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### THIRTY-FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Auct. and Mrs. J. A. Michaud celebrated their thirty-fifth wedding anniversary in a very pleasant manner yesterday with the entire family being at home to enjoy a chicken dinner. In the afternoon, other relatives called to congratulate them. Mr. and Mrs. Michaud also received gifts.

Those present to enjoy the sumptuous dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Michaud and son Ted of Fort Wayne, Miss Marcella Michaud of New Haven, Miss Margaret Kern of Decatur, Lores and Angela Michaud of Berne and Mr. and Mrs. Michaud.

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### A. GOTTSCHALK CELEBRATES 86th BIRTHDAY

Andrew Gottschalk celebrated his eighty-sixth birthday anniversary yesterday when a number of relatives and friends met at his home to enjoy the day with him.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Welty and daughter, Jeanne, Jake Renz of Lima, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hartman and son Earl Shalley; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Shalley and daughter Jeanne; Mrs. James H. Hawk and John Gottschalk, all of Indianapolis; Mrs. Belle Sheets of Botkins, Ohio; Mrs. Clella Gottschalk and daughter Mary Julia; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carto of Fort Wayne; Sen. and Mrs. T. A. Gottschalk, Amanda and Andrew Gottschalk.

Lizzie and Mont Rose were afternoon callers at the Gottschalk home.

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### DEATH CLAIMS MRS. WM. COOK

Decatur, Nov. 16 -- Mrs. William Cook, aged 47, resident of Decatur until a few months ago, died at the Adams County Memorial Hospital Wednesday night at 10:30 o'clock.

Death was caused by heart trouble, shortly after she had been removed to the hospital from her home near the state line.

The deceased was born in Van Wert County, Ohio, the daughter of Nathan and Fannie Myers Gause, July 18, 1889. The father is still living there.

The deceased moved here 28 years ago, after her marriage to William Cook, local blacksmith.

She is survived by 15 children. One is deceased. The children are: Mrs. Adam Johnson, Lester, Virgil, Rosa, Mrs. Clifford Hess, Ray, Willis, Wilbur, Betty, Dale, Albert, William, Jr., Eugene and Isabelle, all of Decatur, and Mrs. Harold Hirschy, of Geneva.

The following brothers and sisters also survive: Jacob, Fred, Lola and Ray Gause, all of Columbia City, and Cecil and Nelson, of Decatur; Mrs. Eugene Akems, of Van Wert, Ohio; two half-brothers and two half-sisters. Two brothers are deceased.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home near Watt, Ohio. Burial was made in the Decatur cemetery.

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## OLIVE HUSER BRIDE SATURDAY

### Well Known Young Lady Marries Augustus Mann

A pretty wedding took place Saturday evening at 6 p.m. at the Evangelical parsonage when Miss Olive Huser became the wife of Augustus Mann. Rev. M. O. Herman used the impressive single ring ceremony. The bride was attractively gowned in a tailored princess style crepe dress of American Beauty shade trimmed with tiny velvet bows and rhinestone buttons. Her accessories were grey. Mr. Mann wore a blue suit.

Mrs. Mann is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Huser. She attended high school in Berne for three years, was transferred to the Monroe High School where she was graduated with the class of 1932. She has been employed by the Berne Manufacturing Company.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Mann of near Geneva. He was graduated from the Geneva High School in 1929, and is well known here.

The young couple will make their home on a farm east of Geneva.

The bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Huser, and sisters Jean and Pauline witnessed the wedding. Last evening a wedding dinner was served at the home of the bride's parents.

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### CLAUSER BABY DIES TODAY

Infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Clauser Dies

Little Constance Ann Clauser, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Clauser, died this morning at 7:30 o'clock at the Clauser home. Death was caused by bronchial pneumonia. The baby became ill with pneumonia Sunday.

The child was born Oct. 5, 1936, at the Adams County Memorial Hospital, the daughter of Alfred and Earlene Baumgartner Clauser. Surviving are the parents, also the grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. A. M. Clauser of Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Adam Augsburger of this place.

At 2 o'clock this afternoon, funeral arrangements had not yet been made, pending word from relatives.

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(Handwritten: Thursday, Nov. 5, 1936)

David D. Habegger, trustee of Blue Creek Township was a visitor in Berne Wednesday afternoon. He stated that he was at the Election school house when he received word of the accident in which his son, Eldon, was killed. Mr. Habegger, however, was unaware that his son was dead until he reached his home.

