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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.

3 Per Cent. Interest Paid on Time Deposits.
In Point of Business Success and Financial Strength this Bank Occupies Front Rank.

C. M. GREVELING, PRES. M. MILLEISEN, CASHIER.

NEW MEDALS OF HONOR.

Awarded to C. S. Furman and G. W. Mears.

By act of congress a new medal was ordered to be prepared for presentation to veterans of the civil war who, for acts of special valor had previously been awarded special medals of honor. The old medal was of bronze, and was a rather cheap looking affair, and so Congress, believing these brave men to be entitled to something more attractive and worthy to commemorate their courageous acts, decided on a new one.

The new medal is of gold, appended to a silk ribbon, and is very handsome.

Among the men who had been awarded these medals in 1897, were Chester S. Furman and Geo. W. Mears, of Bloomsburg. At the battle of Gettysburg they were in a squad which captured a party of sharpshooters. The official announcement from the War Department, in awarding the medal says: "At Gettysburg, Pa., July 2, 1863, this soldier was one of six volunteers who charged upon a log house near the Devil's Den, where a squad of the enemy's sharpshooters were sheltered, and compelled their surrender. The prisoners, numbering 12 or 13, were delivered to the regiment."

To say that these medals are highly prized is unnecessary. They are the marks of appreciation that the government has shown for the deeds of valor of brave men, and these veterans are justly proud of their beautiful medals.

PLACE FOR MONUMENT.

It has been suggested that Light Street road at the Town Hall be widened and straightened so as to cut off the corner of the Hutton lot, and thus improve the street and make a good location in front of the Hall for the proposed Soldiers' Monument.

Market Square is unquestionably the proper location for the monument, providing there is room for it, and this depends upon the plan that may be adopted. Here it would be seen by all strangers coming into town on the railroads. But if the plan to be adopted should require so large a base that the square would be crowded, then the up-town location is entitled to second choice. It is a question that is worthy of consideration.

DANVILLE OPERA HOUSE.

The Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Philadelphia has sold the Danville Opera House to Geo. Edmondson and Foust Bros. of Danville. The new owners will make some necessary repairs and open the house at once. Next year it will be remodeled.

It is one of the finest theatres in the state outside of the cities, and when put in shape again Bloomsburg people will no doubt patronize it, as they can conveniently do by trolley. Danville has always had better plays than Bloomsburg on account of its better accommodations.

HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY.

A large number of new books have recently been selected and purchased for the High School Library, under the supervision of Prof. L. P. Sterner. They include historical works mostly, covering ancient, mediæval, modern, English and American. It is a valuable addition.

EDWARD J. MOYER.

The body of Edward J. Moyer was brought to Bloomsburg on Tuesday afternoon and taken to the residence of his brother on First street. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon, at two o'clock, the services being conducted by Rev. J. E. Byers, pastor of the Lutheran Church. Several selections were rendered by members of the Lutheran choir. The pall-bearers were Thomas Moore, H. Cleatus Jones, Clinton Furman, and Harry Correll.

The deceased was a son of the late Philip Moyer. He learned the printer's trade in the COLUMBIAN office and later went to New York and other cities, working in large offices. Recently he had been to Europe where he studied lithography. His death occurred in Brooklyn on Sunday, and was sudden and unexpected. His age was 36 years, and he is survived by two brothers, Valentine B. and George L. of this town, and two sisters, Mrs. Mears of Brooklyn, N. Y. and Mrs. Sophia Bell of Schoolcraft, Mich.

DEEDS RECORDED.

The following deeds have recently been entered of record by Recorder of Deeds Frank W. Miller:

Peter Wolf to Frederick Beagle for 7 1-2 acres of land in Mt. Pleasant township.

Frederick Beagle and wife to David Beagle for 7 acres of land in Mt. Pleasant township.

Ermina Mausteller and D. A. Mausteller to Isaac W. Rank for 40 acres and 51 perches of land in Fishing Creek township.

Rosemont Cemetery Co. by John G. Freeze, president, to Charles A. McBride for a lot in Rosemont cemetery.

Citizens B. and L. Association of Centralia to Ellen Verlin for a lot of ground in Centralia.

Ellen Verlin to George W. Davis for a lot of ground in Centralia.

Hannah Werkheiser to Edward R. Mutchler for six acres of land in Franklin township.

Nelson C. Bair and wife to Jacob W. Adams for tract of land in Catawissa township.

David Hartman and wife to Herbert C. Laubach for a lot in Michael's addition to West Berwick.

C. F. Hartman to Herbert Laubach for lot of ground in Michael's addition to West Berwick.

ELECTION BALLOTS.

The ballots for the election on November 5th have been printed at this office, and are ready for distribution by the commissioners.

It is the smallest ballot that has been printed since the ballot law went into effect. It contains the names of the candidates for State Treasurer, John O. Sheatz, Republican; John G. Harman, Democrat; Matthew H. Stevenson, Prohibition; and Samuel Clark, Socialist. For Associate Judge, George Marshall Hughes, Republican; William Krickbaum, Democrat. For County Surveyor, Boyd Trescott, Democrat, has no opponent. The ballot is 9 by 5 1/4 inches in size.

