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There is a wet spot in or near Berne that needs mopping out. For all that, there are undoubtedly more than one such spots. When a fifteen-year-old boy is found "dead drunk" on the streets in broad daylight, it is sure that someone has violated the law in dispensing liquor. And that is what happened in Berne this week.—Berne Witness.

Too much law—too little respect for it. That seems to be one of the greatest problems with which officials are confronted today. Congress, state legislatures, city councils, village boards, all seem obsessed with a mania for passing laws—more laws—and still more laws.

The result is, there are so many laws in this country, of one kind or another, the people haven't even a

conception of what the majority of them are.—Rushville Republican.

If Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania, puts it over and settles the coal strike he will get a lot of credit and it may be a big boost towards his nomination for the presidency. The wise ones figure that President Coolidge passed the buck to him but if he wins, he may be the big figure in the country. He has a real opportunity to prove his worth and if he does, look out. The American people are hero worshippers and seldom lose an opportunity to boost a fellow who does things.

One man killed, one fatally hurt, several dozen injured is the toll of a klan fight at Pittsburgh Saturday night. We may be old-fashioned and behind the times, but we can't figure out the good of it or just what they are trying to establish. Many of those who participated on each side were armed, the others used bricks or clubs. It's a step towards revolution and unless these affairs are checked in some way or another, serious fueds will result which may continue several decades.

Of course if every one shakes his head and says it can't be done, we won't get any houses built. On the other hand if we say it can be done and is being done by other towns not as good as this, it can be. Do you know that big corporations, insurance companies and banks are backing those communities which show a little enterprise of their own. They are and we are not convinced that we could not get all the outside financial assistance we need if we would all pull for it and had a plan worked out that had some semblance of being definite.

A million or two negroes have come north this summer and the rest are planning to follow them. The news that common labor is bringing high wages in the north has finally been absorbed by the colored folks of the

south and a grand rush is on. That means another big problem for the south and likewise some complications for the north. Most of them will not be as happy in the north as they were in the south but that doesn't make any difference. They like the bright lights and once here they remain and thus cause trouble for both the north and the south.

American school men who visited in Europe the past year and made an exhaustive study of systems in use in various parts of that continent, report that the schools of the United States are far ahead of those over there. Our schools are by no means perfect but you have only to compare them with those you attended twenty years ago to find many improvements. Some of them have too many frills, some are too far from the old rule of three, some give too much attention to sports and some are not managed as economically as possible but on the whole they show advancements and we have not reached the end. The schools in another generation will be better and every child has now and will have then, a chance to educate himself.

Ever drive into a town or city and find they had no public rest room? What did you say? Just where would you direct any person inquiring of you on Sundays or in the evenings? We maintain that a city which doesn't provide that much hospitality for those people who visit it are not very progressive and that something should be done here and at once. The county could do it at a very slight expense and perhaps the authorities would if they were properly invited or urged and perhaps an arrangement could be made whereby the expense, which is slight, would be divided between the city and county. It's a good work for the business organization or the women's clubs or some one to take up.

Teachers from over the county are here this week for the annual institute.

Society

CLUB CALENDAR

Wednesday
So Cha Rea—Mrs. F. J. Schmitt.
Thursday
Kirkland Ladies club, Kirkland high school.
Union Township Womens' club, Mrs. C. S. Mumma.

The Kirkland Ladies club will hold its regular meeting Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock at the Kirkland high school and every lady is urged to attend. Important business will be transacted.

Reppert-Conrad.
On Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m. a pleasant wedding took place at the Magley Reformed church in the presence of guests of a large number of friends. The groom was Walter Reppert, son of Mrs. Christ Conrad, and the bride, Miss Susie Conrad, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Conrad. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Otto Engleman, the pastor of the church, the double ring ceremony being used. The groom is a young man of sterling qualities and stands high in the social community of the village of Magley. He has a large host of friends, many of whom showed their esteem by gifts of valuable remembrance. The bride is the oldest daughter of Lewis and Sophia Conrad of Magley and is highly respected in her home community. She is an accomplished young lady of high qualities and she has a host of friends who showed their appreciation by their presence and mementoes, that they added to the already large number of presents of the happy couple. The bride wore a peacock blue satin dress with bead trimmings, holding a bouquet of roses. She made a splendid appearance thus attired. The groom was attired in a conventional blue serge. The young couple will be at home to their many friends at Magley where they expect to make their home with the groom's mother. One hundred and fifty relatives and friends were entertained at the Conrad home after the ceremony. Ice cream and cake being served.

