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(Berne, Indiana, Thursday, December 26, 1935)

INTERESTING EVENTS OF 1935 TAKEN OUT OF THE BERNE REVIEW FILES

(continued)

...commencement program is announced; Jacob C. Rich dies; Ben Mazelin weds Naomi Schwartz; John Geisler dies suddenly; Roger Bluhm, Erlene Stucky wed.

May 16 - Freeman Burkhalter, Al-(blurred out) hired as new school teachers; Jefferson Eversole dies; farmers favor wheat control program here; Edwin T. Moser has truck stolen at Hartford City; high school presents operetta "Sun Bonnet Girl;" chain letter craze hits Berne; Berne schools close Friday.

May 20 - Review publishes pictures of B. H. S. graduates; Ralph McClain heads B. H. S. Alumni Association; Robert Zwick weds Aleta Harlow; Rev. Trof delivers baccalaureate sermon; Robert Augsburger weds Miss Marguerite Gilbert.

May 23 - Miss Ruth Sprunger weds Freadus Sprunger; E. W. Baumgartner heads Berne Christian Temperance Union; high school commencement held; Peoples State Bank to make payment May 31; Mrs. Adam Nussbaum dies; apartment to be built above Drs. Jones office.

May 27 - Stockholders of Peoples State Bank assessed 100 percent; Lois Gilliom accepts school position at Mishawaka; Bible school opens with enrollment of 351; financial statement of school given; Mrs. Joseph Schwartz hurt in collision; Josephine Hendricks weds Doyle Hendricks; Rev. Calvin Schmid accepts local Reformed church call; Dr. Adam Ward Johnson dies at Monroe.

May 31 - Mat Kirsch dies at Decatur; John Bauman new coach at Geneva; Howard Habegger, 9, run over by roller; local men witness 500-mile race at Indianapolis; Ornell Stauffer arrested for speeding; William Runyon dies; Willshire suffers \$15,000 fire; Lester Kerr accepts position at Elkhart high school.

June 3 - \$10,000 phone improvement in Berne to start; Mrs. Mildred Stein in auto accident; Barr store to open here Thursday.

June 6 - Vilas Schindler severely hurt in auto crash; Robert Kramer takes charge of Peoples State Bank; Mennonite church holds semi-annual business meeting; Magdalene Lehman, 3, run over by car.

June 10 - Miriam Small weds Dale Braun; Mildred Neuenschwander bride of Paul Stahly; Nova Lehman weds Rev. Otto Gerber; Jacob Eicher weds Rosa Graber; Loretta Habegger Devore dies; Clyde Cook of Ceylon badly hurt when leg is caught in tractor wheel; Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Luginbill start mattress factory here; Dunbar factory starts upholstery school; Samuel Barkman injured when belt tears and hits him; William Townsend family escapes severe injury is bride of

Ralph Amstutz [sic]; Emerson Lehman, 13, hurt in bicycle accident; first drawing of season held; Monroe, Decatur, Bluffton mail routes merged; Jane Linn dies at Vera Cruz.

June 13 - Chris Egly dies at hospital; Noah Schlotzhauser seriously ill; several from here see 'human cannon ball' death at Portland; local firemen attend convention at Portland and win prizes; Melvin McDowell, bandit, shot to death at Portland; 150 attend annual picnic of trustees at park; Berne streets oiled; plans made for big 4th of July Sunday School rally at park.

June 17 - Mrs. James Laisure dies; (cut off)

June 24 - Chris Gerber weds Harriett Habegger; Mildred Habegger weds Francis Ellsworth; Herb Curtis resigns as Decatur coach; David Gerber dies; safe crackers make way into six local business places; Clarence Biedersdorfer gets 10-day term for theft; Bible school commencement given; Nussbaum Novelty Company gets order from Armour and Company for 100,000 holiday boxes.

June 27 - Roy Smith loses plea for mercy; Missionary church holds business meeting; Joe Everett is back in Decatur jail; Mrs. Ana Heffner dies; Otto Stucky named on Berne Board of Education; Hugh Andrews named coach at Decatur; Bible school picnic today; Prairie Farmer to give program here.

