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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.

### JAMES M. KLINE.

James M. Kline, the well known and popular proprietor of the Central Hotel, died at his home on Tuesday morning, after an illness of a year and a half. His disease was a tumorous growth which obstructed the passage to the stomach, so that it was impossible for him to take sufficient nourishment.

He consulted specialists, and received treatment in Philadelphia, but without beneficial results. As a last resort two operations were performed at the Joseph Ratti Hospital by Dr. Laplace of Philadelphia, but these were unavailing, and he was brought back to his home knowing that there was no help for him. He gradually grew weaker until the end.

Mr. Kline was a son of Harman Kline of Fishingcreek township, and his age was 45 years. He is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Abra C. Sutliff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sutliff, of Huntington township, Luzerne county, and by two children, Pearl and Harold. His mother, Mrs. Harman Kline; a sister, Martha, both of Jonestown, and two brothers, William and Hiram, both of Asbury also survive.

He at one time conducted a store at Benton, and later was proprietor of the Kile Hotel at Emmons. Subsequently he moved to Riverside and conducted a hotel until 1901, when he purchased the Central Hotel and moved here. His house enjoys a high reputation for its excellent table.

The deceased was a member of the Friendship Fire Co. No. 1; of Theta Castle, No. 276, Knights of the Golden Eagle; and of Catawissa Aerie No. 478, Fraternal Order of Eagles, which organizations will attend in a body. The funeral will be held on Friday at 2 o'clock, Rev. Dr. Hemingway officiating.

### WHEELMEN ELECT OFFICERS.

At the annual meeting of the Bloomsburg Wheelmen Club on Tuesday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, G. M. Tustin; Vice President, James T. Goodwin; Secretary, Gerald Gross; Treasurer, W. C. Snyder; Librarians, W. E. Johnson and S. F. Peacock; Auditors, H. S. Barton, C. R. Nagle and Clem R. Weiss; Board of Governors, F. R. Carpenter, Fred Beglinger, J. M. Clark, W. S. Reed, F. H. Wilson, A. W. Sharpless and C. T. Vanderslice.

The reports of the different officers for the past year showed a healthy condition of the club's affairs. A vote of thanks was extended to J. M. Clark, the retiring President, and all the other officers, for their very efficient and satisfactory management.

At the close of the meeting a lunch was served.

### MANY LICENSES REFUSED.

The Judges of Luzerne county have handed down their decision in the liquor license applications, which shows that over five hundred applications were refused.

With but only about ten exceptions not a new house was granted in the county. Several of the prominent and principal places in Hazleton against which remonstrances had been filed were refused.

Rev. E. B. Bailey has been returned to Bloomsburg for another year, by the Evangelical Conference held during the past week at Berwick. This is very gratifying to his congregation and to the people generally.

### APPEAL FOR FUNDS.

The ladies constituting the Union Benevolent Society of Bloomsburg, are in need of funds to carry on their work of helping the needy and deserving poor through the remainder of the winter. The offering at Thanksgiving was much less than usual and was exhausted early in January; since then we have been obliged to refuse help in several cases where it was greatly needed. At present we have some calls where there is real destitution. For instance, a family of five children, ranging in age from twelve years to two months, father out of work, mother willing to work but can't leave the baby, two oldest boys sent to school one morning this week without a bit of breakfast, because there was nothing in the house to eat.

Now, past experience has taught me that this state of things will not long exist in Bloomsburg when the people know the facts. I will simply say we need clothing, especially shoes, for children, vegetables, meat, groceries, in short anything to eat or wear, or money to buy these things. You who have plenty please respond.

All articles left at Mrs. Demaree's on Fifth street, or 143 West First street, will be thankfully received and judiciously used.

Respectfully submitted by  
MRS. M. C. WALKER,  
Supt. and Treas. of United Benevolent Society.

### JACOB SHAFFER.

The death of this well known man occurred at his home on East street last Thursday morning, at the age of seventy years. He was born in Beach Haven, but has resided here for many years, being a valued employe of Harman & Hassert for the past 30 years. He was a member of Bloomsburg Council, United American Mechanics, and of Theta Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle, and the Knights of Malta.

Surviving Mr. Shaffer are his widow and two children: W. E. Shaffer and Mrs. Lizzie Achenbach, of town. A brother, Charles Shaffer, resides at Shickshinny.

The funeral was held on Saturday afternoon, and was largely attended. In the absence of Rev. J. D. Thomas, the services were conducted by Rev. A. Houtz, of Orangeville, assisted by Rev. J. E. Byers.

### SUDDEN DEATH.

Mrs. William Fisher, of Orangeville, died suddenly on Tuesday as she was returning to her home from a baker's wagon in the street, the cause being apoplexy. She fell unconscious at the door, and was carried in the house by neighbors, and died three hours later.

Mrs. Fisher was the daughter of the late John Conner of Center township and a sister of Charles Conner, deceased. She was a member of the Lutheran church and an ardent worker in the W. C. T. U. She is survived by the following children, her husband having died last October: Mrs. R. R. Ikeler and Bert Fisher, of Bloomsburg, and Mrs. G. S. Fleckenstine of Orangeville.

