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COUNCIL MEETING.

THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING HELD LAST THURSDAY NIGHT.

A Full Board Present—A Large Amount of Business Transacted—A Nine-Mill Tax Rate Proposed and Seconded.

The Bloomsburg Town Council convened in regular session in the Council chamber last Thursday night, with President W. O. Holmes and all the members present.

Minutes of previous meeting—April 6th—read and approved.

F. B. Hartman, chairman of the committee on light, reported to Council that during the month of April lights were out 103 hours, and that as the same cost only 2½ cents an hour, making a total of \$2.56, he moved that the same should not be deducted from the bill. Carried.

The report of the finance committee was as follows: Expenses, about \$28,000, assets, about \$22,000, and expenses, \$6,000 more than available assets. A 9-mill tax rate was proposed, which was seconded.

Committee on highways was given power to act in the matter of sewer at East and Fourth streets, which is reported in bad condition.

Crossings on Railroad street, between Main street and Red Rock bridge, and at corner of Sixth and Catharine streets, referred to the proper committees.

Dr. Low complained of eaves of the livery stable adjoining Opera House. Committee on highways is instructed to look after it.

Cosmopolitan Building and Loan Association is to be notified of the condition of pavement in front of its property on Catharine street. Same to be laid within twenty days, or the work will be done by the town, with 20 per cent. added to the cost.

Same action was taken in regard to Thomas Dollman's pavement on East street.

Complaint was entered about the alley at the City Hotel. Committee on highways was empowered to repair the same.

William H. Gilmore appeared and reported that the water pipe, from Iron to Market street, was too small in case of fire. Referred to proper committee.

Crossings and gutters were reported in bad condition at a number of places in town.

Ward policemen were appointed as follows:

1st—A. Shultz, A. M. Wintersteen, Thos. Moyer, D. R. Coffman.

2d—C. M. Hess, F. P. Baum, Geo. Yost, Jas. Reeser.

3rd—Geo. Weaver, Geo. Cavanaugh, Geo. Martin, B. W. Hagenbuch.

4th—Frank Boice, F. R. Drake, Geo. Girton, John Corbett and Isaiah Ohl.

Bond of Town Treasurer E. F. Carpenter was read and accepted, with E. B. Tustin, C. C. Peacock and I. W. Hartman as sureties.

Petition, signed by property owners, to grade West street, from Main to Fourth, was presented. Referred to street committee.

Permits to build were granted to Mrs. Emma Kashner, P. K. Vannatta and George Yost.

On motion, duly seconded, orders were drawn for the following bills:

United States Exp. Co.	55
Shaw & Searies	6 00
Geo. E. Elwell	9 20
Creasy & Wells	11 76
Bloomsburg Gas Co.	34 00
Bloom. Elec. Lt. and Power Co.	433 02
Wm. Krickbaum, 5 days Auditor	10 00
P. H. Freeze, five days Auditor	10 00
Geo. E. Wilbur, 41 days Auditor	9 00
G. B. Martin	1 15
Harmann & Hassert	2 11
Empire Rubber Co.	390 00
S. F. Peacock	3 85
Bloomsburg Water Co.	96 67
Bloom. Steam and Elec. Lt. Co.	25 81
H. B. Cox	3 00
Empire Rubber Co.	8 78
Wm. Shaw	1 25
John Corbett	1 25
F. P. Drake	1 25
Wm. Silmer	1 25
Isaiah Hagenbuch	12 50

A representative of the Gamewell Fire Alarm Company attended the meeting and demonstrated his company's system to Council. A proposal to furnish ten boxes to be stationed in different parts of the town was made, and will be considered at next meeting of Council.

A number of other matters of minor importance were discussed after which the meeting adjourned.

DEATH OF SAMUEL P. McREYNOLDS.

The Muncy *Luminary* of May 5, says:

Samuel P. McReynolds a well known resident of this place, died Friday after being in poor health for a number of years. He was the last of a family of four children of the late Andrew S. McReynolds, who was at different times Sheriff and Treasurer of Columbia county in the twenties. His sister, Miss Margaret McReynolds, died on the 14th of last February, leaving her brother, who had been her sole care for several years, to follow shortly.

