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(Berne, Indiana, Thursday, December 26, 1935)

INTERESTING EVENTS OF 1935 TAKEN OUT OF THE BERNE REVIEW FILES

Jan. 3 - Rev. Noah Smucker named new pastor at Defenseless Mennonite church; Frank Martin named chair of county of commissioners; Mrs. Victor Stuckey critically ill with encephalitis; Eldon Habegger weds Miss Delores Book; Bruno Hauptmann trial starts; Mr. and Mrs. Anton Zuercher celebrate golden wedding; C. D. Balsiger heads town board; year of '34 driest on record here; fire loss in 1934 \$2,736 in Berne; David P. and Mary Habegger Steury parents of baby girl.

Jan. 7 - David C. Neuenschwander dies; Frank Penrod of Geneva dies from blood poison; Dr. Vom Bruch opens annual Union meetings; group of persons arrested at Bluffton by Ed Rose and others; Dr. D. D. Jones gives annual health report; Fred Kamholz named on board of trustees of county hospital.

Jan. 10 - Dr. M. L. Habegger named town health officer; First Bank of Berne re-organizes; electric scoreboard erected at Auditorium; Sen. T. A. Gottschalk named chairman of state Finance committee; Bernas Clark and Elver Foreman indicted by Adams county grand jury; commissioners name Hugo Gerke, Herman Ulman, John J. Habegger and John C. Augsburger county road supervisors.

Jan. 14 - Gypsies steal \$50 from C. C. Beer; Mrs. D. C. Neuenschwander dies, one week after her husband's death; draw for county first team tourney announced; Gertrude Beeler, 17, dies near Geneva; Miss Jessie Glendening, 26, dies.

Jan. 17 - Mrs. Martha Price injured when hit by car; Frank Haecker, dies west of Berne; Reformed church holds annual business meeting.

Jan. 21 - Union meetings come to close; Berne Bears win county tourney, defeating Kirkland in final game; first corn-hog money arrives here; much sickness reported here; Mrs. T. A. Gottschalk named president of state woman's club.

Jan. 24 - Mrs. Ferd Weins dies at hospital; Rev. Clarence Zimmerman dies at Detroit; M. L. Sprunger named president of Chamber of Commerce; Samuel Schneck, 64, dies at Woodburn; pet dog of Mrs. Ferd Weins mourns her death; Rich and Stucky to open new store; Philip Brewster, 66, dies in Jefferson township; Mrs. Russell Stamm, 22, of Blue Creek tp., dies; state rests in Hauptmann trial.

Jan. 28 - Give program for Berne Farmers' Institute Feb. 7; Joe McSpadden, Jr., sentenced at Fort Wayne for stealing car.

Jan. 31 - Dr. D. D. Jones and Miss Sylvia, Schwartz, nurse, hurt when car crashes into Meshberger office west of town; E. W. Baumgartner's Plymouth sedan stolen; Bierie and Yager observe 25th

anniversary in business; Indiana primary law is retained; Mrs. Sarah Patterson, mother of R. C. Patterson, dies at Ft. Wayne; car driven by Clarence Schrock turns over here; Mrs. M. E. Stauffer heads Berne Child Conservation League; Della Mae Zuercher gets divorce from Elmer Zuercher; Albert Sprunger buys Berne Milling Co.

Feb. 4 - John Mullen found dead in sand pit south of tile mill; Andrew Schlagenhaut, 85, dies at Detroit; Howard Parr arrested on grand larceny charge; Emerson Neuenschwander enters insurance business; Dan Morand buys Rev. Wm. Egle chicken ranch here; John Hendricks and sons hurt in auto accident near Monroe; Bears defeat Warren here 35-17.

Feb. 7 - Annual Farmer's Institute held here; Leonard Sprunger named president; town of Berne to apply for work's projects; Mrs. Thurman Liechty gets divorce at Ft. Wayne; Reformed classes held at local church; Auditorium stockholders hold annual meeting; L. L. Yager car in mishap at Decatur.

Feb. 11 - Walter J. Brockman hurt in crash at Decatur; John Brown of Ceylon robbed by gypsies; Nick Rich seriously ill; county corn show held at Monroe; Lewellen Lehman gets star mail route between Fort Wayne and Portland; Berne loses to Bluffton, 30-26, overtime.

Feb. 14 - Newton H. McClain dies here; Nelson Campbell dies in Jefferson (cut off)

Feb. 18 - Harry Sprunger succeeds J. F. Sprunger as manager of Sprunger, Lehman and Co.; C. H. Muselman, Arthur Unversaw for law partnership here; Kermit Yoder, Woodrow Reynolds escape serious injury in auto mishap here; "Dan", 25-year old dray horse is dead; Mrs. Charles Passwater, 67, dies; Bears trim Lancaster, 39-21, and New Haven, 47-39.

Feb. 21 - Monroe buys new fire truck equipment; Mrs. Rena Zehr receives commission as local postmaster; brooder house and chicks burn on Leonard Sprunger farm; Christine Habegger, who is spending winters in Florida, writes letters to Review telling of the sunny south.

Feb. 25 - Mrs. Chris Zehr dies; Ervin Felber purchases Fulton machine shop from Paul Felber; Alba Beer weds Miss Effie LaTurner; Bears beat St. Mary's of Huntington, 32-25, concluding good season; Bears draw Union Center in sectional tourney; Elmer Magley denied parole.

