

LECTIONS

By The Editor

Here's another bit of evidence that the old days have passed.

Farmers are bringing their recently threshed grain to town.

But you wouldn't know that it had just been threshed by looking over the country from town.

You would have to drive along the country roads and either see the stubble fields as evidence;

Or, see some kind of new activity going on there.

There are no smoke spirals dotting the countryside on all sides to indicate that the threshing season is at hand.

We rather miss those pillars of smoke mounting straight upward.

To us this is another thrill that the youngsters are missing.

Of course, they have plenty of others more exciting, perhaps.

But to us those old days were just as full of thrills.

Remember how we used to wait up until the small hours of the night until the big steam engine, separator and tank wagon arrived at the home place.

They would change locations during the night as a rule and get all set for the next day's run before they called it a day.

And the army of men that was on each threshing job made it a real event.

And those threshing dinners!

You might have to wait until the second or third table but what did you care.

You were just that much hungrier, and they always had plenty to eat.

But today.

Where threshing rings used to have 15 to 20 members, the ring of today numbers 5 or 6.

A tractor and a small separator has replaced the big steam outfit.

And then as you drive along the road you see another strange contraption.

You see a binder and threshing outfit rolled into one.

The grain is cut, threshed and dumped into waiting wagons all in one process.

Grain cut at 9 o'clock is delivered to the elevator within the next hour.

Or, if a truck is used—15 minutes after the grain is cut, it is ready to be loaded in a freight car to be shipped to the big city.

Speed? Yes. System? Yes.

While modern business and industry think that they are the acme of all that is progressive, the farmer of today is keeping step with them.

Maybe not in some ways, but in doing things as a changing age demands and necessitates—on a speed basis.

The one big advantage (?) right now is that is gives the farmers more time to worry about the low prices offered for his efforts.

But happy days WILL come again.

Even for friend Farmer.

DOG RUNS WILD BUT IT'S ONLY A CASE OF (?)

We don't know just how thoroughly "Skippy Wible" covered the town last Friday evening, but he at least let a lot of folks know that there was such a dog now a resident of Mt. Pulaski.

Skippy, a little fox terrier, now in training for the 10,000 meter race in the Olympic games was out training Friday evening and in the course of his sprinting took in porches, around houses and up alleys on the dead run. Reaching the end of his endurance his tongue began to drag on the ground, slowing up his progress and causing folks to feel that he had gone mad. A search over the route taken by Skippy failed to disclose him until late in the evening when he was found under a culvert resting up—nothing wrong with him excepting tired out. A visit to the drug store and Skippy was again in good shape.

There were 33,500 auto fatalities last year (National Safety Council report).

Win 2 Games From Lincoln

Kitten Ballers Take Two Exciting Games The Past Week

A local kitten ball team mixed up Friday evening on the home field with the Gamble team of the Lincoln league and took the long end of a 6 to 5 battle.

The game was another one of the kind that bring the fans back for more. The score was close all the way thru and it was not until the last of the ninth that the locals broke loose with a batting spree that picked up the needed two runs to win.

Gambles started off with a rush, scoring two runs in the first on three scratch hits and an error. The locals came right back in the second and evened the count on Underhill's single and Romer's three bagger. They picked up another one in the fourth when McVey poled out a three bagger along the right field line; and another one in the fifth on a two bagger by B. Ey and a single by Blackford.

No more scoring was done until the seventh when a single by Keys dropped just over the second baseman and was converted into a home run when the ball was kicked around while Keys and a man ahead were racing over the plate, tying up the score again. In the first of the ninth, Gambles scored what looked to be the winning run but Mt. Pulaski came right back and after Blout had flied to short, a single by McVey and a three bagger by Foster tied the score and a scratch hit by Underhill was played so that Foster was held at third. Then Romer came up and won his own game by poling out a clean hit, scoring Foster for the needed run.

In the wildest scoring orgy that has broken loose in the four games played with Lincoln Kitten ballers, Mt. Pulaski won a 14 to 9 game here Monday evening.

