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ADDING NEW ACCOUNTS

AT THE
Farmers National Bank.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$150,000.

We are constantly adding new accounts and our business is increasing at a very satisfactory rate. If you have not already opened an account with us, we invite you to do so now.

In Point of Business Success and Financial Strength this Bank Occupies Front Rank.

C. M. CREVELING, PRES. M. MILLEISEN, CASHIER.

COMPTROLLER'S CALL

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Bloomsburg National Bank

At the Close of Business March 22nd, 1907.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Investments	\$540,518.08	Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	8,000.00	Surplus and Profits	44,449.49
Cash and Reserve	70,461.33	Circulation	98,800.00
		Bank Deposits	10,322.52
		Individual Deposits	365,407.43
	\$618,979.41		\$618,979.41

WM. H. HIDLAY, Cashier.

A. Z. SCHOCH, President.

A SUIT YOU'LL BE PROUD OF



That's the kind of a Suit your Spring Suit should be.

And it's the kind of a Suit it will be if it comes from this Home of Good Clothes.

The known character and the apparent superiority of our Clothing are sometimes positive handicaps to us, because people form the idea that such fine clothes cost more than they do.

But with our selling of the finest Ready-to-Wear Clothes in the World, we have never neglected the Man whose outlay for a Suit is to be

\$12.00 or \$15.00

For Instance, take this season's great array of Suits at these prices. The variety is large—they fit perfectly and they are designed by the same experts and made in

the same workrooms and with the same care as our clothing at double the price.

The Man who wants the best moderate priced Suit his money can buy, will do well to turn his steps towards this store, where his satisfaction is assured.

THREE FOR ONE TRADING STAMPS
Friday and Saturday.

BEN GIDDING

Clothier, Hatter and Haberdasher.
Exchange Hotel, Bloomsburg.

Come in and see us,
we'll treat you right.

HAVE YOU SEEN OUR NEW FURNITURE?

Our assortment of Furniture is so wide that we can hardly fail to please any taste, and we can please many tastes not otherwise pleased because of the dependable quality of our goods. The surest way to verify our assertion is to come to the store in person.

Drop Side Steel Couches

Complete with mattress and pillows, best steel frame and springs—Complete \$8.00 and \$8.75.

RUGS! RUGS!

We are showing an unusual line of large floor Rugs. It does not need special experience to appreciate the values. We'd like to have you see them. You will not be satisfied until you have one of the Rugs in your home.

PRICES TO SUIT ALL.

THE LEADER STORE CO., LTD

4TH AND MARKET STREETS.
BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THE OLD AND THE NEW.

An Interesting Letter From I. W. Hartman.

Mr. I. W. Hartman is one of Bloomsburg's oldest and most highly respected citizens. Though advanced in years, his memory is good, and he occasionally writes interesting letters, that are valuable historically, and entertaining to the present generation.

The following appeared in the *Morning Press* of Wednesday, and it is worthy of reproduction in full.

Mr. Hartman writes:

It is said the latter times are better than the former. Let us look into this saying in the light of past experience, and see if in all matters or subjects it is true. We wish to leave out the great advantages of education, churches and business in this letter, and present to the younger people some simple affairs which should be interesting to them.

I desire this, at my time of life, nearing 82 years, and a close observer and admirer of these latter times, to see if I cannot bring out things the former inhabitants enjoyed which the latter are deprived of. For instance:

Would it not be a grand sight for the Normal students on the hill to look and see two dozen rafts and arks floating down the Susquehanna river in the early morning, between Esby and the turn in the river near Catawissa—the same which I have seen many times during a spring freshet, 60, 65 and 70 years ago. It was the only means of transportation for the dealers in lumber to get into the markets of Columbia, Havre de Gras, Baltimore and Philadelphia, and was a great outing for men who worked in the lumber country. On their return they made the valleys joyous by their singing, shouting and jubilant actions. Some returned by packet boat, others by stages or private wagons and many returned on foot. It was said most of them were peaceful and quiet citizens at home, but this was their only outing and they certainly did wake up the farmers and others as they passed on their home road.

