

The Farmers National Bank

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Farmers' Institutes.
Effect on Farmers Has Been Good, Says Secretary of Agriculture.

The effect of the series of farmers' institutes held during the winter in the various counties of the state under the direction of the department of agriculture is seen in the improvements that are taking place in a sections in agricultural practice says Secretary of agriculture Hamilton. Greater care is exercised in the collection and preservation of fertilizers, the cultivation of the soil, the selection of seeds for crops, the manipulation of milk and the food articles manufactured from it, the health of animals, their food and shelter. Farmers are placing modern conveniences in their homes, adorning their grounds, improving their gardens and orchards and giving more attention than formerly to the securing of better educational advantages for their children. Secretary Hamilton says that the appropriation of \$15,000 annually for these gatherings enables the department to extend its institute work, but by no means meets the needs of the farming people in institute requirements. He thinks that at least \$25,000 per year should be devoted for this purpose, and says that every dollar of this sum should be advantageously expended.

New Series Open April 1.

The Industrial Building and Loan Association of Bloomsburg, will open a new series on April 1st. This association will mature its first series on that date, having run 123 months, showing a net profit to the investors of 12 per cent. per annum. During this period there has been 2321 shares issued to 434 share holders, 134 loans were made. No losses have occurred; but one mortgage has been foreclosed during 10 years. Where is the National Association that can show such good results? Stop, think if you have a few dollars to spare each month, take shares in this Association and accumulate a small fund to start in business or build a home. Payments \$1.00 per share monthly. Money to loan to persons desiring to secure a home. Application for shares may be made to the Secretary or any of the Directors.

- C. C. PEACOCK,
 - J. R. TOWNSEND,
 - SAMUEL WIGFALL,
 - G. E. ELWELL,
 - O. W. CHERINGTON,
 - F. R. CARPENTER,
 - J. LEE HARMAN.
- Secretary, A. N. YOST.

FORKS.

Lots of back water suckers have been caught in the Fishingcreek. Harrison Bros. are doing a stiff business in merchandise, coal, lumber and sills. Road Supervisors will be busy repairing the ravages of the flood. In summer along the Fishingcreek is one of the most beautiful portions of the state. Jas. Amerman has got a new supply of goods. E. M. Labauch, one of the enterprising people of this section, will soon fix up his dam, ready to run his mill, and saw a large supply of logs. He has one of the best cider presses in the state. Shaffer has gone back to the hotel in Orangeville, which insures a well kept hotel. His many friends welcome his return.

Jno. G. McHenry of Benton, has put up a large ware house that will hold several hundred barrels of the liquid extracted from rye. He is president of the new National Bank there. His many friends wish him success.

The flouring mill at Benton is doing a lively business.

Mr. Wm. Unangst has rented his farm. Owing to a general break down he is unable to farm.

Miss Jessie Unangst and her nephew, Lawrence, have spent Easter week at their old home here. Jessie is attending school at Scranton and living with her sister Mrs. Minnie Freas. Lawrence is at South Wilkesbarre with his mother, going to school. Both are doing well.

The house of God should be honored free from dust. So with the Zion church here.

Wm. Miller sends meat to Berwick. Prof. Pealer of Asbury, is doing a fine business surveying in Tennessee.

Soon Memorial day will be on hand. The orator will portray the power and glory of his country. He will talk about the wars through which we have passed—the war of the Revolution, the war of 1812, the war with Mexico, the gigantic Civil war, the war with Spain and the present Philippine struggle. All of which is very right and true. Two much eloquence cannot be displayed on such occasions, nor too much patriotism.

We have made gigantic strides. We have accumulated hundreds of millions of wealth within the last 25 years beyond our own anticipations, and no nation has accumulated so rapidly, or anything like the same sum, for ages. We could buy out nearly all Europe and a big slice of South America, and have plenty left for a clam bake. We are formidable on land and water. Our ships of commerce are floating on all the seas. Our war vessels would be the glory and pride of any nation, ancient or modern. We have good men behind the guns. We have made inventions and discoveries unparalleled in the annals of history. We have forged ahead of all other nations. The great powers of Europe are very patronizing, complacent and offer their friend-

