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CORPORATIONS ELECT OFFICERS.

Tuesday Was Annual Meeting
Day For Banks and Busi-
ness Companies.

Organizations Also Perfected.

Tuesday was the annual meeting day for the various banks and business institutions, and in compliance with their rules elections were held. All of the banks of the county, nine in number, chose their directors and perfected their organizations. The result together with those of other business enterprises are appended:

BLOOMSBURG NATIONAL BANK.
Directors: Henry J. Clark, Harrison J. Conner, Samuel Wigfall, Joseph Ratti, O. W. Cherrington, Harvey W. Hess, Paul E. Wirt, J. Lee Harman, Wellington M. Longenberger and A. Z. Schoch. The Board organized by the election of A. Z. Schoch, president; Paul E. Wirt, vice president and W. H. Hidlay, cashier.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK.
The First National Bank stockholders elected the following named officers and directors, Joseph Ratti being a newly elected member of the Board. Officers: President, E. W. M. Low; vice presidents, E. B. Tustin and James M. Staver; cashier, E. F. Carpenter. Directors: E. W. M. Low, J. M. Staver, E. B. Tustin, F. G. Yorks, S. C. Creasy, H. V. Hower, Fred Ikeler, Geo. S. Robbins, Louis Gross, Frank Ikeler, Myron I. Low and Joseph Ratti.

FARMERS' NATIONAL BANK.
The stockholders of the Farmers' National Bank elected the following named directors, the organization to be effected to-day: C. M. Creveling, Dr. J. J. Brown, J. L. Moyer, C. W. Runyon, C. A. Klein, N. U. Funk, Grant Herring, H. A. McKillip and M. Milleisen.

CATAWISSA FIRST NATIONAL.
The First National Bank of Catawissa at Tuesday's annual stockholders' meeting elected the following named directors, the Board to organize next Monday: S. D. Rinard, Luther Ever, P. H. Miller, W. G. Fisher, W. G. Yetter, W. M. Vastine, of Catawissa, and J. B. Nuss, of Mainville.

CATAWISSA NATIONAL BANK.
At Tuesday's annual stockholders' election of the Catawissa National Bank the following named directors were elected: C. P. Pfahler, C. J. Fisher, Esq., Lloyd Berger, Dr. A. Shuman and I. H. Seesholtz, of Catawissa; J. L. Kline, of Numidia, and Jeremiah Kester, of Mainville. The Board will organize Monday.

COL. CO. NATIONAL BANK.
The stockholders of the Columbia County National Bank, of Benton, elected the following named directors: Geo. B. Hummer, C. A. Wesley, J. B. McHenry, Chas. F. Seely, Russell Karns, B. Frank Mather, John G. McHenry, W. L. Yorks and Alfred McHenry. The Board organized by the election of John G. McHenry, president; C. A. Wesley, vice president; Alfred McHenry, cashier, and Roy Edgar, assistant cashier.

MILLVILLE NATIONAL BANK.
The Millville National Bank elected the following named directors for the ensuing year: William Masters, Joseph W. Eves, Wilson M. Eves, Ellis Eves, Josiah Heacock, John Eves, J. W. Bowman, Dr. H. S. Christian, W. W. Eves, Dr. J. E. Shuman, C. R. Heurie, B. & S. R. Co.

At the annual meeting of the Bloomsburg & Sullivan Railroad Co., Samuel Wigfall was elected president, as was also the following directors: H. T. Dechert, Wm. P. Gest, Chas. H. James, C. G. Appleton, F. W. Buch, L. E. Waller, John K. Grotz, H. J. Conner.

WHITE MILLING CO.
The following named officers and directors were elected: H. V. White, president; A. B. White, treasurer; M. Powell, secretary; directors, Ellis Eves, John Eves, J. C. Brown, O. W. Cherrington, A. C. Creasy, H. V. White, and G. D. Harter, of Nescopeck, the latter

SOCIETY BOWED BEFORE MISS BIDDLE

Her Coming-out Party was a
Most Notable and Brilliant
Social Success.

