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REFLECTIONS

By The Editor

Are you still wondering what you will give for Christmas?

Well, so are we.

That makes us even again.

Although after Christmas if we get some of the things we would like to get, we won't be even.

Folks should appreciate now more than ever just what a difficult job it is to try and balance a budget.

Especially, if it is the national budget.

Most of us can't budget our own little income and outgo.

But we expect the President and Congress to balance ours and some 120,000 others.

One wish we may have granted us is a White Christmas.

That would be something.

We could at least have the setting for Christmas even though we did not have the necessary "eggs" in our basket to bring forth a nice brood of presents for pa, ma and the kids.

The Community Christmas tree on Christmas eve is a worthy effort and should be attended by every one who can possibly be there.

If you can't sing, perhaps they will let you yodel.

Yodeling sounds fine on a cold winter night if you are far enough away from the yodeler.

But regardless of this or that—

Put all the Christmas spirit you have into Christmas this year.

And if you can possibly buy gifts, for the sake of helping to build a new spirit for the coming year—BUY.

If you can't buy—do something for some one and keep that priceless gift, the spirit of Christmas alive in your breast.

For some day you will be able to buy, but if you have lost the spirit of giving, you will be poorer than you are now.

Orphan Home Is Deserving of Support

The Christian Home Orphanage at Council Bluffs, Iowa, nationally known home for destitute children, was founded in 1882. It is now closing its first fifty years of work for humanity.

The Home is national in its scope and cares for more than five hundred children annually, who are received from every state in the Union. The Home conducts its own school, hospital, and a department for dependent, aged women, in addition to its children's home. It has no means of support except the voluntary gifts of good people everywhere.

The closing of these first fifty years of service, finds this great and worthy work making a long and strenuous struggle of its long life for existence, due to the heavy load the long-continued depression has laid upon it, and unless friends of humanity come speedily to its rescue, it will be forced to curtail its valuable services to mankind.

The Home is making a strong appeal for contributions for Christmas, to help it through this truly serious condition, a condition that threatens its life. We do not believe good people will let the little ones sheltered in this Home, or the hundreds who will apply for help during the winter months, suffer for the actual necessities of life.

Please send whatever you are able to send to the Christian Home Orphanage, Council Bluffs, Iowa, and the same will be duly acknowledged and credited in the official publication of the Institution, a copy of which will be sent to you.

Horse Parasite Control Meeting Wed., Dec. 21

Doctor Frank Thorp will be at the Farm Bureau office next Wednesday afternoon December 21st at 1:30 o'clock to conduct another Horse Parasite Control Meeting. The object of such meetings is to demonstrate the value of systematic annual treatment of horses and mules on Illinois farms during the months of December and January for the removal of bots from the stomach and intestines, and to appraise the effect of same on general health and maintenance of the treated animals combined with sanitary measures in the suppression, control and elimination of the botfly pest (principally throat fly) during the summer months.

All interested farmers and also all county veterinarians are earnestly requested to be present at this meeting next Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Paul E. Beidler visited in Springfield Wednesday and Thursday with her daughter, Mrs. W. E. Fry. Mr. and Mrs. Woodson Simpson, of Peoria, visited south of the city from Saturday to Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Birks. They are now guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hahn and son Jerry. Mrs. Simpson was formerly Miss Vivian Cox of Mt. Pulaski.

H. D. Ryman Doing Scenes In Hollywood

Former Local Man Is Making Name For Himself In Hollywood

Herbert D. Ryman, a former Mt. Pulaski Township High School student, a son of Mrs. Cora B. Ryman, who moved from Mt. Pulaski to Decatur a few years ago, has been appointed scenic designer for a motion picture company in Hollywood. The young man is well known to Mt. Pulaski people, who will read with much interest about the progress he is making. The Decatur Sunday Herald and Review had the following to say about him last Sunday:

Hollywood, world movie capital, has laid claim to the talents of another Decatur individual. Herbert D. Ryman, son of Mrs. Cora B. Ryman, who last June was graduated by the Chicago Art Institute, has been appointed scenic designer for Metro.

Works produced by the young artist will be seen in Decatur movie houses in forthcoming productions. Settings of his design will be seen in "The White Sister," starring Helen Hayes, and "Turn About," in which Joan Crawford has the leading role.

Following his graduation from the Chicago Art Institute last June, Mr. Ryman joined his sister, Miss Lucille Ryman, who had been studying drama in the Pasadena Community Playhouse. Taking a six weeks' course at the Playhouse, he designed scenery for a number of its productions. There he met Cedric Gibbons, art director for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, and husband of Dolores del Rio.

