# The Westville News

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Have you noticed how wonderful it is to have the doors open again? An open door! There's something about that which spells freedom.

Another batch of showers is over and the gardeners are digging, spading, hoeing, pruning, mowing, spraying. It's amazing that there are so many folks who like work!

The birds keep on coming in from the South. New arrivals each week. The last of them arrive here for the summer season about May 20 to 22. By next week, the night hawk and the humming bird will be here. The last usually to arrive in this section are the gray thrush, the Connecticut warbler and the red-bellied woodpecker. The sound of the whop-poor-will has been heard hereabouts in the last week.

What do you make of the person who will ask you to loan him your car to go mushroom hunting, and when you offer to drive him, he answers by saying that won't do as he doesn't want you to know where he gets his mushrooms?

Joe Louis, the world's heavyweight champion, says that Army service gave him confidence he never had before; wonder what that stuff was he had before the war; whatever it was, we'll take a tablespoonful of that to hold us until we can get a bushel of confidence . . . In the old days, Grandma used to keep the butter in the cellar, but since it has been rising so much, butter now has to be kept someplace that has a high ceiling . . . Telegraph poles are said to be on the way out, as radio will replace wires, with relay towers 30 miles apart; if that's the case, we will want to lay away a few old telegraph poles as collectors' items.

—B. T.

**Trivia**

Spring has sprung,
Fall has fell;
Summer is here,
And it's hotter than usual.
—Goulash of Eastern State

Sunday is Mother's Day and mother can expect to receive plaudits from even her youngest offspring at that time. A scrawled "X" or an inky thumbprint will be signature enough if Dad's not around to guide the pen.

**Questions and Answers**

Dear Town Crier:

I have a friend out of town who writes that he had his nose broken in three places. How can I extend sympathy?

Col. T. Roesch, Auctioneer.

Dear Colonel:

Tell your friend to keep out of those places in the future.

**What Is It?**

Have you read "What is Happening in Washington," in the Lawyer's New Weekly? If you have, you will note that Washington is busy on "controls" of all kinds—production, factories, labor, wages, propaganda, prices and food. Something may be closer than we think.

**Guess Who?**

Dropped into our favorite news stand the otther day and saw one or two persons parked for an hour or so of reading the magazines and newspapers—for free. Tsk! Tsk!

**Our Clean Story Club** — A little man came into the office of a psychiatrist.

"I was wondering," the little man said timidly," if you couldn't split my personality for me."

The doctor looked puzzled. "Split your personality? Why would you want that done?"

Tears tumbled down the little man's face. "Oh, Doctor," he wailed, "I'm so lonesome!"

**Why editors leave town** — From the Oklahoma Daily Times — Mr. Jones is rapidly recovering from his operation for appendicitis. His many friends hope to see him cut again soon . . . From the Sedalia (Fla.) News—The manager of the cleaning and pressing establishment testified that Miss Green's goat was cleaned and pressed and returned to her undamaged.

A surprise party was held in honor of the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Helen Kaluza, Victor St. at her home Saturday evening when a group of friends gathered in honor of the occasion. Guests present included Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Weaver, Mrs. Ruth Brennan, Mr .and Mrs. Forrest Feeler, Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Dompe, James Payne, Gus Pliez, Mrs. Vera Stefani, Mrs. Josephine Hible, and Tony Rimshas, whose birthday anniversary was also observed.

## Contracts for Road To Cayuga, Ind., May Be Up for Bids Soon

**Offers for Building Four Bridges Received**

Indications are that work will start by midsummer on the new slab road running into McKendree township toward the Indiana state line this summer. It will be the beginning of a paved road to Cayuga, Ind.

Bids were opened Friday afternoon for the construction of four of the smaller type concrete bridges as a preliminary to the award of the highway contract itself. Two of the bridges will provide cattle passes under the highway.

These bridges are on the road through the Lickskillet neighborhood and will complete the preliminary construction for the new highway. The complete right of way for the bridges is expected to be obtained this week. Cost of the bridge construction is estimated at $75,000.

The road will start at Mill St., Georgetown, and will continue northeast towards Meeks station, east of Westville.

The bids were received in the office of the county highway commissioner, Walter C. Dye.

Construction of the two and one-half miles of road will follow later, it was stated by Dye. It is expected that the right of way may be obtained and bids submitted before the June meeting of the Board of Supervisors. The board several months ago authorized the hard roads committee to advertise for bids and let contracts for this project.

## Many Attend Rites For M. F. Widman Sr.

Funeral services for Michael F. Widman Sr., 74, retired coal miner and business man, who was fatally stricken with a heart attack Wednesday, April 28, were held at 2 p. m. Sunday at the family residence, 317 S. State St. The Rev. J. L. Seisel officiated. Burial was in Oak Hill cemetery, west of Danville. Rosary was recited at 8 p. m. Saturday.

This was one of the largest funerals ever held in Westville.

### Sajunga Members to Attend N Mass on Mother's Day

Members of Moteru Sajunga lodge of Ss. Peter and Paul Church will receive incorpore during the 8 a. m. mass on Sunday, Mother's Day. Each member is requested to wear flowers. The church choir, under the direction of Miss Jessie Carp, organist, will sing the High Mass. Soloist will be Miss Helen Slykas. Choir members will also receive in body.

