

# MAROA SENTINEL

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## Lone Ace, Great Pacer, Bred Here

### Dick Pinney Sells Horse When Colt

Did you know that one of the country's greatest pacers of the last season and a world's record holder was bred and raised by a Maroa man? The horse is a chestnut gelding, Lone Ace, and its former owner is Richard Pinney.

Lone Ace was foaled in 1932 by Red Ace from Ernestine Wilson. Mr. Pinney sold Lone Ace and a half brother, Case Ace, to Roy Spaulding for \$75. Mr. Spaulding is the driver of a Decatur bread truck through Maroa. Lone Ace had a great season with Spaulding as he won every race he was entered in that year, including a race at the Illinois state fair. Spaulding sold Lone Ace to the Baker stables at St. Charles, Ill., for \$3,500.

Lone Ace had another good season with Baker but developed a little sickness so Baker sold him at an auction in Indianapolis to Thomas Thomas, a well known Cleveland horseman for \$3,025. Lone Ace had his greatest season with Thomas last year, and Thomas considers him very valuable as he has refused large amounts for him.

The Christmas issue of The Horseman and Fair World magazine has a sketch which we quote:

"One of the most consistent of the new two-minute performers of the season was the chestnut gelding Lone Ace 1:59 1/4, owned by the well-known harness horse devotee Thomas Thomas, of Cleveland, and raced by the Ohio reinsman, Jay Douglass, who has driven a quartet of pacers to records inside the two minute circle. The Illinois bred gelding not only was a winner or runner-up in practically every race in which he started but he also established a new world's record for a two-heat race by a gelding in the race in which he obtained his record contested over the Illinois state fair track at Springfield in the aged pacing feature of the grand circuit meet held there. In winning this race Lone Ace finished in front of two others which had records of 2:00.

In the race in which he took his record, Lone Ace paced the first mile in 2:00, the last half in 59 seconds. In the second mile he was at the half in 1:01 and the mile in 1:59 1/4, the last half in 58 1/2 seconds with Frisco Dale and Orpha, both of which had taken 2:00 records during the season, finishing behind him along with such other fast performers as Pronto Hall, Tryax, Stoneridge Direct and Miss Hoff. This race also established a new world's record for two heats by a gelding, replacing the 1:59 1/4 and 2:01 made in California by Buddy Maxey in 1937. It has just proved once again what all grand circuit followers had known for some time, that the son of Red Ace was a really great racing pacer.

"Lone Ace was acquired at the fall sale in Indianapolis, the gelding just having closed a successful grand circuit campaign during which he won many races and a record of 2:09 1/4."

Other meets where he finished in a good position were: second in the 2:10 pace at Toledo, first on the Goshen half mile track in the Peninsular stake for 2:12 pacers, first in the state for 2:01 pacers in the grand circuit meeting at Old Orchard, second in the \$1,200 2:12 pace at Agawam, second in the free-for-all pace at the Agawam meet (ahead of Billy Direct, the champion light harness horse of the world) first in the free-for-all pace at the half mile track meeting at Greenville, Ohio, second to Billy Direct in the free-for-all pace in the state fair meet at Indianapolis, and second in the Reynolds 2:12 pace at Lexington in which Nate Hanover set a

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## Big Snowstorm Hits Here Monday, Transportation Halts

A drizzling rain that turned into a raging snow storm swept down on Maroa and northern Illinois Sunday night and Monday morning. Maroa residents awoke Monday morning to find that the 50 mile per hour wind had brought from the northeast one of the heaviest snowfalls in recent years, estimated to be from 8 to 12 inches.

Maroa was not as seriously hampered as some of the other nearby localities, but the storm was one of the worst in this section in the last decade. A number of towns reported trouble with power lines and blocked roads. Not since the winter of '35 and '36 has there been such an unusual winter.

Drifts were piled up four feet high in the streets in some spots and the city's motorized street grader was brought out Monday and Tuesday to help clear the streets. Some people shoveled the snow off the walks and driveways but others had some of it hauled away, an almost unheard of occurrence in Maroa.

The hard road was cleared off early by the state highway department's snow plows between Clinton and Decatur, but some of the different routes out of those cities were not cleared until Tuesday and even then the light snow plows had to be discarded for the heavier ones. Many of the country roads were drifted full in spots and some of the country people were virtually isolated. It was impossible for the rural mail carriers to get through on Monday morning but an attempt was made to deliver the routes Tuesday morning and afternoon. Wray Cramer drove about twice as far as usual and missed about a dozen stops on his route Tuesday but no attempt was made to deliver the other route. Some of the farmers shoveled their way out and came to town for their mail and some of their neighbors.

Many cars became stalled in the streets around town and had to be pushed or pulled out. Towing services were doing a rushing business but some people left their cars where they became stalled until the weather moderated. The Illinois Terminal System resumed its normal schedule Tuesday but Monday all of the cars were late and one of them was derailed near Bloomington.

No attempt was made to hold school until Tuesday at either the local grade and high schools and even when the schedule was resumed Tuesday the attendance was poor. Many of the country schools also dismissed until roads were cleared enough to permit a good attendance.

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## Mrs. L. Braden's Father Dies In Clinton Hospital Sunday

Howard Leo Pearl, 41, Clinton, father of Mrs. Leonard Braden, died Sunday in John Warner hospital, after a week's illness of intestinal obstruction.

Mr. Pearl was buried in Woodlawn cemetery, Clinton, following services Wednesday in St. James Catholic church with the Rev. Fr. A. F. Timmins officiating.

He was born April 7, 1897, at Weldon, and married Miss Nancy Murphy February 13, 1915, at St. Louis.

Besides Mrs. Braden, he leaves his wife and another daughter, Mrs. Alta M. Hartsock, Buffalo, N. Y. Also surviving is his father, four sisters, and two brothers.

Mr. Pearl was a member of St. John's Catholic church, Clinton.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

I wish to announce I am a candidate for nomination for the office for road commissioner, subject to the Republican caucus February 28.

Qualification: 14 years auto and tractor mechanic in local garage; 4 years under present commissioner.

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HOMER CLOUGH.

## Money, Sport Found In Wolf Hunting

Sportsmen who find things dull during this time of the year need worry no longer, according to the story out of Heyworth.

Several Heyworth Sportsmen find that there is both sport and money in the hunting of wolf and fox around their community. Like the Maroa sector, Heyworth's countryside is over run with the pesky wolf and fox.

One hunting these animals must be willing to start at daylight and tramp the prairie and woods all day to go back home with no catch or more than one can carry. The hunter must know his animals too, because quite often they are taken for dogs.

The Heyworth hunters leave town early in the mornings in a car and go to the place where they have either seen the wolf or know by his tracks that he has been near the selected spot. When the men find the trail, they divide up in pairs.

One man leaves the car and follows the wolf or fox track across the fields while the other man drives the car around the section or main road. If the latter finds the tracks coming out of the field, he leaves the car and follows the tracks from that point. The first man, who has been following the tracks, comes across the car which the second man left and this time he takes the car and drives around the section until he finds the trail.

This way the hunters keep gaining on their animal, and if the day is long enough and if luck is on their side, the hunters find Mr. Wolf by late afternoon. Once the wolf is sighted, the remainder of the hunt is usually done on foot. Sometimes the first or second shot bags the wolf, at other times they miss him time and again. Sometimes the wolf is wounded, and then the hunters follow him by the blood left on the snow or ground.

A bounty is paid for every fox or wolf killed; thus this kind of hunting provides both sport and money.

## Maroa Loses to Warrensburg In County Tournament Finals

Playing fast, inspired basketball, Warrensburg upset all the tournament and handed Maroa a 24 to 15 beating in the finals of the Macon county tournament Saturday night at Macon.