Mr. Gibbons professed interest in Mr. Ryman's work while he was yet occupied with his work in the Playhouse.

Later in the summer Mr. Ryman opened his own studio in the "Little Mexico" section of Los Angeles, where he has continued his study of aesthetic painting and has practiced commercial art. He produced further scenery for the Pasadena theater, designed groups of puppets for Los Angeles productions, and has produced some advertising designs. Designs which he did recently for Pasadena airport again brought his talent to the attention of Mr. Gibbons, with the result that he was offered an executive position in the Metro art department.

In his new work Mr. Ryman is given responsibility for designing settings for productions. Producers' ideas come to him in the form of blueprints, indicating general locations of scenic pieces desired. From these Mr. Ryman sketches each scene as it is to appear in the production, and from his sketches company architects construct the scenery.

Recent letters to his mother, and sister, Mrs. Bruce Pensinger, describe his work and surroundings with enthusiasm. One of his most recent enterprises has been designing scenes for a new "Tarzan" picture.

Alvey Drug Store Robbed Saturday Night

The Alvey Drug store, corner of Broadway and Chicago streets, in Lincoln, was held up by two armed bandits at 11:05 o'clock Saturday night as Roy Wilson and Armin Meyer, clerks, were closing for the night. The bandits escaped with cash and checks amounting to about one hundred dollars. The clerks were at the front door ready to lock up when two young men came up behind them, and with pistols forced them to the rear of the store. One guarded Meyer while the other forced Wilson to open the safe. The bandits made a clean getaway in an automobile. Sheriff Wm. A. Moore and Night Police Pete Moos were notified of the robbery.

Homecoming Plans Progressing Nicely

Homecoming committees for the first event of this nature to be staged by the local Township High School enthusiasts are busy making preparations for this gala event on Friday, December 30th. Peoria Manual will furnish the opposition for the local cagers. This part of the program will be followed by one of a social nature. It's to be a big night. Get ready for it.

University High Cagers Here Next Tuesday

University High of Bloomington comes here next Tuesday night to combat the Mt. Pulaski High School basketball team. It will be an opportunity to get a comparison on how the locals rate with Lincoln. Lincoln doubled the score on Trinity High and University did the same. That should make them evenly matched.

NOTICE TO KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

Mt. Pulaski Commandery No. 39, Knights Templar, will attend Christmas Services at the Mt. Pulaski Christian church on Sunday, December 25th, at 10:30 a. m. All Knights Templar meet at Masonic Hall at 10 a. m. in full Templar uniform. W. L. Harper, Commander.

Now "Phantom" Cop



Mike Gibbons, St. Paul, former great middleweight known as the "Phantom of the Ring," is now trying to interpret his elusive cleverness to St. Paul policemen, as physical director of the department.

Community Tree Christmas Eve

The pre-holiday season will be closed Saturday evening, December 24th, when the residents of Mt. Pulaski and vicinity gather around the Community Christmas Tree on the public square.

Christmas carols will be sung, and Santa Claus himself will be present, and he has told the Times-News to tell all the kiddies to be present for he has a nice big sack of candy for each one of them.

The party starts at 7 o'clock, and everyone is invited and urged to be present. All singers are especially urged to join in the singing of the carols.

The Community Christmas Tree party this year is being sponsored by the Mt. Pulaski Woman's Club. For many years the Library Club has been the sponsor, but this year the Woman's Club organization, with Mrs. W. G. Kautz as president, agreed to sponsor it.

EUGENE CLARENCE PFEIFER DIED IN HOSPITAL DEC. 10TH

Eugene Clarence Pfeifer, Jr., the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene C. Pfeifer, Sr., residing on the Lang Sisters farm about nine miles southwest of Mt. Pulaski, Illinois, passed away at 8:25 o'clock Saturday morning, December 10, 1932, aged 6 years. The little boy was taken sick with pneumonia and was rushed to the hospital in the hopes that his life could be saved.

He is survived by his parents, and two sisters, Elizabeth Irene, 4, and Mary Louise, 3.

Funeral services were held at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic church in Mt. Pulaski at 10 o'clock Monday morning, December 12th, conducted by the pastor, Rev. R. C. Lane, of Elkhart. Interment was made in St. Mary's cemetery near Lincoln. The pall bearers were Irwin Bode, William Schwoerer, Henry Reinhardt and Raymond Schlachter.

FORMER MT. PULASKIAN RUSHES TO FIRE DEPT.

