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The Farmers National Bank OF BLOOMSBURG.

Condensed report to the Comptroller at the close of business May 14, 1908

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Investments	\$519,828.45	Capital	\$60,000.00
U. S. Bonds	60,000.00	Surplus and Net Profit	101,046.57
Cash and Reserve	135,602.36	Circulation	60,000.00
		Deposits	494,384.24
	\$715,430.81		\$715,430.81

3 Per Cent. Interest Paid on Time Deposits.

Capital, \$60,000 Surplus and Profit \$101,046.57

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

HOSPITAL BENEFIT CONCERT.

The Melody Female Quartette of Philadelphia will give a concert in the Normal Auditorium on Tuesday evening, June 9th, for the benefit of the Joseph Ratti Hospital. This quartette consists of Mrs. Ella Fox Gilbert, Mrs. Osbourn, and two other ladies whose names are not familiar here, but who are prominent vocalists in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Gilbert, who was a Bloomsburg girl, is too well known to need any introduction. Her rich contralto voice has been heard here in churches and concerts many times, and her work now is said to be even better than ever before. It is through her that the presence of this organization here has been secured, and Bloomsburg people will again be under obligations to Mrs. Gilbert for a rare musical treat.

Mrs. Osbourn is one of the leading contraltos of Philadelphia, and her voice has been heard here before. Some years ago Mrs. Gilbert (then Miss Fox) gave a concert in the Opera House, and Mrs. Osbourn took part in it. She at once captivated the audience. There are many who remember her with pleasure, and who will be glad to see and hear her again.

The Melody Quartette has given a number of concerts in and near Philadelphia, and they have met with great favor. The excellence of the program and the very worthy object for which the concert is to be given, should insure a large attendance.

ST. PAUL'S CHOIR DINED.

The vested choir of St. Paul's church consists of sixteen boys, eight young ladies and eight men. Their services are gratuitous save for a small amount paid the boys for regular attendance. They have been doing most excellent work under the leadership of the rector, Rev. J. W. Diggles, and as a slight recognition of their services a dinner was given them in the Parish House last Friday evening.

The menu was a delicious one and was prepared by members of St. Margaret's Guild. The dining room was prettily decorated with flowers and ferns, and the tables were very attractively set. The following was the menu: Fruit compote, chicken patties, stuffed potatoes, cold ham, peas, finger rolls, pickles, olives, coffee, ice cream, strawberries, and cake.

The expense was paid by individual contributions by members of the vestry and a few others. After the dinner the party went to the lecture room, where an informal program was rendered, and remarks made by several members. It was a delightful affair, and greatly enjoyed by all present.

FIVE YEARS PASTORATE.

Rev. J. E. Byers celebrated the fifth anniversary of his pastorate at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, on Sunday last. Under his lead the church has grown and prospered, improvements in the church property amounting to over \$5000 have been made, and a new church building is now a hope that is likely to be realized in the near future.

In the five years that the Rev. Mr. Byers has been pastor here he has preached 484 sermons, made 203 addresses at prayer meetings, given 90 catechetical lectures and addressed 277 other talks and addresses. During that time he has preached 81 funeral sermons, baptized 95 infants, performed 96 marriage ceremonies and conducted 81 funerals.

TEN YEARS IN PENITENTIARY.

George Snyder pleaded guilty in court on Monday to the charge of highway robbery, and assault with intent to kill, and was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary on each charge. From his own confession he is a hardened criminal, though only 19 years of age.

His arrest was for holding up Mrs. Edna Weller and Mrs. Kate Beaver between Centralia and Aristes at about 10 o'clock a. m., and taking money from them, and pointing a pistol at them. Mrs. Beaver recognized Snyder whom she had known from his childhood. There was another man with Snyder.

