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BERNE NEWS

The Berne schools will open next Tuesday afternoon, September 3. Supt. E. M. Webb requests that all students report at the school at 1 p.m. that day. Pupils will be assigned to their classes and given the lists of books to be obtained, and then dismissed until Wednesday morning. The following teachers will be employed in the Berne schools this year: High school: E. M. Webb, Caroline Hirschy, Edison Sprunger, Maynard Hetrick, William Spurgeon, Freeman Burkhalter, Lake L. Glendening, Glennys Arnold, June Foglesonger, Ralph McClain and Salome Schug. Grade teachers are Martha Schug, J. D. R. Schwartz, Helen Atz, Hilda Lehman, Rose Sprunger and Jeanette Sprunger.

Business will be suspended here all day next Monday, on Labor Day. None of the factories or general stores will be open, and the bank and postoffice will be closed all day. Several local people are planning to attend the state fair at Indianapolis, while many others planned fishing or sight seeing trips.

The town of Berne will return to Standard time at mid-night next Monday, September 2. Fast time has been in effect here since early May. The change is being made at this time for the convenience of school teachers and pupils as some of the country people are on fast time and some on standard time.

So far no cases of infantile paralysis have been reported in Berne. However, word was received here that Roger Rinebolt, six year old son of Guy and Mildred Heller Rinebolt of Huntington, formerly of Berne, is a victim of the disease. His condition is not described as serious at this time. The lad is a grandson of Ollie Heller, Berne grocer.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Findlay of Grand Rapids, Michigan, recently moved to Washington, D.C., where (cut off)

...high school will have a class reunion at Lehman park Saturday evening of this week, August 30. Those in charge of the event promise an interesting time.

Baptismal services were held Sunday morning by the West Missionary church, the service being held at Lake Pines west of Berne, formerly known as Lake Biberstine. Six young people were baptized.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Balsiger, Milford Balsiger, and Miss Helen Braun are spending the week at the World's Fair and in and around New York City.

Considerable damage was done in this community Wednesday afternoon when a thunder shower was accompanied by a severe wind storm. Many trees were uprooted and blown over and minor damage to some buildings is reported.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Gilliom and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stahly left Friday morning for a trip to the west coast. They plan to be gone about one month, although Mr. Stahly may return earlier by train to attend to business matters.

Miss Loretta Biberstine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Menno Biberstine of southwest of Berne, was married recently to Robert Disher, Portland musician. Last Saturday evening occurred the wedding of Miss Rufine Liechty to Weldon Neuenschwander, both well known young people of this community. The wedding was solemnized at the parsonage of the Mennonite church here, with the Rev. C. H. Suckau, officiating. Miss Anna Marie Amstutz and Edward Neuenschwander attended the couple.

Quite a large number of dairymen and other Adams county farm people helped in the 'barn raising' at the Peter B. Lehman dairy farm last Saturday. Mr. Lehman is putting an addition of 47 feet on his barn. A basket dinner, with ice cream, was served at the noon hour.

Adam Schwartz of this community, who has been in ill health for some time, was at Marion, Ohio, Monday to see a specialist. He was (cut off)

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben L. Schwartz and family left Friday morning for Chicago, Illinois for a short visit. From there they will go to the Peter Steury home at Danville, Illinois, to spend Labor Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli M. Schwartz returned to their home Wednesday after spending several days in and around Traverse City, Michigan.

Dr. E. D. Bixler, a member of the Berne school board, is spending several weeks in upper Michigan near Lake Superior, seeking relief from asthma and hay fever. He spends much of his time fishing. Luther Yager of this place and his cousin, Richard Moran of Indianapolis visited Dr. and Mrs. Bixler the early part of this week and did some fishing.

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DEATH CLAIMS OLIVE TEETER

Mother of Decatur Woman Dies in Jefferson Township Last Night

Mrs. Olive T. Teeter, 78, widow of the late Calvin Teeter, died at 10:50 o'clock Thursday night at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Arley Foreman, in Jefferson township. She had been in failing health for a year, and bedfast since Sunday. Death was caused by complications.

She was born in Van Wert county, Ohio, February 2, 1862, the (cut off) ...Tyndall-Ruby, but had spent most of her life in Adams county.

She was a member of the Maple Grove Church of Christ.

Surviving are two daughters: Mrs. Bessie Foreman of Decatur and Mrs. Arley Foreman of Jefferson township; two sons, Charles Teeter of Geneva and Jesse Teeter of Jefferson township; a half-brother, Charles Feasel of Decatur; a step-sister, Mrs. Marilla Sams of Fort Wayne; 14 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at the Arley Foreman home at 1 p.m. (CST) Sunday and at 1:30 o'clock at the church, Rev. W. S. Piety officiating. Burial will be in the M. R. E. cemetery at Berne.

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FINAL TRIBUTES PAID ROBT. STENDEL

B. H. S. Sophomore...Boy Scouts Attend in a Body

Final tributes were ??? Saturday afternoon to Robert Stengel, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stengel, who passed away Thursday evening at the home of his parents, on W. Ma?? at 5:10 o'clock. He died of injuries sustained in a ?? a barn loft August 23...The attending physician stated death was caused by ...flammation diagnosed