Although the defeat ended Maroa's hope for a second county crown, the victory over Mt. Zion enabled Maroa to take the second place trophy.

### MACON COUNTY TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Mt. Zion 28, Macon 8.  
Argenta 28, Blue Mound 25.  
Warrensburg 36, Niantic 16.

**Semi-Finals**  
Maroa 29, Mt. Zion 27.  
Warrensburg 21, Argenta 18.

**Finals**  
Warrensburg 24, Maroa 15.

**Consolation**  
Argenta 25, Mt. Zion 20.

Warrensburg was a great team Saturday night and it would have taken a red hot quintet to defeat them. Rated fifth in the pre-tournament "seedings," Warrensburg rose to great heights Friday night to give a shellacking to the powerful Argenta quintet, and to even greater heights in the finals against Maroa.

Maroa fought Warrensburg on fairly even terms during the first quarter and was even ahead at one time. Late in the first period, however, Warrensburg forged ahead and steadily increased their lead.

Though Maroa had drubbed Warrensburg earlier in the season, the winners had complete control of the situation in the county final.

Warrensburg played a man to man

## It's the Extra Things That Count In Mail Carrying

Of course now, Wray Cramer is a good rural mail carrier on his own merits and record, but if it weren't for another item it is quite doubtful if the mail would be delivered on certain days.

Those days when it is snowy or muddy the mail usually goes through as usual. But there is something back of all this efficiency, it just isn't natural that a person could do this feat all alone.

When rain has made the roads almost impassable or snow is lying in such drifts that hardly a beast can crawl through, Wray never fears. On such bad days Wray merely visits the cellar.

For there, hanging contentedly on a nook, are a pair of rubber boots. But they aren't just another pair of boots because they have been through rain and snow with Wray for 27 years.

Now, is there any reason for Wray to worry when he has a pair of experienced boots like that?

The boots were purchased from the Tom Cooper store which was then located in the building now occupied by the Corner cafe.

## P. J. Mauger Assumes Duties With Meyer Company of Morton

P. J. Mauger made a business trip to Morton, Ill., last Wednesday to see the Meyer Manufacturing Company for a position as salesman to sell their line of grain elevators.

Mr. Mauger had his patents leased to the Maroa Manufacturing Company here when they were manufacturing grain elevators.

For the past 21 years he has been salesman for the G. & D. Manufacturing Company, Streator, Ill., which position he resigned to be representative for the Meyer company at Morton.

Mr. Mauger has been in the elevator business for 35 years.

## Local Option Petition Successful

### Township, City Canvass Nets 500 Signers

Petitions calling for a local option vote in the spring already have more than the required number of signatures, according to an announcement by the Rev. George Scroggs.

Eighteen persons, 10 in the country and 8 in the city, making the canvass reported to Rev. Scroggs that only a very few people refused to sign the petition.

The township petitions have already been filed with the township clerk. This petition bore 247 names, the required number being but 75.

While the city petitions has until February 16 to reach the city clerk, it is reported that this petition bears the names of 253 persons, the required number being 139. Workers hope to add more names to the petition before it is filed with C. F. Hippard, city clerk.

The election is now almost a certainty. The township election will be held April 4th, and the city election April 18th.

The total number of signatures on both petitions was 500. The total number of signatures required before an election could be called was 214, or 25 per cent of the 855 votes cast for governor in 1936.

## Annual Wildlife Banquet Features Two Fine Speakers February 6

The annual Wildlife banquet will be held in the Masonic temple, Decatur, February 6, according to an announcement by its sponsors, the Macon County Sportsmen's club.

Two fine treats are planned for the banqueters in two outstanding speakers, Carl D. Shoemaker, secretary National Wildlife Federation, Washington, D. C., and Ozark Ripley, naturalist and sportsman from Chattanooga, Tenn.

Mr. Shoemaker, who is known throughout the nation as a great sportsman and wildlife authority, will be the main speaker. Ozark Ripley, better known probably than Mr. Shoemaker, will act as toastmaster. Mr. Ripley is known as a "character." At formal banquets where evening dress is the "thing," Mr. Ripley is quite likely to present himself dressed in overalls. Though the Wildlife banquet is not to be formal, it is expected that everyone will wear a tie, but just what costume Mr. Ripley will wear is pretty much of a gamble.

Dinner will be served at 6:30 p. m.

## Local Couple See Many Interesting Things On Southern Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stoutenborough visited a number of interesting places in the South on their two-weeks trip there. They stopped at Memphis, then on to New Orleans where they went down to the dock to see bananas unloaded, at Mobile, Ala., they visited the beautiful Belling Rath gardens where the azalea and jayonicas were in full bloom. At Clear Water, Fla., deep sea fishing was a treat and their party caught 150 pounds of fish, including one 18 pound fish caught by Mrs. Stoutenborough. Hollywood near Miami, Daytona Beach, Fla., and the Smoky Mountains of Tennessee were other places visited on their return trip.

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# Local Churches Will Hold 3 Weeks Revival

By Rev. Wilson, Rev. Scroggs and Rev. Sutton

To the members and friends of the Christian, Methodist and Presbyterian church, we come to you, appealing for a most hearty co-operation and a most hearty assistance in these union evangelistic services.

Across the world today, Christianity is being challenged by forces threatening the destruction of homes, churches, schools and every institution we hold sacred. Christianity must meet this challenge, not by the use of force against force, but by a deeper consecration and loyalty to the great spiritual truths these institutions stand for. These institutions are endangered, not so much by a deterioration and a loss of faith within. So the churches call for a great mobilization of the Christian forces across our country. The churches of Maroa call for an enlistment and a loyalty by every Christian citizen.

With your hearty approval and encouragement, we are opening an evangelistic series of union meetings, beginning February 26, which is the last Sabbath in February. These meetings are to continue for three weeks, one week in each church, beginning in the Christian church for the first week, in the Methodist church for the second week, and the third week in the Presbyterian church. These meetings will continue longer than three weeks if the interest warrants and requires, and the church people desire a continuance. Each pastor will preach the entire week in his own church. Rev. Wilson in the Christian church, Rev. Sutton in the Methodist church, and Rev. Scroggs in the Presbyterian church. Your ministers are willing and anxious to continue these meetings as long as there is opportunity to accomplish good. The object of these meetings is threefold, to deepen, increase and develop our own spiritual life, and to lead the unsaved to Christ that He might save them.

The results of these meetings depend upon our consecration and our co-operation. Consecration to God for any Christian service He may require of us, and co-operation with God, and all consecrated Christian workers. We will get out of these meetings just in proportion as we are willing to consecrate our lives and service to God, to Christianity, and to the church. Paul said, "Whosoever ye sow, that shall ye also reap."

Maroa needs a great spiritual awakening; one that will revive and deepen our spiritual lives and Christian activity; one that will revive our interest and activity in the church; one that will separate us from the world, and worldly activities and functions. God stands ready to give Maroa churches and community a great and mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit, just such a one as we need. If we would have such an awakening, we must let God work in and through us; we must co-operate with God. We must let God be our leader.

As your leaders, ministers, and preachers, we appeal to you to work most heartily and faithfully with us; we appeal to you not to arrange for or hold any social parties or functions during the continuance of these meetings. Let us give our whole undivided interest to the greatest possible results from these meetings. These are our meetings. This is our highest, noblest and greatest service that we may give to Maroa and community.

Every Christian, regardless of church or denomination, is invited, even urged to take a place, an active place, and part, an active part in all these meetings. Let us now begin to prepare ourselves for our greatest possible service. Let us pray for a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Let us pray to be used wholly, that we may become better Christians. Please read I Sam. 7:3; I Chron. 29:18; II Chron. 11:16; II Chron. 30:18, 19.

