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Monday, April 19, 1937

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Miss Edith Liechty Bride of John Gottschalk at Mennonite Ch.

In one of the outstanding society events of the spring season, Miss Edith Liechty and John Gottschalk were united in marriage at the First Mennonite church here Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The ceremony was marked by beautiful appointments, and the marriage was witnessed by a large number of relatives and friends, many from [some cut off by wrinkle]...Hawk is a sister of the groom, Duane Lehman, a nephew of the bride, was ring bearer and Carla Ann Sprunger was flower girl.

A big lattice arch, decorated with ferns and sweet peas had been constructed. Baskets of snap dragons and large ferns also were used in the decorating scheme, with Mr. William Schenbeck and Miss Helena Liechty in charge of decorations.

Two gates, one on each side of the arch were used to allow the bride and groom to proceed to the altar. Dr. James Hawk, one of the attendants opened one of the gates through which Mr. Gottschalk walked. The other gate through which the bride passed was opened by Mrs. Hawk. The bride was given away in marriage by her father, Jeff Liechty, county treasurer.

Preceding the ceremony, Miss Ruth Liechty, cousin of the bride, gave a short organ recital. She also played the wedding march. Curt Lehman sang a solo, "Because" and he and Miss Lillian Lehman sang a duet, "At Dawning."

Ushers were William Page of Indianapolis, Luther Yager and Robert Ehram of Berne, and George Stauffer, of Fort Wayne.

For the occasion the bride was charming in a gown of white satin with finger tip veil, and accessories to match. She carried a bouquet of gardenias, lilies of the valley and fern.

Mrs. Hawk, the matron of honor, wore a gown of blue net over taffeta, and carried a bouquet of pale yellow roses.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Liechty, of Decatur and formerly of Berne. She is a graduate of the Berne high school and the Ball Memorial hospital at Muncie. She served as night supervisor at the hospital until recently when she resigned her position. The bride is widely and favorably known.

Mr. Gottschalk is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Gottschalk of Indianapolis, formerly of this place. He graduated from the Berne high school, where he starred in basket ball, and from Earlham College here he achieved statewide fame as a football star. Mr. Gottschalk is employed with the educational department of the state conservation department at Indianapolis.

The couple left soon after the wedding and are at home at 1124 North Broadway, Apt. 23, Indianapolis.

Thursday, May 13, 1937

HABEGGER DIES AT HOME EARLY TODAY

Well Known Local Man Is Dead After Long Illness

Samual A. Habegger, aged 67, well known local man, died at his home at 306 Bryan street at 2:15 o'clock this morning. Mr. Habegger had been ailing for nearly two years, but was bedfast just since last Sunday. Death was caused by carcinoma, influenza and complications.

Mr. Habegger, formerly an employee of the Dunbar furniture company, here, had not been able to [wrinkled paper covering words].... May 18, 1869, a son of Abraham M. and Lena Moser Habegger. He came to this country with his parents when he was 8 years old. The family lived in Wayne county, Ohio, for a short period and then moved to this community.

Mr. Habegger was married to Miss Anna Stauffer on Jan. 20, 1895. In 1900 the couple moved to Woodburn where they lived until 1916. While at Woodburn Mr. Habegger was employed with a lumber mill. In 1916 they moved to the farm where Rev. R. Paul Miller now lives, in Wabash township, and in Nov., 1921, they moved to Berne. Since then Mr. Habegger had worked at the Dunbar factory until ill health made him quit his position.

Surviving are the widow and the following children: Mrs. Joseph Faulkner, Ft. Wayne, Mrs. Clarence Sprunger, Berne, and Verman David, at home. Ten grandchildren survive.

The following brothers and sisters survive: Jacob now of Michigan but formerly of Berne; Peter and Abe, both of Berne; Eli, near Geneva; Robert, Decatur, and Menno Habegger and Mrs. Ben Lehman, both of this place.

The parents, one son Wesley, two grandchildren, and three sisters preceded. One of the sisters was Mrs. Adam Neuenschwander and the other two died in infancy.

Mr. Habegger was a member of the Mennonite church. The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 1:45 o'clock at the home and at 2 o'clock at the church, Rev. C. H. Suckau officiating. Burial will be held in the M. R. E. cemetery.

Monday, May 24, 1937

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob J. Schwartz, Mr. and Mrs. L. Reuben Schwartz and Mrs. D. J. Mazelin motored to Rittman, O., today, to visit with Mrs. Fannie Musser, who is ill.