Deceased was born in Danville, March 8, 1826. He came to Muncy in 1843 and entered *The Luminary* office as an apprentice of the printing trade, under the tutelage of the late William P. I. and George L. I. Painter, who then owned the office. After working here several years he went to Philadelphia and worked on the *Public Ledger* for a number of years. He was a master of the art in his active days, but on account of ill health he could not work at the trade during the latter years of his life. Since the death of his wife, which occurred a number of years ago, he made his home with his sister here. One son, Harry, of Philadelphia survives him.

The funeral occurred Monday afternoon, Rev. L. J. Shoemaker, pastor of the Baptist church, officiating. Interment in Muncy cemetery.

Deceased was a brother of Judge John McReynolds deceased, and an uncle of Dr. H. W. McReynolds.

Sale at Proctor Inn.

The personal property at Proctor Inn will be sold at public sale on Friday, May 19th, at 10 o'clock a. m. It includes parlor, bed-room, dining room and library furniture, ingrain and Brussels carpets, porch chairs, mattresses, bolsters and pillows, and many other articles.

Terms—All sales of \$5.00 and under, cash. All over \$5.00 four months' credit.

For particulars inquire of C. R. Buckalew, A. L. Fritz, or Geo. E. Elwell, Bloomsburg, Pa.

Excursion rates from Bloomsburg to Jamison City and return, \$1.00.

Granted a Pension.

Delilah Breech, of Catawissa township, who has been a paralytic for the past 31 years, has been granted a pension of \$14.00 per month, with back pay to the amount of \$793.73. She is the invalid daughter of the late Jacob Breech, a veteran of the late rebellion, and was an invalid at the time he enlisted. Messrs. J. K. Sharpless of Catawissa, and Jenkins Evans, of Berwick, were instrumental in procuring the pension. It was a meritorious case and well deserving of government aid.

In the language of the *Berwick Independent*, that town had a "week of unprecedented mortality" during the seven days ending with Friday. During that short space of time five people were summoned to the great beyond, namely John Fenstemaker, aged 72; Katherine Kurtz, aged 6; Dorothy Rush, aged 1 year and 6 months; Mrs. D. K. Hayman, aged 23; and Eudora Hobson Vernon, aged only eleven months. Truly, death is no respecter of persons, the young as well as the old must go when the time comes.

A change in the firm conducting the Bristol House took place yesterday, James Clair, the junior member, retiring, and Philip T. Richards, Ex-Recorder, associating himself as a partner with James McGlynn, who has been at the head of the concern for the past six years, and who has had excellent success in conducting the hostelry, doing an extensive business. Mr. Richards is well known and his connection with the house will add to its popularity. —*Wilkes-Barre Record*.

We were apprised by J. H. Aikman on Tuesday morning of the death of Rev. William Goodrich, which occurred on the sixth inst. The postal card which brought the sad intelligence was post marked Clear Springs, Maryland, but whether he died there or not we are unable to say. The deceased was a minister of the Reformed faith, and was stationed here some twenty years ago. He was an able preacher, and highly respected by all who knew him.

WHAT THEY SAY OF HIM.

OPINIONS OF THE LEADING NEWSPAPERS.

Concerning the Candidacy of J. C. Rutter, Jr., of Bloomsburg, For Register and Recorder.

Having always been a staunch Democrat, whose Democracy has never been questioned, and feeling that I am in every way qualified to fill the position to which I aspire, and being one of the common people, I hereby submit a few of the notices given me by the newspapers, and respectfully ask the support of the voters of the Democratic party of Columbia County.

Very truly yours,
J. C. RUTTER, JR.

From *Berwick Independent*, Dec. 9, 1898.

Candidates for the county offices are already looming up, and among those for the office of Register and Recorder is J. C. Rutter, Jr., an active young Democrat, of Bloomsburg. He is not only well known in Berwick, but throughout the entire county, and will, no doubt, make a strong run.

From *Catawissa News Item*, Jan. 5, 1899.

We add to our list of candidates this week the name of J. C. Rutter, Jr., of Bloomsburg, who is out for the Register and Recorder nomination. Mr. Rutter has been actively engaged in the newspaper business in this county for the past thirteen years and is well and favorably known to the public. There is no doubt as to his ability to fill the position ably and to the best interests of the public.