We are your brethren in Christian service.

Fred Wilson,  
L. R. Sutton,  
George R. Scroggs.

## Many Interesting Items On High School Agriculture Program

The high school and home economics departments have entered exhibits in the Macon County Farmers' institute being held at the Masonic temple in Decatur this week, starting yesterday, February 1, and continuing through Friday. The first prize for the agriculture division will be a \$15 cup and second, third, and fourth prizes will be awarded \$5 in cash. The first prize in the home economics division for the best general exhibit of class work will be a \$15 cup, to be won two times for permanent possession. Second, third, and fourth will receive \$5 in cash.

The annual grain and poultry judging contest for section eleven will be held at Assumption on February 18. Maroa will enter a four-man team in poultry judging and a four-man team in grain judging.

The FFA father and son banquet will be held in the high school gymnasium February 22.

Charles McGuire and Robert Rainey represented the Maroa high school agriculture department in a radio broadcast over station WJBL on the afternoon of Friday, Jan. 27.

W. H. Tammens, representing the Portland Cement association, gave a lecture and demonstration for the benefit of the agriculture students of the high school on Wednesday of last week.

The soil conservation service is conducting a series of illustrated lectures and demonstrations especially for the benefit of Maroa high school agricultural students. The first of the lectures was presented Monday, Jan. 23, during the first and second periods. The next will be presented Monday, Feb. 6, at the same time. Various highly trained experts are offering their services and the boys will undoubtedly gain valuable information regarding the soil conservation program. Anyone is invited to attend.

## Mrs. J. L. Parker Happy Hour Hostess

Mrs. John L. Parker was hostess to the Happy Hour club Thursday afternoon in her home. There were 11 members present with Mrs. Henry Lazelle and Mrs. J. W. Parker and son as guests. Bunco was played and prizes were won by Naomi Hutchinson, Ruth Groves and Mrs. Henry Lazelle. Refreshments were served, and the next meeting will be with Mrs. Wallace St. John in two weeks.

## 19 Children Attend Loyal Legion Meet

The Loyal Temperance legion meeting was held in the M. E. church Sunday with 19 present.

The story was given by Doris Carney. Credits are given for attendance, activities, participation, this gives them a mark in the Loyal Temperance legion book. At present Luman Sutton is first, and Wiley second. Three new members were brought by Audrey Beasley. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Dinwiddie.

The next meeting will be at the Presbyterian church February 12.

## Randall School Club Holds Regular Meeting

The Randall school club held their monthly meeting Friday, Jan. 27, at the Craig town hall.

The entertainment for the evening consisted of:  
Song—Mrs. Croson and Patty.  
Song—Phillip Lee and Ann Marie Dial.  
Reading—Betty Johnson.  
Play, "Whar's the Groom"—By Texas school.

Music—Dorothy Cooper.  
Reading—Gene Hoffman.  
Song—Mary Ellen and Louise Dial.  
Tumbling Act—Betty Johnson.  
A bounteous supply of sandwiches, cup cakes, coffee and cocoa was served to all and the remainder of the evening was spent playing games.

## Mrs. Flo Query Surprised on Birthday With Oyster Stew

Mrs. Flo Query was surprised with an oyster stew in honor of her birthday on the evening of January 25, although her birthday was on the 26th.

The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. Homer Storey and family, Decatur, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gardner and daughter, Forsyth, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cammarmeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Query and family, Glen Query, Colfax, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Query.

## Frank Stoutenboroughs Entertain 8 Couples At Buffet Supper

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stoutenborough entertained Thursday evening with a buffet supper for a number of friends. The evening was spent playing Chinese checkers, bridge and billiards.

Those present to enjoy the fine supper and social time were: Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stoutenborough, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stoutenborough, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stoutenborough, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grady, Mr. and Mrs. Wray Cramer, Mr. and Mrs. John Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Stoutenborough and Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Stoutenborough.

## Mrs. Marie Leinhart Serves Luncheon For Home Bureau

The Maroa unit of the Home Bureau met Wednesday with a luncheon in the home of Mrs. Marie Leinhart. The assistant hostesses were Mesdames Ruth Montgomery, Lida Braden, and Bernice Hanes. Roll call was answered with current events by 12 members and one guest, Mrs. Canby.

The major project was "Meat Preparation" by Lucile Esler and Marie Leinhart. The minor project was "Our Responsibility as Citizens" by Mrs. Edith Wikoff. Mrs. Marie Leinhart had a special number, "Pick-up Work in Winter."

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Bernice Hanes February 22, and will be a family night with the lesson in the afternoon and a pot-luck supper and recreation for the families in the evening.

## Emery Household Club Meets At Glossers

The Emery Household club met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Harold Glosser. The afternoon was spent socially and two contests were held in which Mrs. Ralph Reynolds and Mrs. Mattie Luckenbill won the prizes. Refreshments were served.

## Mrs. Vance Grady R. A. E. Club Hostess

Mrs. Vance Grady was hostess to the R. A. E. club in her home last Thursday. There were fourteen members and one guest, Mrs. Mary Hedger, present. After the business meeting the afternoon was spent socially and in playing Chinese checkers. Refreshments were served.

## Mrs. Helen Bolen Entertains Tuesday Club

Mrs. Helen Bolen entertained the Tuesday night bridge club in her home Thursday evening with two tables of bridge.

Guests were Miss Elta Roney, and Miss Ballinger. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Edwin Bean, first; Mrs. Ralph Smart, consolation; and Miss Ballinger, guest prize. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Dorothy Daggett.

## Mrs. George Smart Entertains M. D. Club

The M. and D. club met in the home of Mrs. George Smart last Thursday afternoon with two tables of bridge. Mrs. John Jump won high score prize and Mrs. Leonard Caplinger the consolation. Mrs. Edna Meils was awarded the guest prize. Delicious refreshments were served.

# Church Notes Osapur Locals

## CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Fred Wilson, Pastor  
Bible school 9:45.  
Morning service 11 a.m. Sermon subject: "United with Christ."  
Young People's meeting at 6 p.m. This meeting will be in observance of Christian Endeavor Day and will also be a consecration service.  
Evening service at 7 o'clock. Subject: "Youth Ready for Action." This message will be especially appropriate for young people.

## METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Leonard R. Sutton, Minister  
C. S. Kinkaid, Sunday School Superintendent

Sunday Schedule  
9:45—Church school, departmental worship, classes.  
10:45—Worship, subject: "Such As I Have."

5:45—Youth Fellowship.  
6:15—Young People's Devotional Meeting.

7:00—Worship, "The Man Who Fought Against the Stars."  
Church School Advance

Next Sunday in launching day for the church school advance. Let us make a good start and keep on going. Committees in every class are at work completing their enrollment. Won't you be on hand Sunday for this enrollment. A task for everyone and every one working at his task is our aim.

Commitment Service  
Sunday morning worship service will be a commitment service. Volunteers for a church census will be called for in connection with the coming union meetings of the churches.

Official Board Meeting  
The official board members with their husband or wife are invited for a covered dish supper to meet at the parsonage home Tuesday, Feb. 7. This is the regular board meeting date.

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Face to the Front  
George R. Scroggs, Minister  
M. E. Huston, Superintendent of Bible School.

Bible school each Sabbath morning at 9:45.

Preaching service each Sabbath at 11. Subject: "Christianity."

Only four more weeks until our union evangelistic meetings will open. Are we ready? Let us pray for ourselves, for each other, and for the meetings. And let us to each other, and to those who are not church attenders or are not believers in Christ and Christianity.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fatheree and daughters Betty and Shirley Rhea have returned from a visit with relatives in southern Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Harvey and family moved from the Welby Bennett place to a farm near Cerro Gordo last week.

