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## REFLECTIONS

(By the Editor)

The greatest business on earth and the most expensive—Is Marriage!

Giving advice along this line is the easier to give before the event than it is on how to live happily, though married.

Sometimes the job of marriage is simple, and sometimes it is a real test of how much they love each other.

Of course, the first thing one has to do is to get the consent of the "sweet young thing."

Then, of course, papa and mama should at least be told the wedding date.

Those hurdles jumped you hie yourself to the county clerk and plunk down a dollar (which makes the bargain you are getting look mighty inexpensive—but wait, brother!).

In fact, you have to have a license now for almost everything you do.

Wouldn't surprise us that you would have to get a permit to raise a family before long.

At that, it wouldn't be a bad idea.

The plan might be worked so that the more money you have, the larger your 'family permit.'

The smaller the income, the fewer the offsprings.

But statistics ruin that scheme—for it's the small income families that do most of the raisin'.

It wouldn't be many generations until they would have to begin shipping in new inhabitants if it were left up to the rich.

The best advice we can give unmarried folks is—

Find the right girl—not too pretty, not too homely.

If she is too good-looking she will spend too much time staying that way.

If she is too homely—she'll have to spend all her time fixin' up so her husband won't "jump the fence."

Which reminds us of the fellow who hired a girl to work for him because she was homely.

He thought that no one would want to marry her on that account, and no one would want her.

But some fellow came along and married her for the same reason.

Our advice to the girls is: Don't take a man too seriously—you are apt to give him an overrated appreciation of himself.

Make him eat "turkey" for a while, then you can talk "turkey" to him.

Don't be too good to him but watch him when he is uncommonly good to you.

But above everything, don't forget that the county clerk's office closes on Saturday afternoons. It would be a long wait until Monday morning, wouldn't it?

## Four-Way Crash Sunday On Route 121 Near Lincoln

### Coach Carroll Wood Gave First Aid To Injured Motorist.

A truck and three cars were involved in an accident Saturday night on the curve at the east end of Broadway in Lincoln. De Witt Fletcher, 31, and his mother, Mrs. Martha Fletcher, 70 of Peoria, were injured and taken to the Deaconess hospital. Fletcher sustained a badly mangled arm, and his mother suffered from bruises and shock.

The Fletcher's were riding in the truck of Willard Connelly of Peoria, enroute from Southern Illinois with household furniture owned by the Fletcher's. The car driven by Reuben G. Miller, who lives between Mount Pulaski and Lincoln, and the Connelly truck collided. The truck spun around on the pavement and upset, spilling the contents. The auto of C. H. Knap of Niantic, following the Miller car, was struck when the latter rebounded after hitting the truck. The car of Carroll Wood, Mount Pulaski high school coach, driven by Mrs. Wood, was damaged when it became involved in the tangle. Mr. and Mrs. Wood and daughter, Barbara, were not injured.

Mr. Fletcher was removed from the wreckage and Coach Wood applied a tourniquet to stop the flow of blood from his injured arm. The truck driver escaped injury.

Occupants of the Knap car, all of Niantic, were uninjured. They were Mr. and Mrs. Knap, two sons, Ted and Gilbert and Mrs. Knap's 82-year-old mother, Mrs. Minnie Siebert.

### Substitute Clerk-Carrier Examination

A substitute clerk-carrier examination was announced for Mount Pulaski, Ill., post office under announcement No. 7A-214 (1947), which was scheduled to close on September 2, 1947. Due to the insufficient number of applications received to that date to provide for an adequate register, it has been found necessary to extend the time for filing application under this announcement on an open-continuous basis.

The item in last week's Times-News relative to vehicle for post office use was in error, as the above item was the one to be run.

### Logan County Will Have Blood Bank

At a meeting in Lincoln last Thursday night, the Logan County Medical Association, voted to sponsor the establishment of a permanent blood bank in co-operation with the Logan county chapter of the American Red Cross.

Additional plans and details will be discussed soon at a meeting of the board of directors of the Logan county chapter.

### FIRE DESTROYED ELEVATOR AT LAWDALE, SATURDAY

Fire of undetermined origin destroyed a Terminal Grain Co. elevator at Lawndale, Saturday, causing damage estimated at more than \$40,000.

