

REFLECTIONS

By The Editor

We took a short jaunt out into the country southeast of town Monday morning.

As a result, we may have to retract to some extent our reflections of last week about steam engines.

At least we had a few reactions.

We had just reached the outskirts of town when we "bumped into" a steam threshing outfit.

Not so good, we thought, but then it was probably the only one in existence.

Getting out a few miles farther we "ran across" a water tank wagon.

Searching the surrounding territory we saw two smoke spirals that were not being made by tractors or combines.

From then on we quit looking for smoke, and began looking for the affirmative side of our reflection.

They were harder to find because a slight dip in the landscape would easily hide them.

We stopped and asked one farmer who was unloading grain where the threshing outfit was, and he pointed out his combine about half mile distant.

He is thoroughly sold on the combine not only from a time-saving viewpoint but from a saving in grain.

Two tractor outfits were discovered before our journey was completed so we felt that the evidence was still in our favor.

One thing that impressed us was the fact that in this 15-mile trip we saw only two grain wagons on the road.

But returning to the steam outfit.

Hard roads have added to their burdens in moving from one location to another.

The outfit we passed on the road had to cross the slab twice in the course of a mile in order to reach a "set," making a mile and a half detour.

The old familiar saying of "birds of a feather flock together," applies to other animals besides birds.

Monday morning we passed a pasture with two large shade trees in it.

Under one tree there was a unanimous cow complex, while under the other, horses held forth exclusively.

We asked a young chap who was burning the right of way if he was doing it to protect his fields.

His answer was, "Yes and no."

The reasons he then gave us were: 'I'm doing it to protect myself from the added work of keeping the weeds down as well as avoid the danger of a field fire.'

When is a lake a lake?

That depends.

When out west some years ago we heard everyone talking about their ranches.

We rather envied everyone being the owner of a ranch which to us meant being well-to-do.

However, when we went out to look at one friend's ranch we found it a 5-acre tract.

We then learned that no matter what size your place was, it was a ranch.

Streams out there, no larger than Salt Creek are known as rivers.

That is because those streams have never seen the Mississippi.

And so it was when inquiring the way to a certain farmer's home, southeast of Mt. Pulaski.

It was so many miles this way and that until you crossed the lake.

We had our curiosity aroused—we wanted to see that lake.

When we arrived there we found to our disappointment it was but a dredge ditch.

Seeking the cause for the naming of the stream a lake, we found that in high waters the surrounding territory was covered with water for several miles thus being given the name of a lake.

When is a Republican a Democrat? That's another hard one.

Military Life At C. M. T. Camp

Sports Help To Make Camp Life A Happy One

The martial tone of bugles, unheard by a majority of the 1600 Missouri and Illinois youths encamped at Jefferson Barracks where they are attending the Citizen's Military Training Camp, until a week ago, has become a familiar interlude in the everyday life of the embryo soldiers. At intervals from sunup to sunset, the bugles sound, each call signifying a different activity in the crowded daily schedule. Beginning with reveille at 5:45 A. M. and ending with taps at 10:30 P. M., the youthful soldiers are told when it is time to do everything by a stirring call. Some few are easy to remember. Mess call and recall from drill seem to awaken response in the newest recruit; others like reveille and drill call require an unusual amount of explaining. Taps always closes a busy day. It is fitting that it should do so, for of all the many calls, it is by far the most beautiful.

The C. M. T. C. students are learning rapidly. Their first parade Wednesday, July 20th, was a revelation in what can be accomplished with American youth in a short time. The student regiment was a fine sight, drawn up on the beautiful parade grounds, with chests up and eyes front. Then they passed in review, company after company, swinging along, trying to emulate their instructors, the historic 6th Regular Infantry.

The students are enthusiastic in sports. Every contest is a hard fought battle. The boxing and wrestling show, Monday night, was a fine exhibition of sportsmanship and of fistic ability. With the opening of the second week, camp activities are in full swing. Friday night, the first C. M. T. C. dance will be held. Several hundred young ladies from St. Louis, sponsored by the American Red Cross, will be in attendance. These dances have always been high lights in the life of the students.

The students are standing drill in the heat prevalent for the past week in excellent shape. Medical officers watch the drill closely for signs of heat fatigue and fifteen minute rest periods are given each hour. As a result of this careful supervision, cases of heat prostration are unheard of.

As a result of the swimming test given to every student, one hundred and fifty have been designated as non-swimmers. These boys will be given instruction on three days each week by experts furnished by the American Red Cross. It is confidently expected that every boy will be able to swim by the close of the camp.

Home-coming To Be Held at French's Chapel

The eighth annual homecoming of the people of the French's Chapel district will be held this year on Sunday, July 31.