Leonard Werlich, who was born in Mt. Pulaski, and spent his boyhood days in this city, has been a resident of Lincoln for a number of years. One night last week while motoring on Route 4 south of Lawndale, he discovered the rear floor of his car ablaze, and he opened the throttle full force ahead and drove top speed to the Lincoln fire station. The blaze was quickly extinguished. The trouble was caused by a broken muffler.

BELT LINE TO CIRCLE LINCOLN

At Springfield last Saturday, December 10th, the state highway department was authorized by the Illinois Commerce Commission to extend state bond issue Route 4 at grade across the single main track of the Clinton and Havana branch of the Illinois Central railroad at a point in the southeasterly portion of the city of Lincoln, Logan county. The railroad also was directed to install flashlight signals at this crossing for protection.

The state highway department, the commission found, is engaged in locating and constructing Route 4 in the vicinity of Lincoln. The commission also stated that the highway department "proposes to construct a certain portion of said Route 4 as a belt line around the city of Lincoln in order to expedite the movement of through traffic on said route in that vicinity, and that for such purpose it is necessary that a new crossing be formed and that, due to its small number of trains operating on said branch line, the crossing be made at grade."

Traffic on Route 4 is very heavy, the route directly linking Chicago and St. Louis, via Springfield. Only about four trains per day operate over this branch line.

FIRE IN CONCREY HOME

Kenneth W. Conrey, former coach at the Mt. Pulaski Township High School, but who has been residing in Springfield the past few years, sustained an estimated loss of \$1,000 in a fire Saturday in a duplex apartment at 1123 Walnut street in which Mr. Conrey and family lived. The blaze started in a rubbish box in the basement, and caused a total loss of approximately \$2,500.

Glee Clubs In Christmas Sing

The Boys' and Girls' Glee Clubs of the Mt. Pulaski Township High School will present a Christmas program Wednesday evening, December 21st, in the gymnasium. The members of the Glee Clubs wish to do their share in keeping alive in melody the tradition of Christmas. The purpose of the program is not to present an elaborate or polished performance, but to give a program which is symbolic of the spirit of Christmas. The program is as follows:

Act One.
Processional, "Adeste Fidelis," by Glee Clubs.
Solo, "Nowell," Mixed Quartette.
Solo, "Lost Chord," Hazel Abel.
Reading, "Lost Melody," Hazel Abel.
"Night Bells," Girls' Glee Club.
"Nightfall," Girls' Trio.
Solo, "Star of the Eve," Marie Bertoni.
Reading, "Star of the East," Jack Stahl.
Violin Duet, Lois Kolp and Wilma Vail.

"We Three Kings of the Orient Are," Boys' Trio.
"Oh Little Town of Bethlehem," Glee Clubs.
Reading, Georgiabelle Rothwell.

Act Two.
"Hark the Herald Angels Sing," Girls' Double Quartette.
Reading, Elizabeth Lenhardt.
Reading, Lucy Jane Ellis.
Reading, Florence Van Hook.
"All Through the Night," and "Cradle Song," Girls' Quartette.
Duet, "Cantique de Noel," Katherine Geyer and Marie Bertoni.
Solo, "Birthday of a King," Page Waddell, Jr.

Act Three.
Cornet Solo, Alvin Hahn.
"Come on Midnight Clear," Girls' Sextet.
Solo, "Joy To the World," Noel Suedmeier.

"There's a Song in the Air," Hazel Abel and Katherine Geyer.
Reading, Mary June Barnes.
"Glory To God," Girls' Sextet.
Solo, Byron Blout.
"Oh Night of Glory," Mixed Quartette.

"Silent Night," Glee Clubs.
Recessional, "Oh Come All Ye Faithful."

The members of the Glee Clubs cordially invite the public to attend this program next Wednesday evening, December 21st, at 8 o'clock.

1933 CHEVROLET ON DISPLAY HERE

The salesroom of the Unland Chevrolet agency in Mt. Pulaski will be the center of automobile interest on Saturday, December 17th, according to an announcement that has just been made by Mr. C. W. Unland, Chevrolet dealer. Mr. Unland is more enthusiastic than ever about the splendid line of cars, Chevrolet, the leader of the industry, is introducing for 1933, and feels confident that the public will share this enthusiasm when they have seen this new line.

According to Mr. Unland, the new Chevrolets present a distinctly new body styling which offers new features revolutionary in the low priced field. The cars are larger, with more powerful motors, and represent a substantial step forward in modern automobile safety engineering.

Many of the Chevrolet dealers have already visited the General Motors Proving Ground at Milford, Mich., and have returned elated over the way the new cars perform on every kind of road and under every driving condition.

Mr. Unland further states that the Chevrolet salesroom will present a particularly attractive setting for the new cars and believes that all records for attendance will be broken on announcement day.