CLERKS ORGANIZE.

About forty-five clerks of the town met in Dentler's Hall on Monday evening, and organized the Clerks' Protective Association. It is in union with the Central Labor Union of Berwick.

Give Harman a big vote in his home county.

On The Basis of

Careful and Conservative Management

The Bloomsburg National Bank
Invites Your Business.

3 Per Cent. Interest Allowed on Savings Deposits

WM. H. HIDLAY, Cashier.

A. Z. SCHOCH, President.

SCHOOL APPROPRIATION.

\$15,461.50 is the amount of extra appropriation which the various school districts of the county will receive by reason of the new salary law which provides that the state pay the increases in salaries over and above the \$35 a month which was the former minimum salary. Conyngham will not receive anything because the salaries last year were all above the minimum fixed by the law. The following is the list: Beaver, \$315; Benton borough, \$200; Benton township, \$385; Berwick, \$1,260; Bloomsburg, \$1,449; Briar Creek, \$805; Catawissa borough, \$787.50; Catawissa township, \$175; Centralia, \$540; Centre, \$455; Cleveland, \$315; Fishing Creek, \$525; Franklin, \$280; Greenwood, \$805; Hemlock, \$315; Jackson, \$245; Locust, \$120; Madison, \$700; Main, \$280; Millin, \$595; Millville, \$339; Montour, \$240; Mt. Pleasant, \$455; Orange, \$280; Orangeville, \$256; Pine, \$420; Roaring Creek, \$280; Scott, \$350; Stillwater, \$140; Sugarloaf, \$455; West Berwick, \$1,395. Total for the county, \$15,461.50.

COUNTING THE MAIL.

Last week was the time fixed by the government for counting the pieces of mail that passed through the post office. The result at the Bloomsburg post office was as follows:

Letters handled, 14,149; revenue, \$296.15; postal cards, 5,550; revenue, \$55.50; newspapers, pieces handled, 4313; revenue, \$9.94, rate 1c per pound; free in county, 659 pieces; transient, one cent for each four ounces, 163 pieces, revenue, \$2.41; third class matter, magazines, books, etc., 604 pieces, revenue \$9.45; fourth class merchandise, etc., 521 pieces, revenue, \$26.13; penalty matter, mailed by the post office, 323 pieces; total number of pieces handled in the week 26,324.

HOG CHOLERA.

Hog cholera has broken out in several parts of the county. Several of the drove of 105 at the Briar-creek Distillery have died and others are sick. There are other cases at Martzville and Lime Ridge.

Dr. J. J. Mather, of Berwick has been appointed by the State Board to act for the board. Every precaution is being taken to stay the disease. If any owner of hogs in the county sees symptoms of disease among his stock he should notify Dr. Mather who will make an inspection, for which there will be no charge, as the state pays the bill.

Pensions Secured by Congressman McHenry.

A pension has recently been granted to Mary E. Pealer, widow of John Pealer, of Milton, Pa., of eight dollars a month, dating from May 16th, 1907.

William Ballmer, of Sunbury, has been granted a special pension of eleven dollars a month, and Lucy Ann Seig of the same place, one of eight dollars a month.

All of these were secured through the untiring efforts of our congressman, Hon. John G. McHenry.

THE HOSIERY MILL.

The hosiery mill is very busy, and with a capacity of 8000 dozen pairs of stockings a month, its output is sold up for the year. They now employ forty hands. New machines are being added from time to time. This has become an important industry in our town.

A ROAD OPINION.

Superior Court Judge Porter reverses the lower court in the case of Samuel Brader vs. the township of Lehman, Luzerne county. Under the ruling of the Luzerne county judge the jury awarded the plaintiff a verdict of \$848. In reversing the judgment Judge Porter said:

"The evidence introduced by the plaintiff which went to show that the road was previously rough and rocky was entirely insufficient to warrant a recovery in the case. The authorities of the mountain townships of Pennsylvania are not, under the law, required to constantly keep the infrequently used lateral roads in such condition that no driver of an automobile or rider of a bicycle can possibly suffer the inconvenience of puncturing a tire, or that no one riding in a vehicle suitable only for a race track or a city's speedway can possibly meet with an accident. Townships are not to be held to the duty of keeping such roads perfectly smooth and free from ruts, it is only when such defects become dangerous and the authorities have express or implied notice of that fact that the failure to repair them become negligence.

No one is better qualified for Associate Judge than Krickbaum; he knows the duties relating to this office and takes interest in seeing to their proper execution. Vote for Judge Krickbaum on Tuesday, November 5th.

Race Suicide in the Middle Class.

"The sociologists lay the charge of race suicide at the doors of the multi-millionaires," writes Anna Steese Richardson in an article on "The Influence of the Business Woman on Home Life," in the November *Woman's Home Companion*. "Why do they not investigate the family conditions in the great middle class, from which are drawn our most successful women? Here they will find the great source of danger to the promulgation of the human race.