ship obsequiously. Our azure stars and stripes are honored on land and sea. Wherever they go there can be no night. They are the daggerreotype of the stars that burn around the midnight throne—that great mantle of stars that hangs from the Throne of the Eternal. No bombast nor boast in this. It is the truth. But "all is not gold that glitters." The orator leaves out some things that should be mentioned, which are also true. There was one patriot of the Revolution that is never mentioned while Washington is ever deservedly mentioned. His name was Robert Morris. He it was who loaned to that Revolution the sinews of war. He gave his fortune, his all, to the Continental Congress to carry on the war, and without which that struggle would have proved abortive and Washington would have been hung as a rebel and traitor. Robert Morris gave success to the Declaration of Independence. He it was who furnished the means to fight the forces of Geo. III. He it was, who crowned Yorktown with victory. His means gave us the very liberty and independence we enjoy to-day. He gave birth to the nation. And now comes the beautiful part of it. No Congress ever paid him back the amount he loaned the government. Per consequence he lingered in prison behind iron bars a pauper because he could not pay his debts! Isn't that a lovely thing to throw into the teeth of the United States? Here are honesty, justice and patriotism happily blended, like the seven colors of the rainbow. Monuments have gone up everywhere consecrated to the memory of other men, while the remains of Robt. Morris lie in an obscure grave.

Such is the gratitude of Republics! Well, just so. The bones of Leonidas lay for 40 years in the defiles of Thermopylae before they were transferred to Sparta. When Cicero was banished to Syracuse he hunted a long while among brambles and thorns to find the grave of Archimedes.

At Valley Forge where his soldiers were naked and starving Washington was almost supplanted by a Cabal of his generals. Christopher Columbus, who opened the gates of the Western Hemisphere, was carried back in chains to his native land. The head and right arm of Cicero were nailed to the very rostrum where he pounded forth his eloquence for his country.

"Betsy" of Philadelphia, made the stars and stripes and presented them to Washington.

Pennsylvania has historical battle grounds. Brandywine, Valley Forge and Gettysburg are bound to live in history. The old bell that rang out liberty belongs to Pennsylvania. The Old State House in Philadelphia belongs to Pennsylvania. She has produced in the history of our Country as great and good men and patriots, statesmen, generals, financiers and orators as any state in the Union. Yet they don't so appear in history simply because no national historian ever came from Pennsylvania; they came from other States. Yes, Continental Congress didn't pay back the money she borrowed from Morris—why could any law put Morris in prison for debt and shouldn't that Congress have gone behind iron bars? E. J. BOWMAN.

An Interesting Case.

A case which has created considerable interest because of the point involved, and one which has occupied the attention of court since Tuesday morning is that of Ephraim Barlow vs. B. R. Yetter. This case laconically, is as follows: In 1882 Daniel Barlow came into possession of 331 acres of land in Main township. The property descended to the heirs, who it appears did not pay the taxes upon it. As a result it was returned by tax collector A. W. Shuman. At the treasurer's sale in June 1898, it was sold by Geo. S. Fleckenstine the then county treasurer, to B. R. Yetter for \$8.82. The heirs did not take any action in the matter, and at the expiration of two years, the term allowed by law, County treasurer Fleckenstine, gave Mr. Yetter, the purchaser, a deed for the land. The heirs are now trying to recover the deed from Yetter, and have the same declared null and of no legal force. They base their claim upon the grounds that at the time of said sale there was personal property sufficient to ray off the taxes, had a levy been made, and that there were legal irregularities in the sale.

The plaintiff's side of the case is represented by Hon. Grant Herring, C. W. Miller and E. A. Beddall of Pottsville, while Ikeler & Ikeler and W. C. Johnston are counsel for the defendant.

Stephen S. Driesbach, who for many years has been numbered among Catawissa's leading business men died at his home in that town Thursday evening last, leaving a wife and five children. Mr. Driesbach was a man highly respected in the community. His good reputation was the result of endeavoring to be what he desired to appear.

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SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., March 3, 1902

E. PACEHAM, JR., ESQ.

Treasurer Cuyamaca Ranch and Mining Co.

618 Continental Trust Building, Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sir:—Replying to your inquiry as to the output of bullion from Stonewall Mine, the books of the bank show that there was received the following amounts during the months and years stated, prior to the death of the late owner:

	1888	1889	1890	1891
January.....	\$25,599 14	\$18,501 68	\$15,334 32	\$11,627 07
February.....	8,029 44	11,080 50	29,664 55	16,154 40
March.....	28,776 38	19,275 72	31,362 41	13,198 98
April.....	24,052 71	22,513 03	16,431 37	17,175 01
May.....	78,255 49	12,154 75	33,093 56	
June.....	7,574 59	11,414 67	45,120 99	
July.....	12,525 59	11,549 09	37,789 94	
August.....	22,633 35	25,035 77	27,318 28	
September.....	9,901 51	18,568 97	11,842 00	
October.....	7,475 29	19,527 38	54,755 19	
November.....	19,915 52	22,828 85	29,983 98	
December.....	21,206 06	17,666 68	32,537 10	
	\$265,936 07	\$220,117 09	\$365,233 69	\$58,155 46
1888.....	\$265,936 07			
1889.....		220,117 09		
1890.....			365,233 69	
4 months in 1891.....				58,155 46
Total for 3 years and 4 months		\$909,442 31		

(Signed) JAMES K. WILSON
(Signed) L. I. COWGILL

Trustees for THE SATHER BANKING CO.
(Now San Francisco National Bank.)