Feb. 28 - L. D. Jacobs dies; Mrs. George Studebaker dies; D. C. Nussbaum has arm cut in buzz saw; five rural high schools announce graduates; Miss Marjorie Baumgartner starts work at First Bank of Berne; Bears ready for sectional tourney at Bluffton.

March 4 - Pearl Hirschy at Newcastle; Berne Bears win sectional at Bluffton; William Schwartz, 17, dies from blood poison; John Shoemaker and his mother die within 24 hours of each other; Beulah Yoder hurt in wreck.

March 7 - C. A. Neuenschwander dies suddenly; Bears prepare for regional at Huntington; Fern Dilling weds Edward Grossnickle; heavy rain falls here; John Ruple dies of asthma at Van Buren; Mr. Hileman, Pennsylvania horse buyer, reported missing after trip to Berne.

March 11 - Bears win regional at Huntington; Agnes Amstuz weds Gordon Bracker; corn and hog signers name officers; Berne Bears guests of Chamber of Commerce; J. M. Ehram dies here.

March 14 - Berne Bears leave for state finals at Indianapolis; Rudolph Steury dies; Mrs. David Wickey dies; Sen. T. A. Gottschalk named on state tax committee.

March 18 - Mrs. Levi Moser dies; Anderson wins Indiana high school net championship, the Berne Bears losing to Shelbyville in the quarter-finals, after defeating Roachdale in the first game; Mrs. Amos Shoemaker dies suddenly; Jefferson township young man fakes kidnapping story on eve of his wedding; Mrs. James Martz, formerly of Berne, dies in Michigan.

March 21 - Dust storm hits Berne; Otto Gerber accepts call from Reformed church at Wausau, Wisconsin; Weldner Soldner honor student at Perdue.

March 25 - John Eicher commits suicide by hanging; Lewis Sprunger wins jury trial at Decatur; Timothy Brenneman, of Goshen, brother of Moody Brenneman, killed in accident; Norman Liechty weds Mary Abell at Fort Wayne; heavy rain falls here; Mrs. Helena Wulliman weds Amos Burkhalter; Mrs. Mary Reiff dies; Geneva school building unsafe for use, is report; Mrs. Ellen Holmes dies at Louis Neaderhouser home.

March 28 - Circulate petitions, asking for new school at Geneva; Tilman Kirchhofer to build new filling station here; Edward Muter, formerly of Berne, dies at Rockford; Monroe high school will graduate 21; Duane Wheeler weds Miss Lucile Coffins in public ceremony at Bluffton.

April 1 - Milas Reiff wins state For?? salesmanship contest; Mrs. Daniel Gerber, former Berne woman, dies at Ft. Wayne; Berne Bears guests of Berne Review at chicken dinner; Berne music festival announced to replace Alpha-Arena contest.

April 4 - Albert Mutschler dies at Decatur; Edward A. Baumgartner dies at Ft. Wayne; Coach Erne rehired as Berne net coach; Berne gets \$566 of state gas tax money; Robert Jones wins male voice solo contest of South Dakota state.

April 8 - Henry Schug, Charles Marks and two Bluffton girls hurt in automobile accident at Portland; Willis Sprunger weds Gladys Brewster at Ft. Wayne; winter plays return engagement in this community, after several days of warm weather; brothers, formerly of Berne, are reunited at father's bier in Michigan.

April 11 - Joe Everett granted new trial for murder of Doras Werling; 22 Seniors will receive diplomas here; Albert Habegger fatally hurt in auto crash in Colorado; lower light rate now in effect here; Cliff Nussbaum accepts Terraplane agency here; Kenneth Shoemaker named commencement speaker for rural high schools.

April 15 - Mrs. Daniel Erwin dies in auto crash in Florida; Melvin Lehman weds Lida Mae Smith at Bedford; Mission House Troubadours sing at local Reformed church; Margaret Schindler weds Carl Bauserman; Noah Beeler dies; Jesse Amstutz accepts charge at Roselawn Missionary Church at Detroit; \$7,000,000 road program will be launched in Indiana.

April 18 - Elias Riesen dies; Victor Price suffers from Hodkins' disease; Barr Company to open store here.

April 22 - Roy Smith, formerly of this community, pleads guilty to charge of killing Van Wert county deputy sheriff; Orlo Bishop of Portland dies in plane crash; clean-up week to be observed here; Bluffton College Vesper choir to sing here; John Gottschalk to give address at school building on "Conservation".

April 25 - Roy Smith sentenced to die in Ohio state electric chair; Reformed church gives call to Rev. Calvin Schmid of Garner, Iowa; Chalmer Baumgartner, 19, has piece of steel lodged in eye; 83rd anniversary of the arrival at New York of the founder of Berne is celebrated; Miss Ruth Baumgartner named Berne high school valedictorian.

April 29 - Roy Smith now confined in death row of Ohio prison; Jefferson township couple stage drunken spree here; Joel Augsburger hurt in auto accident; Orv Lantis, Wells county sheriff, dies.

May 2 - 2.08 inches of rain flood community; Standard Oil men meet here; Cleo Collins to open ice cream store here; brooder house and 500 chicks burn on Jeff Liechty farm where Sylvan Nussbaum lives; Albert Nussbaum burned by tractor; Lester Farlow, Nima Ellenberger in auto mishap.

May 6 - Review publishes flood pictures, showing need of flood control; LeRoy Stauffer weds Arvilla Hilty; Betty Smith wins annual Silver Medal contest; Rev. M. O. Herman reassigned to local Evangelical church; Benj. Banter dies suddenly.

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