(Handwritten: Monday, March 1, 1937)

DR. REUSSER INJURED WHEN CAR HITS TRUCK Local Physician Thrown Out of Car in Collision Saturday

Dr. Amos Reusser, prominent local physician, was severely, but probably not dangerously injured early Saturday afternoon when his Ford V-8 coupe, driven by Miss Eleanor Dro, crashed into a truck. The accident happened one mile south of Berne, at the intersection of Highway 27, and the east and west road.

Dr. Reusser suffered bad bruises and a severe chest injury. It is not believed that he suffered any internal injuries and X-ray pictures failed to reveal any fractures. Dr. Reusser has been taking care of his practice since the accident but has been suffering considerably. Miss Dro escaped with minor bruises and shock.

Dr. Reusser and Miss Dro had made a professional call and were on their way to Berne when the accident happened. They were driving east and as they came to highway 27 a large truck owned by Brady Brothers and heavily loaded with livestock came from the south. Miss Dro applied the brakes but was unable to stop in time, according to witnesses, and crashed into the large truck.

The force of the crash caused Dr. Reusser's car to turn completely around, but it did not leave the wheels and did not turn over. Dr. Reusser was thrown out of the car to the hard road surface and was picked up from underneath the car. He was in a semi-conscious condition but recovered his full senses soon afterwards.

The front end of the car was totally demolished. The truck was only slightly damaged. It was driven by a Mr. Dailey, of Payne, Ohio, truck driver for Brady Bros. He was on his way to Berne with a load of stock he had picked up at Montpelier and Hartford City.

Dr. Reusser was brought to the office of a local doctor, and was (cut off)

(Handwritten: Feb. 15, 1937)

TAKES POSSESSION TODAY OF AUTO-ELECTRIC SHOP; LEASES BLACKSMITH SHOP

A business deal, in which Christ Gerber, well known local garage owner and Pontiac salesman becomes the owner of the Berne Auto-Electric Service operated by Cliff Nussbaum and Eugene Wilkins, was announced today. The transaction was completed Saturday.

The garage was sold to Gerber by Frank Behling, who had purchased it from the Meyer Bros. several months ago, and who had Nussbaum and Wilkins operate it for him.

Mr. Gerber, who operates a garage on North Jefferson street took possession of the auto-electric service shop today. He plans to operate it until April 1st when he will also take possession of the Leon Von Gunten blacksmith shop. He will then move his garage into the building, using both the room occupied by the blacksmith shop and the one occupied by the Auto-Electric Service. The building will no doubt be remodeled and made into a fine garage, with a large portion for a display room for new automobiles. Mr. Gerber has leased the room in which the blacksmith shop is located, effective April 1, and Mr. Von Gunten will seek another location.

Mr. Gerber will continue to operate his garage on North Jefferson Street until April 1st, after which all the equipment will be moved to his new location on South Jefferson St.

Mr. Wilkins will continue to work for Mr. Gerber for the present. Cliff Nussbaum has not announced his plans for the future.

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FAREWELL SURPRISE

The Sunday School class of the Missionary church of which Miss Carmen Schwartz is a member completely surprised Miss Schwartz Saturday evening at her home north of town. Miss Schwartz left early this morning for California to spend a month or more.

The evening was spent playing games and contests. A pot-luck luncheon of baked beans, potato salad, meatloaf, doughnuts, coffee, ice cream and cake was served. Later in the evening marshmallows were roasted in the open fireplace.

Guests included Salome Schug, Eleanore Cook, Ruth and Helen Burley, Betty Schindler, Kathryn Sauders, Josephine Zehr, Pauline Muselman, Lilly Templin, Mildred, Irene, Arvilla and Martha Hirschy, Mr. and Mrs. David Schwartz, daughter Eleanore and son David and the guest of honor, Miss Carmen Schwartz.

(Handwritten: Monday, March 8, 1937)

Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel H. Habegger were the Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Abe Inniger and family.

(Handwritten: Wednesday, Feb. 3, 1937)

Joel Habegger of North of Berne has returned to Purdue University, where he is taking an eight weeks course, after a week-end visit at his home.

Richard Moses has returned to Purdue University, Lafayette, after spending the week-end with his par- (cut off)

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