Regular meeting of the Sajunga lodge was held Tuesday evening, Mrs. Tess Slykas presiding.

### Rosary Society

Regular meeting of Ss. Peter and Paul Rosary Society was held at the parish hall Sunday with Miss Josephine Melecosky presiding. The financial report was given by the secretary, Miss Jessie Carp. The next meeting will be held July 11.

### WALKS INTO CAR, ORDERED OUT OF COUNTY

Robert I. Patterson of Indianapolis was given a suspended sentence of six months on the Illinois Prison Farm, on his promise to keep out of Vermilion county, in County Court last Thursday on a vagrancy charge. He had been arrested near the McMillan School by state police who said that while intoxicated he had walked into the side of an automobile driven by Carl Dalrymple, 23, of Chrisman. The left front fender and the left front windows of the latter's car were damaged but Patterson was uninjured.

### Georgetown Cafe Announces 'Profit-Sharing' Day Awards

At the Georgetown Cafe's "profit-sharing" day last Saturday, a number of awards were presented as follows:

Cash award of $10, Margaret Cornwell; $3 prize, Jay Johnson; $5 merchandise coupon, J. W. Bishop; $2 award, Stanley Shawver; food checks, Jack Bishop, Winifred Burt; $2 dry cleaning award, Florence Cebulski, by Jim Johnson, Mid-Way Dry Cleaners driver; oil change, Jim Willis, Ray Notar of Johnson Oil Co.

Open House and annual school exhibit was held at Central, Edison and McMillan Schools Thursday evening, April 29 with large crowds in attendance. The Parent-Teachers Association of the schools will hold their last official meetings of the school term in May.

Music department of Georgetown High School will furnish the commencement program this year.

### Westville Briefs . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Hector Delanois, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Hector Delanois Jr. have returned from a motor trip west where they visited Mrs. Delanois' sister, Miss Sue Krainock at Santa Fe, N. M. and stayed for several days with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roberts at Baldwin Park, Calif. Mrs. Roberts is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Delanois Sr. and her husband, a former Westville boy, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Roberts, E. Main St.

Mrs. George Kriviskey, N. State St., entertained members of her sewing club at her home Friday evening when four guests were present. The next meeting of the club will be with Mrs. John Urbas Jr., Hegeler.

At a recent meeting at Westville High School, Barbara Hathaway was named editor-in-chief of the school paper for the next term, with Helen Vacketta, assistant editor. Next year's news editor will be Dorothy Sloan, and business manager, Bill Duke.

Mrs. Tony Rimshas and sons, Madison St., are ill at their home.

Recent visitors in Chicago were Mrs. William Slykas, daughters Loretta and Helen and Arthur Stewart and Bill Mellen.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Karushis of Chester, Ill., spent the weekend visiting his mother, Mrs. Eva Karushis, Victor St., and other relatives in Westville.

Mrs. George Ark is convalescing at her home on Cook St., following her release from St. Elizabeth Hospital where she was a pneumonia patient.

Tri-County Bridge Club met with Mrs. Joseph Rakausky, N. State St. last week when prizes were won by Mrs. Luther Hitzeroth, first; Mrs. Rakausky, second; and Mrs. George Szilagyi, third. Mrs. John Urbas Jr. was a guest player. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Szilagyi.

Mrs. Clara Rigdon, Washington Ave., has returned to Rockford after visiting in Westville the past two weeks. She was called home due to the illness of her mother.

Dr. and Mrs. John Urbas have purchased the Hickman home on N. State St. and plan to move there in the near future. Mrs. J. M. Hickman plans to move to an apartment in Danville.

Mrs. Joe Attan, S. State St., is improving at her home following a recent illness. Last week's callers included Mrs. Nellie Beauvois, Mrs. Lela Gastent, Mrs. Clara Schecter, Mrs. Alice Hitlett, Mrs. Dollie Snapp, the Rev. Minnie Sanders and Miss Elizabeth Ann Schecter of Westville, and Mrs. Maude Myers, Mrs. Mary E. Taylor and Mrs. Maggie Gill, Georgetown.

Mrs. Julia Kernene and daughter, Karen of Chicago visited the past week at the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Burdzeus, Williams St. Mrs. Kernene has purchased the Boyer home on S. State St. and plans to make her home here in Westville.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry French of Chicago have concluded a week's visit with her sister, Mrs. Clara Rigdon, Washington Ave.

Mrs. Frank Wallace has returned from a two weeks visit in Chicago with Mrs. Agnes Clevinskas and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hodge of Cissna Park were weekend visitors at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Shembaras, Washington Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell of Chicago have concluded a visit with relatives here.

Pete Dowiatt of Centralia is visiting in Westville while convalescing from facial injuries received in a coal mine accident in Centralia recently.


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## Youth in Weather Service in Japan

**(Special)**

NAGOYA, JAPAN, April 21 — Pfc. Thomas Rudd recently arrived overseas and has been assigned to the 20-4 Air Weather Service Detachment. He is the son of Mrs. Pearl Rudd, 220 Wisconsin Ave., Westville, Ill.

