- Tuesday, June 27, 1939
- Death Claims Mrs. Schwartz
- Mrs. Fannie Schwartz Dies Monday Night after Extended Illness
- Mrs. Fannie Schwartz, 83, died last night at 11:55 o'clock at the home of a daughter, Mrs. John Schwartz in Wabash Township.
- Death caused by complications followed an illness of more than one year.
- The deceased was born in Adams County December 31, 1855, the daughter of Peter and Anna Gerber. She was married to Jacob C. Schwartz, who preceded her in death four years ago.
- Surviving are the following children, Christ, Jacob, Joseph, Daniel, Mrs. Barbara Schwartz, Mrs. Mary Schwartz, Mrs. Rose Schwartz and Sam Schwartz, all of near Berne.
- A brother, John Graber, of near Berne, also survives.
- Funeral services will be held Thursday morning at 9 o'clock at the residence and burial will be in the Schwartz Cemetery near Berne.

- Wednesday, December 27, 1939
- Arbie Tumbleson Weds Myron Hart
- A quiet but impressive wedding ceremony was performed Sunday afternoon, December 24 when Miss Arbie Tumbleson, daughter of Mrs. Eva Tumbleson of Monroe Township, became the bride of Myron Hart of south east of Decatur.
- The single ring ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's mother, Rev. Maas of Berne receiving the vows. The couple was attended by Faye Tumbleson, sister of the bride and Gerald Hart, brother of the groom.
- The bride wore a street length dress of burgundy transparent velvet with black accessories and carried a bouquet of talisman roses and baby breath. Her attendant wore a dress of teal blue with black accessories and also carried Talisman roses. The groom and his attendant wore navy blue suits.

During the ceremony, Miss Lou Marie smith played the accordion. Following the ceremony a reception was held for friends and relatives (cut off)

Monday, December 18, 1939

William Hendricks Taken by Death Retired Monroe Township Farmer Dies at Home in Berne

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Berne Evangelical Church for William P. Hendricks, 75, retired Adams County farmer, who died at his home in Berne Friday after a short illness of pneumonia.

The deceased was born in Monroe Township January 29, 1864, the son of William and Mary Anne Hendricks. He married Achsah Harris January 13, 1887.

He was a farmer in Monroe Township until he retired about two years ago and moved to Berne.

Surviving besides the widow are one son, John Hendricks, of Denver, Colo.; two brothers, Eli of Monroe and Joseph of Flint, Mich., and one sister, Mrs. Eleanor Smith of Petoskey, Mich.

Burial was made in the Spring Hill Cemetery.

Tuesday, December 26, 1939

Last Rites for Local Druggist Wednesday A.M. Lawrence Kleinhenz Dies of Sudden Heart Attack Sunday

Funeral services for Lawrence H. Kleinhenz, 53, a prominent businessman and a member of the Holthouse Drug Company of this city, whose death occurred suddenly from a heart attack early Sunday morning, will be held at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning from St. Mary's Catholic Church. His death was a shock to the community.

Mr. Kleinhenz had been active all day Saturday at the store and remained on duty until closing time, which was about 11 o'clock at night. During the day he waited on Christmas shoppers and apparently seemed in good health. He chatted with many of his friends and extended season's greetings to those who came into the drug store.

He went to his home, 412 Jackson Street after the store closed. After he retired he became ill and went to the bathroom. He complained of having a chill and a severe pain in the right arm. Mrs. Kleinhenz noticed that he was suffering greatly and called to her daughters to summon a physician. Before medical aid could be administered he died. The attending physician pronounced the heart attack as a coronary occlusion death occurring at 3 o'clock in the morning.

Mr. Kleinhenz was widely known in the city of his birth, having spent his entire life in Decatur. His association with the drug store started when he was a boy of teen age, being clerk for the late John B. Holthouse.

He was the son of John and Mary Kleinhenz and was born April 10, 1886. He attended St. Joseph's School in this city.

From an errand boy and clerk, Mr. Kleinhenz realized his ambition to become one of the proprietors of the drug store. He and Fred Heuer of this city, a partner of many years, were officers of the corporation and both were actively engaged in the business.

About 25 years ago he obtained his license as a registered pharmacist.

On September 17, 1912, Mr. Kleinhenz was married to Miss Vera Ehinger of this city.

Besides the widow, three children, Robert of Chicago and the Misses Ethel and Jane of this city survive. Two sisters, Mrs. George Krick and Miss Rose Kleinhenz and a brother, Arthur Kleinhenz, all of this city, also survive.

Mr. Kleinhenz was a member of St. Mary's Church, the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus, the Holy Name Society and the Loyal Order of Moose.

Pete Reynolds, president of the Chamber of Commerce today issued a request that retail establishments close during the funeral hour, from 9 to 10 o'clock Wednesday morning.

The body was returned from the Gillig and Doan Funeral Home to the Kleinhenz residence yesterday, where it may be viewed by friends. Burial will be in St. Joseph Cemetery.

Former Berne Man Dies Last Night

Friday, December 29, 1939

John Emery, 52, former Berne businessman, died Thursday night at his home in Akron, Ohio after an illness of several months. He was born in Willshire, Ohio but lived most of his life in Berne, leaving there six years ago.

He is survived by the widow, formerly Wilma Wilson of Berne, two sons and one daughter.

Funeral services will be held at Akron Sunday with burial in the MRE Cemetery near Berne.

Wednesday, December 27, 1939

Former Adams County Officer Taken by Death Daniel P. Bolds Dies at Lafayette; Funeral Thursday

Daniel P. Bolds, 82, who 40 years ago served two terms as treasurer of Adams County, and who for years was a prominent citizen of this county, died Christmas morning at 9 o'clock at the Pythian Home in Lafayette.

Funeral services will be held Thursday morning from the Methodist Church in Geneva, Rev. C. M. Fawns, officiating.

Mr. Bolds was born October 9, 1857, was reared at Geneva where he married Miss Josephine Deffenbaugh. Active in business and politics, he became a leader of the south part of the county and was elected county treasurer. Following his retirement from office, Mr. Bolds represented a stove manufacturing concern for many years and was successful. He had resided in Bluffton the past 20 years until recently he was taken to the Pythian Home for treatment for a liver ailment.

Surviving are two sons, Ernest of Robinson, Ill., and Forrest of Peru, a sister Mr. Eugene Lindsey of near Geneva and a brother, George Bolds of New York City. Mrs. Bolds died about four months ago.

Mr. Bolds had been a member of Kekionga Lodge, Knights of Pythias here more than 50 years and was awarded the life certificate a couple of years ago in an impressive ceremony held at his home in Bluffton with French Quinn making the presentation and with a delegation of a dozen or more from the local lodge attending.

Thursday, December 29, 1939

Winans-Duff Wedding Solemnized

Miss Gretchen Winans, only daughter of Mrs. Roy Rickard of northeast of Berne and Frederick Duff, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Duff of southwest of Berne, were united in marriage in a single ring ceremony Sunday December 24, at 2:30 o'clock at the First Baptist Church in Decatur. "The Prayer Perfect" and "Oh Promise Me" were the organ selections played by Mrs. C. E. Bell of Decatur before the ceremony. Rev. George Holston, pastor of the Linn Grove Evangelical Church officiated.

The bride wore a floor length white satin dress, fashioned with lace yoke and long sleeves which were pointed over her hand and a shoulder length veil of white illusion with a tiara of gardenias.

Her only adornment was a bracelet which was given to her grandmother, Mrs. Minerva Ray, by her grandfather as a wedding gift. (cut off)

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