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CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS IN AND AROUND BERNE DURING YEAR 1922

Soon another year shall have passed and nothing will remain of it except history. The past year has in many respects been an eventful one both nationally and locally. The following chronology of local events give a brief resume of some of the events that took place here during the past year. Many others might perhaps have been added. So after all there is always a little something doing even if many people criticize the editor for failing to have news in the paper.

January

1. Wm. Herron died. New town officers assume duties.
2. Fire damages Berne studio. Charles Magley named county highway superintendent.
3. Union Meetings close.
5. Auto thieves from Delaware, O., captured near Berne.
14. Decatur high school defeats Berne in thrilling ball game 21-20.
15. Death of Joseph Murphy of Monroe township.
24. Small blaze at Dunbar factory.
30. Jesse Schug appointed new town marshal.
31. Libby milk condensory shuts down.

February

8. Three residents of county given citizenship papers.
11. Berne Independents win district amateur basket-ball tourney at Warren.
14. High school debating teams win and lose in contest with Pleasant Mills.
23. County basket-ball tourney starts in Berne.
24. J. L. Habegger, jeweler, dies after short illness.
24. Monroe high school are county basket-ball champions.
27. Death of George Gates, Monroe township.

March

4. Decatur high school win district basket-ball championship.
5. Herman Hirschy-Martha Sprunger married.
8. Death of Anna (Nussbaum) Amstutz.

13. Death of Philip Smith.
18. Daniel Hawbaker of Wabash township died.
20. Berne fire department called to Willshire, Ohio.
25. Death of Gottlieb Christener, Monroe township.
31. Arena literary society defeats Alphas in annual contest.

April

2. Rev. F. S. Erne, appointed to succeed Rev. D. O. Wise as pastor of the Evangelical church.
5. Death of Mrs. Peter Yoder, Wabash township.
5. Muskingum College glee club concert.
10. Last lecture course number.
16. Eli Stucky died. Weddings of Howard Hoffmann-Helen Reusser, Eli C. Stucky-Beulah Buyer, Willis Sprunger-Frieda Brewster. Death of Rosa Kneuss, Wabash township.
17. American Milk condenser opens for business.
21. Death of Mrs. Christian Burghalter, Wabash township.
24. Small blaze at George Braun home.
25. Heidelberg College glee club concert.
- 27-28. Annual school exhibit.
28. Graduation exercises at Jefferson Center.

May

2. Primary elections and many disappointed candidates. Fire department called to Alphine Hotel.
8. Town board negotiates to buy chemical fire truck and street commissioner's truck.
12. Junior-Senior reception. Ralph Gentis-Leona Liechty married.
14. Emil Brunner weds Bertha Hitzelberger.
18. Graduation exercises for 19 graduates.
19. Alumni cantata "Merry Milkmaids." Death of Mrs. Mary Shigley. Wedding of Ernest Dro and Ruth Kattman.
20. Henry Yoder-Lulu Allen married.

21. Mennnonite choir sings at Bluffton. Elmer Behling-Rhodella Lehman wedding.

June

2. Harvey Ault, Jefferson township farmer, died. Prosperity special passes through Berne.

3. Mrs. Caroline Z. Sprunger died.

4. Rev. F. S. Erne preaches first sermon at Evangelical church.

5. Bible vacation school starts.

9. Funeral services at Forest Riesen killed at Downs, Kan., June 3.

10. Death of Chas. Chrisman of Hartford township.

14. Funeral services of Barclay Smith. First radio program heard in Berne.

18. Wedding of Clifton Nussbaum of Louise Lehman.

19. Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Flory narrowly escaped death when auto hits their buggy. Dr. A. Reusser re-appointed to school board.

25. Wedding of Alfred Sprunger and Ella Sprunger.

26. County council allows increase \$25,000 appropriation for county hospital.

29. T. L. Mitchell buys Crystal Restaurant from Jack Emery. Firemen attend convention at Winchester.

July

3. Campbell Bros. Circus in town.

4. Large crowd celebrate Fourth in Berne.

4. Marriage of Clinton Bierie to Muriel Pontius of Geneva announced.

11. Death of Mrs. Abr. Morgan of Blue Creek township.

13. First band concert.

22. John Thatcher and Miss Margaret Moser married.

31. Richard Butcher of Geneva fatally hurt while unloading logs at the P. W. Smith sawmill in Berne.

August

2. Chautauqau starts.

5. Forest Hoffmann of Linn Grove suddenly dies.

6. Bluffton College glee club concert.
7. Ed Kipfer of French township seriously injured by falling fork prong.
11. Mrs. Ira H. Sprunger dies.
17. City tennis tourney starts.
18. Building Loan Association organized.
24. Amos Schaffter killed accidentally.
28. Death of Mrs. Barbara Mazelin of Monroe township.
30. W. R. Sprunger wins city tennis tournament.

September

1. Death of Solomon Hettler of Blue Creek township.
2. Ellis Lehman buys J. L. Habegger jewelry store.
3. Weddings of Henry Schindler- [hand-written in: Turn back page for Sept. - Oct.]

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27. Fred Blum is declared winner of five-acre corn contest.
29. Wedding of John Liechty and Wilma Stauffer

November

2. Two Wabash township farmers fined for trapping out of season. Democrats hold barbeque in Berne.
5. Ruth Bockman becomes bride of Harry Knapp of Decatur. Frank Siegrist of French township died.
7. Election turns out big day for Democrats.
10. High school plays its first basket-ball games.
12. A. Gottschalk celebrates anniversary of 50 years in business.
15. Wedding of Christian Litwiller of Chenoa, Ill., and Bessie Yoder.
19. Wm. Debolt and Ethel Myers married.
21. Death of Mrs. Edward Kratzer of Blue Creek township.
26. Fire department called to Monroe.
29. Sarah Steiner dies. Marriage of Noah Soldner to [name cut off] Sprunger.

30. Town celebrates [cut off] day. Ermin Beer and [cut off] married.

December

3. Nick Jenny's couple is involved in accident.

4. Death of Ferdinand [cut off] of French township.

5. Hosea Martz changes residence to Bluffton.

7. Frank Seegar joins [cut off] Wells county seat.

11. Fred Kohler also arrested on moonshine charge.

15. Peoples State Bank reopens. For the remainder of the [cut off] the month consult your [cut off].

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