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## REFLECTIONS

(By the Editor)

One woman to another!

We know we are treading on dangerous territory but here goes.

The conversation generally gets underway in this innocent manner:

Did you see how Mrs. So and So had her hair fixed at church this morning?

Thus does the diagnosis start and the rapidity with which it gathers momentum.

Would make a colored boy boy passing a cemetery at midnight, green with envy.

The reply to the question generally runs something like this:

I certainly did, and didn't she look funny.

But what took my breath away was that silly looking hat:

Where on earth did she get it; why you'd think she was 21 instead of 51.

No, and I didn't particularly like that new coat she had on. It just isn't her type.

My goodness, the rouge she had on would have covered one side of a good-sized barn.

It's too bad she doesn't have a little more taste.

(We have about all we can stand by this time so we leave.)

Just how many others are dressed and undressed before the session ends we will never know.

One of the mysteries of human nature is how one woman looking at another for one brief instant.

Can describe in the minutest detail every bit of wearing apparel as to style, color and appearance that another woman is toggled out in.

It's uncanny, and if women can read men as readily as they do one another

It's no wonder our ears are constantly burning.

## Eastern Star Will Observe Friends Night

Mount Pulaski Chapter No. 466, Order of Eastern Star, will observe Friends Night on Monday, October 20, at 8 o'clock, in the Masonic hall, with Mrs. Velma Betzer of Argenta as guest of honor. The following officers will serve:

Worthy Matron, Mrs. Mary Bellatti, Illiopolis.

Worthy Patron, Ellis C. Downing, Mount Pulaski

Associate Matron, Mrs. Margaret Rudd, Illiopolis.

Associate Patron, Orville Koehler, Mount Pulaski.

Secretary, Mrs. Safia Peddicord, Cornland.

Treasurer, Mrs. Mae Shellhammer, Illiopolis.

Conductress, Hrs. Helen Rudd, Illiopolis.

Associate Conductress, Mrs. Della Webb, Sullivan.

Chaplain, Mrs. Delores Eshelman, Decatur.

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## Claude Holler, 69, Died Monday At Home Of Sister

Had Been Ill Only Few Days. Services Held Yesterday.

Claude D. Holler, well known resident of Mount Pulaski, died at 10 p. m. Monday, October 13, 1947, at the home of his sister, Mrs. Letitia Wilson, on North Washington street, aged 69 years, 2 months and 8 days. Employed in the Talmage clothing store he was unable to continue his duties last Thursday because of a sudden illness. His condition became serious, and pneumonia was the cause of death.

Mr. Holler was born August 5, 1878, on the place known as the old John Gluck farm, about five miles northwest of Mount Pulaski, a son of Milton and Mary Jane Bowman Holler. As a young boy he attended the French's Chapel school in that community, and after the family moved into Mt. Pulaski he attended the local schools.

After reaching young manhood he learned the tailoring business, working for the late Willis W. Snyder. As the years passed he worked in the old Danner & Downing clothing store, later for Myers Bros., and the past few years was employed by Frank Talmage. He thus spent many useful years in the business circles of Mount Pulaski, and had a large number of good friends. Mr. Holler was never married.

He became a member of the Mount Pulaski fire department in 1900, and for the last 44

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## Blue Mound Home Bureau Visits Here

Sixteen members of the Blue Mound Home Bureau came to Mount Pulaski Tuesday, October 14, as guests of a former member, Mrs. Fred Froehlich. A potluck dinner was served at noon. They came here for the express purpose of visiting the Abraham Lincoln Memorial Shrine in the public square. A group picture was taken on the steps of the old court house building, one of which will be sent to the family in Holland that they have adopted, father, mother and eight children.

## Mary Lou McVey Weds Warrensburg Man

Miss Mary Lou McVey, daughter of Mrs. Benjamin H. Baker, 269 Marietta street, Decatur, and Mr. Edwin D. Lawrence, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Lawrence of Warrensburg, were married on Saturday, September 27, at St. Paul's Lutheran church in Decatur, the double ring ceremony being performed by Rev. A. W. Mueller. The attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Everett Lawrence.

