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REFLECTIONS

By The Editor

Folks, we don't believe in getting personal.

But we are going to come pretty close to it this week.

We are sure you will pardon us.

Last Tuesday evening Mt. Pulaski was visited by one of the most outstanding organizations in the county.

We are referring to the Logan County Legion Band.

You no doubt agree with us.

However, we want to tell you why we think so.

The band formed some four years ago is made up of Legionnaires and boosters from various towns in the county.

That in itself creates a bond of fellowship and understanding in county affairs.

Formed first as a casual "get-together bunch" who were out for a frolic, the spirit and endeavors of the band soon changed their original outlook.

The result was that the various posts of the county got behind the band and made it possible to uniform them.

Then the personnel began to pick up.

Lukewarm members dropped out and were replaced with men who were thoroughly in sympathy with the organization.

A number of members were added to the band from Clinton Legionnaires, thus widening the scope of the band and its prestige, and bringing its uniformed membership to 50.

Practically every community in the county has been visited at least once a year by the band in its endeavor to play its part in the life of county affairs.

Tuesday night was the second appearance of the band this year in our city.

Every outstanding event in the county has found the band present when it was at all possible.

Hundreds of gallons of gas and barrels of oil have been used to do this and not one cent is taken from the band fund to pay for it.

The fellows contribute that as their share of the county's life.

At times it is necessary to sacrifice wages as well at time.

Please remember this when you see or hear the boys taking part in any community activity.

To us (not because we belong to it) the Logan County Legion Band is the biggest thing in Logan county.

And we believe you will agree with us.

Boost them whenever you have an opportunity, for every time they appear at a state convention or district convention they are proclaiming your county to the rest of the world.

AUTO HITS COMBINE AND OVERTURNS

About 8 o'clock last Friday night, following the short Rebekah lodge meeting, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brooker, Mrs. George E. Suedmeier, Mrs. Frank Rentshler and Mrs. Al O'Connor, started north on Route 121 in the Brooker car with the intention of seeing the least part of the band benefit play in the gymnasium at Odd Fellows' Orphans' Home in Lincoln. They had just passed the Karl Dittus place at the north edge of the city when they met a truck pulling a combine. Mr. Brooker was driving and did not see that part of the combine was over the black mark, with the result that after striking the protruding part of the combine, the auto was forced to the side of the pavement and overturned. The occupants were badly shaken up, but not seriously injured, although Mrs. Brooker received a bad leg bruise, but is now much improved. The Brooker car was considerably damaged. It is said that there were no lights on the combine, which was being taken to Lovington. The combine was pulled into the adjacent field and left there for several days.

CHOSEN ONE OF TEN MOST POPULAR FRESHMEN

Decatur, Ill., Oct. 12.—Miss Virginia Clear, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene C. Clear, of Mt. Pulaski, has been chosen one of the ten most popular Freshmen at the James Millikin University. She will be a guest at a banquet given by the Women's Athletic Association, and will have a place of honor in the coming parade.

Pioneer Resident Answers Call

John W. Mayer Died at the Home of Son in Lincoln On Monday

John W. Mayer, so long identified with the business interests of Mt. Pulaski, on account of his failing health and advanced years, went to Lincoln, Illinois, about two years ago to make his home with his oldest son, Herman J. Mayer, and wife. During this time he was sick at various times, and became quite feeble. About three weeks ago he was taken to the Deaconess hospital in that city for special medical treatment and care, but he failed rapidly, and passed away at 4:40 o'clock Monday morning, October 10, 1932, at the age of 86 years, 2 months and 9 days.

John W. Mayer was born August 1, 1846, about three miles west of Mt. Pulaski, Illinois, on what is now the Thomas L. Rothwell farm. There were five boys and two girls in this family, all the other children being born in Mt. Pulaski. His parents were John G. and Elizabeth (Work) Mayer. His father was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, in 1808, and in the year 1832 crossed the Atlantic ocean, and first located in Philadelphia. On coming west he located in Springfield, Illinois, where he was employed in a general way in the Ridgeley Bank for a few years, and then moved to Mt. Pulaski, being among the pioneer families of this place. Following a couple of years on the farm, Mr. Mayer moved back to town in 1850, and for ten years was in the general merchandising business with his brother George. He then returned to the farm, where he died in 1865. The mother was born in Strasburg, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, in 1813.

