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WHEELMEN'S BANQUET.

The second annual banquet of the Bloomsburg Wheelmen's Club on Washington's Birthday was held at the Central Hotel on Friday evening, Feb. 22nd, at 9 o'clock. There were 106 members present. The dining room was beautifully decorated, and the tables were very attractively arranged, carnations and smilax being arranged the full length. Flags and a picture of Washington formed the decoration. Foulke's orchestra furnished excellent music throughout the evening. The menu consisted of nine courses, all prepared in a delicious manner, and served very nicely. At the close Landlord Kline and the waitresses were given a vote of thanks for the excellence of the menu and the efficient manner in which it was served.

Geo. E. Elwell presided as toast master. The toasts were as follows: "Washington's Birthday," responded to in an eloquent address by Hon. Fred Ikeler; "Our Organization" by W. S. Rishton, President of the club; "America's Debt to the Month of February," by Hon. John G. Harman; "The Boys" by A. W. Dny, Esq. "Our Bachelor Members" was to have been responded to by J. C. Brown, but the death of a brother in the west, of which he received word that day, prevented his attendance. H. Mont Smith, Esq. was to have spoken on "The Benedicts," but an unfortunate accident by which his eye-glasses were broken, a piece of glass getting in his eye, compelled him to seek a physician before he was called upon.

The other speakers were Frank H. Wilson, James Magee, E. B. Tustin, S. C. Creasy, Mayor Yetter and Mayor Elect James H. Coleman. The speeches were all good, and were listened to attentively throughout. After Mr. Ikeler's speech the company joined in singing America, and at the close, they sang Auld Lang Syne. It was a memorable occasion, and greatly enjoyed by all.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Dr. Cameron Shultz has been appointed as one of the 15 charter members of the corporation connected with the new hospital for indigent tuberculosis patients, which it is proposed to erect at Ellenton, this State. The appointments were made by the committee appointed by the Lycoming medical society to promote the hospital.

The fifteen charter members of the hospital corporation have been selected from the counties for which the hospital is intended to be used. They are: Lycoming county, the committee of the Medical Society composed of Dr. B. H. Detwiler, chairman, and Dr. C. W. Youngman, both of Williamsport, and Dr. W. B. Konkle, of Montoursville; also the Rev. Robert F. Gibson, rector of Trinity Episcopal church, and the Rev. Father John Costello, rector of the Church of the Annunciation. Sullivan, Dr. W. F. Randal, of Dushore; Columbia, Dr. J. W. Bruner, of Bloomsburg. Montour, Dr. C. Schultz, of Danville; Northumberland, Dr. H. W. Gass, of Sunbury; Snyder, Dr. B. F. Wagenseller, of Selinsgrove; Union, Dr. G. G. Graff, of Lewisburg; Center, Dr. J. Y. Dale, of Lamont; Clinton, Dr. F. P. Ball, of Lock Haven; Tioga, Dr. S. P. Hicks, of Tioga; Bradford, the Hon. C. L. Stevens.

Charles O. Skeer already has a chorus of about 60 voices rehearsing an oratorio which he expects to produce in the spring.

WITH INCREASED ASSESSMENT.

Conyngnam Township Will be Enabled to Pay its Debts.

A dispatch from here to the Philadelphia Press is as follows:

The increase in the assessed valuation of the coal lands in Conyngnam Township this year will result in material good to that district. Heretofore the township was always financially embarrassed and the Conyngnam Poor Board were so completely without funds that when patients were sent to the Hospital for the Insane at Danville, the Poor Board could not meet the bills and as a result the county had to pay them.

Now, however, with the assessed valuation increased to something over \$350,000, the township's share of the taxes will be ample to pay off all the indebtedness. The debt to the county for insane patients is about \$5000.

Notwithstanding the increase in the assessments of coal lands, the other taxpayers of that section claim that they are still not anywhere near what they should be, and cite instances of tracts of land assessed for \$500 per acre that could not be purchased for \$10,000 per acre, and buildings assessed at \$5000 or \$6000 that are worth nearer \$100,000.

The coal companies which have holdings in the Conyngnam and Centralia district, however, do not intend to let the increase in their assessments pass without a fight. Two attorneys representing the coal companies were in Bloomsburg this week and went over the assessment books in the County Commissioners' office. They made detailed notes of the entries for use when the Board of Appeals sits at Centralia for that section.

While they refused to discuss the matter at length, they stated that the coal companies considered they were being taxed too heavily in proportion to other lands in this county, and claimed that the assessors should fix an assessment on the holdings in one lump sum instead of naming each separate piece of land and building.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

Ex-sheriff John Mourey was in town on Tuesday, and was warmly greeted by his many old friends. There has been a rumor prevalent that he would be a candidate for Associate Judge, but he says this is not correct, as the other side has a representative on the bench in the person of Judge Yeager, he thinks that the north side is entitled to one associate.

Many of his friends are urging him to enter the field as a candidate for county treasurer, and as the custom is to give that office to the south side every third term, Mr. Mourey is considering the matter. Should he run he will make a strong showing, as he is well acquainted throughout the county, and has a large following.

MEMORIAL BAPTISMAL FONT.

I. W. Hartman has presented the Methodist Episcopal Church a handsome baptismal font, as a memorial to his deceased wife and two daughters. The presentation took place on Sunday morning, Mr. Hartman presenting the gift in person, with some appropriate remarks. It was accepted by J. C. Brown on behalf of the church. Dr. Ganoe also made a brief address.

The Catawissa schools are closed on account of measles.