On the same day they held up Joseph Homelusky. He was returning from Mt. Carmel where he had been selling some produce and when he arrived at a point near Brush Valley two men appeared in the road. One grabbed his horses by the head and the other said: "Hold up your hands." He reached under the seat when the one holding the horse let go and they started on a run. The one whom he recognized as Snyder fired three shots at him all of which hit him, but owing to the fact that he was dressed thickly they only penetrated his coat. Snyder took the stand in his own defense first having been informed that he need not answer any questions if he did not desire.

He said that he had met his companion whom he said was Edward Harman and that they had no money and nothing to eat and Harman suggested holding up some one to get money. He admitted holding up the two women and the farmer but said he would not have shot at the farmer, had he not threatened to kill him.

When the sentence was pronounced Snyder seemed to be wholly unaffected by it. He evidently does not realize what it means to be locked up for ten years.

STRUCK AN OLD MAN.

James Shultz was arrested on Monday by Constable Betz on a warrant issued by Squire Jacoby, charging him with aggravated assault and battery on Thurdon Mendenhall aged 80 years. The assault took place in front of Ralston's tobacco store on Friday evening. Report says that Shultz said that Abraham Lincoln should have had his throat cut before he was born, so that he couldn't have a birthday. Mendenhall called Shultz a traitor for using such language, whereupon Shultz struck him in the face, breaking his nose.

Mr. Mendenhall is an old soldier, and Ent Post took the matter up, the warrant being sworn out by W. O. Holmes.

Shultz gave bail in \$500 for his appearance at court.

This attack upon an old man was wholly unjustified, under any aspect of the case.

JOHN K. GROTZ HAD A FALL.

While going home from a meeting of the Rosemont Cemetery Co., at Col Freeze's office on Monday night John K. Grotz fell to the pavement near Townsend's corner. He was unable to get up, and it was necessary to carry him to his home. It was at first rumored that he had a paralytic stroke, but this was erroneous.

Mr. Grotz has been a director of the Rosemont Cemetery Co. for many years. He is now nearly 98 years old.

—COMPTROLLER'S CALL.— REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Bloomsburg National Bank

At the Close of Business May 14, 1908.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Investments	\$611,830.43	Capital Stock, -	\$100,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	8,000.00	Surplus and Profits	51,620.16
Cash and Reserve	95,474.66	Circulation	100,000.00
	\$715,305.09	Deposits	463,684.93
			\$715,305.09

WM. H. HIDLAY, Cashier.

A. Z. SCHOCH, President.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Memorial Day was fittingly observed in Bloomsburg. At 2:00 o'clock there was a parade by the fire department, headed by the Citizens Band. The Bloomsburg Band preceded the Friendship Fire Co., this bringing the two bands close together, with no music for the rear of the procession. The K. G. E. Commandery Drill Corps made a fine appearance in their handsome uniforms, and gave an exhibition drill.

After the parade Ent Post G. A. R. marched up to Rosemont Cemetery where the soldier's graves were decorated with appropriate ceremonies.

In the evening the court house was well filled. M. P. Lutz presided, and Harry S. Barton led the singing which was spirited.

The address by Clinton Herring Esq. was an excellent one, and was highly appreciated by all who heard it. Prayer was offered by Dr. Hemingway. There was a recitation by H. G. W. Smith of the High School, and a male chorus "Boys of the Old Brigade" by High School boys.

After the address the Girls' Chorus of the High School sang "My Own United States" after which W. C. Johnston Esq. read a selection from Hitchcock's history of the 132nd Regiment Pa. Volunteers, giving an account of the battle of Antietam.

Mr. Lutz stated that Companies E and H, of this regiment, were composed of Bloomsburg and Columbia county boys who when they went into service were 200 strong, and the survivors of them now occupied seats within the railing. He desired all the survivors of these companies who were present to arise so that the audience could see what was left of them. Eight men, Dr. I. W. Willits, Clark Kressler, W. H. Gilmore, George W. Sterner, Abel Deily, John Roadarmel, A. V. Hower and Lloyd P. Rider, arose.

After some remarks by W. O. Holmes, and singing "America" the meeting closed with the benediction.