On April 1, 1870, John W. Mayer was united in marriage with Miss Mary Amelia Mattfeldt, of Mt. Pulaski, and to this union four sons were born, one son dying at the age of 4 years. He is survived by three sons, as follows: Herman J. Mayer, of Lincoln, Illinois; Oscar W. Mayer, of Mt. Pulaski; and Clarence A. Mayer, of Los Angeles, California. His wife preceded him in death in March, 1822. He is survived by four grandchildren, and three great grandchildren.

John W. Mayer spent an active and useful life, being interested in business in Mt. Pulaski from early manhood until his advanced years caused him to retire. In the year 1875 he engaged in business with his brother Jacob on the south side of square, dealing in harness, saddles, buggies, etc. This partnership lasted for many years, and later the firm was known as John W. Mayer & Son, his son, Oscar W. Mayer, entering the business. They took on other interests during their partnership, and built the large Ford garage building at the southeast corner of square. Mr. Mayer was successful in his business undertakings, and owned several city properties and farm lands.

Mr. Mayer also took great interest in civic affairs, and served Mt. Pulaski for three terms as mayor, and during his time in that important office the present city waterworks system was installed. He was also president of the Mt. Pulaski school board for a period of twelve years.

The remains were brought to Mt. Pulaski, and funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, October 12th, at St. John's Ev. Lutheran church (of which he was a member) on West Cooke street, conducted by the former pastor, Rev. Wm. N. King, of Fairview, Illinois. Rev. J. Wayne Staley sang three appropriate songs, Mrs. Frank E. Turley playing the organ accompaniments. The interment was made in Mt. Pulaski cemetery. The pall bearers, all nephews, were Edward A. Mayer, Henry J. Mayer, George A. Mayer, of Mt. Pulaski, Charles Stoll, Henry Stoll and Fred Stoll, of Chestnut vicinity.

ART UNIT HELD MEETING FRIDAY

The Art Unit of the Mt. Pulaski Woman's Club held their second monthly meeting on the afternoon of Friday, October 7th, at the home of Mrs. Paul E. Beidler on Marion street.