J. H. Grady attended a R. E. A. meeting in Champaign last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Primmer spent Sunday night with relatives in Forsyth. On the way home they became snow bound. Mrs. Primmer stayed in Maroa with Misses Grace and Jessie Doak and Mr. Primmer left his car at Craig and walked home.

All the roads in this community are drifted full. No traffic or mail for the last two days.

## THE CREAKY PARTS

Little Betty had been served with a chicken wing. After working with it for some time she said: "Mother, do you mind if I have something else besides the hinges?"

The church recreational association is getting organized. Fifteen young men representing Maroa's three churches were present. They enjoyed their first play. Let us have more next Thursday evening. The time will be divided between volley ball and basketball. It is the purpose of the recreational association to add more games. Come, and let us have a great and enjoyable time. Let us join our recreation games and church services together.

 EACH FUNERAL service, under our direction, is the result of careful organization.

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# About the Maroa Community . . .

Mrs. Thomas Quinn is quite ill.

Rosalie Cooper spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Myers spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jim McIlvenna.

I. J. Cooper and family, Minier, Ill., visited Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Mauger Sunday.

Miss Helen Katherine Stoutenborough, Pekin, was home over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Myers ate dinner at Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hippards Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Haliski and family entertained relatives from St. Louis over the week-end.

Mrs. Elwood Cooper and son returned home Thursday, Jan. 26, from the Macon county hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stoutenborough and family visited the latter's father, U. G. Davis, Clinton, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grady and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Mills and family in Peoria Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Omar Stonebraker and Bill attended a birthday dinner Sunday in honor of Mrs. Harry Kellums, Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shields and daughter, Joliet, spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Emma Shields, and other relatives.

Mrs. Keith Bolen, who has been ill with scarlet fever in the home of her mother south of town, returned to her home in Maroa Sunday.

Harold Leinhardt moved last week from the Kattenbach property in the south part of town to the Hutchinson property in the west end.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Reeser and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walsh, Edinburgh, Sunday. Mrs. Walsh is a sister of Mr. Reeser.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stonebraker and daughter Marlene, Clinton, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Smart Sunday afternoon and evening.

—Don't forget your fun date, the Chinese checker party, grade school gym, Wednesday, Feb. 15, at 7:30 p.m. Admission 25 cents. Everybody invited.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Parker entertained Mr. and Mrs. W. Stallings and Mrs. Clara Wilder, Decatur, and Mrs. Nora Kelley with Sunday dinner in their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Doolen and family, Clinton, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Cox and later they drove to Decatur to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Cox and son.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hall and Mrs. John Deal, Pesotum, and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Parker and son, Decatur, were Sunday afternoon callers in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Parker.

The Willow Lane P. T. A. met last Thursday evening with a musical followed by a short program by the pupils. The musicians were from Clinton. After the fine program a contest was held in which Bernard Morganthaler won the prize. Refreshments of fruit salad, cake and coffee were served.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stoutenborough went to Chicago Sunday where they attended the Illinois Agricultural association meeting. Mr. Stoutenborough was a delegate to the Illinois Agricultural association which holds its annual meeting at this time. Many from Macon county were there to attend this meeting.

Mrs. Garren and Mrs. Wentworth are on the sick list this week.

The Social Ramblers will meet with Mrs. M. E. Huston Thursday.

Edna and Frances Withers visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jim McIlvenna.

Mrs. Walter Brenning spent last week in Decatur with her mother, Mrs. Clara Wilder.

Mrs. Ed Swinhart, Argenta, spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Margaret Schenck.

Robert Cox, Champaign, came Wednesday to spend the rest of the week with his parents.

Miss Ruth Milnes, Normal, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Milnes.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Alexander had dinner at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Fred Wilson, Friday.

Mrs. Ruth Ross and daughters Marjorie and Betty Jean spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Marsh.

Mrs. Wray Cramer entertained Miss Helen McDaniel and Miss Evelyn Gibson at dinner Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Meils and family had dinner in Decatur Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Butler.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Braden had dinner Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Braden and family.

Mrs. George Stormer was brought home from the Macon county hospital Saturday evening. She is recovering from a major operation very satisfactorily.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Wikoff accompanied Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stoutenborough to Chicago Sunday afternoon to attend the I. A. A. at the Stevens hotel. They returned Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kincaid and son Joe, Miss Florence Kincaid, Mrs. Lorene Smart and Billy and Betty spent Sunday in Bloomington visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kincaid.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Lewis and Wanda, Miss Ballinger, Virginia Cramer, and Charlotte Creekmur attended the operetta in Chenoa Friday night given by the Chenoa grade school. Miss Ballinger remained at her home in Chenoa over the week-end.

The Christian church held their annual meeting Wednesday evening with a pot-luck supper for the entire membership. They had their business meeting after supper and this custom is observed by all the Christian churches everywhere on the same day of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stoutenborough left Friday morning for Dayton and Cincinnati, Ohio where Mr. Stoutenborough transacted business. They drove on to Columbus Saturday afternoon where they spent several days visiting Dr. and Mrs. William Stoutenborough.

Mrs. Ralph Reynolds received a letter from her son George that he went aboard the S. S. Tennessee battleship Thursday morning, then on to San Pedro, where he left Saturday for the Panama canal. He will be stationed there awhile for war maneuvers, later going on to New York.

Miss Betty Stoutenborough spent the week-end in Danville in the home of Miss Roberta Beck, who has announced the date of her wedding to be February 19 in the Lincoln avenue Methodist church in Danville. She will marry Dan O. Henry, who is a Millikin graduate and is now located in Winchester, Va., as head of the Shenandoah area council of Boy Scouts. Miss Stoutenborough will be maid of honor at the wedding.

## Epworth Chapel Briefs

**MRS. QUERY OBSERVES BIRTHDAY**  
Mrs. Flo Query was very pleasantly surprised Wednesday evening in her home. The occasion was her birthday which was January 28. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gardner and daughter Bessie, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Query and son, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kammarmeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Query and family, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Storey and family, Decatur, and Glenn Query, Colfax.

**HAPPY HOUR CLUB**  
The Happy Hour club met Thursday afternoon, Jan. 26, with Mrs. Vera Parker. Eleven members and four guests were present. The afternoon was spent in playing bunco. Naomi Hutchinson winning travelers prize. High score went to Ruth Groves and Mrs. Hairy Lazelle won consolation prize. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostesses. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Pauline St. John, Feb. 9.

**RAY FERRILL SURPRISED**  
Mr. and Mrs. Homer Mouser, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Coffman, Ernest Hutchinson, and Naomi Hutchinson met at the home of Ray Ferrills Wednesday evening to remind Ray of his birthday January 26. The evening was spent playing Chinese checkers and refreshments of ice cream was served.

**PERSONAL AND LOCAL**  
Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Coffman and Mrs. Julia Gardner visited Mrs. Ina Long and children at Wapella Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Long, who has been quite sick, is able to be up again. They also called on Mrs. Franklin Long and infant son at the John Warner hospital in Clinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Groves attended a school of instruction on rural electrification at Champaign last Friday.

Mrs. Helen Camp and children of Clinton visited Sunday at the home of Ray Ferrills.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bundy, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brenning, and Mrs. Olive Simms were guests Saturday evening of Ernest and Naomi Hutchinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McAnally, Bloomington, and Mrs. Elie Crowmover, Clinton, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Homer Mouser.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gardner spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Homer Gardner and sons and Mrs. Donnelly.

Mrs. Elwood Cooper and son returned home from the hospital Wednesday.

Women are the poetry of the world as the stars are the poetry of heaven.—Hargrave.