Take another instance. Do you suppose Prof. Wilbur or any of the teachers could hold a class of boys in the Normal class room when millions of wild pigeons were flying over the school building upon a spring day, and the Kressler boys and others catching them in nets by the hundreds just near the Dillon greenhouses. They would without doubt leave the class room pell mell, with a desire to see the net sprung and the process of killing them by pinching the heads, also watch the process of running wires through the bills and putting them up in dozens to be sold in the market for from 6 cents to 25 cents per dozen, just as the catch was that day. I was an eye witness to many scenes of that kind 60, 65 and 70 years ago.

Again go down with me to the lower farm of George Hughes on the river bank and see them hauling out shad by the hundreds and selling them 4 for 25 cents, which I remember, they did when I was about 7 years old, just previous to the completion of the canal. Another—imagine that all the young men, boys and girls, would run down Market street when they heard the sound of the bugle horn announcing the approach of the packet boats and its three prancing horses on its way either up to Wilkes-Barre or down to Harrisburg.

There are many other instances I could give which gave great pleasure to those who lived 70 years in

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DOES IT MEAN A TROLLEY MERGER?

Significant Trip of Officials Over the Columbia and Montour Line.

The Danville *News* of last Friday says:

Judge R. H. Koch, of Pottsville; Charles E. Leippe and Thomas B. Illig, of Reading, all prominently connected with the Danville and Bloomsburg Electric railway, spent Wednesday night in this city and yesterday morning, accompanied by General Manager W. R. Miller went to Bloomsburg, where the four men were joined by the officials of the Columbia and Montour electric railway and spent some time looking over the property of the latter company.

During the day the entire party, in a special car, made a trip over the entire Montour and Columbia system. Such a significant occurrence, we may be assured, did not pass unnoticed by the public. A strong effort was made to discover the purpose of the unusual trip by the officials of the two companies in such close contact. The most persevering inquiries, however, were not rewarded with information upon which anything more than the merest conjecture could be found.

Nevertheless from what was observed both in this city and in Bloomsburg, there seems to be a well grounded conviction that there is a trolley deal of real magnitude on foot, which can mean nothing less than a merger of the Danville and Bloomsburg and the Columbia and Montour lines. The consolidation of these lines would constitute a business proposition that must appeal to every person.

Of course, this may not develop, but that such a move is anticipated is not doubted by persons sagacious enough to read the real significance of what has come to pass during the last couple of days.

AT ROW'S BARBER SHOP.

Recent changes and improvements have been made at E. F. Row's barber shop. The show windows have been removed, so that the front is now straight plate glass, thus enlarging the interior.

On Tuesday Mr. Row added to his outfit an electrical massage vibrator with attachments for various purposes.

One side of the room is now occupied by a shoe shining outfit owned by an Italian who gives a fine polish for five cents.

LECTURE AT NORMAL.

Rev. E. B. Killinger, A. M., will lecture in Normal auditorium Monday evening, April 22nd, "Public Sentiment No Standard of Public Safety."

It is a timely discussion of an important theme, and the speaker handles his subject in a masterful manner, and with cogent argument, apt illustrations and felicitous language. Diagram opens at Bidleman's book store, Wednesday, April 17th.

POHE-BISHOP

A brilliant affair was the wedding of Stephen C. Pohe and Miss Roberta Bishop, at Berwick on Tuesday afternoon at half past four o'clock. It took place at their home, newly furnished and ready for occupancy. Oppenheim's orchestra furnished music and a large number of guests were present. The bridegroom is a son of County Commissioner C. L. Pohe.

MAIN STREET FILTH.

Since the laying of the brick pavement on Main street last fall the town authorities have shown no interest in the matter. The filth that accumulated during the winter was permitted to lie untorched until the tenants and owners along the line went out with brooms and shovels and gathered it in heaps, in the hope that the street commissioner might happen to notice that it was time for him to get busy. It took him several days to see the filth and then the streets were not half cleaned.

The street is again in a filthy condition. Unless it is regularly cared for during the summer, the business houses will be showered with the dust of pulverized horse manure all through the season. Sprinkling will do little or no good as the hot bricks will dry up the water in a very short time.