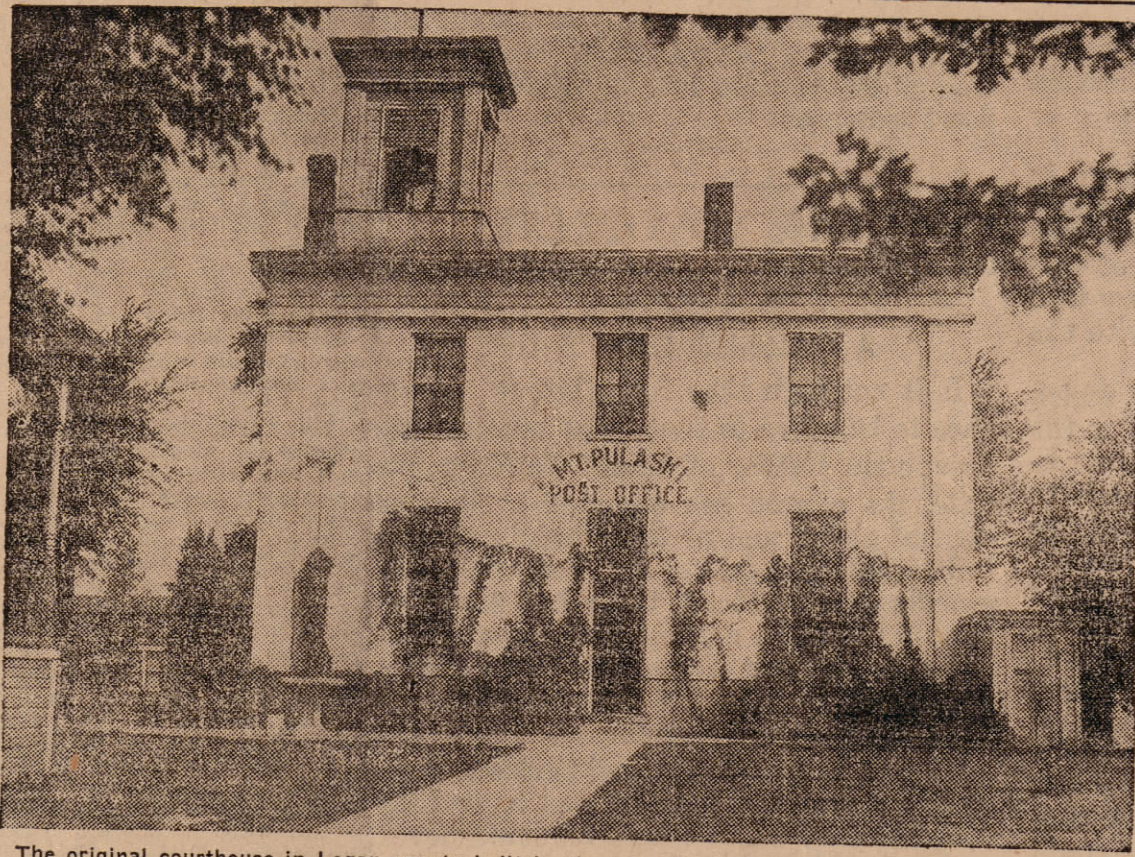
The study was a continuation of American Graphic Arts, begun last month by the study of American Etching.

In strange contrast to art expressed by brush on canvas, these Graphic Arts represent work upon copper plates, wood blocks, steel, and stone—producing such finished forms as etchings, dry point aquatint, mezzotint, wood cuts, engraving and lithograph.

Twenty very beautiful and valuable illustrations of the various processes studied, were obtained from the Illinois State Library, Centennial Building, Springfield.

An opportunity for original creative work is to be offered the class in November. Christmas gifts, or cards, made by the linoleum block print process, are to be made under the supervision of E. H. Beaver, Manual Training instructor of Mt. Pulaski Township High School.

Logan County's Oldest Historical Building



The original courthouse in Logan county built in the year 1847 occupies the center of the square in Mt. Pulaski, today as a postoffice. The historical value of this building is further enhanced due to Abraham Lincoln's frequent presence in the building as a lawyer. The upper rooms are used by the American Legion and Auxiliary as club quarters.

New Owner Of Large Crowd Honors The Memory Of General Pulaski

R. D. Aitchison Has Taken Full Charge of Rexall Store in Mt. Pulaski

R. D. Aitchison is making announcement in this week's Times-News of his purchase of Pen's Rexall store on the west side of square. The matter of closing the transaction has been hanging fire the past few weeks, and it was not until at this time that the new proprietor informed us that all details had been completed and the transaction a reality.

The new management will continue to operate the same as heretofore with the exception of prescription filling. Confections, stationery, tobacco counter, cosmetics, and up-to-date fountain service will be the principal merchandise items handled, together with all the sundries that complete a store of this nature.

Plans are being made by Mr. Aitchison to rearrange the store and make it into one of the most modern places of business of its kind in this section. The slogan under which this store will operate is, "If We Don't Have It We'll Get It."

Robert Aitchison, Jr., who is a student at Lincoln College, will be associated with his father, but will keep up his college work.

LATHAM REPUBLICANS IN MEETING MONDAY

Republicans will get into action Latham next Monday night when a rally will be held at the Latham Community High School gymnasium, starting at 7:30 o'clock.

Attorneys Evan Worth and Homer B. Harris, of Lincoln, will speak on the national and state tickets' candidates. The county slate of candidates will be presented as will be several senatorial candidates.