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MT. PULASKI YOUNG LADY WILL APPEAR IN PLAY

Decatur, Ill., Dec. 14.—Miss Virginia Clear, a Freshman at the James Millikin University, has been chosen to play the part of "Laura Johns" in the play, "Thursday Evening," by Christopher Morely. The play is a one-act domestic comedy and will be presented sometime after Christmas. It is under student direction. Miss Clear is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene C. Clear, Mt. Pulaski.

EASTERN STAR ELECTED OFFICERS MONDAY NIGHT

Mt. Pulaski chapter of the Order of Eastern Star held their regular meeting Monday night, December 12th, at which time they gave a potluck supper, with members of their families as guests. During the business meeting, the annual election of officers was held, resulting as follows:

Worthy Matron—Mrs. Robert S. Keck.
Worthy Patron—Fred W. Reinders.
Associate Patron—Keith Rothwell.
Associate Matron—Mrs. Forest C. Van Hook.
Secretary—Mrs. Wilford Scroggin.
Treasurer—Mrs. Tom Duff.
Conductress—Mrs. Kenneth Weller.
Associate Conductress—Mrs. Geo. Underhill.

Trustees—George J. Smith, Miss Anna Schafer, Mrs. Ira Veal.

Ladies' Aid of Zion Lutheran church will meet at the home of Mrs. Carl Dittus on Thursday, Dec. 22. Members are urged to come early.

In Speakership Race



Congressman Joseph W. Byrns of Tenn., is a candidate for Speaker of the House when Vice-president-elect Garner steps out on March 4. The contest promises to be between Byrns and Rainey of Ill., both Democratic leaders.

Musical Treat At Club Program

Music lovers were given a treat at the regular monthly meeting of the Mt. Pulaski Woman's Club held in the American Legion rooms Friday afternoon, December 9th, when Miss Grace Grove, assisted by Mr. J. Spencer Green, members of the faculty of Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, gave a most interesting program.

Miss Grove gave a lecture on "The Evolution of the Word in Song," and told that in the beginning man sang his emotions in meaningless syllables before he was able to use words. Out of the choral dancers came the individual singers in folk songs.

Miss Grove told of the origin of Christmas Carols and descriptive ballads. She also gave a clever demonstration of the difference between the wordless song dear to the singer with a love of tone production and the modern poem telling of familiar things.

Mr. Green, a gentleman with a charming personality and a rich baritone voice, sang several songs in illustration of the points brought out in Miss Grove's talk. He also showed excellent training in vocal dictation, of which Miss Grove spoke in the beginning of her lecture.

Mrs. Loran Z. Lipp, of the Department of Music, was responsible for obtaining this very excellent program, which will be well remembered by those fortunate enough to be present.

The January meeting of the Mt. Pulaski Woman's Club will be in charge of Mrs. Paul E. Beidler, chairman of the Department of Literature and Library Extension.

FORMER RESIDENT DIED IN ILLIOPOLIS LAST WEEK

John Ward, a resident of Illiopolis, Illinois, the past 42 years, died at his home in that place at 5:30 p. m., Tuesday, December 6, 1932, aged 71 years. He was born in Ohio, but when very young came with his parents to Mt. Pulaski. When he grew to manhood he located in Illiopolis, and in the year 1882 was united in marriage with Melsie Hignite. His wife passed away in 1923. The decedent is survived by three sons, L. J., Ray and Wilmer Ward, all of Illiopolis, and two daughters, Miss Maggie Ward, at home, and Mrs. Myrtle Perrigo, of Maywood, a Chicago suburb.

Funeral services were held at the Christian church in Illiopolis Thursday afternoon, December 8th, and interment was made in Mt. Auburn cemetery.

CHAS. SCHMITT AGAIN HEADS F. B.

At the organization meeting of the Logan County Farm Bureau held in Lincoln Monday, December 12th, Charles Schmitt of Beason was re-elected president. Other officers re-elected were as follows:

Vice President, T. O. Niewold, of Atlanta.
Secretary, John Crane, Lincoln.
Treasurer, C. S. Oglevee, Lincoln.
The Farm Bureau's constitution was amended at the recent annual meeting to provide for a board of directors of one representative from each of the county's seventeen townships, and the officers to be elected by that group. At Monday's session only one director was absent.

The standing committees were appointed as follows:

Finance—Charles Schmitt, Floyd Wendell, C. S. Oglevee.
Livestock Marketing—Floyd Wendell, Edward W. Renneister, John Heiden, Charles F. Miller.