Mr. Wilson writes, under date of March 3rd, as follows: "Have spent several days with the people of the United States Mint here proving our figures, to which you wished me to affix my name.

"These figures are not only absolutely correct as verified by the United States Mint returns at San Francisco, but we can increase these figures previous to January, 1888, if you desire us to do so. In my researches at the Mint, between 1880 and 1885, I have already found \$188,958.00; \$20,466 output January, 1880, from a little ten stamp mill; February of that year \$21,492.00; then in 1885 running but a little time only, \$75,000.00 more was taken out. I have invited here the Statistician of the United States Mint, Mr. Yale, to look up further history. It seems that this Mr. Yale, as a young man, worked as an assayer at the mine away back in early days. From the croppings at that time he took away about one hundred pounds of very rich ore showing free gold largely (so he says), which he brought here to melt up and make a present to his wife.

"He has that ore now and I presume if the parties who are promoting the sale of this property wished it, it could be obtained at its value. It seems to me it would be a great thing to have it, because what I am saying to you is entirely reliable and authentic.

"You may think I have delayed, but you do not know the amount of effort I have put into this since the receipt of the draft which you wished me to sign, and herewith enclosed. I could not, nor would I, affix my signature until I knew these figures were exactly correct."

This mine has not been worked since the death of the late owner, as the insolvency of his estate caused prolonged litigation, from which the estate has been extricated and an absolutely perfect title vested in this Company, who will now proceed to work this mine, which is perfectly equipped with a 20-stamp mill in perfect working order, and all the necessary machinery for pumping, hoisting, etc., and will also begin immediately, and prosecute as rapidly as possible the exploration of all the gold mining portion of the estate, and to develop its other industries.

The value of the Company's ground, for gold mining, is also proven by the large number of mines, opened in the same formation, in the well-known mining districts of Banner and Julian to the North, and by the development of equally productive mines to the South of the Company's boundaries.

Accurate accounts of the details of the operations of the Stonewall mine and mill are not obtainable, but the record in the Bank shows that Six Hundred and Fifty seven Thousand, Sixty Dollars and Thirty six Cents (\$657,060.36) of value in bullion was produced from January, 1888, to July, 1890, during which time only an old 10-stamp mill was in use. The full capacity of such a mill would be thirty (30) tons for each twenty-four (24) hours, and if worked continuously, during the time named, the amount of ore handled should have been about twenty-seven thousand (27,000) tons, thus showing an average value per ton for the ore of about Twenty-four Dollars (24). This is extraordinary, and perhaps unequalled, on a strictly free milling proposition. Nothing whatever was done with the tailings, under the old management.

Col. S. H. Lucas, our General Manager, states strongly his belief that he can so open up the Stonewall mine as to block out, during the next eighteen months, sufficient reserves of ore to enable him to work continuously a 40-stamp mill which would have a capacity of one hundred and twenty (120) tons per day, which, at the same average, as is shown in the past, would mean the production of Twenty-eight Hundred and Eighty Dollars (\$2880) per day in gold. As the operation of a stamp mill is practically continuous, barring accident, it is safe to figure on three hundred and fifty (350) working days in the year; this would show a product of One Million and Eight Thousand Dollars (\$1,008,000), equal to 17 per cent. per annum on the entire capital stock of the Company, from a single mine, out of the dozens that may be discovered on the property of this Company, to say nothing of its other great resources.

The estate is all of great fertility and abundantly watered; about one-third is heavy timber, cedar, oak, pine and fir; one-third mesa land, and the remainder valley lands; the two latter of great value for stock raising, agriculture and fruit growing. A portion of the heights, commanding extensive views, of great beauty, over the semi-tropical country below, and of the coast and ocean, will bring high prices, when placed in the market, for hotel and residential purposes.

The 20 stamp mill is in perfect order, and is as good as there is in the State. The buildings are substantially framed of wood with sides and roofs of corrugated iron. Altogether, the buildings connected with the administration of the Mine and Estate form quite a little village.

The complete Official Prospectus of this Company, handsomely illustrated, giving the Directors and containing full reports on all resources of the Company, and detailing its plans for development, is now in press, and will be furnished, on application, to those contemplating investment.

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