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REFLECTIONS

By The Editor

While the older folks are seeking action in the political field,

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The youngsters are getting their appetites whetted up for the one night of the year

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That makes a good running-mate for April Fool's Day—

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And that is Hallowe'en!

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The old folks breathe a sigh of relief when the night is past,

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And they look out the back window and see by the dawn's early light that it still stands.

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The youngsters do not draw their sigh of relief until 24 hours later,

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And they are still undiscovered.

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The mortality rate is not nearly so heavy as it used to be;

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Most folks, after losing two or three, finally anchor them, which is cheap insurance.

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Some folks take the precaution of having the neighbors lay them down gently a week before and there is no incentive to lean against them.

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Buggies and wagons used to be the prey of pranksters but the auto has cut that hazard down.

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Cows, horses and pigs are always in danger until the spook exhaust their energy or courage.

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Corn night, which is scheduled shortly before, is a harmless way of celebrating

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And folks have no objections to it.

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But when property damage enters into the work of pranksters on Hallowe'en night

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It ceases to be fun or just a prank.

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The perpetrator becomes a culprit, instead of a mere prankster.

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An added warning that should make youngsters think twice before acting

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Is that the damaging of any property or damaging an auto in any way

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Is now considered a felony which is a serious offense.

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Hence parents should give particular instructions to their offsprings to avoid destructive tactics.

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Not only that. The boy who damages a tire or immobilizes an auto is aiding the Axis,

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No matter how much scrap he collects or how many patriotic badges he wears.

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Watch your steps, youngsters, and draw the line between fun and destruction,

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And you'll get more fun out of

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Rate High In Sale of Bonds

Mount Pulaski and towns in this part of the county continued to do their bit in the War Bond Sale as they compiled a nice sales report for September.

While the county's quota was not quite met the past month, this community, along with Latham and Chestnut, more than did their part as shown by the committees report out of Lincoln.

Mount Pulaski sales trailed their county seat with only approximately a \$6,000 difference, this community reporting \$22,237.50 for the month as against Lincoln's \$28,350.00.

Latham made an especially fine showing with \$11,331.25, as a result of their drive during the junk campaign. Chestnut also sold a neat \$3,525 worth of bonds. Atlanta was up in the high bracket with \$13,931.25.

Cornland sold \$487.50 and Elkhart \$1,218.75.

Junior Woman's Club Is Active

The Mount Pulaski Junior Woman's club, sponsored by the senior organization, began its 1942-1943 season of activities on Wednesday evening, Oct. 14, with a meeting held at the home of Mrs. T. A. Scroggin, with her granddaughter, Miss Rhoda Schaffnacker, as hostess. The program chairman was Miss Rosalie Smith. The speaker was Dr. W. D. Copeland, president of Lincoln college, the program being given under the department of American Citizenship.

The girls of this club are planning to pack cookies for the USO on Wednesday, Oct. 28, in the home economics room at the township high school, and anyone can donate to the cause by baking cookies and getting them to the school that day. Contact any of the club members for further information.

TO ORGANIZE MOTHERS OF WORLD WAR NO. 2

In the Mount Pulaski Township High school gymnasium at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, a meeting will be held to organize the mothers of soldiers and navy men in World War II. All mothers of the township having boys in the service are asked to be present.

OLD CANNON HERE WILL BE SCRAPPED

It was announced recently that the old cannon in the public square would be retained by the state, but after getting some information on the cannon, word was received this week by Lawrence O. Montgomery, custodian of the Abraham Lincoln Memorial Shrine, to proceed on having same scrapped for war purposes. More information will be given later on what disposition will be made of these old army pieces, dating back to the Civil war.

Darald Staley, employed in defense work at Pryor, near Tulsa, Okla., has been visiting here for several days with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. Wayne Staley.

All Farm Truck Owners Must Register This Week

Also Includes Some City Truckers.

All farm truck operators and city truck owners of Mount Pulaski and Lake Fork, who haul 51 per cent farm products must register at the Mount Pulaski Township High school Friday evening or Saturday if they wish to do any hauling after Nov. 15.

The AAA committees of Mount Pulaski and Lake Fork townships will be at the high school on Friday evening at 7:30 and all day Saturday.

Farm truck operators in Logan County will receive help in filling out their applications for Certificate of War Necessity, which they must have after November 15, from the new farm transportation committee set up by the Logan County Agricultural War Board.

ODT has begun mailing application forms to all truck operators, and farm truck operators should take these forms to the nearest place listed below where the committees will assist in

All farmers are asked to study the questions on the application and compile all the information requested, i. e., the mileage left in each tire, mileage travelled each month and also distance to nearest market for each product, must be reported. It will also be necessary to list the products transported on each farm, from and to the farm giving the number of trips, the mileage, and tonnage of each for the year 1941 and the third quarter of 1942.

In the event the farm trucker has not received his application, he should take this information to the nearest registering place and complete the preliminary application.

These committees will be at the service of the farm truck owners only on Oct. 22, 23 and 24, and since a Certificate of War Necessity is required for all truck operations after Nov. 15, it is very necessary that all farm truck owners contact one of these committees on one of these days.