The funeral will be held from her late home Friday morning at 10 o'clock, the services being in charge of Rev. A. Houtz. Interment will be made at Orangeville.

The paper book in the contested election case of Judge Krickbaum is being prepared for the Supreme Court which sits in Philadelphia in April.

## To the Business Community

Our Aim is to make this in every respect the PEOPLES' BANK, where all may feel at home, and be assured that by our CONSTANT CARE and CONSERVATIVE MANAGEMENT their interests will be well and SAFELY GUARDED.

WE EXTEND THE ACCOMMODATIONS OF A STRONG AND SUCCESSFUL BANK.

**3 Per Cent. Interest Allowed on Savings Accounts**

## The Bloomsburg National Bank

Wm. H. HIDLAY, Cashier.

A. Z. SCHOCH, President.

### DEEDS RECORDED.

The following deeds have recently been entered of record by Recorder of Deeds Frank W. Miller: Hiram R. Bower and wife to Henry A. Lutz for lots 17 and 19 in the township of Briar Creek.

A. D. Poust to Lillian Scott for 63 acres and 58 1-2 perches of land in Benton township.

Harry Grozier and wife to W. E. Grozier for the westerly end of a lot of ground on the east side of an alley running from Third to Jackson streets between Mulberry and Vine streets, in Berwick.

Geo. W. Bogart and wife to W. R. Swentzel for 77 acres and 106 perches of land in Hemlock township.

A. W. Shuman and wife to W. H. Fenstermacher for one and a half acres of land situate in Main township.

Cyrus B. Reese and wife and Hiram Reese to John Pooley for seven acres and 119 perches of land in Hemlock township.

John Pooley and wife to John Prout for 7 acres and 117 perches of land in Hemlock township.

Alexander Lilley and wife to Elizabeth Moyer for 139 acres and 20 perches of land in Franklin township.

United States Lumber and Supply Co. to Ralph A. Savidge for a lot of ground in Berwick.

The estate of John Grey to U. S. Lumber and Supply Co. for a lot of ground in Berwick.

H. M. Hockman and wife to Duval Dickson for a lot of ground situate on the northerly side of West Front street, Berwick.

Vernie Lilley and husband to Josiah M. Pollock for a lot of ground on the south side of Eleventh street in Berwick.

Samuel Harris and wife to M. J. Harris for one-half of a lot of ground on the south side of Freas avenue in the borough of West Berwick.

L. H. Boody and wife to John S. Mensch and Mrs. M. E. Mensch for 400 acres of ground in the village of Rupert.

Berwick Land and Improvement Company to Helma Sword for lot No. 700 in the borough of West Berwick.

F. R. Jackson and M. Jackson Crispin, trustee to Richard Bates, for lot No. 70 in Jackson and Crispin addition to borough of Berwick.

Hiram F. Everitt and wife to Bruce Cole for a lot of ground situate in the borough of Benton.

Lewis F. Leffler and Anna C. Leffler to David Bechtel and Susannah Bechtel for a lot of ground on the north side of Front street in Michael's addition to the borough of West Berwick.

Alexander Dodson and wife to R. H. Davenport for a lot of ground in the borough of Berwick.

R. H. Davenport to J. Kimber Lee for a lot of ground in the borough of Berwick.

W. H. Beaver and wife to Amelia Apple for a tract of land in Locust township.

Charles C. Diehl and Anthony Diehl and wife to John H. Davis and Etta Mummy for one-half acre of land in Beaver township.

Emma L. Smith and H. F. Smith to Floyd Vansickle for 32 acres of land in Sugarloaf township.

Laura J. Parker et al. to Bruce W. Cole for a lot of ground situate in the borough of Benton.

The Bloomsburg Choral Society is now working on the Oratorio of the "Creation" by Haydn, under the direction of Chas. O. Skeer. It is reported that it will be given some time this spring or early summer.

### FIRE ESCAPES.

(Contributed.)

The two terrible fire tragedies which have happened lately, the one at Boyertown and the other at Collinwood in Cleveland, ought to call the attention of every man to the dangerous construction of public buildings. In those two fires three hundred or more children have been burned to death. Many of them because the doors of exit opened inwards. The jam of the frantic inmates made it impossible to open them, and the children in a mass burned to death, in the sight and reach of their more frantic parents.

These two terrible examples make the reason for calling attention to houses more or less public here at home.

The Court House is one of those to which the general public ought to look, and the one which appeals to the largest public. And we submit that in case of a fire during any public function, court, lecture, or county meeting, there must be great loss of life or limb; for no crowd could leave the court room, and get down the winding stairs and against the big, strong closed doors—and down the steps to another set of closed doors—opening inwards—and ever escape from the building.

From the court room there should be side doors opening outward upon an iron platform upon a flight of iron stairs reaching to the ground, and so in front. And all the stair doors should open outward, as should also every outside door.

The attorney of the Commissioners should call their attention to the question under consideration, and not leave the matter until a fearful accident horrifies the community.

