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More Important to You Than Ever This Spring Will Be This Store of Bigger, Better Values

The excellence of quality and the economy in pricing of our merchandise are too well known to dwell at length on these features of our new Spring stocks. What is of paramount interest is that stocks will be even more extensive than ever, providing you an even wider range of selection than it has been our pleasure to give in any previous season.

A Store in Itself Is the Dry Goods Department (SECOND FLOOR—REAR.)

Here, at all times you will find at your command merchandise for every day use in the best of qualities at the lowest of prices. At this time new Spring goods are arriving daily, among those now on display being New Novelties in Seed and Splash Yokes, Military Stripes, Printed and Plain Silk Mulls, Tissue Mulls, and Printed Organzies.

WHITE MATERIALS
In all the latest skirting effects, plain voiles, crepes, marquisettes, embroidered, novelties, waistings, India linons, flaxons, longcloths, nainsook, etc., at **8c Yd. Up**

WOOL DRESS GOODS
Light weight materials for early Spring wear, in black and colors, at **Special Prices**

DRESS AND WAIST SILKS
Guaranteed qualities in black and colored taffetas, black and colored mesulines, crepe de chine, poplins, etc., at **Special Prices**

The Art Needlework Department Offers

New ideas in Turkish towels, children's dresses, linen luncheon sets, library scarfs, large size laundry bags, and a new and large assortment of Japanese baskets, etc., at **LOWER-THAN-ELSEWHERE PRICES.**

Ladies' Neckwear Department Offers

Newest effects for wear with the new Spring suit or dress—Oriental lace vestees and collar and cuff sets, hand embroidered collar and cuff sets, Georgette crepe collars, bon-doir caps, chiffon ruffs, Windsor ties, in plain, plaids and fancy effects, at **LOWER-THAN-ELSEWHERE PRICES.**

Household and Kitchenware Department Offers

Large bread boxes, Japanese trays, tin dinner pails, bread pans, 5 string brooms, enamel coffee pots, gray enamel dish pans, wash rubbers, enamel Berlin kettles, rag and carpet rugs at **LOWER-THAN-ELSEWHERE PRICES.**

The Notion Department Offers

An extensive line of new buttons in pearl and latest novelties, per card, etc., 5c up

Complete stock of findings, such as thread, hooks and eyes, snap fasteners, English pins, seam binding, dress shields, ladies' and children's garters, skirt belting, plain and fancy elastic, etc., at **LOWER-THAN-ELSEWHERE PRICES.**

The Lace and Embroidery Department Offers

A complete new showing in shadow, Oriental, Val, forebon and Oriental all-over laces; plain nets and veilings. Also new cambrie, nainsook and Swiss edges in all widths, at **LOWER-THAN-ELSEWHERE PRICES.**

The Men's Furnishing Department Offers

Men's dress and work shirts, undershirts, neckwear, suspenders, stockings, caps, collars, arm bands, garters, etc., at **LOWER-THAN-ELSEWHERE PRICES.**

More Smart Effects in Spring Millinery

New arrivals this week have extensively increased the wide variety of shapes we are showing in the newest millinery for milady's Spring wear. The selection embraces many styles in Hemp, Milan Hemp, Lisere Straws in the newest sailor, turbans, tricorne, mushroom shapes, etc., in black and colors that will be most in evidence this Spring.

Smart New Trimmings—in flowers, fruits, foliage, wreaths, wings, fancy feathers, quills, etc., at **LOWEST-IN-THE-CITY PRICES**

Soutter's 1c to 25c Department Store

Where Every Day Is Bargain Day

215 Market Street Opposite Courthouse

MIDDLETOWN

Teachers of Middletown to Hold Final Meeting

The final meeting of the present school term will be held in the High School building next Tuesday afternoon when the following program will be rendered: "What Should the Children Know When They Enter School?" Miss Keever; "How to get the Pupils to Do Their Best," Mrs. Rumberger; "Raffia Work and its Influence on the Child's Attitude to the Standard Subjects of the Course," Mrs. Hoffman; "Oral Composition," Miss Fritz; "The Spirit of Rivalry," Miss Campbell; for study and discussion, "Special Classes for Misses Pupils," and "Appropriate Incentives."

MIDDLETOWN PERSONALS

Mrs. E. K. Demmy of Columbia, is spending the week with Mrs. John Macdonald, of Union street.

Mrs. I. H. Doutrich and daughter, Mary Elizabeth, and Miss Laura Reider, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Keller, of Pottsville, will leave to-morrow for St. Petersburg, Fla., where they will spend several weeks.

