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## REFLECTIONS

By The Editor

It's getting so now motorists can't tell whether they are meeting a funeral cortege on the hard road

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Or a group of patriotic Americans who are observing the 35-mile an hour speed limit.

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It takes a lot of crust to pass a half dozen cars who are "doing their bit,"

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But you'll find an occasional driver who just doesn't give a—!

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And he still swoops around you at a mile a minute gait or passes you on a hill.

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We are not the least blood-thirsty but we've often wanted to have a chance to help pick up fellows like that, piece by piece.

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We've gotten into the 35-mile an hour mood quite easily—

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Our baldheaded tires were a great moral and physical aid.

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It's funny though to see some of the young bloods who never used to know that there were any numbers on their speedometers below 70,

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Loafing along at 35 miles (at least when they see other cars on the road.)

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Another funny thing is the reaction that folks have when forced to travel at 35 miles per.

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They don't seem to mind the 35-mile speed as long as they are ahead of you,

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But when they have to follow you at that speed

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They inadvertently step on the gas until they get around you,

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They drop back to the 35-mile gait.

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In other words, most of us don't like the idea of trailing behind a car that is creeping along at 35,

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But if we can lead the procession at 35—well, that's different.

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Just observe some of the motorists and their antics and you will find the "slow time" passes pretty fast,

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And you'll find many queer quirks in human nature.

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A Florida car passed us up the other day doing close to 60.

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They were either trying to get home before the rationing of gas started

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Or hadn't learned as yet that the Civil war was over and that their state was once more supposed to be a part of the Union,

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Subject to laws dished out by the Federal government in Washington.

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It looks to us that with the motoring public doing such a fine job of observing the 35-mile speed limit,

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## Father, Son Killed When Lightning Hits

Chicago Man And Son Were Visiting Dean Home.

A double funeral service was held at 2:30 p.m. Monday in the First Baptist church, Lincoln, for Leonard H. Clymer, 30, and 3-year-old son, David, of Chicago, who were instantly killed by a bolt of lightning Friday noon, Oct. 9, on the George White farm 12 miles southwest of Lincoln, the farm being operated by his father-in-law, Orville Dean. Burial was in Union cemetery.

The father and son, with Mr. Dean, were picking pears in an orchard on the farm when the tragedy occurred. Mr. Dean was badly shocked.

Mr. Clymer was born in Vandalia, Dec. 15, 1912, and in Atlanta in June 1934, he married Florence Dean. The Dean family lived two miles southwest of Mount Pulaski several years ago. Florence Dean graduated from the Mount Pulaski Township High school.

## Herschel Vandevender Second Lieutenant

Second Lieutenant Wilford Herschel Vandevender, stationed at Camp Chaffee, Ark., in the 93rd Armored Field Artillery Battalion arrived last Thursday and visited north of the city until Wednesday evening with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Vandevender.

It is interesting to know that First Lieutenant Robert Adler, 59th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, Camp Chaffee, was on the same train out of St. Louis, Mo., with Lt. Vandevender, on his way to Chicago to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Simon D. Adler. Robert is well known in Mount Pulaski, having visited here many times with his aunt, Mrs. Sophia Myers, who now lives in Chicago. He sent greetings to all of his Mount Pulaski friends.

"Bob" was on the Green Diamond Wednesday evening, the two soldier boys making the trip together back to Camp Chaffee.

