuring Sports

By Dave

The first of March brought to a close the regular scheduled games of the intramural league. The National League ended in a tie between the Parasites and the Cats (which is by now decided) and the American League winner was the only unbeaten team of the season—The Hi Flyers.

In the playoffs which are now in progress, the first team of one league played the second place team of the other league. The winners will tangle to decide the final winner.

This year was a better than average intramural year. Interest was higher than usual, games were as clean as ever, and the refereeing was "spontaneous and unrehearsed."

The biggest fault to be remedied next year is the attitude toward the officials. The loudest complainers never offer their services and sometimes when they are coaxed into officiating, have to find shelter from the barrage of protests. In all sports, varsity included, let's establish F. S. T. C. as a school of "good sports."

### Final League Standings

National	American	
Parasites 5-1	Hi Flyers 6-0	
Cats 5-1	A. T. A. 4-2	
Delta Kappa 1-5	Clowns 2-4	
Brotherhood 1-5	Vets 3-6	

### Points Scored

Parasites 297	Hi Flyers 344
Cats 262	A. T. A. 264
Brotherhood 187	Clowns 246
Delta Kappa 183	Vets 186

### Scored Against

Cats 208	Hi Flyers 202
Parasites 225	A. T. A. 218
Delta Kappa 235	Clowns 284
Brotherhood 261	Vets 336

### Field Goals

Parasites 118	Hi Flyers 143
Cats 106	A. T. A. 106
Brotherhood 79	Clowns 89
Delta Kappa 73	Vets 70

### Fouls

Parasites 480	Clowns 482
Brotherhood 381	Hi Flyers 436
Delta Kappa 381	A. T. A. 373
Cats 359	Vets 359

### Single Game Statistics

#### Team With Most Points

Parasites 63	Hi Flyers 74
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#### Man With Most Points

Nelson 25	Smith, C. 22
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#### Five Leading Scorers

Nelson 73	Smith, C. 73
Smith, E. 72	McCreary 72
McFarland 69	Hilaire 69
Fogle 62	Bell 65
Byrnes 58	Thompson 61

Following the Leaders were (at least 25 points)

Cline 48	Rowan 60
Hyde 47	Bailey 54
Green 46	Miller 52
Cun'ham 45	Robertson 50
Downs 42	Ruffo 50
Winters 42	Lancaster 46
Morgan 28	Swecker 41
Layman 26	Harris 38
Shore 25	Sommerkamp 34
	McPartland 34
	Frankenbery 30
	Blank 29

If you missed the several notices in the hall, here is a special reminder that you can still have a chance to represent F. S. T. C. on the diamond or the track.

## Bobcats Win Over Mountain State 88-80

### Shenandoah Is Victor In High Scoring Contest

State's Bobcats traveled to Dayton, Virginia, for a return game with Shenandoah College that ended with 201 points being scored between the two teams. Shenandoah ran rough shod over State, scoring 109 points to State's 92. The "Virginians" evened the series with this win. They were defeated by State earlier in the season, 79-83.

Bob Kirk again was the leading scorer of the night, netting 33 points on ten field goals and 13 for 15 foul shots. Neil Grayson was runnerup with 23 points.

Frostburg made it six out of nineteen when they took Mountain State into camp and beat them 88 to 80.

Bob Kirk ran his season total to 384 points, scoring 31 points. This gives Kirk an overall average of 20.3 points for 19 games. Wilson was runner up, netting the ball for 20 markers.

The game was highlighted by excellent offensive movement by State and better than average rebounding control. Late in the fourth quarter tempers started to flare but nothing grew out of the situation.

## Benefit Game Won By D. K.

### Contributions Yield \$21 For March of Dimes

In a benefit basketball game for the March of Dimes, Delta Kappa and Alpha Tau Alpha fraternities played before a large crowd at Beall High School.

The shapely maids of A. T. A. lost a real thrilling contest when the D. K. lady killers squeezed by to a 30-29 victory. Russ Robertson was a real giant for A. T. A., scoring ten points, as was Tom Fogle for D. K.

Charles Smith and Bugs Thompson, sporting a new set of padding, played a whale of a floor game. "Bantam Ben" Hutcheson also stood out—in his golfing togs. Delta Kappa's lady killers, Danny Evans, Jim Lemmert, and Ed Smith, did a fair job in keeping the maids on the run.

During the half time intermission a wrestling match was staged between "Man Mountain" Wallace and "Angel" Lennox. Wallace pinned the "Angel" in seven minutes and 30 seconds of the first period. "Man Mountain" Wallace tipped the beam at 108½ pounds while Lennox weighed in at 208½ pounds.

At the box office \$21 was collected for the very worthy March of Dimes Campaign. Dr. Schuster would like to have the fraternity cheerleaders give the varsity girls a few tips.

**Marietta, O., (I. P.)**—A Faculty-Student committee recently approved a list of suggestions pertaining to the alleviation of the problem of cheating on the Marietta College campus. The proposed examination procedures are as follows:

1. Students should make honest,

# Bobcats To Be Open '54 Baseball Season Against Ohio Wesleyan

## In The Spotlight

By Bob Hutcheson

Congratulations are in order for the splendid turnout the college made for the March of Dimes benefit doubleheader. The event was sponsored by the Alpha Tau Alpha and Delta Kappa fraternities, and it realized a total of \$21.07 for the fight against polio.

However, the spirit of the evening was changed somewhat near the end of the Johnstown Center-State varsity fray. As a result of the unfortunate incident, which needs no further explanation, I think the coach, the team, and the student body may take one giant-step backwards.

