

**SPOT****LOCAL CHURCH  
QUINTET WINS****ZION REFORMED TEAM DROPS  
BLUFFTON FIVE AT BLUFFTON, 28-19**

The Zion Reformed church basketball team won a hard-earned victory from the Bluffton Reformed church quintet at Bluffton last night, 28-19. The sharp-shooting of "Sheener" Miller, Lloyd Beal and Rev. Fledderjohann was too much for the Bluffton outfit. The first half was closely contested and when the rest period arrived, Decatur was leading, 15-13. Decatur pulled away to a comfortable lead in the second half, however, and outscored their opponents, 13-6. The Bluffton team will play a return game in this city sometime in January.

Lineups and summary:  
Decatur (28) Bluffton (19)  
Miller ..... F ..... Turner  
Beal ..... F ..... Brousseau  
Fledderjohann C ..... Hogg  
Yager ..... G ..... Liby  
Foley ..... G ..... Sale

Substitutions: Krib for Sale, Spade for Krim, Ashbaucher for Turner, Sawyer for Ashbaucher. Field goals: Miller 6; Beal 4; Fledderjohann 3; Turner 4; Brousseau 3; Krim 1. Foul goals: Miller, 1; Beal 1; Turner, 2; Liby, 1. Referee: Jack Gerber.

**ANNUAL STATE CHECKER  
TOURNAMENT TO OPEN DEC. 23**

The Sixth Annual Indiana State Checker Tournament will be held at the Y. M. C. A. in Muncie, on Monday, December 23, starting at 9:00 A. M., promptly.

The committee in charge has decided to use the merit system of play, a game won counting two points for the winner and a draw game one point for each player.

The two move restriction system will be used and in order to give all players plenty of opportunity to display their skill, there will be both a major and a minor tournament, prizes to be given as follows:

Major Tournament: 1st prize, Living cup or \$10.00 in cash and the Championship of the State of Indiana; 2nd prize, Gold Medal or \$5.00 in cash.

Minor Tournament: 1st prize, silver medal, or \$3.00 in cash; 2nd prize, bronze medal or \$1.00 in cash.

**RED GRANGE REFEREES  
GRID GAME AT KOKOMO**

Kokomo, Ind., Dec. 15. — (United Press)—Fifteen hundred people yesterday saw Red Grange, football and high finance star, officiate a football game in which the Kokomo American legion team defeated the Jenesboro Fliers 28 to 0. Grange's percentage of the gate receipts went to charity.

**THE CORT**

—TONIGHT—TOMORROW—

“THE GOOSE WOMAN”  
Rex Beach’s story, featuring  
Jack Pickford—Louise Dresser  
Constance Bennett

A beautiful love story of two young people struggling against poverty, temptation, disgrace and other handicaps.

“LOVE AND LIONS” a good comedy.

10c ————— 25c

**THE ADAMS Theatre**

—TONIGHT—TOMORROW—

“THE GIRL OF GOLD”  
A Producer’s Attraction with  
Florence Vidor—Malcolm  
McGregor and others.

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10c ————— 25c

THURSDAY-FRIDAY—Benefit Delta Theta Tau Good Fellow Club—Rin-Tin-Tin in “BELOW THE LINE.”

**FIELD GOALS**  
BY MARK M. UPP

Decatur licked Bluffton last night. Rev. Fledderjohann’s Zion Reformed church team walloped the Bluffton Reformed quintet, 28-19. Good work, gang.

Enthusiasm is running high in Berne this week as the date for the Berne-Decatur high school game draws near. Fans in the metropolis in the southern part of its county are confident that their undefeated Blue and White quintet will defeat the Yellow Jackets here Friday night and the town is planning to turn out strong for the battle.

So hot is the enthusiasm at Berne that a new basketball column has broken out in the Adams County Witness. It is called, “Time Outs, by Will Wynn.” Just to give you an idea of the sentiment down in Berne we’re going to reproduce three paragraphs of Will’s dope:

“Mark M. Upp warned cagemen everywhere, ‘Somebody’s going to pay for all this stirring around in the Yellow Jacket nest pretty soon. A Yellow Jacket fights back, you know.’ So far they still have kept their stingers pretty well to themselves.

“Might it be that they are hybrids? No, well then, ‘Fighting Five,’ get your paddles ready for Friday night and prepare to make short work of that mean nest of yellow jackets.

“And, by the way, we say, don’t expect too much honey, yellow jackets, if they’re not hybrids, don’t have honey.”

Perhaps we have been riding Rip Offs a little too hard about his Tigers. At least, Rippy thinks so. Listen to this one:

“While Mark M. is throwing this lovely bouquet our way, he forgets how the Yellow Jackets have been performing this season. The species of Yellow Jackets infesting the Adams county metropolis seems not to have any sting. This is just righteous self-defense, Mark M., and as we both seem to be travelling in a hard row of tough luck, let’s be friends.”

There, now, Rippy, don’t take it to heart too much, we are only kidding. But on the square, old man, is the Bluffton coach still losing sleep worrying because he has so many good players that he can’t decide which ones to play?

“On the Sidelines” in the Hartford City Times-Gazette also takes a crack at Bluffton, which causes Rip Offs to lament as follows: “Why do all pick on us? There’s many another team who have not fared so well in the opening weeks of the basketball season and we say that the Tigers are going to do a little cleaning up in retaliation later on.”

Will Wynn says, “We haven’t heard more from Mark M. Upp

about that term rascal we accidentally dropped into one of our columns. We wonder Why? We all make mistakes, Will, and you know we profit by other’s mistakes, so we just wanted to tell others about it.

Maybe it’s because you boys are good-natured, Rippy.

Today’s rule: A player shall not charge in, and make bodily contact with an opponent who is one of two opposing players having one or both hands on the ball. Personal foul. Penalty—free try for goal.