Music will precede the meeting and will be contributed by Ernie Morrow's Ex-Service Men's Band.

MT. PULASKI AUTO CO. CASE AGAINST CORDIE STARR

The case of the Mt. Pulaski Auto Company against Cordie Starr has been disposed of by the Appellate Court denying a motion for rehearing. The case had been tried twice in the county court and found for the defendant, but the higher court reversed and remanded it the first time, while the second time they affirmed the finding of the lower court, then denying a motion for rehearing. George J. Smith and H. F. Trapp represented the plaintiff while B. A. Tyler and Peter Murphy acted for the defendant.

CHESTNUT LUTHERAN CHURCH CELEBRATED 40TH ANNIVERSARY

Two large audiences were present at the fortieth anniversary services of the Zion Ev. Lutheran church in Chestnut last Sunday morning and afternoon, October 9th.

Rev. F. W. Hein, pastor of the church, delivered two inspiring sermons, and was ably assisted by Miss Elsie Stoll at the organ, and Miss Irma Leimbach, who sang two beautiful numbers.

Thus another milestone in the life of this congregation has been passed and a renewed interest created in their church life.

Phone news items to Times-News.

Elizabeth Geyer Died On Sunday

Mrs. Elizabeth Geyer, who had been living in Chicago, Illinois, the past four years with her daughter, Mrs. Robert Pause, suffered a fractured hip in a fall more than two weeks ago, and was taken to a hospital for proper care. The accident proved a great shock to her, and her condition took a turn for the worse, and she passed away at the hospital at 2:15 o'clock Sunday afternoon, October 9, 1932, aged 69 years, 8 months and 9 days.

She was instructed and confirmed in the Lutheran faith in the Zion Ev. Lutheran church in Mt. Pulaski.

Elizabeth Suedmeier was born on January 30, 1863, in the vicinity of Chestnut, Illinois, being a daughter of William and Catherine Suedmeier. In September, 1884, she was united in marriage to Herman Geyer, and she is survived by the following children: Elmer Geyer, of Cleveland, Ohio; Alvin Geyer, residing east of Mt. Pulaski; Mrs. Robert Pause, of Chicago; and Mrs. Nora Lakey, of Lansing, Michigan. Her departure is also mourned by six grandchildren; three brothers, W. H. and C. J. Suedmeier, of Chestnut; and H. J. Suedmeier, of Mt. Pulaski; and two sisters, Mrs. W. W. Jackson, of Kenney, and Mrs. Harry Wells, of Mt. Pulaski. Her husband, Herman C. Geyer, has been employed at Kohler, Wisconsin, for some time. Mrs. Geyer was preceded in death by two sons, dying in their early manhood.

The remains arrived in Mt. Pulaski Tuesday afternoon, and were taken to the home of her sister, Mrs. Harry Wells, on South Garden street. Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, October 12th, at Zion Ev. Lutheran church, conducted by the pastor, Rev. H. Wittrock. Appropriate songs were sung by Miss Irma Leimbach, of Chestnut, the organ accompaniments being played by Mrs. Amelia Feuerbacher. The interment was made in Mt. Pulaski cemetery. The pall bearers were Emil Buehler, George Schaffacker and Wm. F. Suedmeier, of Chestnut, George F. Dittus, Fred G. Schaffacker and George Suedmeier, of Mt. Pulaski.

Miss Bonnie Stopher And Roland Halstead Wed

Miss Bonnie Stopher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Stopher, living south of Mt. Pulaski, and Roland Halstead, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Halstead, residing north of the city, were united in marriage at 1:30 p. m., Saturday, October 8th, at the Methodist Episcopal church, the ceremony being performed by the pastor, Rev. Harry M. Blout. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Crane were present to witness the marriage.

The bride is a graduate of Mt. Pulaski Township High School. Both are well known young people of this community. For the present they will reside with the bride's parents.

MT. PULASKI DEFEATED LAKE FORK AGGREGATION

The Mt. Pulaski and Lake Fork baseball teams, each with two games to their credit this season, played their fifth and deciding 1932 game here last Sunday afternoon, Mt. Pulaski winning by a score of 6 to 5.