## LOGAN COUNTY FARM BUREAU MEETS NOV. 10

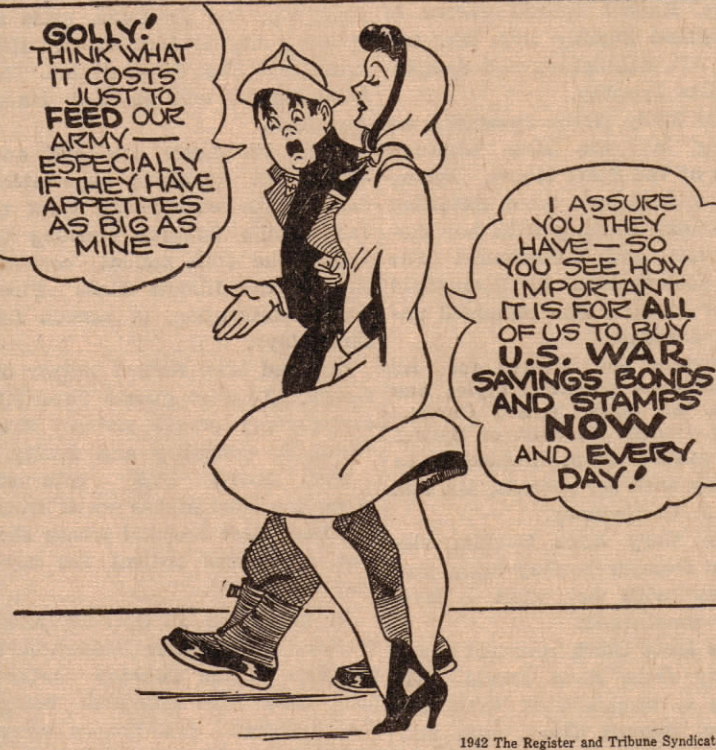
The Logan County Farm Bureau will hold its annual business meeting in Lincoln, Tuesday, Nov. 10th, and unlike other years the sessions will be streamlined into one-half day, with no special entertainment feature. The speaker will be O. D. Brissenden, present organization director of the Illinois Agricultural association. The annual meeting of the Logan-Mason Service Co. will be held at 1 p.m. followed by the Farm Bureau. Dinner will be served in Lincoln churches as in past years.

## Acting Postmaster In Charge Friday

Charles H. Anderson, recently appointed acting postmaster of the Mount Pulaski postoffice, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Postmaster Walter D. Wacaser on Sept. 29, will begin his official duties Friday, Oct. 16. Claude W. Upp, has been acting as temporary postmaster since Mr. Wacaser's death.

## JANE ARDEN

By Monte Barrett and Russell E. Ross



U. S. Treasury Department.

## Latham Young Woman Weds

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Charlene Hathorn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy O. Hathorn of Latham, to George Heft, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Heft of Latham, which took place October 3, 1942 in Palmyra, Mo., in the Methodist church. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. C. Dorris.

Mrs. Heft wore a blue dress, brown accessories and a corsage of chrysanthemums for her wedding. She is a graduate of the Latham high school and of Brown's Business College in Decatur. She has been employed in the office of Dr. Dodd in Decatur.

Mr. Heft is also a graduate of Latham high school and has been farming.

Mr. and Mrs. Heft will reside in Latham where Mr. Heft will be employed in the Hathorn general store.

Mrs. Heft will be guest of honor at a linen shower Thursday evening in the home of her parents. Hostesses will be Misses Marilyn Rau and Marilyn Holmes.

## WILMA GREEN TO WED EUGENE SCOTT

Miss Wilma Green of Springfield was honored at a linen shower recently at the home of Mrs. Truman Richards, Sr., to the north of Lanesville. Three contests were held, the prizes being awarded to Mrs. Lee Ketchum, Mrs. Jack Kilhoffer and Miss Green. Many useful gifts were received by the bride-to-be.

Miss Green has departed for Corpus Christi, Texas, where she will become the bride of Eugene M. Scott of Mount Pulaski vicinity, who has been stationed at the Naval Air base there since January.

## LIGHTNING STRUCK TREE ON NORTH SIDE SQUARE

During a sudden rain storm about 11:45 a.m. last Friday, lightning struck a tree on the north side of the square, knocking off one limb and scattering debris all over the pavement. This happened just before a group of school children reached the northeast corner of the square, and were alongside the office of Dr. G. S. Connelly. The children were badly scared, and many adults were frightened.