The couple left for California on a wedding trip, and will reside at the home of his parents. The bride was formerly employed at the McDaniel Pharmacy in Decatur, and the bridegroom is engaged in farming with his father.

## WOMAN'S CLUB BEGAN 18TH YEAR

The Mount Pulaski Woman's Club, beginning its 18th year, got off to a fine start with an interesting program at the American Legion home Friday afternoon, October 10.

After a short business meeting, led by the president, Mrs. George S. Connelly, the program chairman, Mrs. Oswald Brooker, introduced the Illinois State Normal University (Normal) women's trio, composed of Ann Naftzger, Normal, first soprano; Eula Mae Bess, Fairbury, second soprano; Norma Hewitt, Chenoa, alto, with Barbara Findley, of Princeton, as piano accompanist. The girls were generous with their music, which was varied enough to suit all tastes.

Mrs. A. L. Stuttle of Williams-ville, brought her extensive collection of buttons and explained their origin and meaning, which proved very interesting and educational. The fine examples of porcelain, enamel, "lacy sandwich," paper weight, bone, pewter, brass and story buttons, were examined by the members.

The hostesses under the chairmanship of Mrs. H. H. Maddox, served light refreshments.

## LILLIE J. BOGGS DIED WEDNESDAY

Mrs. Lillie Jane Boggs, who formerly lived eight miles southwest of Mount Pulaski, died at 9:45 p. m. Wednesday, October 15, 1947, at her home 3 miles east of Pleasant Plains, aged 77 years, 2 months and 5 days. Mrs. Boggs had been seriously ill for a number of days.

Lillie Jane Wilham was born July 20, 1870, near Effingham, Illinois. She married William Milton Boggs, who died October 11, 1937.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Otto Green, Pleasant Plains, and Mrs. Sylvia Norman, Rochester; two brothers, John Wilham, Mount Pulaski, and Edward Wilham, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and a sister, Mrs. Bertha Beck, Rochester.

The body was removed to the Schahl funeral home in Mount Pulaski, and will remain there until the hour of the services.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p. m. Saturday at the Schahl funeral home, the Rev. Frank Hunter of Pleasant Plains officiating. Burial will be in the Steenberger cemetery.

## COUNTY CHRISTMAS SEAL CAMPAIGN

Miss Dorothea Ahrens and Mrs. N. A. Balding, of Lincoln, will head the committee which directs the 1947 Christmas Seal Sale in Logan county to raise funds for the tuberculosis control work of the Logan County Tuberculosis Association, Dr. Donald M. Barringer, President, announced. The county campaign is part of the nation-wide 41st Annual Christmas Seal Sale which will open November 24 and continue until Christmas.

Miss Ahrens will head the County organization, and Mrs. Balding will be in charge of the campaign in the City of Lincoln.

Dr. Barringer in announcing preliminary plans for the campaign said—"A Christmas Seal purchase is an investment in community health from which every citizen benefits."

## FRED HAHN LANDS 34-INCH CATFISH

This is the story of the fish that didn't get away, and concerns Fred Hahn, Mount Pulaski's "famous" fisherman. The date was Sunday, October 12, and one of those marvelous fall days of sunshine with the temperature above 80. The scene was on Salt Creek, three miles north of the city, and the place of excitement was about 300 yards west of the Route 121 bridge. Using a rod and reel, and casting out 50 to 60 feet (tightline) where the water was deep, Fred finally got a strike that meant business. After about 10 minutes of maneuvering, he finally got the fish to the south bank of the creek. There were two hooks on the line, and one was caught in the mouth and the other on the body. It was a big river catfish, and when brought into town and weighed, it tipped the scales at 17 pounds. It was the biggest fish Fred ever caught.

