

## 1936 Scrapbook, image 127

(Handwritten: Monday, April 19, 1937)

### ONE DIES, FOUR INJURED AS AUTO HITS SIGNAL STANDARD

(photo)

Floyd W. Rison, aged 34, 1724 1/2 Oakland Street, was killed instantly and four other persons injured when the auto in which they were riding, pictured herewith, struck a signal standard on Mercer Avenue in Decatur late Saturday night. The auto was wrecked.

Mrs. Rison, her brother, Daniel O'Shaughnessy, aged 25, of Monroeville; Raymond Papenbrock, aged 31, Rural Route No. 1, Monroeville, and Mrs. Papenbrock, were injured in the crash. O'Shaughnessy is not expected to recover. All the injured are patients at Adams County Memorial Hospital.

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Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Beer are planning to move within a few days from their present location on the C. C. Beer farm, to the Ferdinand Stauffer farm on Highway 27, five and one-half miles north of Berne.

Reuben and the Misses Barbara and Agnes Habegger will move this week into the Peter Bixler house on Railroad street here, formerly occupied by the Lawrence Bollenbacher family.

Henry Graber of northwest of Berne, Friday motored Dan Schwartz, and Mr. and Mrs. Noah Wickey to Centerville, Ill., where the mother of Mrs. Schwartz died Thursday. They expect to return here today.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lengacher and Mr. and Mrs. Chris Lengacher and family of Allen County were the Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Schwartz of northwest of Berne.

Andrew Sprunger motored to Bluffton, O., Sunday, and was accompanied home last evening by Mrs. Sprunger, who has spent the past week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benedict Liechty, both of whom are quite elderly. Mrs. Emil Liechty accompanied Mr. Sprunger to Bluffton, and she remained to spend some time at the Liechty home there.

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(Handwritten: Thursday, February 18, 1937)

## SAM SCHWARTZ BREAKS JAIL, TELLS FRIENDS ABOUT IT, NOW HE'S BACK IN

Sam K. Schwartz, well known local man, who formerly lived on the Gottschalk farm east of town, may get a trip to a state institution, it was reported today by Adams county peace officers. Schwartz is in the Adams county jail at Decatur and charges may be filed against him today or Friday, it was indicated.

### BREAKS JAIL HERE

Policemen divulged today how Schwartz broke out of the Berne lockup one week ago early this morning, and a jail-breaking charge may be filed against him. This charge is serious enough to send Schwartz to the penal farm, it was said.

One week ago last evening Marshall Dubach lodged Schwartz in jail here, after it was alleged that he was staggering around in a drunken stupor. Dubach locked him in a cell here to spend the night. The next morning the lock (cut) ...ple about it. He told them, it is said, how he had worked on the lock until it finally yielded to his brute strength. He made his way unobserved out of the jail here and made his way to the John P. Schwartz home.

After officers heard that Schwartz was bragging about how he broke jail, they arrested him again Tuesday afternoon at the John P. Schwartz home. He was in bed when Sheriff Brown and Marshall Dubach called at the Schwartz home. They brought him to Berne and then took him to the county jail at Decatur.

Schwartz has been arrested several times in recent weeks, but when he promised to behave, find work and leave drink alone, he was released. Several years ago the barn on the Gottschalk farm burned down while Schwartz was a tenant on the farm. He may be (cut)... He has several small children and

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## HABEGGER RITES SUNDAY

Mrs. Katherine Habegger, 81, Died at William Nussbaum Home Friday

Friday forenoon at 11:45 o'clock occurred the death of Mrs. Katherine Habegger, 81, widow of the late Abraham M. Habegger. Her death took place at the home of her step-daughter, Mrs. William Nussbaum, two and one-half miles north and one and three-fourths miles west of Berne. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock from the Nussbaum home and at 2 o'clock at the local Mennonite church, Rev. C. H. Suckau officiating. Burial was in M. R. E. Cemetery.

Mrs. Habegger had been sick for several years with cancer and had been critical for the past several days. For many years she resided in her home here now occupied by the Levi Stucky family on Wabash street. In May, 1928, her husband died, and for a

time thereafter, she lived there alone. About one year ago she went to stay at the Nussbaum home. That was her original homeplace in this community. She and her first husband, David Stauffer, Sr., deceased since 1901, shared many years together there. It was in the same home that her first husband died.

The deceased was born on January 30, 1851, in Switzerland. Her maiden name was Katherine Zingg. She emigrated to this country with her parents as a young woman. The Zingg family settled in the community of Bluffton, Ohio. Sometime later Katherine came to this community and made this her permanent home.

She was married to Mr. Stauffer. To them were born five sons and one daughter. The sons survive, but the daughter died in infancy.

Some years after the death of Mr. Stauffer, she was married to her second husband, Mr. Habegger. They resided northeast of town until their retirement, when they moved to town.

Surviving are her five sons: Al, of Markle; Menno E., Amos and David D. of this place, and Noah of Fort Wayne. Step-children by her first husband are Dan Stauffer, Mrs. Sam Habegger, Mrs. William Nussbaum of this place and Mrs. Lydia Flaigg of Ft. Wayne. Step-children by her second husband are Sam, Peter, Jacob A., Abraham, Eli, Robert, Menno and Mrs. Ben Lehman of this community. A sister, Mrs. Marianna Badertscher, survives at Bluffton, Ohio. Peter and Christian Stauffer are two step-sons who preceded her in death.

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CARD OF THANKS

We, the undersigned, wish to express in this manner our sincere and heartfelt thanks to our many friends and relatives for the many expressions of sympathy extended us during our moments of bereavement caused by the death of our dear mother, Mrs. Katherine Habegger. We also wish to thank you all for the kindness and interest shown to mother during her last illness. Your consoling words and floral tributes were all greatly appreciated.

THE CHILDREN AND STEP-CHILDREN

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