We know of one property owner at least whose contract provides that the town shall keep the street clean, and that person does not intend to pay for the paving in front of that property until the town fulfills its contract.

The new council can popularize itself by making some provision for cleaning the paved part of Main street. It will not cost a large sum. If it is hoped that other owners will agree to pave, it will help the project by keeping the part already paved in a decent condition. As it is now there is no invitation or inducement to others to make similar improvements.

WINS RHODES SCHOLARSHIP.

The following dispatch from Princeton, N. J. to the *Philadelphia Press* of Sunday, is of much interest here:

Princeton, N. J., April 13—It was announced here tonight that Donald Grant Herring has been given the Cecil Rhodes scholarship to Oxford University, England, from the State of New Jersey. Herring is a member of the Senior Class in Princeton.

There was keen competition in the attempts to capture the honors, and Herring won out on his all-around ability. The Committee on Selection consisted of President Woodrow Wilson, Dean H. B. Fine of Princeton, and President Damerest, of Rutgers College.

The success of Herring is a source of gratification at Princeton. He is one of the most popular and ablest men in the University. His classroom standing is high and he has achieved fame and glory in the athletic world as well.

Herring hails from Bloomsburg, Pa. He prepared for college at Lawrenceville. As a football player Herring is well known throughout the country. In 1905 and 1906 he played right tackle on the varsity, where he was a tower of strength. Last year he was the intercollegiate champion in heavy-weight wrestling. He is about 21 years old.

The Rhodes scholarship is valued at \$1,500 annually and is tenable for three years. At Oxford Herring will undoubtedly be heard from, for his excellence in scholarship and athletics is exceptional.

The many friends of Donald here are pleased to know of his success in this matter. He was always known as a bright student and those acquainted with his ability are not surprised to hear that he has captured so valuable a prize. The young man has a bright future before him.

POMONA GRANGE MEETING.

Resolutions Adopted on Various Subjects.

The following resolutions were adopted at a meeting of Pomona Grange held at Millville last Saturday:

WHEREAS, the right to petition and to express our desires and wishes by resolutions is a cherished privilege of American citizenship and if we reiterate from time to time it is because of our great interest or desire in the particular matter. Therefore be it

Resolved, That we renew our demand for the equalization of taxation and for a more efficient application of the new road law to the improvement of the roads, so that we may learn to a certainty whether the law as it now is will result in better condition if under the administration of energetic men.

Resolved, That in connection with free rural delivery the Parcel Post seems to be almost a necessity for the accommodation of the people and to assist in meeting the necessary expense.

Resolved, That we congratulate the Legislature and the Governor for the prospect in the near future of a two-cent railroad fare and for the privilege granted the trolley roads to carry freight.

Resolved, That we congratulate our school authorities on improvements made in our educational system and firmly believe that an advance would be made if a law were passed compelling the closing of all schools that do not show a daily attendance of at least twelve and the transportation of these scholars to adjacent schools.

LUTHERAN GENERAL SYNOD.

Meets in Sunbury Next Month.

The General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church in the United States of America will hold its forty-third convention in Sunbury on May 22nd to 30, 1907. This body meets once in two years. It has never met in as small a place as Sunbury, but believing they are able to minister to their needs they have consented to honor them with their presence. The General Synod is composed of twenty-five district Synods and is the oldest ecclesiastical body of the Lutheran church in the United States and one of the four general divisions of the Lutheran church. It has a membership of about 250,000. Her churches are located in every northern state of the Union from New England to the Pacific coast. While less than one out of every ten ministers belonging to this body will be a delegate, yet this meeting will bring to Sunbury over three hundred clergymen and representative laymen from every part of the country. Some of the most learned and popular ministers of the Lutheran church will be in attendance.

STOP IT.

The custom of throwing ball on Main street in the vicinity of plate glass windows should be stopped at once. The practice is indulged in by the High School boys daily. It is dangerous to the windows, as a glancing ball could do many dollars worth of damage, and it is also a menace to pedestrians who have a right to walk along the street without fear of being plugged with a base ball.

If the post office door were unlocked for a half hour on Sunday mornings for the accommodation of lock box owners, it would be highly appreciated.