

*Adams County Historical Museum*

*1939-1940 Scrapbook, Image 141-143*

*Transcribed by Karin King*

(Handwritten date: Tuesday, Oct. 1, 1940)

FORMER RESIDENT OF GENEVA KILLED AS PLANE CRASHES

Mrs. C. Arthur Ross and Husband are Killed as Plane Crashes Monday Night in East  
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Bluffton, Ind., Oct 1 - (Special) Former Geneva and Bluffton girl, Mrs. C. Arthur Ross, who will be ?? remembered here as Miss ??her McKissic, and her husband, a captain in the engineering corps of the U.S. air branch, were both killed instantly late Monday evening when a Bellanco airplane, bought a month ago by Capt. Ross, crashed at Walterboro, South Carolina.

Mrs. Ross was about 40 years old and her husband 37. The mother of Mrs. Ross is Mrs. Anna McKissic, who resides on Lancaster street in Bluffton, and the ??her, Don, is a linotype operator on the Bluffton News-Banner. She has two sisters, Mrs. Lawrence (Genevieve) Nute of Chicago and Mrs. Lester (Gwendolyn) Wagner ?? Her father, V. E. McKissic, died nearly two years ago. At one time Mrs. Ross lived at Geneva in Adams county.

The crash at Walterboro occurred in a pine thicket (cut off)

....pilot in a landing attempt, however, the plane crashed with terrific force and was completely demolished, parts of the machine ..??ing considerable distance.

The log found in the cabin revealed that the couple had been on a vacation trip and that early ??nday they had refueled at Mon??, Louisiana. So far as it could be learned, no other landing had been made before the crash at Walterboro. Papers found on Ross identified him as an aviation captain and two magazines bore the ??ss of Mrs. Ross.

Walterboro residents stated that the plane had flown over their ?? from the south and that it sounded as if the engine was giv?? trouble.

Captain and Mrs. Ross, relatives at Bluffton stated, had attended a Bluffton street fair a year ago and had planned to be there for the ?? this fall, but had decided to take a vacation southward in their plane. Both liked to fly and had jokingly remarked that if an accident befell either of them the other would be killed too as they were almost always together. Mrs. Ross was a graduate nurse and for a short time employed at the Wells county hospital. She was in government service during the World War and later employed at the Hines Veteran's hospital. ...later she was transferred to the Panama Canal Zone, where ? years ago she became acquainted with Capt. Ross. Three years ago she was transferred to the ??ion field at Dayton, Ohio, whereupon the Bluffton girl

resigned her nursing position at the Canal Zone and was married to ??in Ross immediately upon (cut off)

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(Handwritten date: Tuesday, Oct. 8, 1940)

## HOOK-RUPERT WEDDING OCCURS

Miss Helen Rupert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Rupert, and Clarence Hook, son of (cut off)

...o'clock at the Monroe Methodist church. Rev. Raymond Hart received the single ring services.

Attendants were Kathryn Hook, sister of the groom, and Junior Hakes, of this city.

The bride wore a street length dress of sapphire blue velvet with her hat in a matching shade. Her accessories were brown and she wore a corsage of roses.

Her attendant wore soldier blue with hat to match. Black accessories and a corsage of pompoms completed her costume.

A reception was held at the home of the bride's parents for members of the immediate families and Rev. and Mrs. Hart and daughters, Virginia and Ruth.

After the reception the couple left on a wedding trip of unannounced destination. The groom is a graduate of the Monroe high school and the bride also attended Monroe high school. For the present, Mr. and Mrs. Hook will make their home with the former's parents.

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(Handwritten date: Wednesday, October 2, 1940)

## BERNE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Mettler have returned from Rockford, Illinois, where they were at the bedside of their daughter, Miss Catherine Mettler, who was seriously injured in an automobile accident late Sunday night. She had both legs broken, one of the fractures being a very serious one. The accident happened when the car in which Miss Mettler and three others were riding plunged down a 30-foot embankment while going around a curve. She never lost consciousness following the accident. Miss Mettler is in the City hospital at Rockford.

Sanford Frazee, who resigned as tester of the Adams county dairy herd improvement association, will continue his work in Adams county for two more months. The new tester, Stanley Arnold, will not be able to start his work until Dec. 1.

Billy Simon, 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Simon of west of Berne, who has been ill with lockjaw, is reported much improved. The lad had stepped on a sharp bone, and about a week later infec- (cut off)

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(Handwritten date: Friday, October 4, 1940)

#### MOSER-McAFEE WEDDING REVEALED

The announcement of the marriage on Sept. 2, of Richard Moser, son of Mrs. Dan Moser of near Berne, to Miss Maxine McAfee of Bluffton, which took place in Covington, Kentucky with Rev. Arthur L. Tipton officiating in the single ring ceremony. The couple was attended by Miss Mabylene Haiflick of Uniondale, and Lester Habegger of Linn Grove.

The bride is employed as bookkeeper in the Hinkle Drug Store, and the bridegroom is employed at the Dunbar furniture factory.

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(Handwritten date: Monday, October 7, 1940)

#### HELEN MARY ROOP WEDS CHRIS A. INNIGER

Miss Helen Mary Roop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan O. Roop, and Chris A. Inniger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abe Inniger, were united in marriage Saturday. The single ring vows were received by Rev. Kenneth Timmons, pastor of the First Christian church in Decatur, at his home in Fort Wayne.

The bride wore a soldier blue costume trimmed with beaver. Black accessories and a corsage of orchids completed her attractive outfit.

The bride is a teacher in the (cut off)