The Lincoln team started out with a bang and thru some clean hitting rolled up a lead of three runs before the side was retired. The locals not at all discouraged batted in two runs in their half. And in the fourth ran wild with a three bagger by Anderson and four more hits, crossing the plate for 4 more runs. Two more were added in the fourth, one in the fifth, another in the seventh and four more in the eighth.

The visitors were unable to do any more scoring until the eighth when they pushed over three runs and duplicated their performance in the ninth.

A total of ten errors were charged against the two teams, while a total of 29 hits were poled out.

A shoestring catch by Cap Ey in left field resulted in a double play as the runner thought it a sure hit.

The fielding of Alvey playing a roving second was the outstanding feature of the visitors.

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HARD ROAD BIDS FOR SLAB EAST OF TOWN

Proposals for paving this gap of 1.12 miles on route 121 around Mt. Pulaski, have been called for by the state highway department. Bids will be opened on July 27, but it is not known if this section of the road will be paved this summer.

Speedy progress is now being made by the Riess Construction Co., who are doing the excavating for the viaduct under the Illinois Central tracks on the east end of Cook street. Excavating and grading had been completed on the north side of the railroad and the steam shovel is now at work on the south side.

Constant Family Held Reunion Last Sunday

The Jacob Constant family held their twenty-fifth annual re-union July 4th at the home of William Posenbarger, southeast of Mt. Pulaski. There were 73 of the family present. After dinner Rev. J. W. Constant of Decatur was elected president, M. A. Constant and J. M. Constant of Decatur, first and second vice-presidents. Mrs. Wm. Orey of Decatur, secretary, Homer Posenbarger of Beason, treasurer.

The oldest member present, C. A. Constant of Decatur, is eighty-four years of age and hasn't missed one of the twenty-four reunions.

The youngest member was May Becker of Millinette, Illinois.

States represented were Texas, Michigan, Indiana, and Illinois. The afternoon program was furnished by a male quartet from Michigan.

Dr. and Mrs. F. C. Van Hook were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miller in Lincoln, last Friday evening.

Historical Pageant To Be County Wide Celebration

LOGAN VALUES IN BIG DECLINE

Million Dollars Less In Assessed Value of Logan Personal List

With the addition of the new assessment lists of East and West Lincoln, the total decrease in assessed valuation for the county is a little more than a million dollars.

East Lincoln showed a loss of \$311,000 which was due mostly to fires. West Lincoln took a drop of \$85,000 while the real estate showed a slight gain.

Mt. Pulaski township showed the largest loss in the county with the exception of East Lincoln, the decline being \$162,160.

The total assessed value for 1932 is \$4,611,250.

Total real and personal property assessments in the county last year amounted to \$40,400,000. This will amount to approximately \$40,000 less in taxes to be collected next year on this year's assessment. There are approximately \$1,400,000 collectible in taxes this year, and next year the tax to be collected will be about \$1,300,000.

Wheat was assessed last year on a basis of 30 cents a bushel, and this year at 20 cents. Corn was assessed at 25 cents last year and 10 cents this year. Cows assessed at \$30 each last year, are now assessed at \$20, while hogs assessed at a value of 4 cents a pound last year are now on a 2-cent basis.

Arnold-Gorsky Wedding Bells

Miss Florence Arnold of Decatur and Alfred J. Gorsky of Oak Park were married Wednesday morning at 10:30 a. m. in the home of the bride's parents. The service was read by Rev. Carl I. Empson, pastor of the First English Lutheran church in the presence of the immediate families before an archway banked with garden flowers.

Following the ceremony a four course luncheon was served in the Goodman Tea room for the wedding party and members of the family. The couple left on a wedding trip and upon their return will be at home in a newly furnished apartment in Chicago.

Mrs. Gorsky who is well known in Mt. Pulaski is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Arnold who are natives of Mt. Pulaski. She is a niece of F. A. George A. Schafer, William Arnold and Mrs. Walter Tomlinson.