The 20th Weather Squadron maintains a net of weather stations in Japan and Korea which provide weather service for the American Armed Forces in these countries. The Air Weather Service Detachment to which Pfc. Rudd is assigned is located at Chitese Air Force Base, on the island of Hokkaido, northern most island of Japan.

Pfc. Rudd was trained at the Radio School located at Scott Field prior to coming overseas. He will be additionally trained as a weather observer while serving with the 20th Weather Squadron. He attended Catlin High School, then later worked at the Cutler Photo Service of Danville prior to entering the Air Force in October, 1946.

## Body of Pfc. Endzelis Arrives Thursday From South Pacific

The body of Pfc. John Mike Endzelis, 31, of the U. S. Marines, who was killed in action July 26, 1944, on the Island of Guam in the Mariannas, arrived in Danville Thursday afternoon in the last stage of the journey home from the South Pacific for final burial.

The casket was taken to the residence of his mother, Mrs. John Endzelis, 116 E. 10th St., Georgetown, where it arrived about 6 p. m. Thursday. Rosary was recited at the home at 8 o'clock that evening. The Urbas Funeral Home, Westville, took charge of the casket at the train and directed the arrangements.

Funeral services will be at 10 a. m. Saturday, May 8, at the family residence, to be followed by requiem mass at the Holy Cross Church in Westville. The Rt. Rev. Z. K. Vipartas, D. D., will officiate. Interment will be in the Lithuanian National cemetery, east of Westville.

Dornblazer Post 203, American Legion, Georgetown, and Vermilion County Am-Vets Post 146 will join in a military escort on the day of the funeral and rites at the grave. A rifle squad composed of members of both veterans' organizations will give the final salute.

At 10 a. m. Saturday, at the start of the services at the home, the rifle squad will conduct ceremonies at the municipal flagpole on the Georgetown Public Square, when the flag will be lowered to half mast. A request has been made that those who are on the Square, at the time of the lowering of the flag, pause briefly in silence during the rites.

## Westville, Catlin Georgetown Lose

Danville, Westville, Catlin and Georgetown track and field teams met in a quadrangular meet in Danville Wednesday. The meet served as a warm-up for the district meet in Urbana Friday.

Danville won with a total of 79 points. Georgetown came out second best with 43½ points, Westville third with 17, and Catlin fourth with 2½. Kenneth Pearson of Georgetown again won first in the mile, and John Yerem of Westville again came in second, Gene Libert was second in the broad jump.

Humrickhouse of Catlin and Maskel of Georgetown tied for third in the pole vault. Ross of Catlin placed fourth in the discus.


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## Coming Events

**Date, Place**

Mother's Day Sunday, May 9.

May Devotions at Ss. Peter and Paul Church on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7 p. m. during entire month.

Annual Westville High School Junior-Senior banquet will be held at Grier-Lincoln Hotel, Danville, on Saturday evening, May 15; music for dancing furnished by Art Leonards orchestra.

Grade School commencement exercises to be held at Westville High School on May 27.

Meeting of Vermilion County Am-Vets Post 146, Georgetown Hall, Friday evening, May 7.

Benefit show at State Theater Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, June 1 and 7, sponsored by Lions Club; proceeds to go to Youth Camp.

## Moyer Starts 30th Year as Police Chief

At a recent meeting of the Westville village board, William Moyer was named chief of police for the coming year, which will be his 30th term.

Mr. Moyer entered on his duties as chief of police in May, 1918. At that time, mining operations in this territory were heavy.

During the period he has served the city as a police officer, the community has been noteworthy in its record of order and harmonious relations.

Mr. Moyer has the record of the longest service of any police officer in the county.

## Ralph Ellsworth, 47, Well Known Citizen, Is Taken by Death

Ralph A. Ellsworth, 47, one of Westville's best known citizens, died Saturday evening, May 1, at his home, 1128½ N. State St. He had been active in many civic enterprises and was interested in promoting the welfare of the community.

For a number of years he had been an automotive salesman, having worked for two Danville agencies. For the last year, however, he had been in ill health and had been unable to work since last December. He was an active member of the Westville Lions Club and is the first member to be lost by death.

He was born Aug. 31, 1900, in Westville, the son of Joseph P. and Mary Donland Ellsworth. He was educated in the Westville schools and lived here most of his life.

Besides his wife, Mrs. Virginia Ellis, cafe manager at the Woolworth store in Danville, he is survived by a daughter, Mary Veronica Ellsworth; his mother of Westville; a half-sister, Mrs. Lola Quartier; and a half-brother, Austin Ellsworth of Westville.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at the Barrick & Sons Funeral Home, Danville. The Rev. C. H. Taylor, pastor of the Crawfordsville, Ind., Methodist Church, officiated. Burial was in Springhill cemetery, Danville.

### Westville Men Attend Chicago Delinquency Conference

George Kriviskey and Al Galan attended the 17th annual Conference of Delinquency Prevention which was held at the Stevens Hotel, Chicago, last week. A special speaker at Friday's luncheon was the Most Rev. Bernard J. Sheil, auxiliary Bishop of Chicago.

### Choir to Present Song Service at Westville Church

The Chancel Choir of the First Congregational Church will present a song service on Sunday, May 9, at 7:30 p. m. Special songs commemorating Mother's Day will be presented along with other numbers. The choir will be directed by Mrs. Helen Hitzeroth, church organist.