## Woman's Club In First Session

When the Mount Pulaski Woman's club met in St. John's Lutheran church Friday afternoon, Oct. 9, for the first session of the new club year, the speaker for the occasion was Sam Tucker, editor of the Herald editorial page, who spoke on the subject "News and Propaganda in War Time." He pointed out that the most dangerous form of propaganda circulated in recent times was the fear of propaganda. Jacob Buttell, Jr., sang three numbers. The program was given under the department of Press and Publicity, Mrs. Chas. Schmitz, chairman.

At the business session, the vice-president, Mrs. Paul A. Gruber, was officially installed as president, taking the place of Mrs. Marie VanHook, who resigned.

## Dr. D. M. Barringer Goes to Kentucky

Dr. Donald M. Barringer, who closed his office in Lincoln a few weeks ago, was commissioned a First Lieutenant, and reported at Selfridge Field, Mich. While there his wife and daughter and Mrs. John Downing, stayed in the area. They all arrived in Mount Pulaski Tuesday of last week at the Downing home, Dr. Barringer leaving the following day for Bowman Field, near Louisville, Kentucky, where he was transferred. On Friday Mrs. Barringer and baby, also Mrs. Downing, left for that place.

## PICTURES WANTED OF OLD COURTHOUSE

Anyone having pictures of the interior of the old courthouse, or having any knowledge of the construction or appearance of the furniture in the courthouse will be doing a big favor to the rehabilitation of the Memorial Shrine here if they will contact the Times-News.

## Virgie Beidler Passes Away In Chicago

Services Held Here Saturday Afternoon.

Mrs. Virgie Smedley Beidler, wife of George C. Beidler, 6239 Blackstone avenue, Chicago, Ill., died in her home about 2 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 8, 1942, aged 64 years, 6 months and 1 day. Mrs. Beidler's health began failing about 14 years ago, but during most of this long period of time she was able to look after her home until the past few months. Her illness became serious in September. When her husband left Wednesday evening for his regular duties on the Chicago Daily News, she was cheerful and did not seem to be worse in condition. Falling asleep in her bed, her grandson, Donald Humble, who was at home with her, also went to sleep. When Mr. Beidler returned home at 3 o'clock on Thursday morning he discovered that his wife was dead.

Virgie Smedley was born April 7, 1878, in Virginia, Ill., the oldest child of Thomas A. and Minnie Kennedy Smedley, who formerly lived in Waverly. The family moved to Mount Pulaski about 1885, and until the year 1902 her father was associated with the old Mount Pulaski weekly News, in the employ of S. Linn Beidler.

On June 23, 1898 she was united in marriage to George C. Beidler in Mount Pulaski, by Elder L. M. Robinson, one of the city's best known ministers. They continued to make Mount Pulaski their home until 1909, when they moved to Newton, Kansas, remaining there until 1918. At that time they located in Chicago, and she continued to make that city her home. Mrs. Beidler spent a part of each year following the start of her illness, at the family residence they maintained on North Vine street.

Decedent always had a warm spot in her heart for Mount Pulaski, which she always called "the old home town." Early in life she became a musician, and was well known as a pianist. For a number of years she acted in that capacity for the numerous attractions appearing in the old Scroggin opera house. After locating in Chicago she became a member of the Musicians' Union and played the pipe organ in different movie theatres for several years, having to give up her musical work when health made it impossible to continue.

She was well known in Mount Pulaski, and had a large circle of friends who deeply regret her passing.

Besides her husband, she is survived by one son, Harold S. Beidler, Chicago; one daughter, Mrs. Doris Valentine, Miami, Fla.; two sisters, Mrs. Grace Moore of LaCygne, Kansas and Elsie, wife of George Denny, Columbus, Kan. and four grandsons.

The remains were removed from Chicago to Mount Pulaski by John T. Hershey, arriving in the city at 9 p.m. Thursday, and

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