The eleventh annual reunion of the Boop families will be held Sunday, September 2nd at Lakeside Park, Ft. Wayne. The relatives and members of the family are cordially invited to attend the gathering as the opportunity will be given to renew your acquaintance and meet your old friends. If arrangements can be made each family is requested to bring a basket of eats as the dinner will be one of the features of the day. By taking a Lakeside car and getting off at the park entrance a convenient means of going to the park can be arranged. Evangelist Carl Roop of Findlay is president and Mrs. Charles Beck of Delphos is secretary of the association.

Dailey-Niblick Reunion
One hundred and twenty-eight people attended the annual Dailey-Niblick reunion held Sunday at the John Dailey home at Toscin. At the noon hour a delicious dinner was served, tables being placed in the shaded lane leading up to the Dailey home. Following the dinner the relatives and guests assembled at the school house where a program was given the Toscin school girls singing a number of songs. Mrs. L. A. Holthouse, of this city, favored the guests with a solo. James T. Niblick, of Decatur, played his violin, and Charles Dailey, of Bluffton, gave an interesting talk. John Dailey was re-elected president of the association, and Ed Zimmerman, of Decatur, elected secretary and treasurer, succeeding C. S. Niblick, of this city. It was voted that the reunion next year be held at Bellmont Park in this city.

The Corinthian Class of the Christian church has all arrangements completed for the Big Corn Roast—the biggest and snappiest event of the season for the pleasure of everyone. Everything good to eat will be served at a small cost. The Roast will be held at the home of J. E. Anderson Tuesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock.

Fuhrman Reunion
The annual Fuhrman family reunion was held at the H. A. Fuhrman grove north of the city Saturday, August 25. There were 115 members of the family present from the states of Michigan, Kentucky, Texas, Nevada, Ohio and Indiana. The officers elected for the coming year were H. A. Fuhrman, president; Francis Fuhrman, vice-president; and Morris Fuhrman, secretary and treasurer.

The Union Township Womens' club will meet Wednesday, Aug. 29, at the home of Mrs. C. S. Mumma. All members are cordially invited to attend.

Jacob Heller Reunion
A reunion of the Jacob Heller family was held at the home of Roy E. Heller, Sunday, Aug. 26. Those present to enjoy the occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Heller, of Portland, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Heller and sons, Theodore and Alfred; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Heller and children; Mr. and Mrs. Warren Jones and children; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jones; Mrs. Martha Fisher and children; Mr. and Mrs. Orville Heller and children; Mr. and Mrs. John Brown; Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Carpenter and son, of Fort Wayne; Jeannette Wilson, and Calvin Coppess.

A delightful birthday dinner was given Sunday at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Merica, northwest of Hoagland, in honor of Mrs. Merica's birthday anniversary. The day was spent in a social way of conversation, playing games and auto riding. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Roy Merica and son Lester; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hart and sons; Walter and Charley; Smith Merica; Melvin and Floyd Meyers; Miss Mary Meyers, all of Fort Wayne; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Reber and family; Mary Jane Roger, Charlotte and Sterling; Mr. and Mrs. S. F. and R. S. Krill; Ralph Wilder and Miss Mayme Krill.

Few people are accorded the privilege of celebrating their birthday as did Mrs. C. L. Spuller on Sunday, Aug. 26. It was Mrs. Spuller's 66th mile stone of life and she was permitted to attend the session of the Annual Conference of the United Brethren church, which was held at the Pleasant Grove church. At the noon hour, in order to commemorate the occasion, a number of friends united in serving a basket dinner. Rev. S. A. Macklin, a former pastor of Mrs. Spuller's was also an honored guest of this particular gathering.

Weldy-Berry Reunion At Bellmont Park Wednesday
The annual reunion of the Weldy and Berry families will be held at Bellmont Park, Wednesday. All members of either family residing in Decatur, who do not have a way to get to the park, are asked to notify Mrs. John H. Schug, and a way will be provided.

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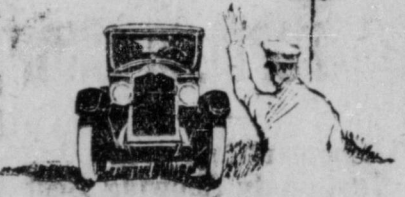
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