The Rev. C. R. Dierlamm announces that Sunday School will be held at its regular time, 9:30 a. m. and morning service at 10:15 a. m.

## Congregational Church Notes

**Rev. C. R. Dierlamm, Minister**

To keep ahead of the natural events of the season, keeps a person on tip toes. It rains today and shines tomorrow. The dandelions and the weeds will get you unless you root them out first. The summer is here before we know it, then comes the harvest. The Bible is continually reminding us to be ready. The harvest comes upon us and the laborers are few. Watch, for ye know that the Son of Man will come as a thief in the night. The press and the radio are continually warning us to be prepared. History is in the making. We do not know what is happening until long after it has happened. In the meantime, we are reminded of the words of the Master to his disciples. "Sleep on now," as though he meant it did not matter now. Let us keep awake and be ready for any challenge that may come to us as individuals or as a nation.


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## Mine Ventilation Work Suggested in Inspection Report

**G. & M. Coal Co. Makes Improvements**

Several recommendations concerning blasting and ventilating safe guards, in addition to a number of improvements recently completed by the company are made in a report by a federal coal mine inspector, just released by the Bureau of Mines in Washington. The mine is that of the G. & M. Coal Co., just north of Catlin.

It is suggested that more air be provided through two last open crosscuts and that crosscuts be established at intervals not exceeding 60 feet. Other recommendations are for a means of sampling the gas behind seals, the use of permissible flame safety lamps during pre-shift examinations, and offset installations and other safeguards for the ventilating fan.

Recommendations also were made for bans on using open flame lights and smoking in the mine, setting safety posts or cross bars close to each working face, added hoisting and mechanical safeguards, wooden grounds for certain electrical equipment, underground fire-fighting and first aid supplies, the wearing of safety footwear by all employes and approved goggles for eye-hazardous work.

Among improvements recently by the company and commended by the inspector are a pressure recording gage for the fan, a record of the weekly air measurements, the placing of some incombustible stoppings, numerous well installed insulators for power lines, fuses for mining-machine trailing cables, and locking devices for the mining-machine cutter chains.

The G. & M. Company employed 25 men and averaged 170 tons of coal daily when the reinspection was made some weeks ago. It was stated in the report.

## Lions Plan Camp; Hear Weather Man

**Name Nominating Committee for Officers**

Lt. Verlin Hahn of the military weather service at Chanute Field gave an interesting scientific discussion on weather observations at a meeting of the Westville Lions Club Monday night. The meeting was held at the Norvilitis Cafe. He was the guest of Charles Urban.

The members stood in silent reverence in memory of Ralph A. Ellsworth, a member who died last Saturday evening.

A committee, consisting of George Kriviskey, John Lutchka, Wayne Linn, D. J. Giacoma and Lucian Courtney, was apointed by President Joe Ottinpo to consider the possibilities of a concession at the Eastern Illinois Fair this summer.

The nominating committee for new offcers is: Mario Stefani, William Dugas, Steve Sibons, Joe Foyer, John Lesko and L. J. Courtney. A committee also was named to obtain additional material for the Youth Camp, as follows; Fred Sneyd and L. J. Courtney, co-chairmen, Russell Bayles, William J. Dugas, D. J. Giacoma, J. Frank Haworth, Don Palmer, Joseph Smith, Paul W. Thomas, Charles Urban, Jack Wall, Wayne Linn, Wayne Cornwell and John Lutchka.

### Westville Boys to Compete In Marble Tournament

Gerry Rimshas, fifth grade pupil, and Dick Meinart, third grade pupil, both of Central School, will compete in the finals of the annual Marble Tournament to be held at Washington School, Danville, on Saturday, May 15. The winner will receive a bicycle, and his school will receive a basketball. The runner-up will be awarded baseball equipment. Last year's champion was a pupil of Central School, Westville.

### Wins Scholastic Honors At Eastern State College

Among those receiving scholarship honors at Eastern Illinois State College, Charleston recently was Ollie Howerton, former Westville resident and son of O. G. Howerton, principal at Edison School.

### FRACTURES ARM

Mrs. Dorothy Morris, Westville Rt. 1, suffered a fractured arm in a fall at her home last week. She was removed to Lake View Hospital for treatment.


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### JONES - ARK

Miss Alice Ark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Ark, Cook St., Westville, became the bride of Verlin Chester Jones of Georgetown in a beautiful ceremony at St. Mary's Church, Westville, Saturday, May 1. The Rev. J. L. Seisel officiated.

In attendance were the bride's sister, Miss Martha Ark, as maid of honor and Myron Harmon, best man. Bridesmaids were Virginia Bann and Dolores Ceriotti. The bride wore a white satin gown, entrain, with a fingertip veil. Ushers were John Shapuras and Thomas Wallace. The maid of honor wore an aqua taffeta gown, and the bridesmaids wore pink and yellow taffeta gowns, respectively. All wore matching corsages. A reception was held at the home of the bride's parents with 75 guests present. Mrs. Anna Peciokas of Springfield was an out-of-town guest. The young couple left for a wedding trip to Indianapolis. They plan to make their home with the bride's parents.

