

Three-Car Accident Results In Arrest One Driver Fined On Traffic Count

A three-vehicle accident Sunday at 9:15 p. m. on the Piqua road about two miles southeast of Decatur resulted in the arrest of Velva W. Pickel, 62, of Decatur route three, who was charged with driving to the left of the center of the roadway.

Cars driven by Theron L. Dull, 38, of Decatur route five, and Jesse O. Daniels, 53, of 710 Indiana street, traveling in the same direction, approached a narrow bridge on the Piqua road. Mrs. Pickel approached from the opposite direction.

The Dull and Daniels cars stopped before coming to the bridge and pulled over to the side of the road to permit the Pickel vehicle to pass through the bridge. In

doing so, she sideswiped the Dull vehicle and hit the Daniels car. Damage was estimated at \$60 to the Pickel car, \$35 to the Dull vehicle and \$75 to the Daniels auto. Mrs. Pickel appeared in city court this morning and was fined \$1 and costs. Deputy sheriff Robert Meyer and state troopers Al Coppes and Dan Kwasneski investigated.

Kay J. Bohnke, 19, of Decatur route three, and her infant child, escaped injury when the car which she was driving overturned Saturday at 4:15 p. m. about two and a half miles northeast of Decatur on a country road.

Mrs. Bohnke stated that she was watching the baby and the car swerved off onto the berm of the road. In bringing it back up onto the road, the car went out of control on the loose stone and flipped over.

Damage to the vehicle was estimated at \$600. Mrs. Bohnke was charged with driving without an operator's license. She will appear in J. P. court tonight.

Traffic Charge Is Dismissed In Court Witnesses Change Testimony In Case

A charge of disregarding a stop sign and of operating a motor vehicle without an operator's license, filed against James Carroll, 32, of Fort Wayne, was dismissed in city court this morning.

The charge was dismissed when testimony by two witnesses revealed that Carroll was not driving the car which was involved in an accident on the Piqua road at the Belmont road last April 7.

At the time of the investigation, two girls, Judy Kaiser and Barbara Peterson, both of Fort Wayne, told authorities that Carroll had been driving the car. Carroll denied it, saying that Joe M. Weeks, 20, also of Fort Wayne, was driving the car when it crashed.

On the basis of the statements by the two girls and by Weeks, the charges were filed against Carroll. During this morning's trial, however, the girls both testified under oath that Weeks, owner of the car, was the driver.

Mayor Robert Cole, concurring with the prosecuting attorney, Lewis L. Smith, that the evidence showed Carroll had committed no offense, dismissed the charges against him.

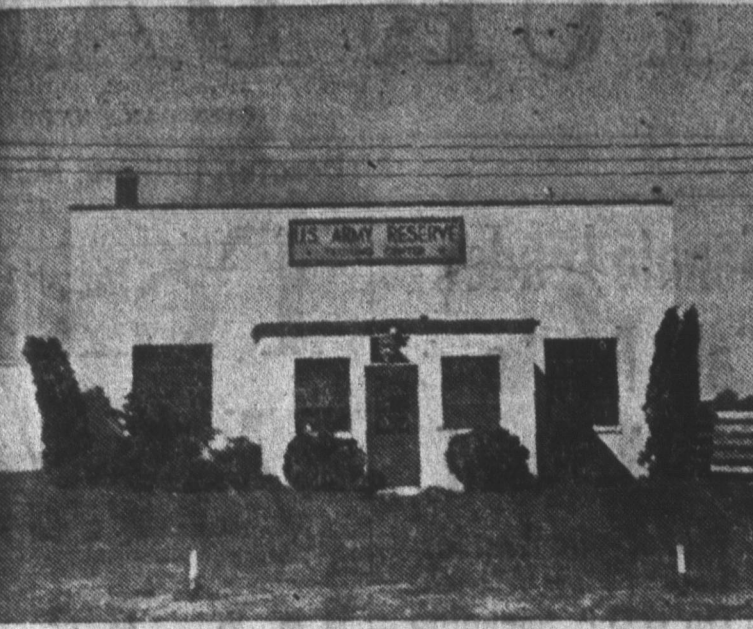
A charge of running a stop sign was immediately filed against Weeks. He was found guilty and was fined \$50 and costs in city court.

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OPEN RESERVE CENTER SATURDAY



"FOR MOSES," as the reserve center for service company, 424th field artillery battalion, is known locally, will hold its formal opening this Saturday, Armed Forces day, Captain William F. Gernand, commanding officer, announced today.

The Adams County unit, which will consist of 40 men, recently moved into the building, and rehabilitated it for military use.

A flag raising ceremony, open to the public, will take place at 10 a. m. Saturday, Captain Gernand said. Honored guests will be Mayor Robert Cole, of Decatur, a member of the county board of commissioners, Harry Schwartz, president of the Decatur Lions club, Joe Kaehr, president of Rotary club, Franklin Dettler, commander of the American Legion, Adams post 43, Theodore Baker, commander of the local Veterans of Foreign Wars post, and Hubert Feasel, commander of the local Disabled American Veterans post. Another honored guest will be sheriff Merle Affolder, of the Adams county civil defense program.

Displays of all equipment presently in use by the military outfit will be shown until 4 p. m. Coffee will be served to those who attend the open house. A special representative of the recruiting service will be present to answer all questions concerning any military service for those between 17 and 25 years of age.

New Wheat Grades Effective June 15

New grades for wheat, the first major change in grain grade since 1934, will go into effect June 15, A. E. Halvorson, Purdue University extension agronomist, has reported. Wheat will have to be of better quality to meet the new USDA standards, according to Halvorson. He said the new standards permit less foreign materials, fewer shrunken and broken kernels and less wheat of other kinds.

Allowance for shrunken and broken kernels for all classes of wheat will be reduced to five percent for No. 1 wheat and eight percent for No. 2 wheat. Present tolerances are seven and ten percent. The allowance for wheat of another class will be the same for No. 1 and No. 2 wheat — five percent. The allowance for No. 2 wheat has been 10 percent. Halvorson said the changes in the standards for wheat graders are being made on the recommendations of farmers, grain dealers and exporters. They are intended to meet present-day requirements of the grain trade at home and overseas.

Careful Compliance To Acreages Reserve

Adams County farmers are reminded that methods of determining corn acreage measurements underscore the need for careful compliance with corn allotments and provisions of the soil bank's reserve program.

Corn acreages will be determined in tenths of an acre under both

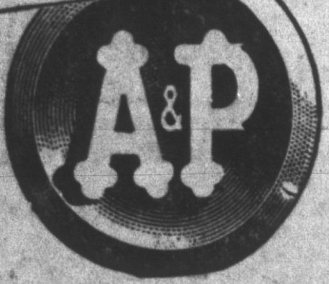
the allotment and acreage reserve program, according to Oscar Brown, chairman of the county agricultural and stabilization and conservation committee.

This is the way chairman explains it: "If a farmer with a corn allotment of 41 acres signed an acreage reserve agreement designating 10 acres for the corn acreage reserve, he would have a maximum of 31 acres of corn 'permitted for harvest'."

"If measurement of the fields revealed 10 acres actually held in acreage reserve and 31.5 acres planted to corn, the 'acreage permitted for harvest' would be half an acre in excess. Corn on this excess, 5 acre would have to be disposed of by approved methods in order to get into compliance with acreage reserve program's provisions."

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