It is planned to have an all-day meeting at the church starting with the usual program of the day—the preaching services at 10:30 by Dr. Fairchild, district superintendent.

A big basket dinner will be held at noon after which a fellowship meeting and program will occupy the afternoon.

Former pastors and residents are especially urged to be present. In the event they are unable to be present, a letter will be a suitable proxy.

GOOD RAIN IS NEEDED TO BENEFIT GROWING CORN

A good rain would be about the most welcome visitor that could arrive within the next few days, as far as the corn crop is concerned. Some of the early corn is beginning to fire and rain is needed to avert serious damage. To the threshing crews, this weather the past ten days has been ideal altho plenty hot.

Considerable corn is in the tassel stage now.

SUNDAY SCHOOL GROUP ENJOYS PICNIC SUPPER

A happy group of folks from the St. John's Sunday school enjoyed a picnic supper at White Oak Bluffs last Friday evening. The kiddies made use of the creek for swimming and boating, while the older folks told "bear stories" and sang some of the old German airs by the light of the moon.

During the supper which was served cafeteria, potato salad predominated, but was overshadowed by so many other delicious morsels that it was in the words of one political partisan present, "as unneeded as a change of administration."

A Victory Smile



Mrs. Charles H. Sabin, New York President of the Woman's Organization for National Prohibition Reform, who went before both political conventions battling for a repeal plank.

Elkhart Men Are Getting "Breaks"

The men of Elkhart are getting a break this week that will cause them to be envied by even "Jiggs."

They can come home late at night, now, take off their shoes and slip in the house quietly and if friend wife catches them they don't have to worry about a verbal barrage. In fact, they get the "dickens" if they have their shoes on.

It all happened in this way. The village of Elkhart being a modern habitation where the peace and welfare of the housewife was more vital to congenial living than a mere matter of dollars and cents, the men decided to do something about it.

Hence as a concession from the ladies they agreed that their husbands could take their shoes off when entering the house, no matter what the hour without being hauled on the carpet.

The men then fulfilled their part of the agreement and the housewife is once more free from dust altho the men are beginning to tire of the special privilege given them of taking their shoes off.

The village is well oiled as motorists who were unfortunate enough to get on the streets the next day will testify.

I. O. O. F. INSTALLATION

The local order of I. O. O. F. will hold their annual installation of officers on Tuesday night, July 26th at 8:00 o'clock.

Mrs. J. Shellhammer Is Chosen President

Mrs. James Shellhammer was elected president and Mrs. Charles Stopher was elected secretary-treasurer of the D. W. Y. W. club at an all day meeting held late last week in Springfield in the home of Mrs. Thelma Sexton, who before her marriage was Miss Thelma Poffenbarger of this vicinity. It was also decided to hold the annual club picnic in August at a place to be selected on the banks of Salt Creek.

Members of the club arrived at the Sexton home early in the day with well filled baskets of food for the cafeteria dinner. Late in the afternoon the hostess served delicious refreshments.

Before leaving, Springfield the group visited a former club member, Mrs. Parela Bobell who has been bedfast for the past year.

Among those making the trip were: Mrs. Betty Shellhammer, Mrs. Irene Hild, Mrs. Mae Shellhammer, Mrs. Celia Poffenbarger, Mrs. Beaulah Stopher, Mrs. Stella Bowers, Mrs. Grace Gasaway, Mrs. Helen Garvey, Mrs. Alice Musser, Mrs. Louise Poffenbarger, Mrs. Mary Gebhardt, Miss Bonnie Stopher, Miss Lois Copeland, Miss Helen Musser, Miss Violet Cooper, Misses Agnes and Joyce Bowers, Dalen Shellhammer, Oscar Poffenbarger, Jackie Bowers, Willard Garvey and Marion and Jay Hild.

COUNTY MAY FIX LINCOLN ENTRANCE

If we hear aright, the state is guilty of the many small, large and disgruntling chuck holes one has to pass over when entering Lincoln on Route 121. But that doesn't fill up the holes. However, the county may take some action if they are not filled soon. It's campaign year and roads should be built as well as fences.

Musical Uncle Sam maintains 145 bands—89 in the army and 56 in the navy.

Kitten Ball Has 'Em All Cuckoo

Mechanics and Ramblers To Fight It Out Tonight For Lead

KITTEN BALL LEAGUE

Team	Standing	W	L	Pct.
Mechanics	-----	6	2	.750
Ramblers	-----	6	2	.750
Butchers	-----	5	4	.556
Truckers	-----	4	5	.445
Merchants	-----	2	7	.222
Hashslingers	-----	2	6	.250

If one is to judge from the interest being taken in the game of kitten ball in this section the past two months the world has gone "ball minded."