### Most Alluring



Special CFI photo to The Sentinel by R. M. Greenwood — Vivian Petersen, Indianapolis, Purdue freshman co-ed in the school of home economics, was chosen as one of the university's most alluring young women by the beauty board of the "Debris" school annual, and her photo will be included in the 1938-39 edition. She is a Kappa Kappa Gamma pledge.

## Harmony News

**REVIVAL BEGINS FEBRUARY 19**  
Twenty-two were present for Sunday school. Revival meetings will begin February 19. Rev. R. C. Jostes of Dawson will come to assist with them.  
Rev. Wesley Fornwalt begins a revival in the Boiling Springs Church of God February 5.

**BLIZZARD SUNDAY NIGHT**  
All kinds of weather last week—clouds, sunshine, snow, frost, freezing, and thawing, mist, fog, rain and wind Sunday, then a blizzard raged Monday. Not so cold, only 27 degrees. Roads blocked and no school.

**DRIVING NEW CAR**  
Lulu Rogers has purchased a 1939 Chevrolet. She has finished the educational extension course under Prof. Goodier of Illinois State Normal University.

**PERSONAL AND LOCAL**  
Word has been received from the H. Littles that they reached California safely; were picking oranges and grapefruit from the trees.  
Rev. and Mrs. Paine spent Monday at Center Chapel helping the McCammon family butcher. Tuesday they spent the day with her parents near Arthur; Wednesday at Center and Lane, the ladies aid serving an oyster supper to the Lane grain co-operative; Friday at Center again and Saturday attended a rally in Decatur.

### Social Hour Club Meets Wednesday With Mrs. Ollie Whitehead

The Social Hour club met with Mrs. Ollie Whitehead Wednesday afternoon with four tables of bunco. There were three guests, Mrs. Elmer Gardner, Naomi Hutchinson, and Mrs. Charles Ater. The high score prizes were won by Mrs. Ruth Lyman and Mrs. Vashti Sprecklemeyer. Mrs. Elmer Gardner received guest prize. The traveling prizes were awarded to Mrs. Ruth Lyman and Naomi Hutchinson.  
The regular election of officers was held for the year with Mrs. Wayne Query elected president, Mrs. Ollie Whitehead, vice president, Evelyn Clifton, secretary, and Marie Gardner, treasurer. The next meeting will be a one o'clock luncheon in the home of Mrs. Clifton assisted by her daughter, Evelyn, February 8.

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## Danger Stored Corn May Be Seriously Damaged By Insects

With AAA loans on corn and wheat increasing the farm storage of grain in Illinois, farmers are cautioned to guard their grain from insect damage.  
"If no preventive or control measures are taken, grain held for any length of time in farm bins is almost sure to become infested with insects with consequent loss in value of the grain for seed, for feeding or for market," it is explained in Circular No. 489, "How to Stop Weevil Damage in Stored Grain," which has just been issued by the College of Agriculture, University of Illinois in co-operation with the Illinois State Natural History survey.  
Written by M. D. Farrar, research entomologist, State Natural History Survey, the publication explains that the germinability, weight, quality and commercial grade of grain are reduced by infestation with insects.  
Best measures recommended for controlling stored-grain insects and preventing damage are cleanliness and fumigation. Preventive measures must be taken before the grain is in the bin, since most insect damage is caused by failure to clean bins before the grain is stored. It is best to remove waste grain from cracks, corners and floors of bins.  
Once grain is in the bin and has become infested with insects, fumigation is the only practical method of stopping damage. Steps to be followed and materials to be used in fumigation are outlined in the circular.  
Not all insects found in grain bins cause damage to grain. Farmers who are puzzled about any insects found in grain are invited to send them to the chief entomologist, College of Agriculture, Urbana.

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## Editorial Comment

**SUBSIDY FOR FARMERS  
 LOOKED UPON FAVORABLY  
 BY INDUSTRIALISTS**

"Just Send the Farmer a Check," read the headline of an editorial that we read recently. That is, subsidize the farmer, thus eliminating all the red tape and production restrictions now found in the agriculture program.

One must ask if this method really would not be the best plan for agriculture. There would not be any acreage restrictions, marketing quotas or purchasing of surpluses under the guise of crop loans. And the whole subsidy plan would not cost more than the estimated \$600,000,000 a year now being spent in farm benefits.

Industrialists are coming to think of the farm problem in the farmer's own terms, it is reported, and are trying to see it from his point of view. The industrialist sees himself protected from high tariffs while the farmer must battle in a comparatively competitive market; thus the industrialist can buy the farmers product at quite a cheap price while the farmer must pay a high price for the industrial products.

A committee of the National Association of Manufacturers made the following printed report, "the farmers' primary concern today is one of prices and particularly the price relationship between industrial and agricultural products," and recommends that the association "lend its fullest support to any sound effort" to bring about an equitable price relationship between industry and agriculture.

So apparently industry has seen that the best agriculture plan is one of subsidy. But while a concrete subsidy plan is being sought, will industry be wise and sport enough to allow a reduced tariff on their products' prices so that there can be a general reduction for subsidies and regimentation?

If they are not, then "just send the farmer a check" will not be a workable scheme.

**THE DAIRY FARMERS DID IT**

"After fifty years of effort farmers are getting somewhere," observes a release of the Dairymen's League Co-operative association of New York.

The organized dairy farmers of the New York milk shed, led by the league, obtained the passage of state and federal laws encouraging to marketing co-operation in selling dairy products. The result: Farmers in the shed are receiving \$1,500,000 more each month!

That's what marketing organization can do. It's another inspiring chapter to the history of agricultural co-operation in the interest of the producer.

Don't be a cloud because you can't be a star.

## TENACITY

America's youngsters, it would seem, have lost none of their native ability or ingenuity through years which are sometimes supposed to have been unfavorable to both. Because of certain provisions of the Federal Wage-Hour Law a certain Massachusetts youth was deprived recently by Uncle Sam of his job as newsboy. Richmond Bell could have resigned himself to this formidable legislative decree with the very proper excuse that his paternalistic uncle knew best what was good for him. But he didn't. Richmond had a job and he meant to hang on to it; not by breaking the law, but by keeping a string attached to his job so that when the law did permit him to work again he would find his work waiting for him. Before stopping his newspaper route, youthful Richmond wrote this note which he left with all his customers:

Dear Subscriber:

A recent "New Deal" ruling prohibits a boy of under fourteen years having a paper route. Therefore John Wiles is your new paper carrier. I am, until my fourteenth birthday in March, his assistant.

Yours truly,  
 Richmond Bell.

Unless Richmond's case is an isolated example, America's tomorrow is as safe as its yesterdays. — Christian Science Monitor.

**OF THIS AND THAT**

Some of the modernists who claim Dobbin is an animal of ancient history should look up and down Main street following a heavy snow storm.

The American people are no doubt a brave and intelligent lot, but we can't quite see how they can keep out of war, defend democracy, and restrain aggression all in one lifetime.

If we were the government we would stop worrying about industry absorbing the WPA laborers as long as we have prisons. Prisons have all the luxuries of the best homes and work is restricted to five hours a day with Saturday and Sunday off, according to the Sunday Tribune report of state prisons.

As adept as England is at trading off other peoples countries, it is surprising to see the heading, "Britain Warns It Will Resist Rule by Force."

Still no explanation of that mysterious "booming" noise heard early in the morning a couple of weeks ago. Wonder if the chemicals got in the wrong pot at the water works?

The most unusual news of the week—A Hollywood couple smooth out past difficulties and see smooth sailing for the future. The couple, Jackie Coogan and Betty Grable.

How glad we all were to elect A. C. Ammann to the sheriff position in November, but what a cussing the sheriff now receives when there is a sick horse or cow.

