

(Handwritten date: Thursday, May 4, 1939)

Miss Barbara Habegger, who recently underwent an operation at the Adams county hospital, is reported as getting along nicely.

Mrs. Jacob Sprunger, of west of town, who has been critically ill for some time, is reported somewhat improved.

Mrs. Verena Schwartz, who is making her home with her son, John P. Schwartz, is reported to be growing weaker. She has been bedfast about 20 weeks, and has been seriously ill most of the time.

Wayne Coffin, of Martinsville, recently spent several days in Berne, visiting at the Marcus Lehman home. He is a son of the late Otto Coffin, former local barber, who died recently. Wayne went to school here and is well known by many of the local young people.

(Handwritten date: Monday, April 24, 1939)

The Franklin Sprunger family on North Jefferson street is moving today their household goods to the farm they recently purchased from Mr. Sprunger's father, C. C. Sprunger, on the north edge of town. As they are moving their furniture to their new location, they return with truck loads of furniture belonging to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Sprunger, and at the same time assisting their parents to move into the home which they exchanged. Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Neuenschwander and son, Gordon, of Quakertown, Pa., are here to assist the C. C. Sprunger family in getting established in their town residence. Mr. Sprunger, who suffered a stroke a few week's ago, has recovered to the extent that he can be up part time. Os- (cut off)

(Handwritten date: Monday, May 1, 1939)

(Photo of Rev. C. P. Maas) Rev. Maas of Indianapolis has been assigned as pastor of the Trinity Evangelical church here, succeeding the Rev. M. O. Herman.

(Handwritten date: Friday, Dec. 29, 1939)

MRS. ANNA SCHAFFER DIES THIS MORNING

Mrs. Anna Miller Schafer, 80, died at the home of her son John in French township, this morning at 2:50 o'clock. Death followed a two-week's illness of asthma. Mrs. Schafer was born in Switzerland.

She is survived by her husband, Fred, and the following children: John Schafer, Decatur rural route; Fred and Mrs. Mary Dubach of Bluffton rural route; Frieda Schafer and Miss Lizzie Schafer, both of Decatur rural route and Joel of Berne.

Funeral services will be held at the John Schafer home Sunday at 1 o'clock and at the Chrisitan Apostolic church at 1:30. The body will be taken to the residence from the Jahn funeral home in Bluffton and may be viewed until time for the services.

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NAME FT. WAYNE POSTMASTER

Col. Clyde F. Dreisbach, 59, Well-Known Here, Is Named

Fort Wayne, Ind., May 15 - Col. Clyde F. Dreisbach, 59, Friday night was named to be Fort Wayne postmaster succeeding the late Lewis Ellingham at an election by Democratic pricinct committeemen. The results of the balloting will be forwarded to Senators Frederick Van Nuys and Sherman Minton for recommendation for appointment.

Dreisbach, veteran of three military campaigns, was one of three candidates selected from those who took civil service examinations for the position. He receive 85 votes against 46 for Godfrey J. Gladabach, present assistant postmaster. John W. Knorr, third candidate, received no votes.

Mr. Dreisbach is well-known in Berne. He is a salesman for the Schwartz Paper Co. of Chicago and comes to Berne frequently.

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NEW PASTOR OF EVANGELICAL CH.

Rev. Herman Transferred to Bremen; Rev. Holston Back to Linn Grove

Rev. M. O. Herman, pastor of the Trinity Evangelical church here for the past seven years, was transferred to Bremen, Indiana at the closing session of the Evangelical conference Sunday. The conference was held at the Crescent Avenue Evangelical church at Fort Wayne. Rev. Herman will be succeeded here by Rev. C. P. Maas, of Indianapolis, former Ft. Wayne pastor, and also pastor of the local church many years ago.

TO PREACH FAREWELL

Rev. Herman came to Berne seven years ago. His transfer to a different church came rather unexpectedly and it is needless to say that many here regret to see him leave. He

has been active not only in church circles here, but also in various other activities, and has taken prominent part in many civic affairs. He was a member of the Berne Ministerial Association. He will preach his farewell sermon at the local church next Sunday, the change in pastors being effective on Sunday, May 14, when the Rev. Maas will preach his first sermon here.

Rev. and Mrs. Herman and children will move to Bremen some time next week. They have a son and a daughter, Paul, and Miss Louise, both graduates of the Berne high school. Paul is still at home here while Louise is engaged in the teaching profession.

PASTOR HERE PREVIOUSLY

Rev. Maas was pastor of the local Evangelical church from 1909 to 1911. He has served as pastor of church in several cities and has been at Indianapolis for the past two years. He and his wife will move to Berne soon. He has two daughters, both married. He is well known by many of the members of the local church.

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