TO END SEASON

The Middletown High School basketball team will play a successful season next Friday evening when it will clash with the strong Hanover five. Between halves the second team will play the Methodist club of Harrisburg. The local teams will line up as follows: First team: Beck, Conklin, forwards; Rudy, Albert, center; Snavely, Kupp, Brown, guards. Second team: Blecher, Schiffer, forwards; Gotschal, center; Houser, Gerberich, Freichler, guards.

TO GIVE MUSICALS

The following program will be presented at the Royallton United Brethren church on Saturday evening:

Piano solo, Miss Esther Kohler; selection by orchestra; anthem by choir; prayer, the Rev. William Beach; piano solo, Samuel Berkstessor; solo, Mrs. Ella Doup; male quartet; reading, John Kendrick; piano solo, L. C. Barnett; solo, C. N. Jackson; ladies trio, Misses Esther Kohler, Catherine Fink, and Bertha Wolf; selection by orchestra; reading, Miss Mary Elbert; selection by choir; violin solo, Jacob Fink; solo, Miss Alice Garman; male quartet; address by the pastor, the

Rev. William Beach; selection by two ladies of Harrisburg; benediction by the pastor.

TO COMPLETE PLANS

Final plans will be made this evening for the firemen's fair which opens in the Market House Saturday night. The building has been decorated and the firemen are looking for a record breaking attendance.

CIRCLE TO MEET

The Mothers' Congress Circle will meet to-morrow afternoon in the High School building at which time an announcement of the receipts received from "An Old Fashioned Entertainment" will be made.

EBERSOLE FUNERAL

Funeral services for Mrs. Sara Ebersole, who died Sunday evening at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. S. Shumaker, of Hummelstown, were held yesterday morning at 10 o'clock at Geyer's church. The Rev. Gark, pastor of the Lutheran church of Hummelstown, officiated. Burial was made in the cemetery adjoining the church.

AID SOCIETY ELECTS

The Pastor's Aid Society of the M. E. church elected the following officers Tuesday evening: President, Miss Edna Kurtz; vice-president, Miss Jennie Hickernell; secretary, Miss Mary Beachler; treasurer, Mrs. Oliver Henry. Soliciting committee, Miss Anna Wagner, Miss Mary Stipe, Miss Mary Clouser and Miss Ida Beaver-son.

PURCHASE PROPERTY

Harry Resh, of Pine street, has purchased the Campbell property in Brown street now occupied by Charles Myers. Mr. Myers will move into the Shellenberger property in East Emaus street as soon as alterations are completed.

MIDDLETOWN PERSONALS

Mrs. S. Cameron Young spent today in York.

Mrs. C. T. Erb and son, Paul, of Pine street, visited friends in Harrisburg, Wormleysburg and New Cumberland today.

L. O. Nissley has resumed his duties as editor of the Middletown Press after being ill for several weeks.

Miss Bertha Nisley and niece, Miss Freda Schaeffer, are spending a few days in Harrisburg.

This Is the Birthday Anniversary of—



DAVID AND IRVIN RUBIN
Members of the well-known optical firm of Rubin & Rubin, who for a number of years have been located at 420 Market street.

OBERLIN

TO PLAY BASKETBALL

The Salem Lutheran basketball team, Oberlin, will play the strong Franklin A. C. five at Oberlin to-morrow evening.

DIES AT NEW BENTON

Mrs. Mary Russ, wife of John Russ, aged 35, died at her home in New Benton from pneumonia last evening. She is survived by her husband and six children, the oldest of which is 16 years. Funeral services will be held in St. Peter's Catholic church Saturday morning. Burial will be made in Mt. Calvary cemetery.

STEELTON RECORDS TUMBLE IN STEEL TRADE

February Shipments Unsurpassed; Prices No Longer an Object

Shipments of iron and steel during February broke all records, according to the weekly review of the steel trades by the Iron Age to-day, and the present activity of the steel mills has never been equaled, in part the Iron Age says:

"Shipments from mills were very heavy in February and some of the latter, notably those of the largest Chicago district producer, broke all records. In the Pittsburgh district the mills are working as never before to reduce piled-up orders, and some are succeeding. Generally, however, and partly due to embargoes, the month left producers farther behind in deliveries.

"While some consumers continue to bombard mills with business on which price is quite unimportant compared with deliveries, others enlarge on the dangers of recent rapid advances and are moving with caution. But what seemed famine prices a few months ago are readily paid to-day and the expectation of higher levels is general.