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### HEART ATTACK TAKES LIFE OF ANT. ZUERCHER

Well-Known Retired Farmer Drops Dead at Home Today

Anton Zuercher, aged 80, prominent and well-known retired farmer, died suddenly soon after 9 o'clock this morning at his country home three miles northeast of Berne. Death was caused by a heart attack, known as coronary thrombosis. Mr. Zuercher was dead when found by his wife.

Mr. Zuercher had been in fairly good health until six weeks ago when he started to fail. He attended the last German service held at the Reformed church here on Nov. 1, and he had not been able to attend church since. This morning he ate breakfast and then conducted the usual devotional service. Following this Mr. Zuercher left the house to go to the barn, but he fell dead before he reached the barn. Mrs. Zuercher saw him lying on the ground and hurried to him but he failed to answer. Death is thought to have been instant.

Mr. Zuercher was born Sept. 27, 1856, in Canton Bern, Switzerland, a son of John and Marie Buchler Zuercher. He came to this country in 1883, and moved to Adams County about 50 years ago. On Jan. 1, 1884, he was united in marriage to Elizabeth Muhlethaler, also a native of Switzerland, who came to America at the same time. The wedding took place at Beaverdam, Ohio, where the couple lived for some time. When they moved to Adams County they settled on the farm where Paul Habegger now lives, and about 21 years ago moved to their present farm. Mr. Zuercher was for many years a prominent farmer. He was a member of the Cross Reformed church and a deacon in the church for 16 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Zuercher celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Jan. 1, 1934.

Surviving are the wife and the following children: Fred Zuercher, Richmond; Mrs. Clark (Rose) Lantis, Markle; and Mrs. Paul (Freida) Habegger, northeast of Berne. Two grandchildren survive, Angeline and Rosemary Habegger.

One daughter, Elizabeth, preceded. Mr. Zuercher has no surviving brothers or sisters.

The funeral will be Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Reformed church here, following a brief service at the home. Burial will be in the MRE Cemetery.

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## OBITUARY

In Memory of Eldon Habegger

Eldon Huser Habegger, son of David D. and Fannie Huser Habegger, was born Sept. 13, 1910, in Blue Creek township, Adams county, Indiana, at the present farm of his parents.

He met an accidental death while at work in Decatur, Indiana, on election day, November 3, 1936, at the age of 26 years, one month and 20 days.

He was educated in the Blue Creek township grade schools and the Pleasant Mills High School.

Eldon was converted, baptized and united with the Salem Methodist Episcopal Church in March 1927, during the pastorage of Rev. F. A. Shipley. The entire family, with the exception of Juanita, who was a child, came into the church at that same time.

On January first, 1935, Eldon married Delores Book. One son, James David, was born to this union. The most of Eldon's life was lived in Blue Creek township.

He is survived by his wife and infant son; his father and mother; one brother, Vilas, of Monroe, Ind.; three sisters, Mrs. Francis Ellsworth of Decatur; Dorothy and Juanita at home; one sister, Velma, died in infancy; and also survived by his grandmothers, Mrs. Maria Habegger and Mrs. Lydia Huser, both of Berne.

Besides these, there are many surviving relatives. Eldon had a cheerful and friendly disposition which won many friends who will greatly miss him. He had bright prospects for a successful life but it was suddenly brought to a close.

I cannot say, and I will not say  
That he is dead, He is just away!  
With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand  
He has wandered into an unknown land.

And left us dreaming how very fair,  
It needs must be since he lingers there;  
And you, oh, you, who the wildest yearn  
For the old time step and the glad return.

Think of his faring on as dear  
In the love of There, as the love of Here;  
Think of him still as the same, I say  
He is not dead, he is just away.

James Whitcomb Riley

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to our friends and neighbors for the many deeds of kindness and devoted services rendered us in our deep sorrow, the death of our beloved husband, father, son and brother and for the beautiful floral offerings, for the comforting words given by the officiating pastors and the beautiful messages in song.

Mrs. Deloris Habegger

Mr. and Mrs. David D. Habegger and children

Mr. and Mrs. Vilas Habegger

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Ellsworth

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## NEW ARRIVALS

A daughter, Constance Anne, was born to Alfred E. and Earlene Baumgartner Clauser at the Adams County Memorial Hospital this morning. The baby was premature....3 1/2 pounds.

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