## Local Contestants Make Good Showing At County Meet

The local delegation to the Vermilion county track and field meet in Georgetown last Saturday acquitted itself well, although failing to place in the top brackets. Eleven high school track and field teams took part in the meet, which was won by Georgetown. Some of these teams entered the district meet at Urbana Friday.

John Yerem of Westville came in second on the mile run, outdistancing the Oakwood star, Gene Poynter. The mile was won by Kenneth Pearson of Georgetown, who set a new record of 4:40.5, breaking the record of Neal of Danville, made in 1914, of 4:43.4.

Herbert Neathery, the Hoopeston star, was the high point man of the meet. He tied with Floyd White of Catlin in the pole vault. The score: Walter Swick of Bismarck scored all of his team's 12 points.

| Teams | Points |
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| Georgetown | 37 |
| Hoopeston | 26 |
| Oakwood | 21 |
| Westville | 17 |
| Bismarck | 12 |
| Ridgefarm | 10 |
| Catlin | 5 |
| Henning | 3 |
| Potomac | 1 |

Summary

**Field Events**

Pole vault — Neathery (H- and F. White (C), tied for 1st; Newtson, (O), 3rd; Gene Libert (W), 4th. Height 10-2.

Shot put — Blackwell (O), 1st; Wright (O), 2nd; Tom Maudlin (G), 3rd; Coil (P), 4th. Distance 41.4.

High jump — Carl Dawson (G), 1st; James Morefield (W), 2nd; Thedick (O), 3rd; McConnell (Hen.), 4th. Height 5-6½.

Discus — Wright (O), 1st; Bill Maskel (G), 2nd; Myers (H), 3rd; Larrance (R), 4th. Distance 124-5.

Broad jump — Myers (H) and Gene Libert (W), tied for 1st; Swick (B), 3rd; John Pinegar (C), 4th. Distance 18-9½.

**Track Events**

220 — Swick, 1st; Cloud (H), 2nd; Hughes (O), 3rd; Carl Thompson (G), 4th. Time :23.

880 — Neathery (H), 1st; Gene Williams (G), 2nd; Monroe (R), 3rd; Ronald Miethe (G), 4th. Time 2:05.

440 — Neathery (H), 1st; George Spang (G), 2nd; Virgil Biava (G), 3rd; Ray Watts (W), 4th. Time :53.6.

Low hurdles (200) — Dale Smith (G), 1st; Callahan (R), 2nd; McConnell (Hen.) 3rd; Carl Thompson (G), 4th. Time :24.2.

100 — Swick (B), 1st; Carl Thompson (G), 2nd; Cloud (H), 3rd; Dale Smith (G), 4th. Time :10.6.

High hurdles (110) — James Morefield (W), 1st; Clark (R), 2nd; Carl Dawson (G), 3rd; Callahan (R), 4th. Time :16.4.

Mile — Ken Pearson (G), 1st; John Yerem (W), 2nd; Gene Poynter (O), 3rd; Wagoner (H), 4th. Time 4:40.5. (New record).

Freshmen relay — Georgetown (Joe Bodart, Sam Snyder, Bearl Spicer, Herschel Smith) 1st. Time 1:46.

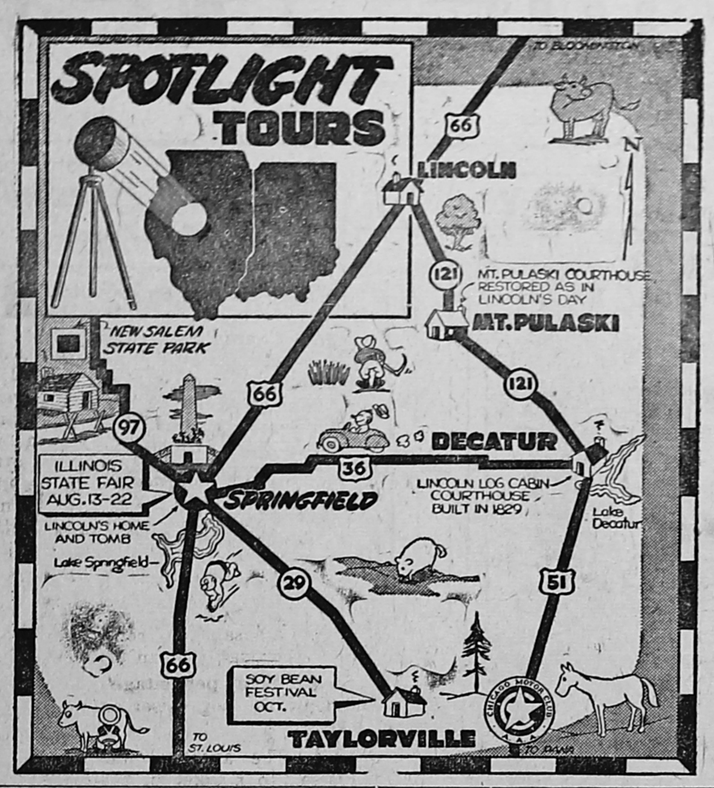
Varsity relay — Hoopeston (Cloud, Myers, Coleman, Neathery) 1st; Georgetown (Carl Thompson, George Spang, Gene Williams, Virgil Biava) 2nd. Time 1:37.7.