A CHARMING DEBUTANTE.

An altogether delightful function was that given by Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Biddle at their home at Fountain Springs last week, Wednesday afternoon and evening, in honor of the coming-out of their daughter, Miss Agnes Marie Buckingham Biddle, one of the most popular and accomplished young women of our social set, and which was attended by many of the leaders of society of this State, New York, Boston, Mass., and other New England cities, the latter including a number of young ladies who are fellow students of the debutante at Wellesley College, where she is in her sophomore year, and where she has won a distinct popularity in college annals because of her high literary attainments, her natural musical ability and her skill in athletics, in which she has taken an active part, as she has also in college theatricals where she has figured particularly in fancy dances in which she is a picture of graceful motion.

Miss Biddle is a striking looking girl of the petite brunette type, and was a picture of sweet simplicity in the social swirl of which she was a most attractive centre. She was gowned in pure white chiffon trimmed with rich and fluffy lace, and carried a modest bouquet of fragrant flowers of which she received a great abundance. The formal presentation of the debutante was made in the west parlor which was elaborately but tastefully decorated. Mrs. Biddle, who was gowned in light gray messaline trimmed with real lace and cut steel, received with her daughter.

The cards were from four to six and from seven-thirty to eleven. There were about two hundred guests, and the scene when the function was at its height was one of great social brilliancy.

After the formal introduction ceremony luncheon was served by Holland, of Philadelphia, in the dining room and breakfast room, and a delightful social hour was spent. During the afternoon Mrs. Biddle was assisted in entertaining by the following ladies: Mrs. H. W. Buckingham, Mahaffy, Pa.; Mrs. A. G. Hain, New York city; Mrs. Thomas J. Stewart, Harrisburg, Pa.; Mrs. John V. Shoemaker, Philadelphia; Mrs. Harry C. Harper, Ashland; Mrs. Monroe H. Kulp, and Mrs. W. C. McConnell, Shamokin; Mrs. Frank W. Clemens, Pottsville; Mrs. Voris Auten, Mount Carmel; Mrs. Robert Allison, Port Carbon; Mrs. E. B. Lathrop, Hazleton, and Mrs. J. F. Biddle, Everett, Pa.

In the evening the function was given over to the younger set. Dancing was the principal feature, the large hallways being utilized for that purpose. Reilly's orchestra which was hidden from sight by palms and similar decorative effects, furnished the music. The spirit of genuine hospitality prevailed and the evening was a delightful one. Luncheon was again served at a late hour. Miss Biddle was assisted in entertaining by the following young ladies: Miss Gertrude Knight, Buffalo, New York; Miss Helen Robertson, Ridley Park, Pa.; Miss Ruth Caruthers, Pittsburg, Pa.; Miss Trephena Uhrich, Allentown, Pa.; Miss Katherine Jenckes, Newport, N. J.; Miss Bessie Ryon, Shamokin, Pa.; Miss Harriet Emerick, Milton, Pa.; Miss Helen MacMillan, Philadelphia; Miss Edith Wood, Wayne, Pa.; Miss Olive Nevin, Pittsburg, Pa.; Miss Vandervoort, Buffalo, N. Y.; Miss Trask, Cataline Islands, California.

Among the house guests were: Dr. and Mrs. John V. Shoemaker, Dr. and Mrs. L. Webster Fox, Hon. Cadwallader Biddle, Philadelphia; General and Mrs. Thos. J. Stewart, Harrisburg, and Mr. and Mrs. George W. Ryon, Shamokin.

Miss Biddle's formal introduction to society, it was generally conceded, was one of the most brilliant and successful social fetes ever

Familiarity Breeds Satisfaction.

Banks are becoming more and more the custodians of the funds of the people, of both large and small means. This is due not only to the better security afforded by a well equipped and carefully managed bank, but also to a wider appreciation of the value of good banking service as its usefulness is extended and its methods become better known. In the case of the

Bloomsburg National Bank

"FAMILIARITY BREEDS SATISFACTION," so we invite those whom we have not had the pleasure to serve, to familiarize yourselves with our methods, standing, and the service we can give you. We will be pleased to *HAVE YOU CALL.*

A. Z. SCHOCH, President.

WM. H. HIDLAY, Cashier.

given in this part of the state.—
Ashland Advocate.

