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OF DUSHORE, PENNA.  
CAPITAL \$50,000  
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M. D. SWARTS, Cashier.  
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For prices that are  
Right  
For courteous treatment  
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CONDENSED REPORT of the condition of The  
First National Bank at Dushore, in the State  
of Pennsylvania at close of business Dec. 31,  
1907.  
**RESOURCES.**  
Loans and discounts \$2,019,231.11  
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation 50,000.00  
Bond securities 165,778.33  
Furniture 300.00  
Cash and due from banks and Treas-  
ury U. S. 89,991.09  
Total \$2,225,330.53  
**LIABILITIES.**  
Capital 50,000.00  
Surplus and undivided profits 26,318.56  
Circulation 50,000.00  
Dividends unpaid 96.96  
Deposits 372,280.95  
Total \$208,599.09  
State of Pennsylvania County of Sullivan ss.  
I, M. D. Swarts, Cashier of the above named  
bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement  
is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
M. D. SWARTS, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st  
day of Dec. 1907. ALBERT F. HEES, Notary Public.  
My commission expires Feb. 27, 09. Notary Public.  
Correct Attest:  
J. D. REESER, } Directors.  
E. G. SYLVARA, }  
SAMUEL COLE, }

**COURT PROCLAMATION.**  
WHEREAS, HON. CHAS. E. TERRY, President  
Judge, Honorable Henry Richlin and R. C. R.  
Kisklinka, Assoc. Judges of the courts of Oyer and  
Termor and General Jail Delivery. Quarter  
sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Court and Com-  
mon Pleas for the county of Sullivan, have issued  
their precept, bearing date the 11 day of Mar.  
1907, to me directed, for holding the several  
courts in the Borough of Laporte, on Monday the  
18 day of May 1908, at 2 o'clock p. m.  
Therefore, notice is hereby given to the coroner,  
Justices of the Peace and Constables within the  
county, that they be then and there in their pro-  
per person at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, with their  
rolls, records, inquisitions, examinations and  
other remembrances to those things to which  
their offices appertain to be done. And to those  
who are bound by their recognizance to prosecute  
against prisoners who are or shall be in the jail  
of the said county of Sullivan, are hereby notified to  
be then and there to prosecute against them as  
will be just.  
JUDSON BROWN, Sheriff.  
Sheriff's Office, Laporte Pa., 9 Jan 1908

**FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE**  
Makes Kidneys and Bladder Right

**County Seat  
Local and Personal Events  
Tersely Told.**

John Hassen has placed a new piano in the Commercial hotel.  
Mr. John Hall of Mapleton, visited his daughters, Mrs. Otis Rose and Mrs. Lee Fritz, last week.

The ladies of the Village Improvement Society have planted a bed of cannas in the park.

W. C. Taylor has sold his restaurant at Muncy Valley, to his brother-in-law, J. Will Moran.

The overseers of Davidson township have two young boys, aged 11 and 12 years, whom they wish to place with some good family to work for their board and clothing.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Higley are visiting their daughter Mrs. W. D. Finkle, at Roselle Park, N. J. While there they will witness the graduation of their grand-daughter Miss Pearl Finkle.

In a recent issue of the News Item it was stated that Mr. Valentine Rohe carried an insurance of \$1,700 on his barn recently destroyed by fire. This statement was incorrect as the amount of insurance was only \$800. The loss is estimated at \$1,700.

Any college president whose duty it is to secure for his institution large sums of money could have told her of her peril. It is becoming more and more frequent for big gifts to universities and colleges to be made anonymously, because the generous giver is pestered night and day after each large gift by beggars in person and by thousands of letters.

The News Item editor was presented with a box of strawberries by Mr. A. C. Jenkins. The gift was highly appreciated as they made a dish fit for a king. The berries were marvelous in size and contained a rich, sweet flavor exceeding any other fruit grown. Mr. Jenkin's prize berries are known as the Arnot, and have been grown from one native plant, and are capable of being improved by the best cultivation.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Lake Mokoma Company was held at Kennett Square, Pa., on Monday evening for the election of directors and the transaction of other business. The following directors were elected: Charles J. Pennock, E. S. Phillips, Thomas Rakestraw, J. B. Swayne, W. C. Mason, Ellery P. Ingham and F. W. Meylert. After the election the directors met and organized by electing Charles J. Pennock, President, E. S. Phillips, Vice President and Secretary, and William P. Mercer, Treasurer. We understand that a meeting of the directors will be held at Laporte in the near future when the development plans of the new company will be gone over. Richard M. Pennock has been appointed resident manager and arrived here this week to remain for the summer.

