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REFLECTIONS

(By the Editor)

The following editorial in the Williamsville Sun is very timely and should give this community a comfortable feeling.

To know that it will have a playground program this summer.

The editorial follows:-

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An incident that happened in the village last week, opened an old wound; Children of all sizes and ages were playing ball on one of the streets in the village, and as the story goes, and as history repeats itself time and time again, the ball went astray, and human nature came in to rear its ugly head—words were passed back and forth. The little drama came to an end as the town marshal, upon complaint of one of the parties involved, came on the scene and scattered the members of the ball team, (it is against the law, according to the village ordinance, for children to play in the street).

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This incident is used to point out the lack of facilities in our village, for a playground for the children.

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The Town Board realized that children were playing in the streets at the time the village ordinance was passed prohibiting playing in the streets. If this was not true, there would never have been such an ordinance. The people must have realized it too—but nothing was done about it.

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There is more to this subject than appears on the surface, our children are playing in the streets, and when the ball goes astray, they are trespassing on other peoples property—but more than that, THEY ARE PLAYING IN THE STREETS AND EVERY MOMENT THEY SPEND IN THE STREETS THEIR LIVES ARE IN DANGER. Many times all of us have seen automobiles come to a full stop, in our village, in order to keep from running down a child.

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Are the children at fault? They have no other place to play, except the two school yards, and there is no supervision there.

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The situation is the same with young men and women of high school age, there are no facilities for wholesome recreation, for them, in our village. All they can do is "hang around" the restaurants, or seek recreation at the high school, and when that is not possible, go to another community or city.

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Other towns have recreation centers, with sports facilities, and a program of wholesome activities, to give the children and young people something to do in their spare time. With proper supervision throughout.

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This village can have it, too!

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The local veteran's organization has started the ball rolling. They have been to see the Town Board and they have presented the idea to the Men's Club. This plan is still in its infancy. Committees from all of the leading Civic organizations will be asked to participate, and with public approval, a recreation center or park dedicated primarily to the children and young folks, can become a reality.

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Think it over, talk it over, and express your opinion to others, especially to the heads of the various clubs and organizations.

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As one fellow aptly put it, during the Men's Club meeting the other night, "This is a town of old men." But, did you stop to think—they had to be children and young people once, then selves?

Grade Graduation Exercises Wednesday At High School Gym

The annual Commencement exercises of the Mount Pulaski Community Consolidated Grade school will be held at 8 p. m. on Wednesday, May 28, in the Township High school gym. The program follows:

Invocation, Rev. F. E. Neumeyer.

Songs, "I Love a Little Cottage" (Stott-O'Hara), and "Awake 'Tis Spring" (Elliott), by Grade chorus.

Address, Rev. Ray O. Zumstein. Cornet solo, "The Little Colonel" (Brockman), James Brown.

Presentation of Eighth grade graduates, Paul J. Huston, principal.

Presentation of Diplomas, Kelsey M. Anderson, president of board of education.

Benediction, Rev. Neumeyer.

The class roll includes Charles Aylesworth, Helen Louise Bates, Donna Marie Beidler, Wendell C. Brown, Bob Camden, John A. Christensen, Doris Evelyn Damarin, Mariann Lee Dana, William Dittus, Richard C. Ey, Edward L. Froschauer, Leota Louise Hahn, Robert Lee Holmes, Charles M. Jackson, Audrey Elaine Kusterer, Joe Lucas, Shirley Kay Marshall, Robert Loren Mayer, Billy O'Brien, Mary Rose Payne, Vivian Colleen Rentmeister, William A. Rentmeister, Shirley M. Rogers, Clara Lucille Ryan, Sarah Lou Stratton, Betty Ann Waddell, Raymond L. V. Wines.

High School 9 In Championship Game

The district high school tournament got under way here Tuesday despite the fact that Niantic and Warensburg had to play their game with waterwings and umbrellas. Niantic won 9 to 6.

Yesterday, Pulaski won from St. Teresa in a hard fought game 1 to 0, giving them the right to meet Niantic this afternoon for the championship. The winner will play the winner of the Cerro Cordo sub-district, which will probably be the Decatur Reds. This game will be played here on Friday afternoon.