S. S. Convention Here Sunday

Religious Councils of Chester and Mt. Pulaski to Meet Sunday

The Annual Convention of the Mt. Pulaski and Chester Township District Council of Religious Education will be held Sunday afternoon, October 16, 1932, at St. John's Ev. Lutheran church on West Cooke street, Mt. Pulaski, commencing promptly at 2 o'clock. Ben Potter, District President, will preside.

The Sunday Schools co-operating and Superintendents are as follows: Copeland Christian Church, George Gulse.

Lake Fork Christian Church, Mrs. John Kerschner.
Mt. Pulaski Christian Church, J. Wayne Staley.
Mt. Pulaski Methodist Episcopal Church, Ben Potter.
St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Miss Lola Hahn.
French's Chapel M. E. Church, Edgar E. French.

Program.
Music, Mt. Pulaski Christian Church Orchestra.
Hymn, Congregation.
Scripture Reading, Rev. J. Wayne Staley.

Prayer, Rev. Harry M. Blout.
Hymn, Congregation.
Minutes of Last Meeting, Oscar W. Mayer.

Song, Quartet.
Discussion, Vacation Bible School, Mrs. John T. Hershey.
Discussion, My Experience as Sunday School Teacher, Mrs. Flora Mitchell.

Music, Quartet.
Discussion, How to Build Up a Sunday School, Miss Inez Ashen.
Discussion, Problems of Superintendent, Miss Lola Hahn.
Discussion, Staying for Church, Roy Moore.
Discussion, Graded Work, Mrs. Herbert Shellhammer.

Closing Remarks, Mrs. Maud Woland, County President, and Mrs. N. L. Gordon, County Secretary.
Report of Nominating Committee.
Hymn, Congregation.
Benediction, Rev. J. Wayne Staley.

FRANK GILLESPIE TO SPEAK HERE FRIDAY

A meeting in the interest of the Democratic tickets will be held in the Mt. Pulaski Township High School gymnasium at 7:30 o'clock Friday evening, October 14th.

The principal speaker of the evening will be Frank Gillespie, of Bloomington, candidate for Representative in the 17th District.

Logan county's only candidate for a state office, W. D. Gayle, of Lincoln, will be present, as will the county candidates.

Music will be provided for the entertainment of the audience until the meeting gets under way.

ART LECTURES IN SPRINGFIELD

The Springfield Art Association has announced the following lectures to be given in the near future at Edwards Place, 801 North Fifth Street, Springfield, Illinois. Non-members are privileged to attend with the payment of a small admission fee.

Sculpture, with demonstration of modeling from life, by C. Werner Williams, Thursday, October 13th.
"Gardens," Thursday, October 20th.
"Book Illustrations and Illustrators," by Helen Martin.

"An Afternoon with the Master Etchers," by Harriet Montgomery, Thursday, November 10th.
"Character Unfoldment and the Fine Arts," by Esther Requarth, Thursday, December 13th.

An informal gallery tour is arranged for each Sunday afternoon, which the public is cordially invited to attend free of charge.

The special exhibitions for each month are as follows:

October—Collection from the Phillips Memorial Gallery.

November—Etchings.

December—Miniature Paintings by Paul Schumann.

January—Water Colors, and Table Decorations.

February—Interior Decoration.

March—Artist Membership Exhibition.

April—Photography.

May—School Work.

Several members of the Art Unit of the Mt. Pulaski Woman's Club are making trips to Springfield to take advantage of this splendid opportunity.

ANNUAL FISH FRY AT LAKE FORK, THURSDAY, OCT. 20TH

The annual Fish Fry will be held at the Christian church in Lake Fork on the evening of Thursday, October 20th, the serving to commence at 5 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended everybody to attend.

Robert E. Buckles has been sick for several days at his home on North Vine street, suffering from asthma.

—Mrs. Lorah Z. Lipp.