Mrs. Sylvan Habegger and Mrs. Amos R. Steury, of Bluffton, spent Friday and Saturday at Wabash, visiting with Mrs. Lawrence Wolpert.

The employees of the Blue Creek Dairy stores located at Bluffton, Decatur, and Berne, and members of their families, enjoyed a picnic at Trier's Park at Ft. Wayne Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. David Miller and family are moving to Bremen on Wednesday of this week.

Monday, May 24, 1937

IN COLLISION

Rig Driven by Henry Schwartz Demolished; Horse Stages Runaway

Harry Musser, an employee of Cristy's Garage of this place, and Henry Schwartz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel A. Schwartz, living in French township, several miles northwest of Berne, escaped injury at about 1 o'clock this morning when the car driven by Musser hit a one-horse rig driven by Shwartz. The mishap occurred two and on-half miles north of Berne, on the east-west road, just a few miles west from Federal Road 27.

Musser was driving east, [some covered by a wrinkle] horse was not injured and ran away. It was finally caught near the Beer school house, one and one-half miles from the scene of the accident.

Schwartz claims he had a light on the rig and was almost off the road when Musser hit him. The Musser car was just slightly damaged.

Monday, May 24, 1937

BURT ELEY DIES SUNDAY

Former Berne Man Expires in Michigan; Many Relatives Here

Word was received here today of the death of Burt Eley, aged 69, formerly of this place, who died at 6 o'clock last evening at his home at Three Rivers, Mich. Mr. Eley had been ill for some time and several weeks ago underwent an operation for gallstones.

Mr. Eley was born east of Berne. When he was a child his mother died and he was raised by the Abraham Sprunger family. He worked in the timber in this community and aided in clearing the land. He moved to Michigan more than 20 years ago.

Surviving are his wife, formerly Della Adair, and three children, Sylvia and Diston, at home, and Byron Eley, of Ossian. One brother, Elmer, Willshire, survives, and one sister, Mrs. Ed Turner of Washington State. The following half-brothers and half-sisters survive: Guy, Howard and Dale Eley, Berne; Mrs. Paul Felber, Berne; Mrs. Ed Davidson, Decatur, and Mrs. Earl Mason, of Missouri. Mrs.

Jacob Eley of this place is the step-mother. The deceased was an uncle of Mrs. David Dubach and Cliff Steiner of this place.

The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at a Three Rivers funeral parlor, and burial will be at Three Rivers.

Monday, May 24, 1937

NEW PASTOR AT MOUNT HOPE

Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix and Mrs. Faye Hendrix of Columbia City have been named associate pastors of the Mt. Hope church, southeast of Berne, and Rev. Hendrix filled the pulpit Sunday morning, it was announced here by Rev. E. B. Hartley, acting pastor of the church.

The couple are known as "Spurgeon and Faye" and broadcast over WOWO Fort Wayne on the Nazarene program Sunday afternoons. Both are well known singers.

Rev. and Mrs. Hendrix are graduates of the Bethany Peniel college, [redacted].

Thursday the household goods of the couple were moved here to the Sylvester Tinkham home one-half mile east of the Mt. Hope church. Rev. Hartley and Dee Tinkham assisted in the moving.

Thursday, July 1, 1937

[redacted] FRIDAY NITE

Miss Hulda Brewster and Russel Blocker To Wed Friday Evening

Friday evening at 6 o'clock, Miss Hulda Brewster of this place will become the bride of Russel Blocker of Domestic. The wedding will be [redacted] at the parsonage of Rev. Glen Bryan of Domestic. The single ring ceremony will be observed.

Miss Clara [redacted] and Hubert [redacted], both of this place, will attend the couple.

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The groom and best man will wear oxford grey.

The bride is a daughter of Charles Brewster, of Fort Wayne. She has made her home with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brewster here since the death of her mother in 19[redacted]. She attended the Berne schools and is now employed at the Nussbaum Novelty company.

Mr. Blocker is a son of Mr. and Mrs. William Blocker of Domestic. He graduated from the Petroleum high school with the class of 1929 and is employed at the Wayne Novelty Company at Decatur.

Following the wedding, the couple will leave on a short wedding trip to southern Indiana, and on their return will be at home in a newly furnished apartment at 806 West Main street, Berne.

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