YARDMASTER IS STATIONED HERE

C. L. Gilliland of Clinton began new duties in Mount Pulaski last Friday night as yardmaster of the Springfield and Peoria divisions of the Illinois Central. Owing to the increase in business on both lines, the transfer of loaded cars at Mount Pulaski from one division to the other has become very heavy, especially at night, and it is Mr. Gilliland's duty to see that the work of the railroad crews is hurried so that very little time is lost in the movement of the trains. When one realizes that on many nights more than 200 cars are transferred, it can be easily understood that a yardmaster is a necessity, and a relief to the towerman and night stationman, who are already very busy.

38 Logan Men Going Nov. 2

A contingent of 38 Logan men, to report for induction on Monday, Nov. 2, was ordered in quota call received by the Logan draft board Tuesday. A group of these registrants will be called in Friday for physical examination. The contingent is:

Mount Pulaski—Horace D. Hanselman, Robert S. Aitchison, Louis G. French, Roy L. Henrichmeyer, Paul L. Manley, Everett V. Koehler, Rudolph Baumhardt.

Others are Burnell A. Rent-schler, Irvin H. Polley, Leslie E. Moore, Harold L. Griffin, Roland M. McMillin, Delbert L. Goldhammer, Paul H. Campbell, Frederick J. Simon, William A. Bunner, Ralph G. Parker, Harry S. Stuckel, Donald A. Larison, Leonard F. Reinhart, Elmer E. Sengotta, Lincoln; Marvin G. Leesman, Wilbur P. Groth, Hartsburg; Loren W. McArthur, Clarence B. Mullin, New Holland; Osco W. Cook, Atlanta; Sanford W. Quisenberry, Emden; John W. Suedmeier, Carl N. Hamblen, Chestnut; Loren R. Smith, Harold R. Caldwell, Elkhart; Robert H. Barnett, Beason; Clarence H. Hellman, San Jose; George W. Scott, Lake Fork; and William C. Lohrenz, Jr., of Lincoln.

Verna Centers Wed Last June

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Verna Centers and Raymond Gee, both of Mount Pulaski, which occurred in Clinton, Ill., during June, 1942. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Centers of Latham, and Mr. Gee is the son of Heber Gee of Springfield, a former resident of Mount Pulaski. Mrs. Gee has been employed for almost two years in the Bertoni Cafe. They will go to house-keeping in an apartment in the Carl Maxheimer place on South Marion street, formerly known as the Meister property.

GIRL SCOUTS HELD ANNUAL WIENER ROAST

The Mount Pulaski troop of Scouts held their annual wiener roast on Monday evening, Oct. 19, at the home of Mrs. Gayland Green on North Garden street. One of the main features was the investiture service, held for the six new members, who repeated the promise and laws, having already attended four meetings. The girls are proud of the Scout pins. The members danced to the music of an accordion, and the scene was lighted with Jack o' Lanterns.

The Girl Scouts will hold a Hallowe'en party at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 26, in the grade school gym, it being a masquerade affair. Any girl who wants to join the organization is invited to attend.

Pvt. Harry G. Deibert, son of George Deibert, of Mount Pulaski, is now stationed at Sheppard Field, Texas. After leaving Mount Pulaski over two years ago, Harry worked in Decatur until he entered the army several weeks ago.

Sister Died At Decatur Home

Mrs. Clara Meyer, 67, a native of Decatur, but who had been residing in Helena, Arkansas, died at 2 a.m. Monday, Oct. 19, 1942, in St. Mary's hospital, Decatur. She returned to central Illinois during the summer when Mrs. A. C. Kolp of Mount Pulaski went to Helena to bring her back to Decatur.

Clara Miller was married to James R. Meyer on June 17, 1904 in Jefferson City, Mo. He preceded her in death. Mrs. Meyer had been a visitor in Mount Pulaski a number of times.

Decedent is survived by the following five sisters: Mrs. A. C. Kolp, Mount Pulaski; Mrs. Ida Shoemaker, Mrs. Lulu Shockey, Decatur; Mrs. Minnie Weitmer, route 2, Decatur; Mrs. Lillie Weitmer, route 1, Oreana; two brothers, Clarence Miller, Decatur, and Charles Miller, Belleville.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Dawson and Wikoff funeral home, Decatur, and burial was in Greenwood cemetery, Decatur.

PHILLIPS THEATRE AT ROANOKE BURNED

Flames of unknown origin destroyed the entire interior of the Oak theatre in Roanoke early Sunday morning, Oct. 11. The alarm sounded at midnight, and the firemen battled the flames with chemicals and water. The fire was first reported by persons on the street after hearing an explosion and then almost immediately seeing smoke and flames.

The theatre had been closed for five weeks, the owner, Carl Phillips, having come to his farm west of Lake Fork. Mr. Phillips formerly operated the Mount Pulaski theatre, going from this city to Roanoke.

Republicans Here Tuesday

The Republican party will hold a public meeting at the Mount Pulaski theatre Tuesday of next week starting at 7:30.

A free picture show "Illinois at War" will be thrown on the screen preceding the speaking and introduction of candidates.

Ed Mills, state's attorney, will be the principal speaker, and Homer Harris of Lincoln and Representative Dan Dineen of Decatur, will also speak. The county candidates will be present and introduced to the audience.

Congressman Les Arends, who is up for re-election, is also expected to be present.

Pvt. J. Norman Kolp, inducted into the army recently and sent from Scott Field to Sheppard Field, Texas, was transferred last week to Chicago, and for the present is at the Stevens hotel. He is in the Army Air Corps.