1936 HORSE SHOW DAYS BROUGHT First Homecoming 8,000 SPECTATORS WITNESSED 1936 OUT OVER 250 FINE ENTRIES

One of Finest of Shows In State **Brought Thousands**

(Sept. 17, 1936)
The Horse Show will get under way on Friday morning at 9 o'clock, when the showing of registered Percheron and Belgian mares will be made in the display arena on the north side of the square. The showing will continue until 4:15 p.m. that afternoon to be resumed on Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

The show this week promises to be one of the finest in the state and the list of more than 250 entries insures plenty of competition and two days crammed full of exhibiting and pleasure for folks who like fine horses.

Approximately \$1,500 in prize money will be awarded exhibitors these two days.

TONIGHT'S SHOW

What B. H. Keck, who has been working hard to make the three night fancy horse shows a standout, states will be as fine a showing of horses as one sees at the State Fair will get under way this evening at 7:00 o'clock under the floodlights and continue through Friday and Saturday nights.

SETTING IS IDEAL

The setting for the showing of this fine array of horseflesh is an ideal one. Brilliantly lighted with floodlights and flags and banners gaily whipping in the breeze folks can relax on the bleacher seats placed on the south side of the street and watch the exhibition to their hearts content. The neat picket fencing which flanks both sides of the street and row of fine hard maples standing out as background for the bleacher seat section makes the setting a beautiful one. An admission charge of 10c will be made for bleacher seats.

Entries from such nationally known stables as those of George Peak, Glen Sadler, Cooper & Flannery make the exhibitions a

success before they even start.
Officers of the Mount Pulaski Horse Show association who are working diligently day and night for the success of the show, are: George Meister, president; Herbert Schaffenacker, vice president; Edd Ditus, secretary and treasurer. Superintendents are: light horses, B. H. Keck; heavy horses, George J. Stoll; mules, Herbert Schaffenacker; parade, Austin Schaffenacker; clerk, Frank Buehler.

HUGE CROWDS AT 1935 HORSE SHOW

(Oct. 17, 1935)

Saturday night's fancy riding and driving horse show climaxed a great two-day showing of horses in Mount Pulaski that brought back vivid memories of the years gone by when this city was noted for its fine shows year after year.

Friday evening the north side of the square, which had been converted into a fancy riding and driving arena with sanded footing and brilliantly lighted with floodlights, was packed with spectators who thoroungly enjoyed the exhibition of fancy riding and driving horses.

101 HEAD HORSES **IN 1935 SHOW**

(Oct. 24, 1935)

A report of the Horse Show committee will be of interest, as submitted by Ed Dittus, secretary and treasurer.

There were 101 head of horses mules and ponies, which placed in 173 entries. These animals 5½ inchwere owned by 54 exhibitors big day. while the premiums were won by 36 of them on 67 horses, 10 mules and 10 ponies.

1877 NEWS ITEM

hsa been presented with a sil- Transportation Co. to operate mover cup as a remembrance of his tor bus service between Decatur heroic bravery in allowing 25 and Peoria, but it ordered the ounces of his blood to be infus-company to refrain from rendered into the veins of a poor dying local service in Decatur, ing man, who thus recovered. Peoria or East Peoria.

4-H Livestock Show Held Here One of Finest

(Sept. 17, 1936)

Dripping skies and a chilly temperature which greeted the opening day activities of the Logan County 4-H Show, here, yesterday, failing to halt the showing of one of the finest arrays of livestock this young and healthy organization of young farm lads has ever produced in the county.

The long parade of livestock began arriving Tuesday evening and the show started off in fine

Entry List Heavy

The list of entries included 30 tents in which they are housed.

Tents Make Fine Display

The setting for the club show is a very attractive one with three large tents stretching over an acre of almost a block and a half on the east side of the square. The cattle and colts are on display in the tent on the street just off the square to the north, the hogs are housed in the next one south with the sheep and poultry in an adjoining tent.

Published Daily Paper The Times-News published a daily newspaper during the three day show. Complete accounts of the previous days winners, pictures and other activities were given the public each day.

4-H Show Here **Great Success** As County Show

(Sept. 18, 1936)

The most successful 4-H Club county show to be held in Logan county came to a close yesterday afternoon when the young exhibitors were given a release on their exhibits, permitting them to return home after a pleasant two days here.

The heavy entry list and the keen competition was so much greater than in years past that the future of this youthful and growing organization is one of the bright spots in the farming life of the country.

Farm Adviser N. H. Anderson

who has been on the job every day as well as many previous, getting ready for the show was especially enthusiastic over the class of animals the 4-H club members displayed, ranking as he stated above any he has seen this year and claiming it to be the best in the state.

DELAYED PARADE GOES THROUGH RAINBOW ARCHWAY

(Oct. 9, 1941)

Climaxing a stage of inclement weather that came very near ruining Mount Pulaski's 1941 Fiesta, the big parade which was to have been Saturday afternoon, marched thru the archway of a beautiful rainbow Monday afternoon to display one of the finest array of floats that have been shown here.

