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ANNIVERSARIES.

The Reformed Church Will Celebrate Its Centennial Next Week.

AN INTERESTING PROGRAM.

Beginning on Sunday, October 25th and continuing through the week until Sunday, November 1st, the Reformed Church of Bloomsburg will hold daily services in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of that church in Bloomsburg, and of the fiftieth anniversary of its establishment at its present site, on the corner of Third and Center streets.

The following program has been arranged:

Sunday, October 25th, Holy Communion. Sermon in the morning, Rev. J. D. Thomas, Ph. D. Sermon in the evening, Rev. W. J. Kohler, Strawberry Ridge, Pa.

Monday, October 26th, 7:30 P. M., Sermon, by Rev. Arthur Ohl, James Creek, Pa.

Tuesday, October 27th, 7:30 P. M., Sermon by Rev. A. Houtz, Orangeville, Pa.

Wednesday, October 28th, 7:30 P. M., Sermon by Rev. C. H. Brandt, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Thursday, October 29th, P. M., Sermon by Rev. O. H. Strunk, Schuylkill Haven, Pa.

Friday, October 30th, 7:30 P. M., Sermon by W. E. Krebs, D. D., Littletown, Pa.

Sunday, November 1st, 10:30 A. M., and 7 P. M., Sermon by Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D. D., Reading, Pa.

Sunday School Rally Nov. 1st at 2:30 P. M.

Short addresses by neighboring pastors.

As a souvenir of this important event in the history of the church, a handsome book has been published by the pastor, Rev. Dr. J. D. Thomas. It contains nearly sixty pages, and includes a brief sketch of Bloomsburg, a history of the Reformed Church in Bloomsburg, and statistics of the church; a general history of the Reformed Church in the United States, and items of interest in the church.

It is profusely illustrated with half tone cuts, among them being a portrait of Dr. Thomas, the church, the parsonage, the Court House, Normal School, Science Hall, Caldwell Cathedral, residences of N. U. Funk and Mrs. M. E. Ent, S. C. Creasy, M. Milleisen, and A. Z. Schoch.

One of the most interesting features of the book is the collection of portraits of former pastors. They include Rev. Daniel S. Tobias who was in charge from 1829 to 1851; Rev. Henry Funk, 1854 to 1854; Rev. William Goodrich, 1854 to 1866; Rev. L. C. Shippe, 1866 to 1867; Rev. F. J. Mohr, 1868 to 1871; Rev. T. F. Hoffmeir, 1872 to 1876; Rev. G. D. Gourley, 1876 to 1878; Rev. Walter E. Krebs, 1878 to 1880; Rev. O. H. Strunk, 1880 to 1884; Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, 1885 to 1886; Rev. J. S. Wagner, 1887 to 1888; Rev. W. T. Auman, 1889 to 1892; Rev. C. H. Brandt, 1893 to 1898; Rev. John D. Thomas Ph. D. has been the pastor since January 1st 1899.

There are also portraits of the elders, O. W. Cherrington, N. U. Funk, and Jacob Rhoads, and of the Deacons, W. C. Masteller, D. A. Leiby and H. I. Leiby.

The books are for sale at 25 cents each, and can be procured of the pastor, or the officers, and at Bidleman's Book Store.

SATURDAY'S COURT.

At the session of court on Saturday the following business was transacted:

The bond of G. R. Campbell, guardian of Homer C. Hutchinson, minor child of Flora H. Zarr, deceased, was upon petition approved.

In the case of Com. vs. James Gibson, f. and b., the Court sentenced the defendant to pay the costs of prosecution and a fine of \$37.50 for the use of the Overseers of the Poor of Conyngham and Centralia Poor District and stand committed. The young man complied with the order of the Court. The reason for the small amount of fine was the fact the child died soon after its birth.

Upon petition presented by H. Mont. Smith, Esq., R. R. Ikeler, Trustee of the estate of Charles Conner deceased, was given authority to satisfy certain mortgages and judgments.

The report of the inspectors of the county bridge over Raven Creek near Stillwater, was presented and confirmed nisi.

C. M. Creveling, guardian of Margaret A. Garrison, a minor child of Clinton B. Garrison, was upon petition presented granted permission to make private sale of the ward's interest in certain real estate. Bond to be given in the sum of \$500 which is to be approved by the Court before the sale is made.

Wm. H. Brown, guardian of Stella May Brown, was after petition presented given authority to pay \$70 for medical attendance rendered the ward.

Returns to orders of sale in the estate of Joseph Ratti, deceased, for the sale of the property on Fifth street to R. J. Ruhl and the property on Sixth street to Fred Beglinger, were confirmed nisi.

John G. Harman Esq., attorney for the defendant in the equity proceedings in the case of Susan Bilksy vs. Edward Fertile presented a petition requesting the Court to strike out certain paragraphs from the plaintiff's bill which it was alleged were scandalous and impertinent. The Court took the papers and will render a decision later.