### No Bevo—No Play!

It seems quite strange, but it's true. Just one short year ago some teams would not schedule or play Rio Grande College because of the presence of 6' 9" Bevo Francis. Now a team from a Western state has refused to play Rio Grande, because Bevo would not be playing. This was shortly after the constable of Rio Grande suffered a badly sprained ankle.

The reason, of course, is obvious. Many persons will shell out many dollars to see the fabulous Bevo play, but the same persons will not pay to see the otherwise mediocre ball club participate.

### Varsity News

Track and baseball will soon be having full schedules of practices. Initial meetings have been held by both sports, and initial workouts have begun.

Pitchers and catchers have been going through loosening up drills and as soon as the groundhog's six week lease on the weather is up the entire squad will head for the great outdoors.

Trackmen are expected to exercise and loosen up cramped muscles in the gym until the weather clears.

It is hoped that both varsity squads will have large turnouts.

### Indirect Sportlighting

The intra-murals are pounding down the home stretch with the Hi-Flyers and A. T. A. leading one division and the Parasites and the Cats fighting for the lead in the other division. . . . W. R. A.'s basketball tournament is now concluded, and was evidently quite successful. At the time of this writing the winner was not yet determined. . . . Duquesne's "Iron Dukes" met with some uncooperative foes on a recent weekend, dropping two straight games after winning 19 consecutively. . . . The Cumberland Old German's pro basketball team was handed two "low" blows by the Harlem Hoboes. It is a mystery to me how any team could lose Route 40 when traveling from Hagerstown to Cumberland. Calling Mr. Diehl. . . . Ted Williams certainly has received some tough "breaks," in more ways than one. The broken shoulder, which he recently suffered, will undoubtedly hamper his swing and could end his career.

## State Whips Altoona 92-59; Loses Thriller To Johnstown Center

Coach Babcock's basketball boys ran up their season's highest score when they trounced Altoona Center by the tune of 92 to 59.

Altoona opened the scoring, but the Bobcats bounced right back and scored twelve straight points. From that time on the Cats continued to pour it on. Quarter scores were 18-9, 46-25, and 64-39.

Tom "Shipwreck" Kelly was the big gun with 20 markers to his credit. "Willie" Wilson and Bob "Cantaloupe" Kirk each had 17 points. Big John Clarke played a bang-up game, "practically" controlling the backboards.

State lost to Altoona's sister college, Johnstown Center, by the score of 77-75, which was more than a basketball game. With this win, Johnstown made a clear sweep of the season's series with Frostburg.

From the very beginning it was an exciting game, with the score being tied ten different times. The lead changed hands seven times throughout the game.

Kelly and Bob Kirk each tallied 20 points while Neil Grayson was runner-up with 17.

## Lassies' Line

Plans are being made for W. R. A. members to attend a Play Day at State Teachers College, California, Pa., on Saturday, March 13.

Play Days differ from the Sports Days that the girls have been previously attending at George Washington and Hood Colleges. The participants going from Frostburg will mingle and play with girls from other colleges, instead of playing the competitive "team against team" or "school against school" method.

adequate preparation for written assignments and examinations.

2. Only pencils, pens, and erasers should be brought to class.

3. If possible, alternate seats should be taken during an examination.

4. Students should not leave the room unless it is absolutely necessary.

5. A student should not allow himself to become a part of any misconduct during or prior to an examination.

6. Faculty members should remain in the room at all times.

## Babcock Nine To Play 13 Tough Ball Games; Team Promises To Be Strong At All Positions

The Bobcat diamond dwellers will play a 13-game schedule this year, opening against Ohio Wesleyan at home on April 2.

Last year's team won three games against eight setbacks. Hagerstown Junior College was defeated twice, while St. Francis College was beaten once by the State nine. John Clarke, Jack Cline, and Bill Birmingham each tossed one winning game for the Babcock nine.

Frostburg will play nine home games this year, meeting Shepherd College, St. Francis, Potomac State, Wilson College of Washington. These games are on a home and home basis. A double header will be played against Steubenville on May 8. Mt. Union and Ashland round out the schedule with single games each.

Returning to bolster the team this year will be Ed Shuck and Tom Kelly, outfielders. Infielders returning are Jim Byrnes, George Wolfe, and Bill Kirk. Two catchers, Jack Barham and Paul Bailey, are back as are John Clarke and Jack Cline, pitchers. Others returning are Ron Rowan, Ed Smith, and Earl Shumaker.

In addition to these are many newcomers that will no doubt prove to be a great help in building the team. These include Bob Miller from Central; Buddy Poland, who led the Bi-State Conference in hitting last year; Jerry Loibel, former La Salle pitcher; Jack Green from La Salle, Bob Kirk from Barton, Paul Shaffer and Harry McFarland from Allegany.

State's home games will get under way at 2 p. m. with the exception of the twin bill with Steubenville which is scheduled at 1:30 o'clock starting time.

### The Schedule:

April 2—Ohio Wesleyan (H)
April 9—Shepherd (A)
April 14—Mt. Union (H)
April 21—Ashland (H)
April 22—St. Francis (H)
April 24—St. Francis (A)
April 27—Potomac State (H)
April 29—Shepherd (H)
May 1—Wilson (A)
May 5—Potomac State (A)
May 8—Steubenville 2 (H)
May 12—Wilson (H)

Editor's note: It was announced by Coach Babcock yesterday that St. Francis has dropped baseball and these games are cancelled.

## Lassies In New Uniforms



Pictured are the cheerleaders, sporting their new cheering garb. Left to right, Dotty Shertzer, Gloria Wilson, Ruth Schade, June Mowbray, Joan Babcock, mascots.