"To-day it is the young women—and the mature women—of the middle class who are turning their backs on the home wherein lies America's hope of future greatness. And for what? To exchange the birthright of womanhood, wifehood and motherhood for the mess of pottage known as a business career. Therein lies the nation's greatest menace—race suicide."

May Bring Coal Famine.

The extraordinary prosperity of the United States may be the indirect cause of a coal famine in the big cities of the east the coming winter. On account of the steady operation of mills and factories throughout the country, the erection of new dwellings where nothing but anthracite is used for fuel has kept the mines of the hard coal belt in operation without a break to supply the demand. The coal companies have not been able to store much coal during the summer and they begin the fall with but small stocks on hand. The scarcity of labor has handicapped the mines and the drought has had an effect on some of the collieries. The output of the mines has been greater this summer than in any previous year for the same time.

The election will be held on Tuesday, November 5th, 1907. Go to the polls and vote and see to it that your neighbor goes to the polls and votes for Harman and Krickbaum.

Our Overcoats!

WE'VE put the peg a notch higher this year, and we believe we are showing the finest ready to wear Overcoats ever offered the trade.

Don't even think of going to the high priced Tailor for an Overcoat. Very few Men do—and

THERE'S NO REASON WHATSOEVER FOR DOING SO!

We offer you the same high grade of fabrics in Cheviots, Kerseys, Meltons, Vicunas, Friezes, etc., as the exclusive Merchant Tailor.

Then, when it comes to the style and Tailoring—we take off our hats to no one.

OVERCOATS AT \$10 TO \$60

We've the Medium Length Coat, the Long Coat, the Storm Coat.



We've every kind of Overcoat for every style of Men. Nothing skimped and nothing narrow, mean or stingy about our garments or our store.

BEN CIDDING

Clothier, Hatter and Haberdasher.
Exchange Hotel, Bloomsburg.

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

WHO ARE THEY?

The Milton *Standard* of recent date contained the following:

The Pennsylvania railroad is just discovering that the "ambulance chaser" methods, so much in vogue at Philadelphia, are equally popular along the Sunbury division. In the city, whenever an ambulance goes by some one generally follows it, finds out who is hurt, and, if the victim was struck by a trolley car, persuades him to bring suit against the corporation for damages. This method of procedure is especially popular among lawyers of a certain class. As the injured man never fails to get judgment in his favor, the lawyer himself gets a rich haul in the costs and his share of the damages. Along the Sunbury division, in Columbia county, forest land frequently catches fire by sparks from the engines. It is said that whenever smoke arises on the lower side of the North Branch one or more Bloomsburg lawyers walk over the bridge to investigate the fire and to persuade the owner to bring suit against the company. With continued success this practice is becoming quite popular, as the damage cases now listed for trial in the Columbia county courts will attest.

New Engine Fuel.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company is making tests of the fuel patented by an Altoona man about which much was recently said in the newspapers. In one of these tests a comparison was made with the work accomplished by fuel oil. Fifty pounds of the patented fuel were used for starting the fire and back of this were 1,655 pounds of coal. This latter was fed gradually on and in eleven minutes there were three pounds of steam, while in thirty-four minutes and twenty seconds the steam gauge marked 120 pounds. This record surpassed the old way by twenty-four minutes and saved almost 365 pounds of coal. It is on the saving of coal that the patentee makes one claim for his fuel, but his chief claim is that it is unsurpassed for quick steaming purposes.

TO THE POLE WITH BEARS.

Captain Ronald Amundsen, Arctic explorer, arrived in New York Tuesday on the steamship Oscar II, and announced that he would make an attempt to reach the North Pole in 1910 with the aid of four big Polar bears, which are being trained to haul sleds by an expert in Hamburg.

He also said that he and his friends expect to petition President Roosevelt and the United States Government to allow his vessel, the Bjoa, in which he navigated the Northern Pacific in 1904, to be the first to pass through the Panama Canal upon its completion. The Bjoa formerly was a whaling vessel, 749 tons, and is now undergoing repairs in the Mare Island Navy Yards at San Francisco.

The explorer expects to make a lecture tour of the country.

Probably this bear story is intended as an advertisement.

Memorial Window Unveiled.

In Christ Episcopal church, Williamsport, last Thursday afternoon, occurred the unveiling of a window made by the J. and R. Lamb Company, of New York, the subject being a reproduction of Hoffman's "Christ Before the Doctors." The window is in memory of Elizabeth and Valentine Doebler. Mr. Doebler was for some time a vestryman of the parish and the first contributor to the erection of the church. Mrs. Doebler, his wife, widowed in early life, spent all of her life as a communicant of the parish.

Valentine Doebler was a son of Charles Doebler who many years ago lived and died in Bloomsburg.

The election held on Tuesday, November 5th, 1907, is of more than ordinary importance. In the county we elect an Associate Junge. Our county has also been honored with the nomination for State Treasurer and every citizen in the county should take pride in this fact!

Give Harman and Krickbaum the largest vote ever accorded any candidates in the county. They are deserving of your support.