CITIZEN.

### TO HUNT OUT THE BAD ONES.

A commendable move is being considered by a number of self-respecting and law-abiding Italians in the western part of the state which needs the support of all good American citizens. The Connellsville Daily News says: "The Italians of the coke region are to hold a convention for the principal purpose of starting a movement toward having the criminal element of their countrymen deported from America. The idea is an excellent one and if carried out ought to have good results. As the conditions are now the good have to bear part of the burden of the reputation of the bad. The workings of the so-called Black Hand society and the free use of the stiletto among a lower class of Italians have caused a great many Americans to harbor ill feelings against Italians as a whole. This is entirely erroneous. Some of the most broad-minded, most progressive and most desirable citizens America has to-day are natives or descendants of natives of sunny Italy. That a large number of this class reside in the coke region is shown by the inauguration of efforts to have the chaff sifted from the wheat in their ranks."

A largely attended meeting of the stockholders of Nevada Copper and Bullfrog Trinidad Companies was held in the Court House Tuesday evening to discuss the situation. After hearing a report from C. C. Peacock, Esq., who had visited the offices of the two companies, followed by considerable discussion, a committee of seven was appointed to confer with the directors and ascertain what action they propose taking.

## SPRING OPENING DISPLAY

of Correct Spring Clothes

FOR MEN AND YOUNG MEN!

COME  
BE OUR GUEST  
**TOMORROW!**



This Spring Opening is really a Clothes Show of great importance to every man and young man in town. Particularly since it is a veritable exposition in smart dress and the largest collection of

**High Class CLOTHING**

ever exhibited here.  
Every new model for Spring is here.  
STEP IN AND  
**Look Them Over**

**TOWNSEND'S CORNER.**

### BOWMAN'S BODY FOUND.

The body of Millard O. Bowman, who was one of the seven victims of the Millinville bridge disaster, was found at Steelton, below Harrisburg, last Thursday. It was fully identified by his brother Harry and the Superintendent of the York Bridge Company who went down for that purpose.

The remains were brought to Millinville where the funeral was held on Sunday, and was largely attended.

The body was taken from the home of his father-in-law, Levi Hippensteel and then interred in the cemetery, after which the services were held in the Methodist church. Forty carriages followed the body to the grave and the church was unable to accommodate the congregation who sought to pay their last tribute. Scores stood outside the church, unable to gain admittance.

Rev. Worley, pastor of the church, made a touching and impressive address, tears coursing down the cheeks of many as he reviewed the untimely end of him whom they mourned. The Methodist choir rendered several beautiful numbers.

The floral tributes were many and beautiful, including designs from the York Bridge Company and from the school children whom Mr. Bowman formerly taught.

### REV. M. I. O'REILLY DEAD.

Rev. M. I. O'Reilly died suddenly at Danville on Tuesday evening at 9:30 o'clock. He was ill only about a half hour, and had walked down street only a short time before. Heart disease was the cause of his death.

Father O'Reilly had been the rector of St. Joseph's Catholic Church at Danville for the past seventeen years, and was beloved and respected by everybody. He was also well known here, having been rector of St. Columba's Church in 1882 and 1883.

The funeral will be held on Friday morning at 10:30, and the remains will be taken on the afternoon D. L. & W. train, to his birthplace in St. Joseph's Susquehanna county, for burial.

### PAY IN ADVANCE.

A recent ruling of the post office department at Washington, which became effective on January 1, 1908 makes it virtually impossible for a newspaper publisher to send out his paper without payment in advance from the subscriber. This result is accomplished by declaring that a daily more than three months in arrears, or a weekly paper a year in arrears, shall not be classified as a legitimate subscription entitled to be mailed as second-class matter at a cent a pound, but that all papers in arrears shall pay postage at the rate of four cents a pound and that stamps must be affixed.

It will readily be seen that it imposes a burden upon the publisher that cannot be borne. The one way out would seem to be to require payment in advance, all subscriptions to stop at the expiration of the time paid for.

When once in operation the pay in advance plan will work no hardship to either publisher or subscriber, but on the contrary will be of positive benefit to both.

The publisher of this paper therefore, calls upon all its subscribers who are a year or more in arrears to make immediate settlement. This matter has been taken out of the publisher's hands, and he has no option but to obey the ruling of the post office department. The new postal ruling follows:

"A reasonable time will be allowed publishers to secure renewals of subscriptions, but unless subscriptions are expressly renewed after the term for which they are paid, within the periods:

Dailies within three months. Weeklies within one year, they shall not be counted in the legitimate list of subscribers, and copies mailed on account thereof shall not be accepted for mailing at the second-class postage rate of one cent a pound, but they must be mailed at the transient second-class postage rate of one cent for each four ounces, or fraction thereof.

Under the old ruling the great majority of newspapers circulated virtually free of postage. The new rate on subscription in arrears of four cents a pound is prohibitive. The moral is plain—pay your subscription arrearages and in advance, or the publisher will be forced to discontinue the subscription.