Lost in the fire were 2,100 bushels of corn, 2,000 bushels of oats, 500 bushels of soybeans. The building was valued at \$25,000.

## OLD BUILDING BEING TORN DOWN WAS PULASKI LANDMARK

Out on the slope on North Marion street, about 200 yards south of the cemetery, stood an old landmark, a two-story brick house, known as the old Whitaker place. As far as can be learned this house was built between 90 and 100 years ago, and several generations have occupied it. The property is now owned and occupied by John Kibby, who has built a frame addition, in which the family lives. The old brick building is now being torn down. Harry B. Capps, now 87 years old, says the house was there several years before he was born.

The builder of the old brick of pioneer days was Nathaniel M. Whitaker, who was born Feb. 8, 1808, in Hamilton County, O. He married Matilda Whitaker on October 1, 1829. They located in Jacksonville, Ill., in 1836, he engaging in the tailoring business, and in 1842 moved to the new town of Mount Pulaski, and commenced the practice of law. He was elected justice of the peace and held that office for 16 years, and it was during this time that Mount Pulaski was the county seat of Logan county.

There were seven children in the Whitaker family. Mr. Whitaker was found dead Feb. 11, 1865. He left his widow 29 acres of land located in the city limits, with a fine orchard of 500 trees. The historical information was taken from an old Logan county history, but no mention was made as to the date of the building of the old brick residence.

## MISSION FESTIVAL SUNDAY, SEPT. 28 AT ZION LUTH. CHURCH

Sunday is Mission Festival time in Zion Lutheran church. In the morning service a report will be given by Rev. Geo. Mueller of Decatur, who has been a Missionary to Brazil. Being home on a furlough, he is anxious to inform the church of his work in Brazil, and also plans to exhibit some native articles.

In the afternoon Rev. W. C. Koester, born in New Holland, and pastor of Immanuel Lutheran church in Palestine, Ill., will emphasize the Christian Home as a mission agency.

It is the purpose of this festival to encourage members of the church to continue and advance the cause of Gospel preaching throughout the world. At present the Mission Synod, with which the local church is affiliated, conducts missions in China, India, Brazil, Argentina, Nigeria, Philippine Islands and Mexico. It maintains the largest purely theological seminary in the world located in St. Louis, Mo., and a practical seminary in Springfield Ill. In addition there are two Normal Colleges for teachers, and ten pre-theological schools. Our members also support a Lutheran University in Valparaiso, Ind., and the Lutheran Hour, with Dr. W. A. Maier as speaker, which is the largest radio broadcast of any kind, having outlets over 1,000 stations at home and abroad.

All are cordially invited to these special services. A noon meal will be served to all who attend.

Sunday School teachers meet Tuesday, September 30th.

The Sewing Circle will meet at the church at 2 p.m. Thursday, October 2.

The Junior Walther League will meet at 8 p.m. Thursday, October 2.

Holy Communion will be celebrated Sunday, Oct. 5.

In will also be Rally Day and Promotion Day for the Sunday school pupils in the service, Sunday, October 5.

## CRUSADE FOR CHRIST CAMPAIGN PLANNED BY METHODISTS

The "Crusade for Christ," sub-district rally, representing the Mount Pulaski and Illiopolis groups, was held in the Mount Pulaski Methodist church at 7:30 P. M. Thursday, Sept. 18. The guest speaker was Dr. Roy Featherstone of Springfield, executive secretary of the Association of School Boards of Illinois, who is a lifetime worker with youth.

Dr. H. H. Maddox of Mount Pulaski, was chairman of the meeting as group lay leader. A campaign has been launched in the Springfield district through a service of rallies to build up the enrollment and attendance of the Sunday schools.

The discussion groups were led by Mrs. J. R. Ford, Mrs. John I. Osborn, Springfield; Rev. C. J. Lotz, Illiopolis; Rev. Lloyd Bernard, Beason; and Rev. O. B. Enselman of Lincoln.

At this session plans were perfected for a simultaneous home visitation leading up to World Communion, Sunday, Oct. 3. The present emphasis in the Methodists' "Crusade for Christ" campaign in strengthening the work of the Sunday schools and the establishing or restoring of such schools where they are needed.

This important meeting was attended by a large number of Sunday school teachers and officers of the Springfield district Methodist churches.