### Honor Roll

Principal Paul Thomas announces the honor roll at Westville High School:

High Honors: Martha Bitout, Joan Crippin. Helen Good, Barbara Hathaway, Dorothy Lutchka, Beverly McArdle, Theresa Puskac, Dorothy Sloan and Barbara Woods.

Honorable mention: Ernesta Balsamello, Marian Browning, Albert Chapman, Mary Ann Delhaye, Robert Gondry, Leonard Green, Martha Green, Patricia Hathaway, Erma Houser, Mary Louise Lesko, Elizabeth Lipousky, Carol McArdle, Regina Nieminski, Bonnie Nigra, Elnora Polakes, Phyllis Razaitis, John Sabalaskey, Robert Shapuras, Marie Sleva, Helen Vacketta, Rita Vacketta, Alan Wilkis and Odelle Woods.




### . . . Showers . . .

A bridal shower in honor of Miss Ann Van Dyke will be held at Ss. Peter and Paul parish hall Tusday evening, May 11 with her mother, Mrs. Ann Van Dyke, W. Main St., and cousin, Mrs. Peter Razaitis of Chicago, co-hostesses.

### . . . Briefs . . .

Mr. and Mrs. John Matchus of Chicago spent the weekend visiting her mother, Mrs. Alice Bendick, E. Main St.

Joe VanDyke of Peoria is visiting his mother, Mrs. Anna VanDyke and sister, Ann, on W. Main St.

Mrs. Mary Witkus of Chicago spent the weekend visiting Mr. and Mrs. Tony Miklo, Cook St., and other friends in Westville.

Tony Bernotas of Gary, Ind., is spending the week at his home on Cook St.

Attending confirmation services in Danville Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. John Lutchka and family and their guest, Mrs. Anna Peciokas of Springfield, Mrs. John Urbas Jr. and the Misses Jessie and Phyllis Carp.

Mrs. Bessie MacDonald of Birmingham, England is visiting with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kelley. Miss MacDonald plans to extend her visit to six weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Nagrodski of Chicago and their son, Robert, a student at the University of Illinois, spent the weekend visiting at the home of Mrs. Nagrodski's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Beauvois.

### WINS SNOW SCENE AWARD

In a photographic competition limited to snow scenees, in which prizes were awarded last Wednesday evening by the Danville Camera Club, Willet Bishop of Westville was fourth place winner with his photographic study, "New Snow."

### BODY TO BE RETURNED

Body of Pvt. Ambrose D. Morgan, killed in action in France in World War II, will be returned to Georgetown soon for final burial. The body had been interred in the Blosville Temporary Military cemetery in France. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Morgan, 306 Stone St., Georgetown.

Virguel Brooks of Paris, Ill., has purchased the Ray Phipps Furniture Store in Georgetown.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fertaly are the parents of a daughter born in St. Elizabeth Hospital Tuesday, April 27. This is their first child. The mother is the former Lois Sneyd.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ross, South St., are the parents of a son born in St. Elizabeth Hospital Tuesday, April 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Vanderpoorten, W. Main St., are the parents of a daughter born in Lake View Hospital Monday, April 26. The mother is the former Olga Bartash.

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From where I sit ... *by* Joe Marsh

**"What's Your Opinion, Mister?"**

Fellow from one of those public opinion polls was in Andy's Garden Tavern, querying Andy's patrons on everything from that "new look" to the next election.

And it occurred to me that there's nothing more typically American than collecting other folks' opinions, as well as giving out with one's own. And from where I sit, it's a mighty healthy habit.

So long as people can discuss *both* sides of a question that comes up—whether it concerns short skirts versus long, beer compared with cider, or the larger issues of party versus party—we're sure of the individual liberty that has made this country great.

For it isn't differences of opinion that matter. The important thing is *tolerance* for differences of opinion—whether they affect the right of an individual to vote, to speak his mind, or enjoy a glass of beer. They're all parts of the freedom that we cherish!

*Joe Marsh*

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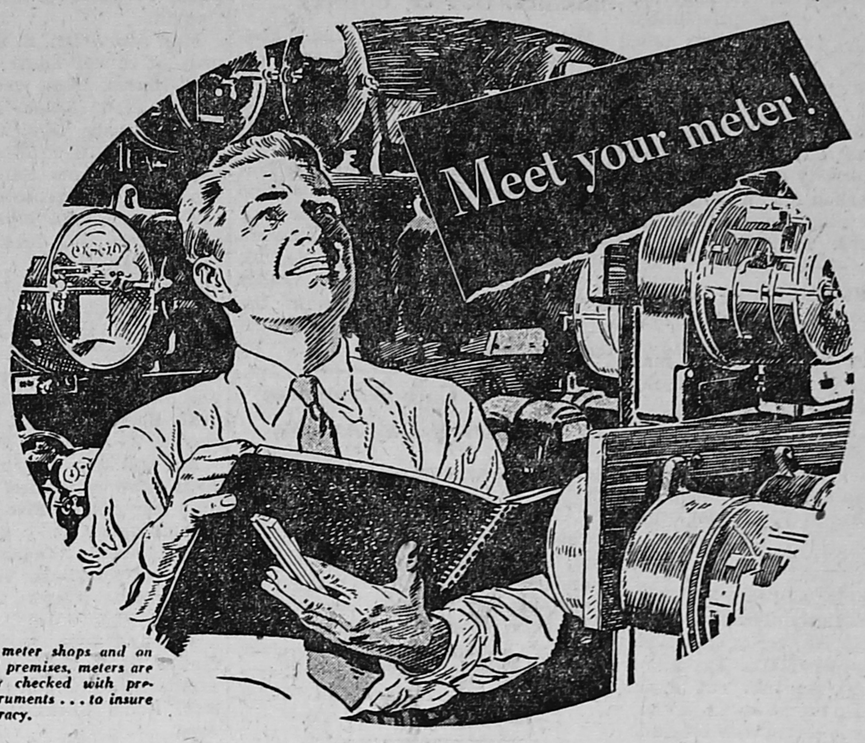