"Considering the close connection some furnaces have made on coke shipments, the February pig iron output was surprising. The total of 2,987,212 tons for 29 days, or 104,456 tons a day, compares with 3,185,121 tons in January, or 102,746 tons a day. There was a net gain of six in active furnaces and the 312 furnaces in blast March 1 represent 107,510 tons a day as against 106,372 tons for 306 furnaces on February 1. Production is now proceeding at the unprecedented rate of 39,500,000 tons a year.

"An index to the remarkable scale of blast furnace operations is the iron ore stocks for sale, the ten days' fair and festival of the Baldwin Hose Company opened at the hosehouse, South Front street, last evening. The proceeds of the affair will be used to defray the expense of beautifying the grounds below the hosehouse.

Firemen Raise Money to Beautify Grounds

With a number of pretty girls in charge of booths from which candy, ice cream, fancy work and other articles are for sale, the ten days' fair and festival of the Baldwin Hose Company opened at the hosehouse, South Front street, last evening. The proceeds of the affair will be used to defray the expense of beautifying the grounds below the hosehouse.

Steelton Snapshots

Class to Meet.—Mrs. Stees' class of the First Methodist Sunday School will meet at the home of Mrs. Davis, North Front street, this evening.

Announce Birth.—Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McNear announce the birth of a daughter, Agnes Lucille, March 8. Mrs. McNear was formerly Miss Jennie Mace.

Tourney Ends in Tie.—The indoor quill tournament of Steelton Lodge, I. O. O. F., has ended in a tie between two teams, composed of Klugh and Wright and Miller and Cresswell. The lodge championship will be decided to-morrow evening either with a play-off or default.

Plan Anniversary.—The King's Daughters of Neidig Memorial United Brethren Church will hold their fourth anniversary Sunday. One of the principal speakers will be the Rev. J. A. Kelper, of Allentown, who organized the class. Miss Eichelberger's orchestra will furnish music.

MURPHY FUNERAL
Funeral services for Mrs. Joseph Murphy, who died Sunday, were held this morning in St. James' Catholic church with the Rev. Father J. C. Thompson officiating. Burial was made in Mt. Calvary cemetery.

CLASS TO MEET
Mrs. William Bannan's class of the First Methodist church will meet at the home of Mrs. Kough, Elm street, Thursday evening.

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY
R. M. Johnson, of 222 North Front street, a veteran of the Civil War, celebrated his eighty-first birthday at his home to-day. He received many presents and cards from children and grandchildren in Philadelphia, New York and Lewistown.

ENTERTAINS CHOIR
Miss Jesse Mastler entertained the members of the choir of the First Reformed church at her home, 196 South Second street Tuesday evening.

TO START FURNACE
Fires were lighted yesterday to dry out the No. 1 blast furnace of the Pennsylvania Steel Company, at Lebanon, preparatory to early resumption of operations.

CAUGHT IN SHREDDER
Harry Yings, who resides on a farm near Hershey, had his left arm badly mangled yesterday while he was feeding corn fodder shredding machine. He was admitted to the Harrisburg hospital last night in a weak condition from loss of blood, and the arm was amputated below the elbow.

Want a Piano Bargain? Speak Quick



Not all the high-grade used Pianos advertised yesterday have been taken but the response was greater than we expected and if all who made investigations return the purchase to-day, as promised, late comers will naturally get left.

Don't you get left. Come to-day. And come prepared to buy. You'll find these bargains better than expected, and remember you assume no risk for each is fully guaranteed.

\$450 Knabe \$190

\$350 Henning \$140

\$450 Vose \$210

\$350 Schaeffer \$175

\$550 Knabe \$280

\$325 Lockhart \$155

\$5 Sends Your Choice Home

And the balance may be paid in small weekly or monthly amounts spread out to suit you. Come as early as possible. Only a few of the bargains are listed; see them all before it's too late.

Used 88 Note Players \$325, \$360, \$385 and Up

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YES - THIS IS MAJOR SHIRTS - HE GOIN' TO EXPLAIN TO ME ABOUT THE BULLETS USED IN THE WAR!

YOUR HUSBAND IS VERY STUDIOUS

MAY I ASK WHAT THAT IS BEFORE I GO?

IT'S A SHRAPNEL SHELL - I BELIEVE IN "PREPAREDNESS" AT HOME!

I'M GOING TO GIVE YOUR HUSBAND A LESSON IN THE USE OF THIS SHELL!

SHE'S GONE - NOW EXPLAIN!

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NO ONE WOULD EVER SUSPECT IT WAS ANYTHING BUT THE REAL SHELL -

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