The weatherman starting three years ago, managed to find each year that the date had been changed, and managed to tip his clouds upside down and add a very discordant note to the three Fiestas that have been held. This year he broke all records with a 51/2 inch rain on Saturday, the

BUS SERVICE TO START THROUGH MOUNT PULASKI (Jan. 16, 1941)

The Illinois Commerce Com-—J. H. Irvin, a student in the mission Monday granted a cer-Manchester, England infirmary tificate to the Illinois Highway

Celebration In 20 Years - 1934

(Sept. 27, 1934)

Mt. Pulaski's first homecoming celebration in almost 20 years came to a very successful close Saturday night with an estimated crowd of between 4,000 and 5,000 thronging the streets around the city square.

One of the highlights of the week's celebration was the horse show on Friday afternoon and evening. The society horse show featured two stables of fine horses, prize winners at various state fairs and owned by Glen Sadler of Edinburg, and Mrs. Holt of Madison, Wis. The merchants and citizens who sponsored this part of the celebration share the honors along with Col. B. H. Keck, veteran horseman, who arranged beef cattle, 10 sheep, 14 colts, 9 dairy cattle, 175 pigs and 175 head of poultry which taxed the capacity of the three mammoth showed his horsemanship on sevshowed his horsemanship on several occasions.

The parade was an outstanding success in many ways and drew the highest praise from the thousands who lined the sidewalks and crowded out into the streets to watch the 10-block-long parade pass by. Despite the rather short period of time folks had to prepare for the parade, the response was remarkable and means much for future events.

Rothwell Lumber Company's float was outstanding with its beautiful setting of homegrown flowers and vines which covered the float, two young ladies, Mrs. Claude Buckles and Miss Dale Aitchison gowned in white, were seated facing Miss Lillian Ey, also in white flowing robe, standing and holding the Stars and Stripes.

Gene Clear had a clever setup on his car with a shoe placed the radiator, and streamers base of the car, while seated on top was little Gene Manes in holiday attire.

considerable comment, for and it an ideal combination.

HORSE SHOW IN MOUNT PULASKI

against, depending on one's political complexion.

The Honeymooners in the per-

sonages of Mrs. John Curtis, a hick bride, and Mrs. Don Wible, in a dress suit with high top hat, carried an infant, while the rear of the buggy bore the words "Just Married"

Harry Holmes competing for hauling the most people, packed 42 on it, ranging in weight from 2 below 100 pounds up to 170; the tires fully pumped up when they started, were squeezed flat before they got thru with the parade.

The honor of reigning over Mt. Pulaski's first homecoming event fell to the lot of Miss Mary June Barnes, a high school senior, who was chosen as the Queen for 1934, by the Times-News contest balloting and votes sold by the Glee Club.

Little Betty Keck gave a perfect representation of Mae West in her clever outfit.

The midnight show advertised by the committee drew an almost capacity house. A clown act by three members of the Purcell Stage Circus, accordion and singing act by a young blind musician from Cherry, Ill., a harmonica number by Billy Sexton of Lincoln, specialty blackface number by Henry Mayer and a song number with banjo accompaniment by Paul Moore made a clean and entertaining climax to a week of celebration.

The service of the Lyric Radio and Electric Shop were a great help to the program of the last two days, furnishing the crowd with timely information and keeping them in close touch with the activities that were going on and where to be held. This new Mt. Pulaski business enterprise manned by Loren Harper, announcer, and Kenneth Stoll, technician, is a valuable and inrunning down to a fringe at the dispensable asset to any affair of this kind. Their equipment, built by Mr. Stoll, is far superior to the average outfit, and the Cec Tendick was the creator of added service of Mr. Harper's exa Roosevelt Acres float that drew cellent broadcasting voice makes

120 Prize-Winning Animals In 1936 Horse Show.

(Sept. 24, 1936)

Amidst the plaudits of more than 8,000 spectators who packed the streets and jammed bleachers along the line of march, the finest exhibition of horses augmented by a group of rural and city school, business and comic floats furnished the peak of the 1936 Horse Show in Mount Pulaski Saturday afternoon.

Prize winning horses, colts and mules, many of which were first prize winners at the Illinois State Fair, caused onlookers to shake their heads in amazement at the display of what many thought was a rapidly becoming extinct product of the farm.

The response of the rural and city schools was very gratifying and added much to the beauty of the parade. Patriotic floats predominated and the competition was quite keen in this class, some being eligible to competition in both education and patriotic classes.

Thousands were present Saturday evening for the closing of the the fancy horse show which cli-maxed three nights of the fanciest and classiest driving and riding horses that have ever appeared on Mount Pulaski streets. applause and response to night of nights was very pronounced, while a bit of color was added with the second appearance of the Logan County Legion Band at the night shows.

The response of the huge throng to the announcer's query as to whether or not they wanted another show next year, was a veritable roar. President George Meister, Herbert Schaffenacker, and Edd Dittus, secretary, were given a big round of applause for their fine work.

The line of march was extended several block by the 120 prize winning animals which had been awarded blue, red and white ribbons the two days of the show.