In addition to the regular schedule of the local league which plays on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week, games have been scheduled with Lincoln teams to fill in the gaps.

Lincoln played here Monday night and on Friday night the Gamble team plays another engagement here. Tuesday, the 25th, Malerich & Gossett come for their third trip and on Friday, the first Springfield nine to make a local appearance will be the Capitol City Grocers.

Gardens are being neglected and dishes left unwashed. Something is "gonna haf" to be done about it.

But all in all its an inexpensive form of amusement that keeps the older generation from getting too muscle bound and the younger generation out of the neighbors apple trees.

The Truckers won a close game from the league leading Mechanics, last Thursday night by a score of 4 to 2.

The inability of the Mechanics to hit Purget was the cause of their downfall. They only secured two hits while the Truckers were collecting eight.

This loss placed the Mechanics in a tie for first place with the Ramblers and the game between these two teams to-night should be a hard-fought one.

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AIR GLIDER BUILT BY LINCOLN ENTHUSIASTS

Logan county has at last an entrant in the glider field. Alvin Ahrens, Dr. Hubert Bradburn and Donald Richards of Lincoln, have completed a modern glider with a wing spread of 32 feet and weighing 118 pounds.

The glider will take to the air as soon as it is inspected and approved by a representative of the Department of Commerce.

If you see a strange bird flying over your home don't get all excited—it may only be Al or one of his buddies.

Last Concert By Civic Orchestra

The fourth and last of a series of concerts given by the Mt. Pulaski Civic Orchestra, to be given from the band stand in the city park on Saturday evening July 23rd at 8:15.

This program was selected and arranged by Miss Kathryn Kolp, assistant director and pianist.

March, West High—Zamecnik.
March, Sir Henry—King.
Overture, Majestic—Zamecnik.
March, Hosts of Freedom—King.
Waltz, Water Lilies—King.
Descriptive March, Battle of Gettysburg—E. T. Paul.
Waltz, Loves Way—King.
March, Roll of Honor—King.
March, Tuscarawas—King.
Serenade, Octopus and Mermaid—King, by Arthur Kolp.
Overture, Team Work, Russell.
March, Rifle Rangers—King.
Finale, America.

APPOINTED JANITOR OF GRADE SCHOOL

John Curtis was appointed janitor of the Mt. Pulaski Grade school at a special meeting of the board of education held on Sunday morning. The appointment was made to fill the vacancy caused by the death of William J. Klotz. There were 36 applications for the position.

FARM BUREAU TO MOVE HEADQUARTERS

A change of location of the Logan County farm bureau headquarters is to be made soon.

The present commodious and pleasant quarters in the Arcade building at Lincoln are to be vacated and moved into the building at the rear of the Arcade according to a decision of the executive committee Saturday.

The change will take place as soon as the new headquarters building can be put in shape.

Wins Chairmanship



James A. Farley, New York City, who was rewarded for the winning fight he made as pre-convention manager for Roosevelt by being elected Chairman of the Democratic National Committee to conduct the party campaign.

Gravel Being Laid Toward Lake Fork

Good headway is being made on the four mile stretch of road running west of Mt. Pulaski to connect with the Lake Fork motor fuel road of six and one-half miles to connect with the Primm road out of Lincoln.

Thus will Lake Fork's dream of a year 'round road be realized before snow flies and winter roads keep them isolated from the rest of the world.

The next step will be pulling Cornland out of the mud with an extension of this same kind of a road.

George Suedmeier, Mt. Pulaski highway commissioner is in charge of the work which is being done by Mt. Pulaski township. George Awe and George Jackson have the hauling contracts which will require the moving of more than 200 carloads of gravel from the Lincoln Sand & Gravel plant.

It was expected to start work on the Primm road to Lake Fork project this week.

The possibility of Cornland being given an outlet before winter seems to be fairly good but not sure.

It has been talked that the present state aid road might be abandoned in favor of the road running south out of Lake Fork and coming into Cornland from the south. The argument in favor of this is the fact that this road has a wider roadbed and would not require as much preparation altho it is about a mile longer.

In the event this is done it would not be possible to do the graveling this year but the present state aid road might be oiled.

SECOND TRICK OPERATOR HERE ON I. C. ABOLISHED

An Illinois Central railroad order abolishing the position of second trick clerk now held by Art Miller in the local depot, goes into effect on July 21. The work at the depot will now fall to A. C. Kolp, the agent and C. W. Upp and the working hours of Upp have been changed from 1:30 p. m., to 10:30 p. m.

Seniority rights of Mr. Miller gives him the option on several positions in out of town offices, but we do not know what his intentions are.