Upon petition presented Mrs. Anna K. Riddle, administratrix, of F. B. Riddle, deceased, was given authority to execute a mortgage in the sum of \$1000 upon one of the properties of the decedent for the payment of debts.

BISHOP DUBBS HERE.

Bishop Dubbs, of the Evangelical church, spent Sunday in town, and took part in the Rally Day services at that church.

The services which consisted of the regular services morning and evening and one for men in the afternoon were well attended, Bishop Dubbs delivering an address upon each occasion. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers, the service was excellent and everybody entered heartily into the spirit of the occasion and enjoyed the services. The giving was done quickly and cheerfully and but little time was consumed raising the desired amount. In fact they received more than they asked for. The addresses of the Bishop who is recognized as one of the leading men of the church in the country were in keeping with his reputation and were helpful, instructive and inspiring.

The debt of \$300 on the parsonage was wiped out, and \$150 was raised for repairs. Large congregations were present at all the services, morning, afternoon, and evening.

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NORMAL FACULTY NOTES.

We clip the following from the October Quarterly, published by the school:

"The opening of the new school year found a number of familiar faces missing in the Normal Faculty and a corresponding number of new ones in evidence.

Miss Gertrude Slayman of Shomokin, a graduate of Millersville Normal and Pratt Institute is in charge of the Art Department. Miss Slayman taught for several years in the Mt. Carmel schools and in the N. Y. Institution for the Blind. In the latter institution she taught basketry and other manual arts.

Miss Lotta A. Jones of Milford, Mass., has charge of the work in Reading and Elocution in the temporary absence of Miss Bryant. Miss Jones is a graduate of the famous Emerson College of Oratory in Boston, Mass., and her teaching experience includes successful service at Brewster Academy, Wolfeboro, N. H., the Murdock School, Wichendon, Mass., and the Oneonta, N. Y. State Normal School.

A new gymnasium instructor, Miss Edith A. Casho of Philadelphia, comes to us from the Dickinson Seminary at Williamsport. She is a graduate of the Phila. Normal School of Physical Training.

Miss Myrtle Swartz of Hallstead, well known as a former teacher, returns after efficient service in the Trenton, N. J. and Hallstead schools. She is a graduate of Elmira College.

Charles L. Albert, Normal 1903, Lafayette College 1908, is now Instructor in History, vice W. L. Chase resigned.

Miss K. Maude Smith, Grade Teacher in the Model School, is now principal of the Model School, vice Miss Harris resigned.

Miss Clara Waldron is acting as assistant to her sister, Miss Lillian Waldron, who has charge of the Department of Music.

Miss Edith F. Perkins and Miss Anna S. Van Wyck are the new Grade teachers in the Model School. Miss Perkins is a graduate of the Delevan, N. Y. Teachers' Training School and of the Buffalo State Normal School Classical Course, and has taught in the schools of New York state. Miss Van Wyck is a graduate of the Kindergarten and Primary and English courses of the Oswego State Normal School. Her teaching experience includes service in the schools of Passaic, N. J. and Millerton, N. Y.

Miss Ella Deighmiller and Mr. J. Wesley Sittler are the new assistants in the Biological Department.

Mr. Bruce Sneiderman is Prof. Goodwin's assistant in the Commercial Department."

TO PENITENTIARY.

Sheriff Ent went to Philadelphia on Tuesday to place Karoly Takacs, Mike Lavaraera, and T. M. Harman in the penitentiary. Takacs was sentenced for 20 years for murder in the second degree, Lavaraera for six years for voluntary manslaughter, and Harman for three years for assault and battery with intent to kill.

MONUMENT HERE.

The Soldiers' Monument has at last arrived and the parts are on the ground at the Square. A traction engine was used to haul it from the Reading station. The work of construction will now proceed rapidly.

School attendance is reported to be better and more regular than for some years, by Truant officer Deitrick.

AN OLD SCHOOL CLOSED.

"A movement is on foot to establish a hospital at Towanda. Parties have made an inspection of the Susquehanna Collegiate Institute building, and think that, with a few alterations, it could be transformed into an ideal hospital. The surroundings are excellent, it being located in one of the healthiest sections of healthy Towanda. Many people have signified their willingness to give toward the establishing and support of such an institution."

The above is taken from an exchange. The allusion to the Susquehanna Collegiate Institute recalls to mind our boyhood days in Towanda. It was our privilege to be a student at that institution for several years.

Back in the sixties and for many years afterwards, it was among the best of the good schools of the state. The faculty included men who were considered among the leading educators of those days. Among those who occupied the position of Principal were the Rev. Samuel Colt and Rev. John McWilliams, both of whom were prominent Presbyterian clergymen; Hon. Charles R. Coburn, who was State Superintendent of Public Schools for four years, and was one of the fathers of our excellent public school system; Rev. David Craft, the venerable historian of Bradford county, and who, we believe, is the only one of those above mentioned now living. The Dean brothers, William and Oliver, were joint principals. They were magnificent specimens of manhood, each being over six feet tall, and finely proportioned.