From *Berwick Independent*, Jan. 6, 1899.

The announcement of J. C. Rutter, Jr., as a candidate for Register and Recorder, will be found in this issue. He is so well known to the people of this vicinity and throughout the county that an extended introduction is unnecessary. For more than a dozen years he has been engaged in the newspaper business and by his courteous treatment of all has made friends innumerable. He comes of a good Democratic family and has himself rendered much valuable service to the party and its cause. As an official he would be thoroughly capable, and his obliging manner is a strong recommendation for his elevation to the office he seeks.

From *Millville Tablet*, Jan. 11, 1899.

In this issue of *THE TABLET* will be found the announcement of J. C. Rutter, Jr., as a candidate for Register and Recorder. Mr. Rutter is a newspaper man of over thirteen years experience, and being well qualified to fill the position to which he aspires is deserving of some recognition at the hands of the public. His loyalty to the Democratic party is unquestioned.

From *Bloomsburg Columbian*, Jan. 5, 1899.

J. C. Rutter, Jr., announces his name as a candidate for Register and Recorder, in this issue. He is too well known in this county to need an introduction, having been engaged in the newspaper business for nearly thirteen years. He has many friends, and will make a strong run. He comes of a Democratic family, and has rendered good service to the party himself, and he now feels that his services should be recognized.

From *Danville Sun*, Feb. 16, 1899.

Mr. J. C. Rutter, Jr., who has creditably filled the position of editor and reporter of the *Bloomsburg Daily* for some years past, has severed his connection with that journal and enters into a contest for the office of Register and Recorder of Columbia county. We hope that he may succeed in gaining the position he aspires to.

From *Williamsport Gett*, March 5, 1899.

Presented herewith is a portrait of John C. Rutter, Jr., of Bloomsburg, who recently resigned as editor and manager of the *Bloomsburg Daily* and *Democratic Sentinel*, after a successful experience of more than a dozen years in that position. Mr. Rutter's prime purpose in relinquishing his journalistic place,

in which he has proved himself so eminently capable, is to better conduct his candidacy for the nomination of Register and Recorder on the Democratic ticket.

Mr. Rutter is one of the representative young men of Bloomsburg. He has attained a prominence in public affairs that has won for him a wide acquaintanceship, and his work in the newspaper field of the county has redounded very materially to his credit. He is at present the president of the Board of Education there, and has for years maintained a lively interest in the town's educational affairs. He is a son of Dr. J. C. Rutter, one of the oldest physicians and most respected citizens of this section of Pennsylvania. A brother, Mr. H. H. Rutter, is editor and publisher of the *Democrat*, at Muncy, Lycoming county.

From *Philadelphia Times*, Feb. 6, 1899.

Judging from the situation J. C. Rutter, who for the past thirteen years has been manager and editor of the *Democratic Sentinel* and the *Bloomsburg Daily*, and who has resigned those positions, has the lead for the nomination for Register and Recorder. As the Democratic nomination is equivalent to an election in this county he feels reasonably sure of being the next occupant of that office.

From *B. S. N. S. Quarterly*.

St. Rutter, John C. Jr., for more than twelve years has been connected with the *Sentinel* and has been the manager of the *Daily* since its establishment. He has resigned these positions and entered actively into the contest for the nomination, at the next Democratic County Convention, for the position of Register and Recorder of Columbia County. John is well known throughout the county and is a hustler. He will keep the other candidates for the place busy watching him. He is well fitted for the place and if elected will make an efficient and courteous officer.

Extract from letter from Harry J. Walter, of Alludo, Ill., to *Bloomsburg Daily* and *Sentinel*.

I received a complimentary letter from J. C. Rutter, Jr., accompanied with his picture. He is a fine looking man and one with a countenance open and bright, a man whom one would be proud to call a friend; a man that the Democracy of old Columbia county would be proud to have as their candidate for Register and Recorder; one who would not disgrace the position the people would honor him to. Were we a voter of Columbia county we surely would be willing to risk our vote for J. C. Rutter, Jr., and those who have the right to vote will make no mistake in giving your vote to him.