Scottish folk in the village of Blar-nachfoldach, in Inverness, still refuse to celebrate New Year's Day until January 12, clinging to the old Julian calendar. This would not be necessary where new calendars are procurable free of charge.

**LET BAD ENOUGH ALONE!**

**Etaoin-Shrdlu  
 By "Deac"**

In just the short space of time that I have been writing this column—this is the fourth attempt—I have found out just about what my half-dozen readers like. What they seem to like is something that might be classed as a little shady. For instance the little story of the Christmas tree seemed to strike a responsive chord in quite a few of the readers. At least most of the comments made directly to me were about the Christmas tree lampoon. I also heard remarks made about my mechanical pencils and the two-on-one dog fight. There is a sequence to both of those however. Shortly after last weeks paper hit the streets I was informed of the fact that Buck's oldest boy had been killed by an automobile on the hard road. It is a hard thing to keep a dog any place where cars are traveling pretty fast, the dogs are jut out of their element. The other sequence is that the green mechanical pencil has disappeared. It went the way of all things nice—one moment I had it and then when I needed it again it had somehow vanished.

A few people while in the Sentinel office have happened to look over to the second story of the building across the street and express wonder as to the shape of the top southwest corner. If you will notice you will see that it has a curious bulge or curve on the west wall at the south end. The first person to notice it expressed alarm and even the Editor admitted that he had never noticed it before. I have noticed it before and I know several other people have, but it seems comical and strange that such an architectural phenomenon should not be noticed by all of the people that have lived around here for some time.

I saw the height of something or other Monday afternoon. Snow was piled in drifts in many spots in the Main street, the wind had just died down to a slight "breeze," stalled cars were being pulled in, and the snow-scoopers—amateur and professional—were swinging into action but swinging down the street was Bill Hippard with an ice cream cone.

The snow and ice cream remind me of the good old days when it snowed more often than it has this winter. One of my favorite dishes at that time was snow ice cream, but the biggest trouble was that conditions had to be just right before I could concoct a glass. The two biggest conditions were plenty of clean snow and the house to myself—that is when anyone was around to take disciplinary measures the operations were likely to be curtailed or if a friend was there the portion had to be divided. The ingredients were snow,

milk, sugar, vanilla, and coloring if I wished to create an illusion. It didn't make any difference how I stirred the contents up I always got the same result and it was a pleasing result most of the time. If you didn't like it thin put in a little more snow or if I wanted it thinner I added more milk. Ah! I can remember yet how it was to mix up a batch and settle down behind the stove to enjoy myself to the fullest extent. Other important things to remember were to keep a sharp eye out for intruders and to leave the kitchen and glassware just like I found them. Um! I think I'll have to try some tonight if I can regain some of my old time form.

From time to time I shall relate what I believe to be pet peeves of a small town newspaper office. I may wax violent at times but try to bear with me. I'll start off this week with one not so bad. It is static electricity. After the paper has been through the press once or more it develops a case of static electricity. When we put the paper on the feeding table and start the press the trouble begins. It is an impossibility to pull a sheet from the others and if a sheet is not fed to the press before a certain point on the cylinder revolves, an offset will be the result. That means more trouble as we have to feed a few sheets through the press to absorb the ink on the cylinder. About the only cure is to take off the sheets until we are able to separate them easily, but until we do that, there is a lot of talk that would be censored at a stag party.

I am a fruit addict. That statement is well known by anybody that I have been around very long. I don't exactly know where I picked it up but it is not a bad habit. A dentist told me that apples were good for the teeth and a doctor told me that apples were good regulators. You know the old saying about the apple? I have added to that so that it goes like this: An apple a day keeps the doctor away, and an apple a day keeps me on the way. Really I do enjoy eating nearly all kinds of fruit. In my opinion a good delicious or jonathan apple, a sweet orange, or tangerine can't be beat. Kipling said: A woman is only a woman but a good cigar is a smoke. I say: A woman is only a woman and a good cigar is just a smoke but an apple is a good Right?

**SIGNS**

On a card in the front window of an Indianapolis suburban home appeared the following notice:  
 "A piano for sale."  
 In the window next door another card appeared with just one word:  
 "Hurrrah!"

Hundreds can talk to one who can think; thousands can think to one who can see.—Ruskin.



# Hybrid Corn Weakens Soil, Experts Claim

### Farmer Must Add Expensive Minerals to Keep Land Fertile

Called a miracle crop by some producers, hybrid corn is not miraculous enough to produce increased yields without making increased demands on soil fertility, according to C. M. Linsley, soils extension specialist, College of Agriculture, University of Illinois.

As Illinois farmers start thinking of their supply of hybrid seed for the coming cropping season, Linsley suggests that some thought be given to adjustments in soil and cropping management to care for the increased drain on soil fertility made by high-yielding hybrid corn.

"The growing of hybrid corn is justified by the fact that high yields are essential to low production costs," Linsley said. "However, it is essential that there be some reduction in acreage and more attention paid to soil fertility and the use of legumes. By growing more corn on fewer acres at less cost, the land taken out of corn can very well be devoted to soil-building legume crops.

"Use of adapted hybrid corn on a reduced acreage, coupled with a sane program of mineral and organic matter replenishment fits well into the AAA farm program and the program of soil improvement that has been fostered for more than a quarter of a century by the College of Agriculture.

"There may be some difference between hybrids in the amount of minerals utilized, but miracle hybrids that can produce bumper yields without taking anything from the soil are yet to be produced. If such a hybrid should be discovered, it would have little value for feed or commercial use."

It is estimated that the 361,673,000 bushels of corn produced on Illinois farms in 1938 used up phosphorus from the soils of the state to the equivalent of 217,000 tons of rock phosphate or 4,340 carloads of 50 tons each.

In addition to the phosphorus, even larger amounts of nitrogen, potassium and lime were taken from the soil by the 1938 Illinois corn crop.

## Proper Feed, Sanitary Quarters Needed For New Pig Litters

With 740,000 sows expected to farrow in Illinois this spring, a 20 per cent increase over last spring, farmers can take full advantage of a favorable hog-corn ratio by observing good management to reduce baby pig losses, it is pointed out by members of the division of animal pathology and hygiene, College of Agriculture, University of Illinois.

Since the health and vigor of pigs is influenced by the health of the breeding herd, proper feeding and clean and disinfected farrowing houses for the new litters are essential in preventing anemia, worm infestation, navel infection, pig paratyphoid, bull nose, mange and other pig diseases, it is explained.

Anemia may appear in baby pigs as early as the third week. However, if pigs have access to clean ground at one week of age, the malady can be prevented. Other methods of management include placing small amounts of clean sod in the pen.

Non-fatal attacks of anemia may cause pigs to be more susceptible to parasitic or germ diseases, and even render pigs unfit for vaccination against cholera. Anemic pigs are poor vaccination risks and may die from shock or even cholera following double treatment.

Losses of entire litters unassociated with scours, anemia and other diseases have been observed in an increasing number of herds. Prevention of these losses in baby pigs is difficult to prescribe until the cause of such losses have been more definitely established. At birth, the affected pigs appear normal, but two to five days later marked weakness and drowsiness develop suddenly. Recovery is rare. Treatment of such affected pigs has proved unsatisfactory. That these losses may be reduced through approved feeding and management methods, is suggested.

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Happiness only comes through the "giving of love"—give where there is actual need.—Gowanne.

## Old Homes and New

By GRACE D. GOODRIDGE  
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NAN HUBBARD shivered with disappointment and dismay as the little car struggled up the steep hill, and John stopped it at the top and turned to his bride, with a great joy shining in his eyes.