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### Helping to Rebuild Lives

The American Legion Auxiliary and the Legion Posts in this area are preparing for Poppy Day, which this year, in downstate Illinois, falls on May 29. Those of the Illinois hospitalized veterans of both wars, who are able to do so, have earned substantial sums in the making of these poppies.

On Poppy Day, these poppies will be sold by the members of the Legion Auxiliary. All of the proceeds go to the local and state rehabilitation fund. The proceeds in Illinois are expected to reach $100,000 this year, a substantial sum which may be used in rebuilding the lives torn by the wars.

No one should ignore the appeals to buy poppies this year. There is no paid organization handling this project. Every cent obtained goes directly to the rehabilitation of veterans and aid to their families. Poppy Day is a time for which some thought and planning should be given. It is well worth while.

### Some Items of Business

Here are some terse items of business information as gleaned from the news dispatches:

Federal Housing Administration and Prudential Insurance Co. complete negotiations for a modern garden-type apartment project at Kalamazoo, Mich. Because of unfavorable corn-hog feeding ratio, farmers have been marketing more hogs . . . Oil industry leaders, faced with disturbing back-stage proposals for government controls, point out that gasoline in a free market has risen only 5 cents a gallon since 1940, while milk, under Federal contorl from cow to bottle, has climbed 7 cents a quart during the same period . . . With chick hatchings off 25 perecent for the first quarter of 1948, eggs are going into private storage at twice the rate of a year ago in expectations of a slump in egg output and higher prices . . . Employment may hit a new peak this summer, with normal increases in agriculture and construction, it is estimated by the Department of Labor . . . Continued development and wider use of automatic machinery is the only way America can continue to maintain its share of world cotton textile markets, it is insisted by some of industry's leaders . . . Rises in hide prices have brought about wholesale increases of as high as 10 per cent in shoe prices . . . Heightened competition in consumer goods sales is booming the premium business to more than double its prewar size. But the soap wrapper or box top is not enough to get a premium now. Inflation has boosted premium prices, too.

### May Day Parades

It is bitterly ironic that parading workers around the world on May Day, the traditional holiday for foreign labor, did so amid a display of guns and bombers that represented anything but the security and economic prosperity that they have made their prime objectives.

In this year of nominal peace, May Day was made the occasion for a display of military strength by Russia, which was its own version of preparing for war "to make peace certain." It was the only spectacular thing, militarily, that Russia has done since the war in a demonstration of its combat power. The world could feel easier if it could accept as the literal truth the declaration of the Soviet minister of armed services that the Russian people are interested only in "a lasting and stable peace," and that Russia honestly believes that the only obstacles to the attainment of this global status are the "imperialist and war propagandist blocs which are increasing their arms and breaking peace obligations." The latter, of course, is a familiar propaganda line.

The American people will gladly shift the tax load required and the utilization of youth for extraordinary preparedness expenditures, if world security thus is made certain.

The May Day observances were carried on without major incident. That is, there were no serious riots or violence. In the United States, Labor Day is celebrated with little or no display of military strength. Labor Day is not considered a military day here, either by the government or private organizations. Until a day for labor can be observed without nations showing their military might we can hardly be assured of a permanent peace status.

## MOTHER'S DAY HAS COLORFUL HISTORY...

## TAX FACTS

**There were 11,955 school** districts in existence in Illinois in 1945. Changes through consolidations and annexations have been taking place so rapidly that no one knows exactly how many schools there are today. However, the best estimate is that the number has been reduced to approximately 9,755. In Brown and Scott counties, all of the school districts have been consolidated into one school district in each county.

**In connection with the consolidation** of school districts, property owners should be aware that there is a serious problem concerning outstanding bonds which can only be solved by the Illinois Supreme Court. One school of thought says that bonds voted by a school district remain an obligation against property within that school district at the time the bonds were voted, which must continue to pay for the bonds even though the school district is abolished through consolidation into another school district. Under the other interpretation, the new consolidated school district becomes responsible for the bonds of the original school districts outstanding at the date of the consolidation. Under this interpretation, if you live in a school district that has no outstanding bonds and your school district is consolidated with one or more districts that do have outstanding bonds, then you will be taxed after the consolidation to pay for the principal and interest of those bonds of the other school districts.