COMPTROLLER'S CALL.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Bloomsburg National Bank

At the Close of Business January 26th, 1907.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Investments	\$535,223.28
Furniture and Fixtures	8,000.00
Cash and Reserve	78,564.26
	\$621,787.54

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Profits	41,761.12
Circulation	100,000.00
Bank Deposits	11,799.17
Individual Deposits	368,227.25
	\$621,787.54

Wm. H. HIDLAY, Cashier.

A. Z. SCHOCH, President.

MORE COUNTY BONDS.

At their meeting on Tuesday the county commissioner decided upon the issue of a series of bonds in the sum of \$30,000, to provide for the funding of certain bonded and floating indebtedness of the county. A statement of the purposes for which the bonds will be used has been filed in the office of the Clerk of Quarter Sessions.

The bonds will be 4 per cent. interest, payable semi-annually.

The issue of bonds became necessary because there were no funds to pay the indebtedness, the only other way to raise the money being to increase the county rate from 4 mills to 6½ mills, and this the commissioners felt would be burdensome to the tax payers. The raising of valuation at the triennial assessment will increase the county revenues so that it will not be necessary to raise the tax rate.

The new bonds will be sold at public auction at the court house on Friday, March 1st, at 10 o'clock.

TENTH ANNIVERSARY.

Last Sunday was the tenth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. Dr. G. H. Hemingway of the Presbyterian church. Special services were arranged, including a sermon by the pastor on the work of the church in the past ten years.

Dr. Hemingway's pastorate has been eminently successful. He is recognized as one of the best pulpit orators in this section. The church membership has increased, the indebtedness has been paid off, and the church has progressed and prospered under his leadership. He is interested and active in all movements that look to the betterment of the community, and is popular with all classes, regardless of creed.

It is hoped that he will celebrate his twentieth anniversary here.

LENTEN SERVICES.

Services are held at St. Paul's Church during Lent as follows:

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; Wednesdays and Fridays at 9.30 and 4.30.

Clergymen from other parishes have been invited to preach at the Thursday evening services. On February 21 the Rev. E. J. Houghton of Christ Church, Danville, was the preacher.

This evening, Feb. 28th, the Rev. W. Northey Jones, of Christ Church, Williamsport, will be the preacher.

The other visiting clergy are the following:

March 7, Rev. W. E. Kunkle of Milton; March 14, Rev. S. B. Eshoo of Berwick; March 21, Rev. R. F. Gibson of Williamsport.

NEW THEATRE PROBABLE.

James Magee is having plans made for a new opera house, and he says that if the people of Bloomsburg will support the movement, the building will be erected this spring. The proposed house will seat from 1000 to 1200 people, and will be located on Market street next to the Leader Co. store, where the webbing plant now is. Mr. Magee's idea is to form a company for the purpose.

Gov. Stuart May Come.

An effort will be made to secure the presence of Governor Stuart at the dedication of the new Science Hall at the Normal in the spring. The date has not yet been fixed.

SALTZER-WOLVERTON.

The wedding of J. Blaine Saltzer, son of Mr. Jerry Saltzer, and Miss Lydia Althea, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wolverton, took place at the bride's home on Wednesday evening at 6 o'clock, in the presence of about 160 guests. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. E. Byers, of the Lutheran Church.

The bridal party included the bride's attendants, Misses Beth and Ruth Tietsworth, of Elysburg; Miss Elmira Guiterman, of Catawissa, bridesmaid; Miss Evangeline Corene Shaffer, of Philadelphia, maid of honor; Marie Pensyl, flower girl; the bride attended by her father; William Saltzer, groomsmen; Robert Nesbit Wolverton, best man, and Clarence Saltzer, nephew of the groom, ring bearer. The ushers were Misses Stella Miller and Ethel Faust and Messrs. Martin Adams and Frank Wolverton.

When the bridal party entered the room, taking their place before the curtain of flowers Miss Mary Adams rendered very effectively the wedding march from Tanhauser.

After the ceremony a delicious luncheon was served by Mrs. Dodson.

The house was beautifully decorated with flowers and smilax, and the presents were numerous and valuable. After a wedding journey the young couple will reside for the present at Mr. Wolverton's.

SAFER TO WALK.

With the appalling loss of life recently by land and sea one almost feels that the only safe way to travel is to stay at home or walk. Last week fifty persons were drowned in a collision on Long Island Sound, and three times that number went down in a wreck on the other side of the Atlantic.

On Saturday the Pullman flyer on the Pennsylvania railroad, known as the 18 hour train between New York and Chicago, jumped the track near Johnstown, Pa. and every one of the 54 passengers, and the 10 employees on the train was injured. Fortunately no one was killed. Three sleepers went down an embankment 60 feet into the Conemaugh River.

Another fast train on the same road on Sunday ran into an open switch at Pittsburg, but no one was hurt.

So almost every day the papers contain accounts of accidents to travelers on the water and on the rail. So long as there are people who demand fast trains the railroads will run them, and people who ride on them take their own risks, but will not forget to ask for damages when accidents occur.

Of the many terrible accidents of recent date, entailing loss of life and suffering, the most horrible were the sinking of the Joy line steamer and the drowning and freezing of nearly two hundred people, and the wreck of the electric train near New York City in which men and women were literally ground to bits by being dragged over the frozen ground. "Speed madness" and the attempt of the transportation corporations to handle just as many people as possible at the minimum of cost regardless of real safety, may be safely given as the causes of these horrifying accidents.

The Legislative Committee on Normal Schools, is in town to-day, to visit our school and investigate its financial needs. An appropriation to cover the cost of the new Science Hall is wanted.

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