"There before you you see the old Hubbard estate, famous for—famous for—well, anyway, it's famous for having all that makes life worth while," and he laughed and waltz her close. And over his shoulder Nan saw the weatherbeaten old farmhouse and the huge barns fallen into decay, standing desolate amid the serene fields of late winter.

If John had lied to her purposely she would have turned back then, but she knew there was only honest pride in his heart about his old home; he saw it in reality as he had so often described it to her, a home he loved and found beautiful because of its love.

But as the days went by, Nan found herself balked in her plans for creating the home she had always hoped for.

## SHORT SHORT STORY

Complete in This Issue

When she had tried, very tactfully, to get rid of the unsightly furniture and dust-collecting ornaments, John listened in real amazement. "But, dear, they belonged to my folks, you know, and mother made those knitted things herself, and I'd hate to get rid of them."

It was in the early spring when she asked John about an old empty house farther down the road. "Why, that is the original Hubbard farmhouse. Here's a key to the back door; go in and look around. You like old furniture, and I think there is some left in there."

When Nan opened the door of the old house and went in, she was surprised at the appearance of the place. It was so different from the usual deserted house. It was swept and clean, and while the three big rooms on the ground floor were bare of furniture, upstairs two rooms were piled high with neatly arranged pieces that would have driven a collector wild with envy. Nan exclaimed aloud at the old tables, chairs and a beautiful old settle that stood near a fireplace. And then and there her idea was born.

Here she would play at the sort of home she wanted, until the time might come when she could have a home in reality.

Before she locked the old house up again that afternoon two back rooms were swept and cleaned, ready for their furnishings. As they were on the back of the house she thought it quite safe to place curtains and draperies at the windows. At the end of two weeks Nan had two rooms that satisfied her beauty-loving soul.

Every afternoon when she was alone Nan brought her sewing, and sewed and rocked in the big chair by the window. She felt quite safe about being found out, as John was too busy, and she knew he had no reason for coming near the old house.

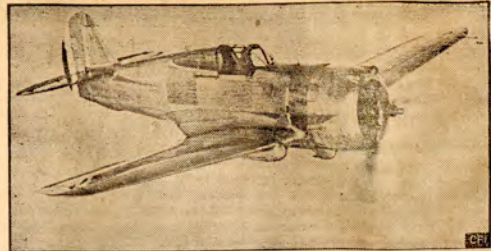
But one day she heard steps on the porch. For a moment her heart beat faster as she remembered she had carelessly left the key in the lock. John had come down there perhaps to look for her. His cheery voice called her and she went into the hall and met him as he reached the top stair.

"Nan, what are you doing up here? You'll get a cold in this—" His voice trailed into a murmur as he looked beyond her into the room she had left.

Then his face changed from utter astonishment to a look Nan had never seen there before. Swiftly he crossed the room, dropped to his knees and hid his face against her.

"Nan, to think I have been cheating you all this time, cheating you of the right to your own home. When

## Plane Dives 575 Miles An Hour



Buffalo, N. Y.—Here is a closeup of the Curtiss Hawk 75, a pursuit plane, pictured in flight with Pilot H. Lloyd Child, chief test pilot of the Buffalo Curtiss plant, at the controls. The plane, one of 100 being constructed for the French government, has "substantially exceeded all known speed records" miles an hour, it was announced last week with a free drive of more than 575 week.

## Clinton Horse Gives Life to Science At State University

Old Blanche has gone to the University of Illinois.

She isn't studying for her master's degree nor majoring in home economics. She went in the interests of science.

You see, Old Blanche is an 18-year-old mare owned by Dr. C. S. Bogardus of Clinton and has only recently recovered from an attack of sleeping sickness.

Her recovery wasn't complete, however. She had recurrent "spells," times when she twitched and jerked, then ran wildly about in erratic fashion, many times falling exhausted. In the hope that she might be helped, or at best something about her condition would lead university students to discover some new fact regarding sleeping sickness as it affects horses, her owner sent her to the university.

While attempting to cure her ills, student veterinarians will be much interested in her reactions to treatment. Her ultimate recovery might possibly mean something new in veterinary knowledge.

## Lone Ace

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new world's record for three heats by a gelding.

Case Ace, the other horse sold by Mr. Pinney, is also a well known pacer. Case Ace's best mark to date is 2:03 1/4 made at Stockton, Calif., last August 19. Mr. Pinney states that Lone Ace is probably one of the greatest horses to come out of Illinois. A framed picture of Lone Ace in action and with his owner is on display at Gene's.

Truth all round is the most fortifying thing in the world.

I see how beautiful you have made these rooms, and realize what I have been making you live with in our home, I feel like the meanest man on earth. Will you forgive me and make our home like this?"

But there was no need to ask forgiveness; for before he had finished, Nan's tender hands had encircled his head, and Nan's lips were laid against his own.

Before another week had gone the old house was rifled of its treasures to fill the places left vacant when the horsehair furniture and its accompanying ornaments were packed away, possibly to become valuable in their turn in some future day.

## Snow Storm

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The storm was a boon to some of the younger people in this vicinity. It was the first time this winter that the snow has been heavy enough for sleds to be pulled behind cars. The few home made bob-sleds were put to a hard use Monday and as long as the snow lasted.

The storm put a crimp in the President's ball which was set for Monday night. The local benefit was postponed to Tuesday night as in some of the other small towns, but in Decatur and other places the balls were held according to schedule. The storm did not hurt the amount taken in in the larger places as most of the tickets were sold before the day of the ball but smaller towns had to depend on the door sale so they were postponed.

The work on the local WPA project, the sewer, was also postponed until working conditions became suitable.

May the hinges of friendship never grow rusty—Margaret Rhynas.

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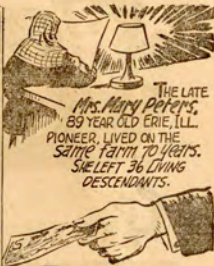
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# Maroa Wins 29-27, Over Mt. Zion

## Victory Enables Locals To Play In Finals

With Sam Pulliam playing one of his best games of the year, the Maroa cagers out-scraped the Mt. Zion Braves in the semi-finals of the Macon county tourney Friday night to eke out a 29 to 27 victory.

Earlier rated as the best two teams in the county meet, Maroa and Mt. Zion put on the game of the tournament. Though it was but a semi-final game, the two teams put on the "show game" that usually comes on the night of the finals. Both teams played real basketball—basketball that was equal to and not tournament geared, over head play.

The contest was close throughout. Early in the game Maroa took a six to nothing lead, but Mt. Zion rallied to knot the score ten all soon after the second quarter started. There was little scoring in the second period, but Mt. Zion managed to hit one more point than the Blue and Gold to give the former team a 12 to 12 half-time advantage.

In the second half Pulliam, who had went scoreless during the first two periods, began playing the game he was capable of and tallied four field goals and one free throw. Through Pulliam Maroa was able to keep in the game and gain a slight lead which they never relinquished.

Though the score was close all the way, that Maroa was quite the better team Friday night was born out by the fact that the locals outscored the Braves in field goals 13 to 8. Maroa's aggressive play caused many fouls and the Braves connected with the great majority of their gift shots.

In less than a minute Eakle had connected with two one-handed side shots to give Maroa a four to nothing lead. Then Eakle added another goal, a follow shot, before Mt. Zion's Newberry and Redman respectively scored a free throw and basket. Vaughn connected with a long and McGuire a short basket to build the Maroa lead up to 10 to 3. However, Newberry hit two field goals and another free toss before the first quarter ended to narrow the scoring gap to 10-3.

The second period saw little scoring for Maroa while the Braves cut loose and tallied five points. Hogan raced down the floor and lifted in a one-handed push shot to knot the score at 10 all. Newberry scored another goal but Lentz put Maroa back into the running with a neat basket. A Maroa foul enabled Hogan to score a free throw and give his team a one-point margin at the half.

