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Monmouth.

Bert Christen is attending high school at Decatur.

G. A. Christen of the Geneva schools, spent Sunday here.

Township institute will be held at the Monmouth school house next Saturday.

C. D. Kunkle and family spent Sunday with E. Houk and family of near Bingen.

This is the time of year when the little boy can be seen on the streets with his pockets full of hickory nuts.

The Monmouth school will cross bats with the Mallonee school next Saturday at the Monmouth ball park.

Our schools are in full progress now. Room No. 1 did not open until Tuesday on account of no seats, the old seats were taken out and new ones could not be furnished soon enough.

Peterson.

The Democrat for all the news.

Lana Steele who has been sick for some time is better.

Emma Steele of Bluffton, visited friends here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jackson spent Sunday with friends at Bobo.

Nettie Clowser, Fred Davenport and William Jackson, teachers of Wells county, attended the institute at this place last Saturday.

A debating and literary society meets every Tuesday evening at the Crum school house. A good program is given every night. The question for debate next Tuesday evening is: Resolved, That morality increases with civilization.

The institute last Saturday was a success. Both trustees and every teacher of both Kirkland and Preble townships were present. Several other teachers were in attendance. The program was as follows: Devotional exercises conducted by Rose Johnson. Organic Education, F. D. Aumen; followed by general discussion. Recitation, Flo Johnson. Music, J. P. Mills. How to teach reading, by A. D. Welker. History, John Weldy. Recitation, Lucy Fruchte. Child study, Lulu Lankenau. Reading Circle work was discussed by the whole institute.

Pleasant Valley.

Will Bovine arrived from Northern Michigan, last week.

John Linker of Magley, visited here Sunday with friends.

Mrs. Matilda Madden of Ft. Wayne arrived Tuesday to visit relatives.

Roth & Wulliman are husking corn with their husker in this vicinity.

Ed France, truant officer, was seen passing through here this week.

John Coffee, agent for Niblick, was seeing to business here the first of the week.

Charles Richardson is renewing old acquaintances and fiddling between times.

Harlo Mann and wife visited their daughter at Ohio City, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Jas. K. Martz is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Tyndall, in Mason county, Michigan.

The box social was a success. About \$8 was realized, which will be used for purchasing a library for the school.

Dr. Bill Hill of Pleasant Mills, was through this locality last week, presumably selling Hill's "king of pain."

Linn Grove.

Jesse Miller of Swazee, is here visiting his kindred.

John Wolford of Monmouth, was visiting B. F. Kizer and family over Sunday.

The owner of a lost pocketbook can obtain the same by describing property to Frank Nusbaum.

Several have inspected the horse and buggy held by Albert Johnson, but so far no one has laid claim.

David Yoder who has been working at Archbold, Ohio, during the spring and summer, has returned and numbers with the stone crushing force.

Wm. Mertz of Fort Wayne, John Kauffman and wife of Retman, Ohio, and Amos Augsberger and wife of Columbus Grove, Ohio, are paying their people a visit.

On Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's mother, the wedding of Albert Ramsey and Lovina Chrisman. Also Saturday evening, Cleoplas better known as Doc Rmnyon and Miss

Kumrine were bound in holy wedlock.

Eight to ten was the late score at base ball between the home Shamrocks and the White Oak Ground Hogs, in favor of the former. Owing to rain five innings only were played.

Pleasant Mills.

The sick are slowly convalescing.

Rev. Isaiah Jackson and family moved to our burg this week.

Harry Vizard of Dixon, Sundayed here with his brother, Dr. Vizard.

John Meyers and family spent Sunday with James Boyd and family.

Dick Andrews and sister, Miss Bessie, of Monroe, spent Sunday here with friends.

Harry Worden and wife of Marion, spent several days here with relatives and friends.

A. N. Acker and wife returned Monday, after a few days' visit with relatives at Piqua, Ohio.

John Barnett and wife of Bluffton, gave his brother, G. W. Barnett and wife a pleasant call last week.