Manes was on the mound for Pulaski and was in very little serious trouble. A sensational one-handed running catch by Lowell Bohn in right field with his peg to first doubling a runner, was perhaps the highlight of the game and could have been the ball game.

Litterly played the hero role when he singled home the winning run with two out in the last of the seventh.

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60th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED SUNDAY

On Sunday, May 18, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Huffman of Midland City celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Harry Mason, east of Cornland. At noon a potluck dinner was given for the close relatives. During the afternoon a number of old friends and former neighbors called to visit and extend congratulations. Others unable to be present sent cards and letters. They received many beautiful gifts.

Before moving to Midland City 11 years ago Mr. and Mrs. Huffman had always lived in Lake Fork and Mount Pulaski vicinities. Those present at the dinner and callers, were:

Williamsville—Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Leathers and children, Dan and Dave, Wanda and Dona, and Marjorie Tate.

Broadwell—Roy Leathers. Buffalo Hart—Mrs. Richard Carter.

Beason—Mr. and Mrs. Earl Holmes, Mrs. Roy Clements and children, Larry Lee, Carol and Glenda.

Springfield—Mr. and Mrs. Har-

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Commencement Activities In Full Sway Starting Sunday Evening

Baccalaureate Service Sunday Night At High School Gym

The thirty-fourth annual Commencement activities for 1947, at Mount Pulaski Township High school, began Friday evening, May 16, in the school gym when the Class Night program was presented. The usual large audience of interested relatives and friends was present to enjoy the event.

Baccalaureate

The Baccalaureate service will be held in the school gym at 8 p. m. Sunday, May 25. The program will be:

Processional, Carla Christensen. Invocation, Rev. Ray O. Zumstein.

Clarinet solo, "Adagio Cantabile" (Beethoven), Marcia Moore. Scripture reading, Rev. Carroll S. Langston.

Piano solo, "Concert-Etude" (MacDonald), Shirley Hildreth. Address, Rev. Langston.

French horn solo, "Romanza and Allegro" (Scarmolin), Carla Christensen; Dorcas Buehler accompanist.

Benediction, Rev. F. E. Neumeyer.

Open House

The ever-popular and interesting Open House program will be held in the gym from 7 to 10 p. m. Thursday, May 29, as follows:

Crowning of the Queen of May May Queen, Carol Goodpaster, Attendant, Marilyn Williams, 1946 Queen, Erma Jean Baker, Processional.

Violin solo, Miss Beth Wharrie. Director, Miss Loretta Van Curen.

Dance, Berna Dean Lane, Paul Matthews.

Band concert, Mount Pulaski Public School band.

Classroom, laboratory and shop projects will be shown this year as in former years.

The boys physical education number will be omitted.

Commencement

The Commencement exercises will be held in the gym at 8:15 p. m. Friday, May 30. The program:

Piano solo, "Reflections In the Water" (Debussy), Mrs. Clonda Bohn Ellis.

Invocation, Rev. Carroll S. Langston.

Vocal solo, "Hymn of the Sun," (Georges), Marilyn Vose.

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POPPY SALE DATE IS NEXT SATURDAY

On the streets of Mount Pulaski, as well as thruout the United States, the little red Memorial Poppies will be sold Saturday, May 24th, by the American Legion Auxiliary, according to Mrs. Ruth Bender, local Auxiliary president.

Help and hope are being brought to thousands of Illinois disabled war veterans of both wars by the Auxiliary's program and thousands of disabled veterans are being given employment in the work. Poppies are being made for the Auxiliary by veterans in hospitals in every part of the county, including hospitals at Dwight and Danville, in Illinois. More than 25 million of these remembrance flowers, including 3 million in Illinois, have been made during the winter and spring months for this annual sale.

Veterans are paid by the Auxiliary for their work as fast as the cut-out poppies are assembled. This money not only enables the disabled men to contribute to the support of their families, but also gives them the encouraging experience of being able to do productive work again. The work itself is valuable to them as occupational therapy.

The disabled vets are the only paid workers in the Auxiliary's poppy program, said Mrs. Bender. The women who distribute the flowers on Poppy Day for whatever price the purchaser wishes to contribute—and more workers can be used—serve as unpaid volunteers. All of the funds contributed go to the American Legion and Auxiliary rehabilitation and child welfare work.