INFORMATION FOR TAXPAYERS

The second installment of Real Estate Tax becomes delinquent Aug. 2, drawing 1 per cent interest, per month; where the first installment is not paid, that draws interest at 1 per cent, per month from May 2. All delinquent Real Estate, either all or half will be advertised shortly after Aug. 1st. Advertising costs are as follows: Each town lot or part lot is 16c and 26c for each farm description.

These unpaid personal taxes must be paid at once or a special deputy will call and his costs will be added to the original taxes.

GEO. M. EBERLE,
County Treasurer.

NEW METHOD OF BILLING FOR ELECTRICAL ENERGY

Users of electrical energy in Mt. Pulaski will receive their monthly statements the first of August at their homes, and they will be left at their doors by a company representative.

This new method of billing is in keeping with the policy followed by the district office in Lincoln for some months, and has proven so satisfactory that the plan is to be inaugurated here beginning with the August billing.

John Erlenbusch Died On Monday

Had Been Ill the Past Six Months. Was Highly Respected

In the death of John Erlenbusch who passed away at 6:15 a. m., Monday, July 18, 1932, in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Jacob Dickey, East Cook street, this city loses another one of its substantial and highly respected citizens.

Mr. Erlenbusch had been ill for the past six months. An operation performed several months ago gave him but temporary relief. His condition has been critical for the past two months and death had been expected to occur any time within the past few weeks.

John Erlenbusch was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Gottfried Erlenbusch and was born in Mt. Pulaski on April 17, 1860, and died at the age of 72 years, 3 months and 1 day. On June 13, 1881 he was married near Chestnut to Miss Margaret Mason. Shortly after their marriage they moved to a farm in Kansas, remaining in that state for 5 or 6 years. Returning to Logan county he again engaged in farming in the vicinity of this city. About 23 years ago he moved to Mt. Pulaski, where he has since resided.

They were the parents of 9 children, four sons and five daughters. Two sons dying when quite young. Surviving are the widow and the following children: Mrs. Carrie Harvey, Wappelo, Iowa; Mrs. Ollie Moran, Rock Island; Mrs. Frona Dickey, Mrs. Etta Gulso and Mrs. Lydia Kratzer, Mt. Pulaski; John Erlenbusch, Washington, Iowa and George Erlenbusch, Decatur. Left also are 27 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, one brother, William Erlenbusch, Decatur, and two sisters, Mrs. Chris Danner and Mrs. John Zah.

Funeral services were held at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Jacob Dickey, East Cook street at 2:30 p. m., Wednesday July 20. Rev. S. R. Reynolds, pastor of the Latham Christian church conducted the service and a mixed quartette composed of Miss Lois Copeland, Miss Kathryn Kolp, R. N. Jones and Frank Turley accompanied by Mrs. Turley, sang the following hymns: "The Old Rugged Cross", "Going Down the Valley" and "Shall We Gather at the River". Pallbearers were Frank Copeland, Herbert Birks, Calvin Payne and James Shellhammer, John Bowles, George Tomlinson. Burial was in Mt. Pulaski cemetery.

Among the relatives and friends from a distance who attended the funeral of John Erlenbusch on Wednesday were: Mr. and Mrs. William Harvey, Wappelo, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. John Erlenbusch, Washington, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. George Erlenbusch and family, William Erlenbusch, Mr. and Mrs. John Erlenbusch, Charles and Edward Erlenbusch, Mrs. Cora Baurmann, Mrs. Anna Erlenbusch, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Erlenbusch, Mr. and Mrs. Robezek, Decatur; Adolph Dickey, Champaign; Mr. and Mrs. James Waters and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. William Vondrehl, Lincoln; George Mason, Lake Fork; Mr. and Mrs. William Addleman, Joliet.

HEAT IS "HOOVERING" AROUND THE 100 MARK

Hot, hotter, hottest—just about explains the temperature the past week. The mercury has been around the 100 mark at times and has not been very far away for some days.

A break in the extreme heat is expected by tomorrow with possible thundershowers.

Political Static

BY AS U HEARIT

"If I had a million dollars I'd buy this town and every person in it would be a Democrat or have to move out."

Note: We don't feel that any of the Republicans need be unduly excited by this ardent statement.

"Say, you fellows are always howling about Prohibition. What party brought Prohibition to this country anyway. It was the Democrats, wasn't it? Now you want to get rid of it as a bad job and shove the blame on the Republicans."

"The most appropriate meaning of G. O. P. to me means 'Got O' Pile.' At least it's gone."

These are but three of the numerous campaign comments heard here and there on the merits of the two major parties. Our political reporter, Mr. As U Hearit will keep his ear to the ground and try to get you the latest facts of the situation.