Maroa tied the count again soon after the second half started and Pulliam banged in his first basket to give Maroa the lead again. Then Vaughn rung in a long and Maroa was ahead 17 to 13. Redman and Newberry, however, got hot and each registered baskets to again knot the score. But Pulliam hit two more baskets and McGuire his second while Mt. Zion was picking up a goal to put the Blue and Gold ahead 23 to 19 at the three quarters.

Myers hit a free throw as did Vaughn and Pulliam made another basket to give Maroa a 26 to 20 lead with but four minutes left in the game. Wells, Mt. Zion guard, went hot here, however, and connected with two pretty longs to cut the Maroa lead to two points. Eakle then picked up his fourth basket to put Maroa out in front 28 to 24. In the closing minute and a half, Mt. Zion hooked three free throws and Vaughn one for Maroa.

### SO COMFORTING

"Oh, darling, look what's happened to my first pancake!"  
"Never mind, dear, it may not be a complete failure. Let's try it on the victrola."

# Niantic Holds Maroa To 25-21 Cenosis Win

## Blue and Gold Almost Falls Before Last Period Rally

Maroa played slow, ragged basketball Tuesday night to just nose out the weakest team in the conference, Niantic, 25 to 21 on the big, spacious Indian floor.

Though Maroa held a comfortable lead until the last two minutes, at no time did they look the far superior team. Niantic was a band of scrappy ball players throughout the contest, and had they hit their earlier shots with the accuracy that marked their play in the last four minutes Maroa would have wound up on the short end of the score.

The Blue and Gold took the opportunity offered by the weak Niantic team and their big floor to practice the fast break. And the game really turned into a practice affair. Maroa threw more passes away and had more intercepted than they completed.

Then on the passes that were good, Maroa had a big majority of misses at the hoop. Pulliam seemed to be the only one to hit with any consistency and most of his shots were close in follow ups.

After building a 14 to 6 half-time and 21 to 10 three-quarter lead, Maroa bogged down and Niantic got hot in the fourth period. In the last two minutes, Goldman found the range and narrowed the score from 25 to 16 to 25 to 21.

Eakle hooked a basket soon after the game opened but Garriott lifted in a free toss to make the score close through half of the first quarter. McGuire and Pulliam woke up before the period ended, however, to give Maroa a five to one quarter margin.

Pulliam connected with a pivot shot to boost the Maroa score to seven before Goldman intercepted a Maroa pass and dribbled in to score. Lentz sank a follow and Vaughn a free throw and then Gass counted from the charity line to make the score 10 to 4, Maroa. Pulliam made another follow and Vaughn a long shot for Maroa and Goldman a long to end the first half.

Garriott and Goldman scored goals for Niantic in the third frame while four Maroa players figured in raising their teams score to 21. McGuire sank a close basket, Pulliam made his fourth follow, Vaughn a free throw, and Eakle a goal.

Goals by Thrift and Eakle put Maroa out in front 25 to 12 early in the last quarter, but here the winners cooled and were unable to score again. Meanwhile, Gass found the hoop for a goal and Goldman made three quick baskets for Niantic.

The Maroa seconds had little trouble in winning their twelfth game of the season, 25 to 15.

Maroa (25)	FG	FT	Niantic (21)	FG	FT
Eakle, f	3	0	Garriott, f	1	1
Vaughn, f	1	2	Goldman, f	4	1
Pulliam, c	4	0	Bramel, c	0	0
Rainey, c	0	0	Koonce, c	0	0
McGuire, g	1	1	Gass, g	2	1
Lentz, g	1	0	Carr, g	2	1
Thrift, g	1	0	Loftus, g	0	0
Braden, g	0	0	Riley, g	0	0
Totals	11	3	Totals	9	3

Maroa 5 9 7 4-25  
Niantic 1 5 4 11-21  
Official—O'Brien (Taylorville).

Maroa (29)	FG	FT	Mt. Zion (27)	FG	FT
Eakle, f	4	0	Morgan, f	0	0
McGuire, f	2	0	Newberry, f	5	2
Pulliam, c	4	1	Oberlink, f	0	0
Rainey, c	0	0	Redman, c	1	3
Lentz, g	1	0	Meyers, c	0	1
Vaughn, g	2	2	Wells, g	2	2
Thrift, g	0	0	Hogan, g	0	3
Totals	13	3	Totals	8	11

Maroa 10 2 11 6-29  
Mt. Zion 8 7 6 8-27  
Officials—McDonald and Wolfe (Decoratur).

## Current Trends of Local Markets

	Waller Grain Elevator Quotation			
	No. 2 White	Yellow	Wheat	Corn
Jan. 26—	62	45	42	25
Jan. 27—	62	45	42	25
Jan. 28—	62	45	42	25
Jan. 30—	62	45	42	25
Jan. 31—	61	44	41	25
Feb. 1—	61	44	41	25

## Illinois Agriculture Should Benefit From England Trade Pact

Long-run effects of trade agreements which went into effect January 1 between the United States and Great Britain will be desirable, it is maintained by L. J. Norton, chief in agricultural marketing, College of Agriculture, University of Illinois.

Since the agreements will benefit trade, Illinois agriculture should profit because it is distinctly commercial and therefore dependent upon vigorous and active markets, he said.

Containing hundreds of individual items which involve reductions in import duties, and other barriers to trade imposed by the countries concerned, the agreements will affect Illinois agriculture in three ways.

They will expand outlets for products on which concessions are granted, they will increase competition somewhat in connection with product on which the United States grants concessions and they will increase markets for farm products by the stimulus given to business activity in this and foreign countries.

Since the bulk of the produce of Illinois agriculture is used by American consumers, the stimulus to trade in various lines of American industry and the resulting increase in payrolls and consuming power for foodstuffs will probably be the most important benefit to farmers.

Writing on the subject of trade agreements in the current issue of Illinois Farm Economics, a monthly publication of the department of agricultural economics, Norton pointed out that the United Kingdom is a deficit country for foodstuffs and is the largest importing country for farm products produced in the temperate zones. Hence most of the direct increase in trade in farm products will result from concessions made by the United Kingdom.

Canada also reduced duties on a number of farm products which are produced in Illinois, but since she is largely or wholly self-sufficient in these items, the major effect will be to permit reciprocal trade in local or seasonal surpluses, a highly desirable thing.

The quota provisions which limited imports to a small percentage of the United States domestic supply are continued for cattle and cream but are dropped for dairy cows. Quotas are also fixed for the quantities of whole milk, potatoes and fish on which reduced duties applied. To prevent the full quota of cattle from coming in during a short period of the year and thus disturbing the orderly marketing of cattle, a maximum quota for each quarter-year period is set.

## Maroa Loses Title

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row the count to 18 to 12, but here Maroa faltered and never again came within six points of the county champs. Before this quarter ended, Williams and Manes had built their teams lead up to 21 to 12.

Maroa missed a good chance of pulling the game out of the fire in the last quarter as Warrensburg could register only three points. However, Maroa blew several chances for field goals and were only able to score three free throws; one each by Lentz, Hoffman, and Vaughn.

Warrensburg (24)	FG	FT	Maroa (15)	FG	FT
Manes, f	2	0	Eakle, f	1	0
Major, f	0	0	Vaughn, f	0	2
Taylor, f	2	2	Thrift, f	0	0
F. W'with, f	0	0	Mashburn, f	0	0
S. W'with, c	3	2	Lentz, c	2	1
Spitzer, g	2	0	McGuire, g	1	1
Williams, g	0	2	Rainey, g	0	0
			Pulliam, g	1	0
			Hoffman, g	0	1
Totals	9	6	Totals	5	5

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