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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 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 Lankau. 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, Cleopas better known as Doc Runyon 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 inning 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, Sunday here with his brother, Dr. Vizard.

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

Dick Andrews and sister, Miss Besie, 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.

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 Haruff, 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 Hiltz 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. Kichbiehl, Canton, Ohio; vice-president, P. B. Hiltz, 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. S.

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 calves by their side; 7 two and three years old heifers, will be fresh soon; 22 head of two and three years old steers; 2 bulls, one Durham and one Holstein; 19 head of yearling and spring calves.

120 head of sheep—consisting of 30 breeding ewes, two and three years old; 70 head of ewes and weather lambs; 4 Shropshire 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' hay 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.....	\$ 66
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 @ 420
Timothy.....	1 00 @ 110
Eggs, fresh.....	20
Butter.....	15
Chickens.....	06
Ducks.....	05
Turkeys.....	08
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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

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