

(Handwritten date: Monday, Feb. 26, 1940)

10 YEARS AGO

"The Talk of The Town" is the name of the basket ball play-by-play broadcast that will be sent to Berne from Bluffton sectional. Dale Braun, Howard Gilliom and Edward E. Liechty will do the broadcasting. Howard Eley of the Citizens Telephone Company made the necessary connections to the Berne Witness Office and Chick's Place who are to receive the play-by-play basket ball game. The Berne line up of the first team are Maurice Smith, Lores Lehman, Ralph McClain, Woodrow Hoffman and John Gottschalk.

Miss Winifred, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Sprunger was honored with a party on the occasion of her fourteenth birthday anniversary, Monday evening from five to eight o'clock. The following girls celebrated with Miss Winifred: Rowena Luginbill, Agnes Neuenschwander, Lenora Lusk, Ernestine, Anna, Bernice and Dorcas Liechty, Bernice Dro, Florence Burkhalter, Ida Neuenschwander, Meret?? Amstutz, Barbara Speicher, Laura Soldner, Betty Sunier, Dolly Miller, Celeste Lehman, Norma Agler, Verena, Mabel and Laura Sprunger.

Chester Moser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter N. Moser, left with his wife and family for Flanagan, Ill., where he will begin his (cut off)

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KIRSCH TAKES OFFICE FRIDAY

Leo W. Kirsch to Become Decatur Postmaster Friday

Arrangements were being completed today preparatory to inducting Leo W. Kirsch as postmaster of Decatur.

W. C. Lytle, of Fort Wayne, district postal inspector, was scheduled to arrive in the city this afternoon and take charge of the duties in connection with checking out Mrs. Lola Macklin, as postmaster and turning over the office to Mr. Kirsch.

Since today is the last day of the month, the regular reports will be compiled by the clerks and assistants in the office and the transfer will be made at the close of business.

Mr. Kirsch will assume the office of postmaster Friday morning, March 1.

The new postmaster was the successful contestant in the civil service examination and in obtaining the endorsement of the Democratic central committee for the post.

Under the new civil service law passed by congress, June 25, 1938, the appointment is made by President Roosevelt, with the approval of the senate, without term. Unless the law is changed, Mr. Kirsch will continue to serve as postmaster indefinitely.

Mrs. Macklin, who retires as postmaster, has held the office as acting (cut off)

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Arvine Welty, Mrs. Clinton Habegger, Delmar and Lee Dale Neuenschwander of Berne, Ind., Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hofstetter, sons Gary Lee and Rodney of Canton were Sunday visitors of Daniel Welty and attended his farm sale on Monday.

Mrs. Melita Siegrist, who accompanied the motoring party from Berne, Ind., to this place is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Amstutz. (in parenthesis: 'at Kidron, Ohio')

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ARRIVALS

Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Fields of Winchester street are the parents of a baby daughter, born at the Adams county memorial hospital Wednesday evening at 8:05 o'clock.

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