By those guests who were present from Bloomsburg, the reception is described as a most charming and brilliant affair. The commodious house, beautiful floral decorations, fine music, and delicious refreshments, and a company made up of youth and beauty from many cities, handsome and richly gowned matrons, and distinguished men, all united to make this occasion one of the most brilliant social functions in this section. And over and above it all, quietly and unostentatiously, were the skillful management and entertaining powers of the accomplished hostess, Mrs. J. C. Biddle.

Time to Look For Candidates.

Mayor, Six Councilmen, Two
School Directors, and Audi-
tors to be Elected.

Other Offices to be Filled.

The holidays and all the concurrent merriment is past, and it is high time to turn our thoughts and attention to the municipal election which is fast approaching. It is essential at least to begin the discussion preparatory to the selection of proper men to become candidates for the different offices to be filled.

At this election, which will be held on February 21, a mayor is to be elected. Both parties should nominate representative men, with sufficient intelligence to know their duties and with the moral courage to perform them in the interest and welfare of the town, and if that is done, it matters not which is elected so far as the town being well governed for the next year. If the laws and ordinances are to be obeyed it is necessary to have a mayor who will compel the enforcement of them, for every town has some citizens who will very willingly violate them if it seems to them to be for their personal gain or mere gratification of an immoral nature.

This is the year for the election of town auditors. For these positions both parties should nominate men of ability in the way of accountants, and those who are sufficiently familiar with the town's business, to know how to proceed in the performance of their duties.

Six Councilmen are to be elected. The result of elections in the past should act as sufficient warning to both parties, and lead them to a realization of the necessity of placing in nomination men who will give learned and intelligent consideration to all matters entrusted to them for the best interests and advancement of the town. There are plenty of men of this calibre, and they can be induced to become candidates if the right method is taken and the proper influence is brought to bear upon them.

There are also to be elected two school directors. Men who take an interest in educational matters and have the right business qualifications are the kind wanted to act in this capacity. There are always enough men on hand when there is a vacancy on the School board in sight. It is invariably a case of the man seeking the office, while with some others, particularly councilmen, the office seeks the man. The reason of course, is that with the latter it is all glory, while with the former, there is glory and some pay.

For the position of assessors, both parties should nominate men who

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BLOOMSBURG, PA.

JOHNSON IS STILL MISSING.

His Disappearance Only Grows
More Mysterious As
Days Go By.

HOPE FOR RETURN DYING.

It is now more than a month since Charles Johnson left his home and family in Catawissa to come to Bloomsburg to consult a physician in regard to his health, and no tidings of his whereabouts have been received. Not since he walked out of Dr. J. S. John's office on West Main street, a little after the noon hour on Saturday, December 10th, has there been anything heard or seen of him, and the belief that he is dead is gaining strength as time wears on.

Disappearances are not uncommon in this day and generation, but not often does it occur that a man vanishes, leaving absolutely nothing behind by which he can be traced or located. Several clues have been taken up and followed only to end in failure. The picture of the missing man has been published in several of the city dailies and the circumstances of the strange case have been detailed to the surrounding towns, but all to no avail. Hope in the family for the man's return is gradually dying, and each passing day forces upon them the belief that he has met some terrible fate. The theory that Johnson fell off the Rupert bridge and was drowned is scouted, because the ice has twice passed away since his disappearance, and the body would certainly have been found before this time.

The Magee Carpet Co. has issued a very pretty booklet containing fine half-tone cuts of the world's greatest cathedrals. It is an advertisement of their Abbey Velvets.

possess a knowledge of values, for both personal property and real estate will pass under their direction and be made the basis upon which the tax rate is fixed. Men of good judgment and unbiased opinion are much to be desired for assessors.

Nominations for these offices must be made two weeks before the election, which makes it necessary to hold the caucuses the first week in February.

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