## Junior Woman's Club To Stage Style Show

The Mount Pulaski Junior Woman's Club will hold a benefit Style Show and program in the American Legion home at 8 p. m. Thursday, Oct. 2, and the public is invited. Miss Loretta Van Curren is the program chairman.

The Style Show will be presented by Gebhart & Gushard, Decatur.

Members of the club are requested to be present at 7 p.m. for a business meeting.

## SPECIAL TRAIN FROM PEKIN TO ST. LOUIS

A special nine-car passenger train, sponsored by the Pekin Association of Commerce, was run from Pekin to St. Louis, Mo., last Sunday, September 21, for the purpose of fans wishing to attend the Chicago Cubs and St. Louis Cardinals baseball game.

It was a day of rain, and the game had to be called off. The crowd spent the day visiting the large zoo, botanical gardens, and other points of interest.

The train arrived in Mount Pulaski at 8 a.m., and was transferred to the Springfield division for the trip to St. Louis. Several local personages boarded the train from this city.

The engine crew on this special train, Mount Pulaski to St. Louis, consisted of Forrest "Punch" Horn of Clinton, former Mount Pulaskian, and Boyd Hahn, Sr., of this city. Returning, the train arrived here at 8 p.m.

A petit jury panel was drawn at the courthouse in Lincoln on September 17, and members will report at 9 a.m. Monday, Oct. 20, in circuit court to Judge Frank Bevan. Jury trial have been tentatively set for October 20 and 26. The jurors named from Mount Pulaski are Elizabeth Christensen, Floyd Elmer Bobell, Fred C. Horn, Frank D. Passmore, Anna Erlenbush, Elsie Kautz.

## P. B. England, 76, Pioneer Resident, Died Thursday

### Was Born North of Mount Pulaski. Services Sunday.

Pleasant B. England, 76, living at 124 North Sherman street, Lincoln, Ill., ill for several weeks on account of a heart ailment, died at 9:25 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 18, 1947, in St. Clara's hospital in Lincoln.

Mr. England was born Nov. 8, 1870, in Chester township, Logan County, a son of the late Rev. Jesse and Katherine Newman England. Except for a few years spent in Tennessee, Mr. England was a lifelong resident of Logan county. He farmed in the French's Chapel community a number of years, lived in Mount Pulaski at one time, and was employed at the Gullett & Sons greenhouse in Lincoln for several years.

In Lincoln on October 1, 1896, he married Miss Lillie Horney, and they observed their Golden Wedding anniversary last October.

Decedent is survived by his wife; one daughter, Grace, wife of Arthur Woodrum of Pasadena, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. Oscar Rickards, Mount Pulaski, and Mrs. Ora Shepler, Lincoln; also three brothers, John England of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; David England, Rockwell, Ind.; and Jesse England, Fontana, Kansas.

He was a member of the Nazarene church, Lincoln, where the funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. R. Meier. Burial was in the Zion cemetery.

## SUMMER CLOSED WITH HEAVY RAIN

Sunday, Sept. 21, officially marked the close of the summer season, and the day brought with it a heavy rainfall that lasted from 9 a.m. to about 1 p.m. in which time more than 2 inches of water fell. The area was drenched, and brought a temperature drop of more than 20 degrees from Saturday's high of more than 90.

The wind preceding the storm was quite strong, and did considerable damage to corn fields. As the day progressed the temperature gradually dropped, and by 6 a.m. Monday, was down to 46 degrees. Although there was bright sunshine, the day remained chilly.

Tuesday morning found the thermometer reading from 35 to 40 degrees, depending on the individual telling it. There was supposed to be a light frost, but the tomato vines were not damaged.

## FIRST SOYBEANS IN LOGAN COUNTY

The first soybeans for 1947 in Logan county, were harvested on Friday, September 19, on the Edward Wieber farm east of Lincoln. The 20-acre tract produced 20 bushels to the acre, and the beans tested 12 per cent moisture.

## BUYS PROPERTY IN MOUNT PULASKI

Louis F. Sams has sold two acres of ground on East Chestnut street, across the Route 121 pavement, east of the Walter Sullivan gas station, to Clarence R. Clark of Maroa. Mr. Clark proposes to build a structure 50 by 100 feet to be used for sales and a warehouse for farm implements.