A protracted effort will convene at the M. E. church Thursday evening, conducted by Rev. N. P. Barton.

C. W. France and wife gave an oyster supper Wednesday evening to a few of their immediate friends.

Mrs. George Davis and children will leave Thursday for Sidney, Ohio, her former home, to visit relatives.

Rev. Brown and family of Greenville, Ohio, are now residents of this place, having moved here this week.

Samuel Shamp and Samuel Hite and wives of Decatur, were the guests of E. W. France and family Sunday.

Mrs. Diadem McLeod leaves today (Thursday) for Piqua and Troy, Ohio, to visit relatives and friends. She will be absent several weeks.

Messrs. Floyd Wood, Charley Mathewson and the Misses Maud and Mary Fuller and Adda Boyd formed a merry crowd and drove to the home of Sylvester Tinkham and wife in the south part of the county last Sunday, where an elaborate dinner was served prepared for them by their hostess. They report having had a pleasant time during the day, and left with the hope of again being permitted to visit this most estimable family.

The "Kathleen Mavourneen", Comedy Company was at Monroeville last Thursday and showed to an enormous crowd of people who were greatly pleased with their efforts. They will play a return engagement in that town during Christmas week. They also played to a large audience at Willshire Monday evening, giving entire satisfaction.

Berne.

Noah Wulliman is wearing a boil on his neck.

Schug's store room is ready for the second story.

Our visitors to the Mennonite conference have about all left.

A. Gottschalk's new residence is ready for the paper hanger.

Grand-father Hirshy, south of town, is very ill with heart trouble.

Daniel Shalley took some fine views of the Mennonite conference.

A. C. and D. Augsburger transacted business in Bluffton Tuesday.

The Berne Witness printed a fine edition in honor of the conference last week.

B. Sprunger, who is studying for veterinary in New York, is home on a visit.

Paul Baumgartner and Bert Har-ruff, of Decatur, were callers at Berne Sunday.

The delegates to the general Mennonite conference, to be held near Philadelphia, left for that place Monday night.

John W. Craig accompanied his parents to Decatur Monday night, from where they started for their home near Ashland, Ohio.

Samuel Craig and Miss Lena L. Braun were united in marriage at the residence of the bride's parents by Rev. Vorholt last Saturday evening. They will make their home in the Hilly property north of the school house. May health and prosperity crown their future life.

The Mennonite conference opened Wednesday of last week continuing until Tuesday of this week. About 400 visitors were in attendance and many good thoughts were taken home by the returning guests. Among the subjects discussed was the new college to be erected at Bluffton, Ohio. As the next conference was voted to that place, the building committee was instructed to have the building ready by that time. The following are the members of the building committee: J. A. Amstutz, Bluffton, Ohio; P. C. Sutter, Pandora, Ohio; J. H. Schantz, Dalton, Ohio; and J. W. Leatherman, Wardsworth, Ohio. At the Sunday school convention some excellent thoughts were brought forth by W. J. Robison, of Fort Wayne, a devoted Sunday school worker. The officers elected for the ensuing year for the Sunday school and Y. P. society are as follows: President, H. P. Kiehbiehl, Canton, Ohio; vice-president, P. B. Hilty, Pandora, Ohio; secretary, Miss Edith Mehl, Goshen, Indiana; German secretary, Miss Marie E. Steiner, Pandora, Ohio; treasurer, A. C. Mehl, Goshen, Indiana. Program committee: M. S.

Moyer, Excelsior, Missouri; W. W. Miller, Pulaski, Iowa, and P. C. Sutter, Pandora, Ohio. Officers for the middle district are: President, R. H. J. Krehbuehl, Trenton, Ohio; secretary, Rev. Carl V. Smitten, Sumertfield, Illinois; treasurer, J. H. Shantz, Dalton, Ohio. Rev. J. C. Miller, of Pulaski, Ohio, preached in the Evangelical church, and Rev. M. S. Moyer, of Tipton, Ohio, in the Reformed church Sunday evening.

Notice!