DISTRIBUTING NOVEL PUBLIC SALE BILL

John Wylie of Lincoln, was a visitor here Monday in the interest of selling out the Republican party's equity in the White House. John left a supply of Public Sale notices with The Times and they can be had by calling here.

Many Local People Attend Ansar Concert

Quite a number from Mt. Pulaski motored to Taylorville on Sunday for the band concert that afternoon by the Ansar Shrine band of Springfield of which A. F. Lipp of this city is a member. An evening concert was given in Nokomis.

Among those from here who made the trip were Mr. and Mrs. Lipp, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Sams, Mrs. Alma Reinders, Mrs. Catherine and Miss Laura Connelley, Miss Della Anderson, Miss Ida Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Wynd and daughter Miss Nina, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Jenner, Miss Anna Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Smith and Dr. F. W. Reinders.

HELP FOR MOTORISTS GOING TO CANADA

Persons planning a motor trip to another state or into Canada, and who want information as to the motor laws of the state or states in which they will travel, will be able to obtain such information by asking any automobile investigator or state highway policeman. To help Illinois motorists avoid trouble, Secretary of State William J. Stratton has compiled a booklet which gives the basic requirements for travel outside of this state. The booklets have been distributed to all state automobile investigators and highway police.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lane of Detroit, Mich., is spending his vacation with his brother, Homer Lane and family.

County Historical Society Is Again Planning County-wide Event

The highly successful program given last year in the form of a pageant of Logan county at the opening day of chautauqua has encouraged the officers of the Logan County Historical Society to plan for another pageant this season.

The successful program given last year will be followed with changes and additions to provide entertainment to the large audience expected. In the afternoon each township will present a stunt as a part of a community program and many original ideas are being suggested to Mrs. S. M. Keys who will again have charge of this feature.

Several groups are already at work on their particular stunts. In the evening a historical pageant will be given and Mrs. E. O. Koch, who directed the pageant last year, will again be the director using appropriate scenes and dances, outlining the progress of our country from the day of George Washington.

It is expected to use more than five hundred people in the pageant with every part of the county represented. The splendid response given last year was an evidence of the interest in this kind of a program. Mrs. Frank Woland, chairman, will appreciate any suggestions that may be made from any one in the county.

Wachter Family Holds Reunion

Members of the Wachter family from widely separated points in central Illinois gathered at Nelson park in Decatur on Sunday, July 10 for the annual outing and family reunion. Despite threatening weather, about 60 members of the family from Logan, Macon, Piatt, and Vermilion counties attended the picnic.

A basket dinner at noon served in the park pavilion was the feature event of the day. Games and the many attractions and amusements found at the park furnished the diversions of the younger members while the older ones enjoyed family reminiscing.

At the business meeting the officers elected for the coming year were: president of the Logan county group, Walter Sams of Mt. Pulaski and for the Danville group, Mrs. Louis Walters was elected president. Mrs. D. J. Fuhrer of this city was named secretary. Frank Wachter of Latham and Mrs. John Walters of Danville are the re-tiring presidents. The reunion for next year will be held at the same place on the first Sunday after July 4.

Mrs. Caroline Fuhrer of this city was the oldest member present and the young son of Mr. and Mrs. John Allsup of near Latham, was the youngest.

TRANSIENT INJURED IN FALL FROM FREIGHT

When attempting to board a freight train in the Illinois Central yards here on Tuesday evening, William Pfeifer, a transient from Peoria, slipped just as he reached for the step of the car, receiving a bad fall. One shoulder was painfully injured and his left knee was split open.

Dr. F. C. Van Hook gave him medical attention and then had him removed to St. Clara's hospital in Lincoln for care and treatment.

BEAUMOUNT BAND IN PROGRAM NEXT WEEK

An unusually large and appreciative crowd was present at the weekly concert of the Beaumont band last night.

The following concert will be given next Wednesday night: March—The Imperator. March—Salute to Washington. Overture—Eleanor. Male Quartet—Little Cotton Dolly, and Singin' Along. Little German Band. March—Heroes of Luzon. Waltz—Paradise. March—On to Victory. March—National Emblem. Star Spangled Banner.