Who’s going to name the Catholic High quintet? A season ticket is awaiting the lucky person. Just drop your suggestion in the box at the door Thursday night and the selection will be announced later.

The Frankfort Fighting Five must have slowed down a trifle Saturday night. That 33-24 victory at Rochester isn’t very impressive. It was 15-15 at the half.

We’re picking Indiana to beat DePauw tonight.

**CAREY TO LEAD CORNELL**

Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 15.—(United Press)—Emerson Carey, of Hutchins

Kansas, star guard of the Cornell ent. attorney here, will succeed Bob Varsity and western golf champion. Fisher as head coach at Harvard, it was reported today.

**Berne A. C. Team Wins  
From Rockford, 40-28**

Berne, Dec. 15.—The Berne Athletic Club basketball team won its first game of the season Saturday night, when it defeated the Rockford, Ohio, Reds on the community building floor, 40-28. The Rockford team came back strong in the second half and outscored the locals, 17-7, but could not overcome the 33-11 lead gained by the Athletes in the first half.

Lineups and summary:

BERNE (40)	ROCKFORD (28)
Kessler ..... F	Dysert
Clauser ..... F	Smith
Pyle ..... C	Fryminger
Clark ..... G	Martz
Reynolds ..... G	Bevington
Field goals—Kessler, 8; Clauser, 3; Pyle, 6; McClure, 1; Smith, 2; Fryminger, 6; Bevington, 3. Foul goals—Kessler, 2; Clauser, 2; Reynolds, 2; Smith, 1; Martz, 1; Bevington, 2. Substitutions—Teeters for Reynolds, Ellenberger for Clark, Whitehurst for Pyle, Lowe for Kessler, McClure for Dysert. Referee—Chester Michand.	

Boston, Dec. 15.—(United Press)—Leo H. Leary, star end of the Harvard

team in 1903 and 1904 and a prominent

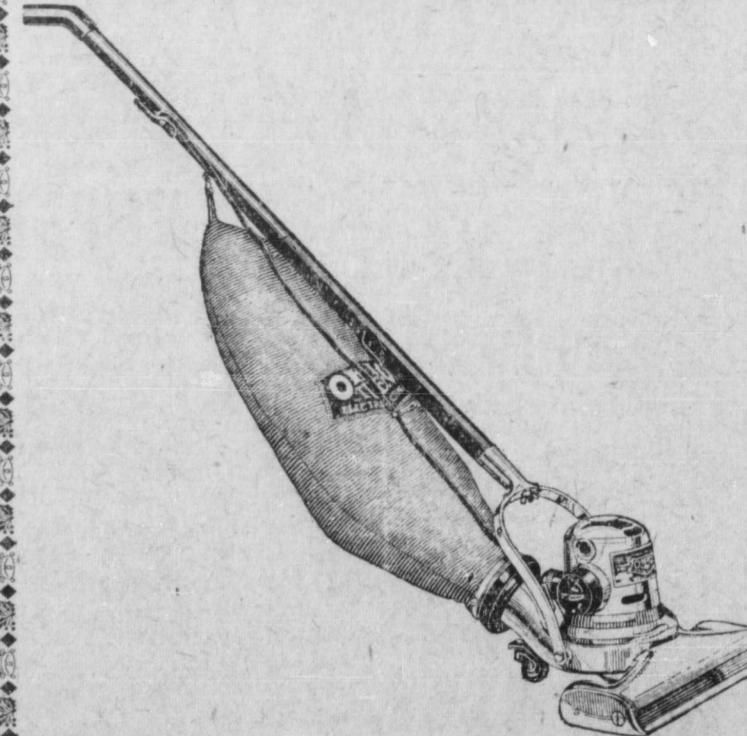
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**YAGER BROS.**  
OPPOSITE COURT HOUSE

ketball team, playing in almost mid-season form, downed Minnesota university 28 to 17 at the Marquette gym here last night.

**Marquette Beats Gophers**  
Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 15.—(United Press)—Marquette university’s bas-

ketball team, playing in almost mid-season form, downed Minnesota university 28 to 17 at the Marquette gym here last night.

**Lewis Wins Easily**  
Chicago, Dec. 15.—(United Press)—

Ed “Strangler” Lewis, chairman of the world’s heavyweight wrestling title, easily defeated eLon Labriola, Italian wrestler, in straight falls here last night. Lewis used his famous headlock to win both falls, the first coming in 40:20 and the second in the short time of 13:30.

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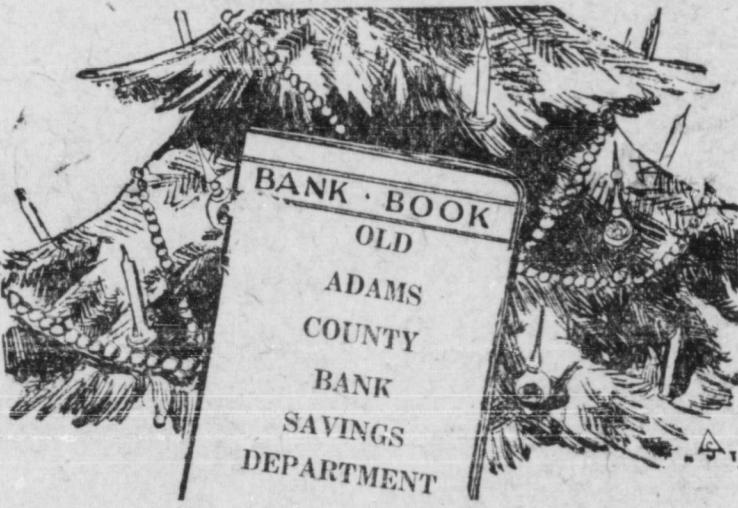
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