DONATIONS TO HOSPITAL IN MAY

The following is a list of donations to the Joseph Ratti Hospital during the month of May: Dr. Montgomery, splint; Mrs. Duncan, pair of towels; Mrs. Hartman, Benton, 2 pairs of towels; Ladies' Auxiliary, bread and cakes; Della Ide, 2 glasses jelly, 3 bottles preserves, half dozen bananas, dozen oranges; Mrs. Cavanaugh, 6 glasses jelly; Mrs. Harman, 6 bottles of pickles; E. J. Strauch, Waller, bag of potatoes; Mrs. Robbins, apples; Mrs. E. C. Caswell, 4 cans fruit, 4 cans jelly; Mrs. Hower, 2 lbs. butter, 2 dozen eggs; Mrs. Hartzel, 3 bunches rhu barb; Mrs. Casey, jelly; Mrs. Pursel, Orangeville, 3 glasses jelly; Joseph Tims, 6 boxes strawberries; Joseph Flaherty, 45 trout; flowers from Methodist, Presbyterian and Episcopal churches.

We also wish to thank Hower's orchestra for a musical treat afforded the patients on Friday evening.

WILL SUMMER IN ENGLAND.

Dr. D. J. Waller and family will spend the summer in England. Mrs. Waller and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, have been touring in the old country since March, including a trip to Egypt in company with Miss Laura Waller. Dr. Waller and daughters Misses Margaret and Harriet, and son Robert, will sail about June 27th, and will meet them in England, where they will all remain until about September 1st.

ARGUMENT COURT.

The regular monthly argument court was held last Monday by Judge Evans, when a number of cases were argued.

Among them was that of the Commonwealth vs. James Harrison, who with several other citizens of Fishing Creek township was charged with a violation of the fish laws in using a trap or set means in taking fish. The case was heard by Justice of the Peace Jacoby and came into court upon an appeal by the defendants from summary conviction. The Commonwealth was represented by District Attorney Small and John G. Harman, Esq., while Fred Ikeler, Esq., represented the defendant.

There was no dispute as to the facts in the case, the whole question being one of law as to whether the defendants had violated the Act of Assembly in the manner in which they had taken the fish. Hence to avoid costs, etc., a case stated was prepared, and the matter came on for a hearing.

Mr. Ikeler for the defendant, and Mr. Harman for the Commonwealth, made very comprehensive arguments.

Another case of interest was the argument of the petition for a rule to quash the appeal from County Auditors report vs. W. H. Fisher, George W. Sterner and William Bogart. J. B. Robison, Esq., and H. Mont. Smith, Esq., represented the rule, and C. A. Small, Esq., and W. H. Rhawn, Esq., represented the county.

The case was an echo of the ill-fated Millville bridge which the Commissioners contracted to have built for \$93,985. They had paid on the contract about \$68,000 when the bridge was carried away. Subsequently the Commissioners paid the contractors \$23,985 which it is claimed under the terms of the contract was due to them. This payment was allowed by the County Auditors and certain taxpayers appealed from this action. They failed to make their appeal good, and the present board of County Commissioners upon petition was made a party to the proceedings. It was held by the petitioners that the payments were made to the contractors in conformity to the Act of 1905. That in order to have the state rebuild the bridge it was necessary that they should not only turn over to the State all material on hand but also show that the contractors had been paid in full, and also turn over to the State any balance remaining of the original contract price, which was \$93,985. In this case they had about \$2,000 left which was paid over to the State. The county had not lost a cent, nor had it any interest in the matter at all. If the Commissioners had not done as they did the State never would have rebuilt the bridge. They also held that the appeal was defective. Counsel for the county held that the only questions in this case were whether the appeal was properly taken, and whether the merits of the case were such as to warrant the Court in granting an issue and have the whole matter settled by a trial by jury.

Other business before the Court was the following:

James H. Coleman, guardian of Robert Ward, presented a petition asking permission of the Court to sell at private sale a farm belonging to the ward in Beaver township of Abraham Rarig for \$3050. The Court ordered the sale and approved the guardian's bond.