MRS. MILLNER'S ESTATE FILED FOR PROBATE

Petition to probate the estate of Mrs. Ellen Millner, was filed in probate court Tuesday, Mrs. Millner left \$13,500 in real estate and legal heirs include her husband, William Millner, six sons and one daughter. George Rupp is named administrator of the estate.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rothwell and family of Peru, are visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Rothwell.

Local Youths In Military Camp

Logan County Applicants Numbered Forty for Annual Camp

Three local youths reported Tuesday at Camp Atwell, the ninth Citizens' Military training camp at Jefferson Barracks near St. Louis.

They are Everette Volle, Homer Blout and Noel Suedmeier.

Some forty other youths of Logan county who placed applications are as follows:

Lincoln—Virgil Yeates, Kenneth Ross, Thomas Dumsier, Edward Malerich, Kenneth Durst, Charles Larson, Thomas Checkley, Eugene Crawford, Albert Brackney, Gilbert Plaser, Hartlett House, Harry Sutton, James Eberle, Harry Merry, Victor Schriber, Walter Blick, Anthony Olasky, Wayne Gerard, Joseph Jurjevich, Al Davis, Russell Miller, Charles Hays, Delmar Ingram, Tom Alvey, John Gullett, James Hale, Charles Helm, Charles Watt, James Eberle, Cecil Ryan, Earl Nesbitt.

Middletown—Seward Conningham. New Holland—Oscar Bland, Edgar Horn, Thomas Bevan.

Atlanta—Philip Coons, Earl Hayter, Richard Tuttle.

Beason—Ellsworth Brown.

Elkhart—Joe Lanterman, James Taylor, Cyrus Shockey.

Logan's quota was only 20, there were 52 applications and but two or three failed to pass the physical test. Expenses are paid to and from the camp and there is no expense for the student.

NEW TEACHER FOR GRADE SCHOOL POSITION

Miss Helen McClintock of Quincy, has been engaged to teach the first grade in the city school. Miss Claudina Schafer who taught this grade for the past two years, resigned to accept a position in a school at Cicero near Chicago.

First Reunion of The Roos Family

Members of the Roos family held their first reunion Sunday, July 10 at the old home place, two miles south of Beason, which is now the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Roos and family.

The family gathering provided to be so pleasant that it was voted to make it an annual affair, and the following officers were elected: president, Otto Roos; vice-president, Geo. Roos; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Florence Dierker.

Members of the family present were: Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Roos and daughter, Miss Ferne; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Frahlman; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Roos and daughters, Evelyn Ruth, Pauline and son, Robert, all of Decatur; Mr. and Mrs. George Roos, son Wilbur, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Dierker, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roos, son, Leonard of Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Roos, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Roos, daughters, Constance and Judith and son Melvin, Mr. and Mrs. Rawley Walker, sons, Ralph and George and daughter, Florence, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Leimbach and sons Clifford and Cletus, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Awe of Chestnut, Mrs. Fannie Schaffnacker of Mt. Pulaski, Mrs. Lottie Everhardt and daughter, Eileen of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Otto Roos, son Charles, and daughters, Mary, and Lucile Leimbach of Beason. Guests of the family present were: Mrs. Henry Richner of Chestnut; Walter Riddle and Martin Reich of Decatur, and Edward Ruwe of Beason.

LOCAL MANAGER ENTERS PRESIDENT'S CUP CAMPAIGN

L. H. Kruger, manager of the local Kroger store, attended a district meeting in Peoria last Sunday. Plans were completed for a President's Cup campaign in which all managers are entered. Prizes will be awarded managers according to the increase in their sales.

Sunday School Children Had Picnic Friday

Members of the Beginners, First, Second and Third Primary Sunday School classes of the Christian church were given an outing on Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Frank Hutchinson, in the south part of the city.

