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## IN AND AROUND OUR OWN HOME TOWN

Carey Templin of Water street has unearthed a copy of the Indiana State Sentinel published in Indianapolis Wednesday morning, March 8, 1893. It tells about the inauguration of Grover Cleveland and how Tom Taggart led the Indiana delegation. Another story told of the return of ex-president Benjamin Harrison to Indianapolis and what an outpouring of people there was to welcome him back to Indiana. Wheat is quoted at around 75 cents, choice cattle at 4.75 to 5.25, and eggs, strictly fresh at 17 cents. Topic sentences in Mr. Cleveland's inaugural address included: Currency, Dangers Ahead, Must Check Extravagances, Civil Service Reform, Trusts and Combines and Tarriiff Reform.

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## CADET O. J. STAUFFER AND HIS MOUNT

(PHOTO) Pictured above is Cadet Ornell J. Stauffer, son of Mr. and Mrs. David D. Stauffer of this place, standing in front of one of the sleek thunderbirds of Uncle Sam's army, for which he is in training. Cadet Stauffer, who was at home here to visit his parents over the week-end, has been in training at Goodfellow Field, San Angelo, Texas, and has just been ordered to the advance flying school at Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Alabama, for further training. While at home, Ornell was seen surrounded by small boys of his neighborhood who were eager to listen to the real experiences of an aviator who flies big and fast planes.

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## TO CELEBRATE 95th BIRTHDAY TUESDAY

(PHOTO) Alfred Romey, well known local man, will celebrate his 95th birthday tomorrow, Tuesday, September 23. A careful check-up here disclosed that Romey is the oldest person in Berne. He is making his home with the Henry Yoder family and is still in fairly good health, although becoming quite feeble. Until recently, Romey was able to walk up town. He was born abroad on September 23, 1846, and came to this country when a young lad. The only close relatives he has living are two step-sons and two step-daughters.

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## PRETTY WEDDING HERE SATURDAY

Ella Jane Baumgartner Becomes Bride of James McCullough of Monroe

On Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, occurred the marriage of Miss Ella Jane Baumgartner, daughter of Mrs. Mollie Baumgartner of this place, and James McCullough, son of Mrs. Clara McCullough of Monroe.

About 35 relatives and friends witnessed the impressive service, read at the home of the bride at 717 Clark street, by Rev. Raymond S. Hart, pastor of the Methodist church in Monroe.

An arch entwined with ferns and a pleasing arrangements of gladiolas and snow on the mountain combined with ferns in the background made an effective setting. Candles on pedestals draped with white streamers were lit for soft illumination.

Willard Baumgartner and Mrs. Ellis Hirschy, brother and sister of the bride, sang, "Because," followed by a vocal solo "I Love You Truly" sung by Mr. Baumgartner, preceding the "Bridal Chorus" from Lohengrin played by Miss Sybilla Sprunger, pianist. Immediately after the entrance of the bridal party, and preceding the ceremony, Mr. Baumgartner sang another solo, "O Perfect Love." After the ceremony, as the couple knelt, the vocalists sang "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us."

The bride wore a gown of white marquisette with pink appliqued flowers and a veil in fingertip length, and white sandals. She carried a bouquet of white rosebuds with blue statitia, tied with white and blue ribbons. She wore a two-strand necklace of pearls, her gift from the bridegroom.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hilty of Bluffton, Ohio, attended the couple as bridesmaid and best man. Mrs. Hilty was dressed in a blue satin crepe dress and white sandals and carried a bouquet of Talisman rosebuds.

A reception followed for the wedding guests at the home of the bride at which a three-tier wedding cake featured. The following guests from out of town were present: Mr. and Mrs. Harve Shell of Pleasant Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kirchhofer and son and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Gerber and daughters of Orrville, Ohio; Louie, Bud and Ed Hartman of Monroe and Glendale Shoemaker of Geneva.

The couple will be at home with the bride's mother, following a short wedding trip.

The bride graduated from Berne high school and the bridegroom from Kirkland high school. Mrs. McCullough is a seamstress at the Berne Overall and Shirt Company and Mr. McCullough is employed as a sprayer at the Mana Vox at Fort Wayne.

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