Being an ideal day, there were many fishermen on the creek, among them boys, and most of the kids had rods and reels, and it was a circus to watch them cast after they saw the large catfish. With no school Monday and Tuesday, the boys went back to the creek to try their luck.

For further details, see the picture.

## FINE TRIBUTE PAID MRS. J. VANDEVENTER

In a recent issue of the Illinois State Register, Springfield, V. Y. Dallman, the editor, paid a wonderful tribute to the late Mrs. John Vandeventer of Mount Pulaski, who died Sunday, October 5. Mrs. Vandeventer, a writer of poetry, for a number of years had made many contributions to the Illinois State Register, which appeared in Mr. Dallman's column, "The Lighter Vein." Following is the tribute written by Mr. Dallman:

"The passing of Mrs. Vandeventer will place a heavy sorrow upon many hearts in Springfield and Central Illinois. For many years she has written inspirational poems for my column of smiles. Her poems throbbed with deep understanding of the good and the true and the beautiful. Her life and work were dedicated to moral and spiritual values. Frequently I referred to her in my column as 'the sweet singer of Mount Pulaski.'"

"With the announcement of this lovely person's departure into eternity, a poem of consuming emotion is written into every heart of her countless friends and admirers."

## Meeting At Grade School To Discuss Proposed Building

All residents of Mount Pulaski Consolidated Grade School district are urged to attend a district-wide meeting at the grade school gym Friday, October 17 at 7:30 p. m., for the purpose of discussing plans for a needed addition to the present school building.

With the consolidation of eight rural schools, some of which are still being maintained until the necessary room is provided in the local school, the school problem in this district is of vital interest to all. Residents of the district are asked by the board of education to attend this meeting in order that they may get a better understanding as to just what the district wishes in the way of an enlarged school building.

## School Band Is Highly Praised At School Institute

Concert By Pulaski Band At Lincoln Was Highlight.

"It is one of the finest high school bands I have ever heard," was the highly complimentary remark made by Dr. Carl S. Winters, institute speaker, following a brief but stirring concert by the Mount Pulaski high school band under the direction of Lester L. Wernitz, played as a special feature of the Logan County Teachers Institute at Lincoln Monday afternoon.

While the statement of the speaker was rather a broad one, folks who heard the concert were very much inclined to believe his very flattering comment. Dr. Winters has spoken all over the United States and his wide range of travel should make him somewhat of an authority for his statement.

The band featured besides pulse-stirring marches, special numbers by the brass sextet which won first in the state contest, playing a medley of Stephan Foster's songs. The sextet is composed of Joan Wood, Tommy Romer, John Merholz, Weldon Brown, Bill Myrick and Shelton Copeland.

Featured also in the novelty program was a snare drum solo and rudiment exhibition by Loren Meister. Solo parts featuring cornet and trombone also came in for considerable praise.

Mount Pulaskians who have enjoyed the sterling performances of the school band for several years are looking forward to finer and better concerts this school year. The local school has enjoyed the services and ability of several fine directors the past few years and the band has never yet let the public down in the quality of their concerts.

## Leaf-Burning Warning

Ever since the concrete pavements were constructed in Mount Pulaski, some citizens have made a practice, for convenience sake, of burning leaves on the pavement. The members of the city council want it known that this practice will eventually damage pavements and kindly ask that the leaves be burned elsewhere. State highway officials warn against so doing, and in some cities arrests are made. Leaves are falling fast now and will for a couple of weeks. Do your part in saving the pavements.

## Wyoming Governor To Visit Atlanta

Governor Lester C. Hunt of Wyoming, one of Atlanta's most illustrious sons, has accepted an invitation to be present and speak at the dedication exercises of the new Memorial Community House on Saturday, November 1.

Governor Hunt came to Atlanta when a young boy with his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. William Hunt, from Lovington. He attended the Atlanta grade school and graduated from the high school in the class of 1912. He has made frequent but short visits to his old home town.