Mr. Alex Hoyer has resigned as our agent at Decatur. He will be succeeded by T. R. Moore and all orders mailed or telephoned to him will receive prompt attention. We take this method of thanking our trade for past favors, and solicit a continuation of the same. Standard Oil Co. Telephone No. 14.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that on the 28th day of October, 1899, the members of the joint council of the Hoagland pastorate of the Synod of Northern Indiana of the general Synod of the United States of America will meet at Concord to elect three parsonage trustees for the Hoagland pastorate. C. D. Kunkle, Secretary. 31-2w

Wabash Valley Nursery, Bluffton, Indiana.

The following list consists of certain items which are on hand that we must clear this season on account of expiration of leases. We also have unusually heavy stocks which we desire to reduce quickly. For these reasons we are willing for a short time to sell at the extremely low prices affixed, although you must know, and will know in the near future, that stock has advanced in prices almost forty per cent. The stock is of our best grades and quality. We could not furnish any finer stock of the sizes if prices were double. These prices are for reasonable quantities of each kind, and at these rates: 5000 pears at 15c, 25c; 5000 cherry at 30c; 5000 plums at 15c, 25c; 2500 apple at 8c, 10c, 15c. Consisting of all the leading varieties, in a fine, healthy condition. We also have plenty of Nursery Stock, including shade trees which we will dispose of at prices that will astonish you. So come and see us this fall and get what you need. Don't put it off till spring, for two reasons. (1) The price will not be as low as now. (2) Stock does better planted in the fall. Respectfully, J. B. EVANS & Co., Office, 532 Beth Ave., Phone 124, West Bluffton, Ind.

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Great Stock and Implement Sale

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will give a great stock and implement sale at his farm, one and one-half miles southeast of Decatur, on

Tuesday, October 24, 1899, beginning at nine o'clock, the following stock and implements to wit: 11 head of horses,—4 of which are brood mares; 3 have colts by their side; one three years old mare colt; two years old mare colt; 2 yearling colts; 3 spring colts.

78 head of cattle—consisting of 18 head of milk cows, 10 of them with calves by their side; 7 two and three years old heifers, will be fresh soon; 22 head of two and three years old steers; 19 head of yearling and spring calves.

120 head of sheep—consisting of 50 breeding ewes, two and three years old; 70 head of ewes and weather lambs; 4 Shopshire bucks, 25 head of hogs—3 brood sows; 22 head of shoats.

Farming implements—McCormick binder, will be sold on two years time; McCormick mower; Steel bay rake; John Derr corn planter; 3 breaking plows, one Shunk, one Oliver steel and one riding breaking plow; two double corn plows; two double shovel plows; single shovel plow; disc harrow; spring tooth harrow; spike tooth harrow, planet, jr. combined wheel and hoe onion drill; broad tired wagon; truck wagon; carriage; bob sleds.

Harness—three sets of double work harness; Set of single buggy harness, and other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms of sale—\$5.00 and under, cash; amounts over \$5.00 a credit of 12 months with approved security. Elmer Johnson.

MARKETS.

CORRECTED BY J. D. HALE, GRAIN MERCHANT, DECATUR, IND.

Wheat, new.....	86
Corn, per cwt (mixed).....	42
Corn, per cwt, yellow.....	43
Corn, per cwt, (new).....	30
Oats, new.....	15 @ 22
Rye.....	45
Barley.....	30
Clover seed.....	3 60 @ 4 20
Timothy.....	1 00 @ 1 10
Eggs, fresh.....	20
Butter.....	15
Chickens.....	06
Ducks.....	08
Turkeys.....	08
Geese.....	04
Wool.....	16 to 19
Wool, washed.....	20 and 22
Hogs.....	4 25
TOLEDO MARKETS OCT. 11, 1:30 P. M.	
Wheat, new No. 2 red, cash.....	72
Dec. wheat.....	74
Cash corn No. 2 mixed, cash.....	34
Dec. corn.....	32
Prime clover.....	5 60

Grand Opening, October 18th and 19th.

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\$1.98



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\$1.98

\$5.00



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