The little folks to the number of sixty were chaperoned by Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Dan Blackford, Mrs. Fayette Ross and Mrs. Charles Hanslow. Outdoor games of various kinds were indulged in during the afternoon but the most interesting and welcome part of the picnic to the youngsters was the generous helpings of ice cream and cake meted out to each of them. Each child also was given a balloon.

Not Guilty In Oglesby Case

Contempt of Court Charges Not Sustained By Judge's Ruling

Jasper Oglesby of Elkhart, son of the late Governor Richard Oglesby, is not guilty of contempt of court, although he has failed to pay his former wife \$5,000 in alimony. Judge Frank Lindley ruled in the Logan county circuit court yesterday.

Oglesby was ordered to pay his former wife \$100 a month in May, 1929. Later this amount was raised to \$150 a month. Money to pay the alimony was obtained from the returns on 1193 acres of land. With the fall in the price of farm produce this estate does not produce any revenue over expenses and taxes.

The court's ruling wound up the alimony case in which Attorney Peter Murphy, for Jasper Oglesby, sought to have the \$150 per month alimony court order reduced and Attorney Barrett O'Hara of Chicago, counsel for Mrs. Maude Oglesby, in fighting modification, also demanded an order of commitment issued for Jasper Oglesby for contempt for failure to pay alimony.

John G. Oglesby as trustee of the estate, testified that taxes are exceeding income from the trust fund of a \$200 a month set up for Jasper and Maude Oglesby's two sons, Richard J. and John L. Oglesby, and that Jasper Oglesby has received but \$220 from the estate since the death of their mother, the widow of Richard J. Oglesby, Illinois Civil War Governor.

He declared that the 1100 acre estate, of which he is trustee, includes 300 acres of timber. The income has been \$4 to \$2 an acre, and taxes, exclusive of drainage taxes, have amounted to \$1.75 to \$1.85 per acre, he said. This land, sold at today's price, he said, would bring \$50 an acre.

No alimony has been paid since November, 1928, when the court order of \$150 per month was issued.

Jasper Oglesby, who returned recently from a trip to Mexico, appeared in court with the aid of a cane. He weighs 40 pounds less than two years ago when he suffered a broken blood vessel while driving an automobile near Decatur. A year ago he suffered a paralytic stroke.

Mrs. Maude Oglesby took the stand yesterday morning and declared that she and her sons had no income and had been objects of charity for the last four years.

She said that she had rejected \$900 in John Oglesby's checks because she was asked to sign away her rights. She said that she had not told her son, Richard not to accept employment offered him by his uncle, John Oglesby.

John Oglesby said that under his mother's will Mrs. Jasper Oglesby had no property rights to sign away and Attorney H. F. Trapp, formerly attorney for Mrs. Maude Oglesby told of tendering her two checks, received from John Oglesby in April, 1930, one for \$600 and the other for \$300, and declared that Mrs. Oglesby had been asked to sign no papers.

FUNERAL MONDAY FOR WILHAM INFANT

The funeral of Alfred, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lee Wilham, living seven miles west of Mt. Pulaski, who died at 11:45 p. m., Saturday, July 9 at the age of 3 months and 8 days, was held at 2:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, July 11 at Steenberg cemetery.

Services were conducted at the grave and John H. Clendenen spoke a few words. Tommy and Evelyn Glascoe acted as flower girls.

Lincoln Garage Has \$4,000 Night Fire

Fire damaged the Rhoads-Pemberton garage at Lincoln, Sunday night to the extent of \$4,000.

The fire was discovered about midnight and originated in the accessories department which is also used for storage. The flames quickly spread to the roof on the underside for quite a distance. Three lines of hose were used by the firemen in fighting the flames from the inside roof and thru the windows.

Automobiles were steered from the building by volunteers. The estimated loss is on the building to the extent of between \$500 and \$1,000 and on accessories for the balance.

D. E. Rhoads and I. G. Pemberton are active members in the garage while the building is owned by Edward Cherney of Williamsville.

Mrs. Fern Cook won high honors at the meeting of the Ace High Bridge club held on Wednesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Carl Lipp. Mrs. Reil Wilson will be the next hostess.