BEASON GRADE SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT MAY 23

Commencement exercises of the Beason Consolidated Grade school will be held at 8 p. m. on Friday, May 23, in the Beason Community High school. Miss Zenobia Zimmermann is principal of the Beason grades.

The Lanphier High school girls' chorus will furnish part of the program. Rev. Lloyd Barnard will give the address.

Miss Clonda Bohn Married Friday At Cornland Church

A candlelight ceremony at 7:30 p. m. Friday, May 16, 1947, in the Christian church, Cornland, united in marriage Miss Clonda Bohn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bohn, Cornland, and Frank Ellis, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ellis, Sr., of Webster Grove, Mo. The single ring ceremony was performed by the pastor, Rev. Luther E. Perrine before an altar of palms, gladioli and white lillies.

Preceding the ceremony Miss Elmira Koehler, organist, played "I Love Thee," and "Always." The bridal song from Lohengrin was used as the processional, and Mendelssohn's march as the recessional. Miss Maxine Lebkuecker sang "Because" and "Now Do I Love Thee."

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of white brocade satin, princess style, with sweetheart neckline, a fingertip veil of silk illusion with a tiara of seed pearls, and a long detachable train. She carried a cascade of white roses, and her only jewelry was a strand of pearls, a gift of the bridegroom.

Miss Faye Guenther, the bride's sorority daughter, as maid of honor, wore a gown of lilac marquisette, and carried a colonial bouquet of California orchids and daisies. Miss Jane Ellis, sister of the bridegroom, was attired in a gown of aqua Jersey, fashioned with a hoop skirt and carried a heart shape bouquet of California orchids and snapdragons.

Frank Ellis, Sr., father of the bridegroom, acted as best man, and ushers were Lowell Bohn, brother of the bride, and Willis Ellis, brother of the bridegroom. The bride's mother wore an orchid chiffon lace dress and had a corsage of gardenias. The bridegroom's mother wore a light blue crepe gown, and a corsage of gardenias.

The bride, a graduate of the

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Mount Pulaski Fans Blank Mason City

Athens Here Sunday—2:00

Mount Pulaski Fans ball team won their third straight game in the C.I.A. League, at Dittus Field Sunday afternoon, when they defeated a strong Mason City nine, 6 to 0.

Smokey Ingram delivered some nice pitching with a five-hitter to his credit and he was backed up by some sparkling fielding gems that helped make the game a shutout. Kinert, shortstop, with two men on and a batting rally on the way, raced into deep left field to snag a "sure" hit and whipped the ball to second in time to complete a double play and end the inning. Buster Shanle went over to the sideline fence and reached over as far as he could into the bleachers to get a foul. Manes at at second, stabbed a line drive that was labeled for hit as he raced toward second to make the catch.

Mason City has a nice fielding team and errors on both teams were limited. A good crowd was again present and enjoyed a swell game of ball.

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Waste Paper Drive Saturday, June 7th

Troop No. 122, Mount Pulaski Boy Scouts, will hold its last Waste Paper drive of the season on Saturday, June 7. The pick-up will start at 12:30 and will be completed by 3 p. m. Have your bundles securely tied and placed on front porches. All people living in the country can leave their bundles at southwest corner of square prior to 2:30 p. m. Money derived from the drive will send the boys to summer camp at Camp Hefferman on Lake Bloomington.

Memorial Day Program

MOUNT PULASKI

Friday, May 30th, 1947

2:00 P. M.

Memorial Day Services will be held under Auspices of the Following Organizations:

Ryman-Fuiten Post No. 447 American Legion
Ladies' Auxiliary Ryman-Fuiten Post No. 447

Sons of Veterans

War Mothers of all Wars

Phoenix Fire Department

I.O.O.F. Lodge and Auxiliary Units

Boy Scouts

Girl Scouts

All organizations will assemble on the East Side of the Public Square at 1:45 P.M. and march directly to the Cemetery Hill, where services will be held. In the event of rain, the major portion of the services will be held in the High School Gym at 2 P.M. Music to be furnished by the Logan County Legion and Mount Pulaski School Bands.

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Invocation Rev. Ray O. Zumstein
Address Rev. Carroll S. Langston
Salute to The Dead.
Taps.
"Star Spangled Banner" Legion and School Bands
Benediction Rev. F. E. Neumeyer

We invite all children to bring flowers and be in the line of march.