From *Benton Argus*, January 13, 1899.

By reference to the political announcements it will be observed that J. C. Rutter, Jr., is a candidate for Register and Recorder of this county. Mr. Rutter is so well known to the voters of this part of the county that an extended introductory notice seems to be entirely unnecessary. During the past thirteen years he has been engaged in the newspaper business at Bloomsburg, which brought him in daily contact with people from all parts of the county and from which he has gained a wide acquaintanceship through his courteous treatment of all with whom he transacted business. Mr. Rutter comes from a good Democratic family, and has himself rendered much valuable service to his party and its cause. His thorough capability, his excellent business traits and his courteous and obliging manner forms a strong recommendation for his nomination and election to the office which he aspires.

A Sunday School Institute will be held in the M. E. church at Buckhorn on Saturday evening May 13th, at which time a program of great interest will be given. Mr. Myron I. Low of Lime Ridge, will make the address of the evening. Mrs. G. E. Wilbur's class of girls will give a Bible drill, and a male quartet from Bloomsburg will render some fine selections. A general invitation is extended to the public to be present.

The Y. M. C. A. Choir will give an entertainment in the Lutheran church, on Thursday evening of next week. Proceeds for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A.

OUTING AND

Warm weather Clothes.

If you are going to need a Golf or Wheel Suit, a Light Weight, half-lined Suit, for warm weather, a thin Coat of Serge, or Alpaca, a Fancy Wash Vest, or a pair of Stylish Trousers, remember our store is headquarters for all the novelties and specialties in men's dress, as well as the regular and staple styles. Our prices will make it easy for you to have the best.

CHILDREN'S

Wash Suits

Our line of Children's Wash Suits is composed of latest novelties, at prices ranging from 50c. to \$3.00. Also, Wash Pants at 15c.

BEN GIDDING,

Clothier, Bloomsburg

The Leader Department Store.

CARPETS.

The old adage, that "the proof of the pudding is in the eating thereof," received a strong confirmation this past week. We have claimed all along that our carpet stock was larger and better than the combined stocks in the county, and that you could trade better with us than anywhere else. Our friends, after looking over all the stocks in town, came to us and made their selection. That tells the tale, and so generous has been the call that we have commenced already to duplicate on some of our patterns.

MATTINGS.

The largest stock shown anywhere, and at prices from 12½c up to 35c.

CURTAINS.

We will give you Lace Curtains from 75c up to \$15.00 per pair, and prices between.

OLD CARPETS.

We forgot to say, under heading of Carpets, that we have a number of borders, which will go well with old carpets you want to piece out for larger rooms. It will save you dollars if you don't want to throw away the old carpet. We would rather sell you an entirely new floor, but we are here to save you money, anyway.

BABY COACHES.

We have them from \$5.00 up to \$15.00. You will easily pay 20 per cent. more for each class elsewhere than with us.

OAK BED-ROOM SUITS.

Seven pieces, \$20.00. Easily worth \$25.00.

DINING-ROOM TABLES AND CHAIRS.

New goods—just in.

CURLY BIRCH AND MAHOGANY BED-ROOM SUITS.

We have a few sets left yet of this class. Only one of a kind, and we'll shade the price 25 per cent. to clean up.

TABLE LINEN.

We claim that we carry the finest lines of these goods in the town. We always had the reputation of showing the best values for the money, and we are keeping it up. Just as a sample, we have the finest Crash Linen, Double Damask, for \$2.75 per yard. The patterns are beautiful. City stores show nothing daintier, nor at so low a price. Then we have a good Table Cover, unbleached, at 25c, and an absolutely pure all linen at 50c. Lots between. Before you buy your Table Linen look our stock over. It will give you the standard for comparison, even though you buy elsewhere.

GROCERY DEPARTMENT.

Goods fresh every week. No old stock to work off. Finest California Hams, 6c per pound. Regular, 10c. Have you tasted our fine 20c Mixed Chocolates? Equal to any 25c candy in town. Same brand sold in Philadelphia regularly for 30c. We will buy lard, eggs, potatoes and other country produce.

The Leader Store Co., Ltd.,
Fourth and Market Streets.