Tax and Legislation—John G. Oglesby, T. O. Niewold, Floyd Wendell, Wesley Scroggin.
Grain Marketing—Chas. Schmitt, Michael Danaher, O. A. Newby.

Insurance—C. S. Oglevee, Burch Lee, J. B. Houghton and Charles Schmitt.
Produce Marketing—Wm. Krause, John Crane, T. O. Niewold, Thomas Hanahan.

Membership—Michael Danaher, O. Newby, John Crane, John Heiden, Charles F. Miller.

Public Relation—Wm. Krause, John G. Oglesby, Thomas Hanahan.
4-H Club—Burch Lee, Clifford Aughenbaugh, T. O. Niewold and C. S. Oglevee.

Mrs. Ottmar E. Wagner has been sick for several days at her home on Belmont street.

Springfield Is Victim Of Local Cagers

Large Crowd of Loyal Fans Enjoy Locals Victory

"A city set on a hill cannot be hid," is a truth that Mt. Pulaski Township High School cagers forcibly demonstrated in Springfield High last Friday night, December 9th, when they won a 28 to 20 decision at the State Arsenal before a 2,500 crowd of fans.

Playing a steady, consistent brand of basketball that was at no time sensational or "over their heads," the Mt. Pulaski cagers went about their task of avenging their defeat of last year, and in the sectional of the previous year, in a cool manner that left no doubt in the minds of their 500 loyal followers as to the outcome.

The bugaboo of competing against a boasted Peterman team and advance dope that Springfield had 20 men, all of first string calibre, ready for the fray, passed off the local squad like peas rolling off a knife.

Contrary to conflicting reports that Athens was to play the first game, Mt. Pulaski received first call, and furnished the fans the real game of the evening.

Springfield started with its first string squad and kept them practically intact throughout the game, although substitutions were made for brief periods.

Mt. Pulaski led all the way thru, and in only one quarter were they in any danger. Finishing the first half with a 16 to 9 score in their favor, they failed to maintain that wide margin in the third quarter, which ended 19 to 17, their favor.

But the fourth quarter was a different picture entirely. The boys got going again and scored 9 points to their opponents' 3.

Near the close of the fourth period when the locals had a comfortable lead, Coach Dertinger's coached team gave a beautiful exhibition of retaining possession of the ball just within the "penalty line." The way the boys handled the ball and eluded all efforts to get possession of the ball would have done justice to a group of ballet dancers.

Good of Springfield lived up to his name, for he was just as good as his name. Scheffer is a dangerous center, and Martin, though small, is fast and elusive.

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MOUNTJOY CORN SAMPLE RATES HIGH

Oscar Mountjoy, who lives in the vicinity of Atlanta, and is one of Logan county's best known progressive farmers, had a sample of corn which won first in the Region Four Special "A" yellow corn class in the Hay and Grain Show, held in connection with the recent International Live Stock Exposition in Chicago. This corn sample was also named champion of the Special "A" exhibit from all regions.

H. L. Steigelmeyer, of Normal, one of the corn show officials, said regarding Mr. Mountjoy's sample:

"The sample of special 'A' yellow dent corn or utility on which Oscar Mountjoy, of Atlanta, Illinois, won first, in region four, was a beautiful sample of corn and well deserved the championship of the special class. It was given the honor by the judges because of its uniformity, rich luster, plump, bright, clean kernels, and indications of freedom from disease."

"It was the opinion of some of the judges that the Illinois Utility type of corn was getting a little too smooth and had kernels that were too short, and tips of ears that were too pointed. This was especially true with many samples from region three. It was said by the judges that the right type should be ears with a medium dimple indentation, kernel medium deep with plumpness and large germ, ears should be filled as near to the tip as possible with kernels as found on other parts of the ear."

Paul Wessbecher, living five miles east of Mt. Pulaski, was eighth in the yellow or greenish soybean class, and Caroline Mountjoy of Atlanta was seventh in the Junior show.

ODD FELLOWS HELD ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Odd Fellows lodge of Mt. Pulaski held their semi-annual election of officers on Tuesday night, December 8th, the following being elected:

Noble Grand—Arthur Woodrum.
Vice Grand—Elmer Mier.
Financial Secretary—James H. Shrader.
Recording Secretary—Earl Kinert.
Treasurer—M. J. Myers.
Trustees—John Zah, Harvey F. Gordon, Ben Potter, Henry C. Gruber and Oswald Brooker.
Lodge Deputy—Elmer Mier.

The appointive officers will be announced on the night of installation in January.

Mrs. Forest C. Van Hook, daughters Florence, Betty and Mildred, and son Harry, and Mrs. William F. Binder motored to Decatur Saturday afternoon.