In the matter of the expense account of C. Fred Lenhart the Court approved the bond of the except-

STRAW HATS

Those Nice Dressy

MILANS and SOFT STRAWS

that everybody is wearing are going fast. Don't know whether we can replace them or not, it is doubtful. Come in and fit yourself up before they are all gone.

TOWNSEND'S CORNER.

ants and W. C. Johnston, Esq., was appointed auditor.

In the case of Wm. H. Houck vs. Cabin Run Coal Co., Fred T. Ikeler, Esq., filed reasons for a new trial.

Col. John G. Freeze presented his report as auditor in the estate of Asa Yorks, deceased, which was confirmed nisi.

Upon petition presented by C. A. Small, Esq., L. C. Mensch, Esq., was appointed guardian ad litem of Mary Mausteller, minor child of Wilbur Mausteller, deceased. He also presented a petition for specific performance of contract in the said estate.

Isaiah Hagenbuch vs. C. W. Hilday, Peter A. Kline, et al., with notice to Kline-Buss Powder Co.; attachment; judgment for \$589 against the defendants for want of answer.

C. E. Kreisler, Esq., presented a petition asking for the sale of the real estate of Adam Trexler, deceased, situate in Aristes. Sale ordered.

In the estate of Albert Witchey, deceased, return of inquisition confirmed nisi.

In the estate of Millard O. Bowman, deceased, bond of administrator filed and approved.

Sheriff C. B. Ent read in open court his return to execution of Margaret Murphy, administrator, vs. Edward Rooney. Deed made to Miss Sue Murphy.

C. E. Kreisler, Esq., presented a petition asking for the transfer of the wholesale liquor license of John G. Wier in Aristes to James G. Cleese.

J. B. Robison, Esq., counsel for Albert Chamberlain, filed exceptions to the opinion of the Court filed in dismissing the application of Chamberlain for setting aside the verdict rendered in his case.

A MENACE TO HEALTH.

The condition of the swamp at Catharine and Ninth streets is such that the health of the residents in that section is menaced. The swamp comes from the fact that the water is backed up by the embankment of the D. L. & W. switch, there being no provision for the draining of the water. Lots there that were once valuable have been practically ruined by the back water.

DEEDS RECORDED.

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

John Larkin and wife to Michael Laughlin for the south half of a lot of ground situate on Wood street in the Borough of Centralia.

Wm. A. Nagle and Adaline Nagle to H. A. Hess and wife for a lot of ground in Briar Creek township.

A. T. Chapin and wife to Harry A. Hess and wife for a lot of ground situate in Jerseytown, Columbia county.

Emaline Drum to Alfred T. Chapin for a lot of ground situate in Jerseytown.

Clinton Derr and wife to David Fisher for six and nine-tenths acres of land situate in Madison township.

Max Rosenfeld et al to Albert Greenberger for a lot of ground on the north side of Freas Avenue in the Borough of West Berwick.

Charles B. Ent, Sheriff, to J. L. Reece & Co. for 400 acres of land situate in Pine and Madison townships.

Charles B. Ent, Sheriff, to William E. Elmes for property on the south side of Sixth avenue in Briar Creek township.

Charles B. Ent to American Car & Foundry Co. for property on north side of Sixth avenue in Briar Creek township.

Abner K. Walter and wife to W. C. Richart for lot of ground on northwest corner of Third and Iron streets.

Cosmopolitan Building and Loan Association to W. Clark Richart for a lot of ground situate in the Town of Bloomsburg.

Wilbur T. Little to Mary C. Kisser et al for a lot of ground on Front street in the Borough of Berwick.

C. M. Creveling to Mary M. Case for a lot of ground on south side of Berwick road in the Town of Bloomsburg.

Berwick Cemetery Association to Walter A. Hughes for a lot of ground in Berwick Cemetery.

The euchre party in the Elks' rooms on Tuesday night for the benefit of the public library was well attended, and netted about \$75.00.