Among the members of the faculty whom we recall were Samuel P. Fisler, and Selden J. Coffin. The former died a few years ago, and Prof. Coffin, who subsequently was Professor of Mathematics at Lafayette College, and later the Registrar, is still living in Easton. The Collegiate Institute belonged to a class of schools that succeeded the old Academy system. It was a boarding and day school, and was better organized and better equipped than the academies.

As many of this kind of institutions were established throughout the state, they displaced the academy, and the latter became a thing of the past. The new schools, however, were for the most part unendowed, and in those days the legislatures were not lavish in their appropriation to educational purposes. The schools depended entirely upon their receipts from students, and so, when the public school system was developed, and good high schools were established, the attendance naturally fell off and the pay schools began to languish.

In the late sixties the state established the Normal Schools, and this was the death knell of most of the schools in the state like the Susquehanna Collegiate Institute. Such institutions as Wyoming and Dickinson Seminaries have survived and prospered, as well as some others, but they are exceptions. The survivors are for the most part sustained by the patronage and endowments of influential religious organizations.

The Susquehanna Collegiate Institute continued to exist until a few years ago, as a day school only, the boarding department having been abandoned, until finally it succumbed for want of patronage.

Its location is an ideal one, overlooking the town and the beautiful valley of the Susquehanna, and if the intention to convert it into a hospital shall be consummated, it will again prove a blessing to that

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community in caring for the sick, as it was for so many years a great power and a great blessing in providing educational advantages to the young, that in the days of its prosperity were rarely surpassed.

THE LOCAL CANDIDATES.

It is not only important that every Democratic voter in the county should go to the polls and cast his ballot on election day, because there is a President of the United States to be chosen, and a Congressman for this district, but also because most of the county offices are to be filled at this time.

There are to be elected a Prothonotary, Register and Recorder, District Attorney, Member of the Legislature, Treasurer, Commissioner, Auditors, and Mine Inspector.

It must be confessed that a Democratic nomination in this county is no longer the absolute certainty that it used to be when the party gave a majority of 2000 and upwards. For some cause the majorities have dwindled in late years. One of the reasons is the apathy of Democrats. If they would all take the interest in public affairs that every good American citizen should manifest, and would all go to the polls on election day, there is no reason why the majorities should not reach the old time figure.

Let every man be on hand on November 3rd, and vote the straight Democratic ticket.

RACES ON SATURDAY.

Some of the horsemen of town have decided to try the speed of their respective animals, and have arranged for races on Saturday afternoon, next, at 1:30 o'clock at the fair grounds.

The entries for a hundred dollars purse are A. C. Hidlay's "College Widow," W. A. Hartzell's "Bob Nutwood," R. L. Runyon's "Silent Partner," and C. W. Rabb's "Southall." There will also be a race for \$100 a side between D. Donovan's "Black Alice" of Benton and W. A. Hartzell's "Rags". G. W. Keiter will give an exhibition race.

Admission 25 cents. Grand stand free.

LARGE REGISTRATION.

Indicates That a Big Vote Will be Polled on November 3rd.

The registration lists recently returned by the assessors show nearly 13,000 names of voters in the county, which is several hundred more than were cast for Governor two years ago.

The number of voters registered in each township and borough are as follows:

Beaver 190, Benton Boro. 222, Benton township 233, Berwick N. E. 538, Berwick S. E. 342, Berwick N. W. 385, Berwick S. W. 276, West Berwick West No. 1 494, Berwick West No. 2 321, Bloom 1st 366, Bloom 2nd 458, Bloom 3rd 603, Bloom 4th 482, Briar creek East 331, Briar creek South 78, Briar creek West 100, Catawissa township 149, Catawissa Boro. 575, Centralia 1st 298, Centralia 2nd 261, Center North 170, Center South 159, Cleveland 205, Conyngham E. N. 139, Conyngham W. N. 130, Conyngham W. No. 1, 105, Conyngham W. No. 2, 46, Conyngham S. W. 163, Conyngham S. E. 105, Fishing creek E. 192, Fishing creek W. 91, Franklin 132, Greenwood E. 183, Greenwood W. 152, Hemlock N. 166, Hemlock S. 75, Jackson 167, Locust N. 95, Locust S. 184, Madison 238, Main 170, Millin 295, Millville 180, Montour 195, Mt. Pleasant 165, Orange township 701, Orangeville Boro. 117, Pine N. 129, Pine S. 109, Roaring creek 136, Scott E. 254, Scott W. 125, Sugarloaf N. 240, Sugarloaf S. 136, Stillwater Boro. 61, total 12,384.

ATTENDANCE AT FAIR.

Reports presented to the executive committee of the Columbia County Agricultural Society at their meeting Saturday showed that there were 30,000 paid admissions, 3,200 less than last year, the banner year in the history of the fair, a record that is considered a remarkable one, considering the financial condition of the country. Based on the number of tickets sold, and estimating the conservative figure of two persons to one admission, there were at least 60,000 people on the fair grounds during the fair. All the other receipts were practically the same as the previous year.