**Your tax bill will include** a tax for at least one and probably two school districts. If you live in a unit school district, which is a district providing both elementary and high school education, you will pay only one school tax. Otherwise, you will pay a tax for an elementary school district and a high school district, or, if you live in a rural area that is not in a high school district, you will pay a tax for an elementary district and a non-high school district.

**All school districts outside of** Chicago, except those with a population of fewer than 1000 inhabitants, are subject to the provisions of the Illinois Municipal Budget Law. Under this law a school district is required to adopt a combined annual budget and appropriation ordinance within or before the first quarter of each fiscal year. In most districts of the state the fiscal year begins July 1, so that the budget and appropriathereon. At least one public hearing shall be held on the budget and appropriation ordinance. Notice of such hearing shall be given at least one week prior to such hearing by publication in a newspaper circulated in the district, or, if there is no such newspaper, notice of the hearing must be posted in five of the most public places in the district.

**Every school district in the state** may levy a tax for educational purposes. Every school district which has a building may levy a tax for building purposes. The last General Assembly brought all school districts having a population of more than 1000 under the Illinois Municipal Retirement Act and authorized the levy of a tax to cover tthe school board's contribution to this retirement fund for non-teaching personnel. If a bond issue is authorized by election, taxes must also be levied against property in the district for the purpose of paying off such bonded indebtedness.

**Generally, the largest share of** your tax bill is to provide education through the 12th grade (senior high school). Your taxes for this purpose have been steadily increasing. There has been a tremendously effective nation-wide propaganada campaign to build public sentiment for more money for schools, more pay for teachers. There is a growing feeling that the emphasis should rather be—more money for better schools, better pay for better teachers, a better product of better citizens.

## FARM FACTS WORTH KNOWING

**Q. How often does the litter in the brooder house need to be changed?**

A. As long as the litter remains clean and dry it does not need changing, unless there should be an outbreak of disease. How long the litter remains dry depends upon the kind and depth of the litter used, or how often it is stirred, on the ventilation of the brooder room and on the care used in preventing water being spilled around the fountains. Should there be an outbreak of disease, it is always advisable to remove all litter and thoroughly clean and disinfect.

**Q. What percentage of his pigs should the hog raiser expect to market?**

A. The average number of pigs raised to market in the U. S. is 56 be able to market many more pigs. At the research farm of the Ralston per cent, but the hog raiser should company where a program of good breeding, sound management, careful sanitation and good feeding is followed, the average number of pigs raised to market is 78.7 per cent.

**Q. What qualities should be considered in buying broiler chicks?**

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"It's not that Illinois Bell doesn't love mothers," Mr. Prosise said, "or that we are discouraging sons and daughters from calling her. But the fact is that thousands of other sons and daughters want to talk to Mom and long distance wires will be crowded that day."

One of the main reasons completing calls on these family holidays is a tough job, Mr. Prosise said, is because an unusually large number are placed to more distant points, small towns, vacation areas and places where retired folks live. Normally, calls to these places are considerably fewer in number, he explained. On special days like Mother's Day, however, calling is heavy and traffic jams develop on the voice highways.

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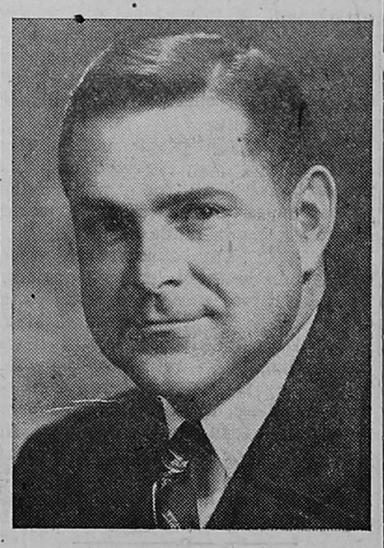
## New Principal Named At Georgetown High School

Clayton M. Hadley Jr., principal of the High School at Auburn, Ill., a town of 2500 just south of Springfield, has been selected by the Georgetown High School Board of Education, District 218, as principal and superintendent to take the place of Glenn A. DeLand, who has served in that capacity for 16 years and who



**CLAYTON M. HADLEY, JR.**

will retire from the teaching profession July 1. The board interviewed nine applicants.

Mr. Hadley was given a two-year contract.

Mr. and Mrs. Hadley and their young daughter will occupy the principal's residence on the high school campus as soon as it is vacated by the DeLand family, which will be about July 1. Mr. Hadley will be in Georgetown for several days before the end of the school year to get acquainted with the teaching staff and to familiarize himself with the high school plant.

Mr. Hadley was born in Mooresville, Ind., May 30, 1907. He attended the Medaryville, Ind., High School. He entered the University of Illinois after graduation in 1925, where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1930. He received his Master of Science degree at the University in 1937. He was a member of Delta Theta Epsilon, an honorary professional fraternity, serving as president in 1929-30.

His first work in the profession of teaching was in a country school. In his work as a high school instructor, he has been a teacher of manual arts, physical education and has served as coach and as principal-coach.

From 1942-46, he served in the United States Army Air Corps as a lieutenant colonel. At the end of his service, he was urged by his superior officers to remain in the military service, but he declined, preferring to continue in the teaching profession.

Mr. Hadley has expressed a desire to meet many of the school patrons, students, business men and others when he arrives here later this month for a few days' visit.

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