A very pleasant birthday party was tendered Mrs. W. B. Ritter on Thursday evening, June 18. The home was beautifully decorated with roses and palms presented by friends and neighbors. The evening was most pleasantly spent by all present, singing by Mrs. Ernest Allen of Monroeton, with Miss Lizzie McNellan at the organ was thoroughly enjoyed. Refreshments of all kinds were served, and a merrier crowd never enjoyed Laporte hospitality. The following friends of Mrs. Ritter were present besides her father: Mrs. Doutry, Mrs. Lynn, Mrs. Goodlander, Mrs. Frate, Mrs. Buck and daughter, Mrs. Bastian Mrs. Goodman, from New Columbia; those from Laporte were Mrs. Wrede, Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Phillips and sister, Mrs. Lovelace, Mrs. Tressa, Fries, Mrs. John Fries, Mrs. Jacob Fries, Misses Bessie Wrede, Lizzie McNellan Alma Farrell and Tessie Fries. Mrs. Ritter was the recipient of many beautiful gifts and hearty wishes for many more happy birthdays.

George Bown of Lincoln Falls was at the County Seat Monday. John Hassen, H. H. Kumm, F. M. Crossley, and daughters, Dolly, Freda, and Marguete attended Buffalo Bills show at Williamsport Tuesday.

Rev. George F. Meitch will preach at the Baptist church at this place next Sunday at 10:00 A. M. All are cordially invited to attend this service.

In the essential features, the process of making the fine gut strings for surgical uses, or the heavy strings three-eighths of an inch thick sometimes employed for machinery belting, does not differ from the method employed in the case of the musical strings, except that the latter are handled with more care.

Notice is hereby given that a petition for the transfer of a Retail Liquor License for a Hotel or Tavern heretofore granted to James P. McGee of Village of Lopez, Colley Township, Sullivan County, Penna., to Anthony Rouse, has this day been filed in my office and the same will be presented to the Court of quarter sessions of Sullivan County on Wednesday July 1st 1908, at ten o'clock A. M.

Clerk's office, Laporte, Penna., June 19, 1908.  
Albert F. Heess, Clerk.

Notice is hereby given that a petition for a transfer of a Restaurant or Eating House License heretofore granted to W. C. Taylor of the Village of Muncy Valley, Davidson Township, Sullivan County, Penna., to J. William Moran, has this day been filed in my office and the same will be presented to the court of Quarter Sessions of Sullivan County on Thursday the Second day of July, 1908, at ten o'clock A. M.

Clerk's office, Laporte, Penna., June 22, 1908.  
Albert F. Heess, Clerk.

Office of the Sullivan County Telephone Company.  
Dushore, Pa., May 16th, 1908.  
Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Sullivan County Telephone Company will be held at the office of the Company in Dushore, Penna. on Friday, the 31 day of July, 1908, at ten o'clock a. m., for the election of directors, and such other business as may come before the meeting.  
Also a vote will be taken on the proposition to move the office of the Company to Forksville.  
Attest: D. F. McCarty, Pres.  
Ulysses Bird, Secretary.

**Notice.**  
BIDS WANTED.— Laporte Township will build one concrete or stone-arch bridge fourteen feet long, six feet wide and four feet high, across Doe run, said run being between Laporte and Jos. McIntire's property.  
Bids will be received and opened on July 2nd at Ingham's law office, at ten o'clock a. m.  
By order of Supervisors,  
Laporte Township.

**A Model Grange Home.**  
Very few granges in the county have had the good fortune that has come to Laurel grange of West Newbury, Mass., which has just had placed at its disposal an elegant \$20,000 hall, which they are to occupy with no other expense than the janitor service. The building is of the old English style. 58 by 96 feet in size, with front porch 12 by 22 feet. The first story is of brick and the second of wood, with cement stucco, high pitched roof and colonial interior, finished very handsomely. The auditorium seats 300 people and has been elegantly furnished. A stage 12 by 30 feet has dressing rooms and all conveniences. In the building are also a banquet hall 30 by 60 feet, a kitchen 12 by 16 feet and fine pantry, closets and paraphernalia rooms. There is also a delightful reading room 16 by 22 feet, with a good library and reading tables.

**An Eloquent Granger.**  
Mortimer Whitehead, the silver-tongued orator of the grange and one of its oldest members, has been doing yeoman service for the Order the past summer in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Ohio and Kentucky. His home is near New Brunswick, N. J.

In the national congress there are 356 members, of whom only nine are farmers, and we doubt if they are grangers. Something wrong there!

**Watch the Gates.**  
The grange is growing by leaps and bounds in many states. Large classes are being initiated. Let them not be too large or so large as to comprise some members who will be better out than in the grange.

In Kentucky the grange has taken a new lease of life. Five hundred new grange halls have been or soon will be completed in that state.

**LaPorte Twp. Statement.**  
George Karge in account with LaPorte Twp. as Collector of School Tax for the year ending June 1st, 1908.  
To amount of duplicate..... 1372 69  
Credit by exonerations..... 66 87  
Land returns..... 24 24  
Commission on returns..... 1 21  
Amt. collected 5 per cent off..... 936 38  
Commission on same..... 18 73  
Rebate..... 49 28  
Collected on face duplicate..... 163 64  
Collector's commission..... 8 18  
Amt. collected 5 per cent added..... 50 00  
Balance due township..... 54 16  
1372 69 1372 69

Lyman O. Harvey, Treasurer of School Funds for the year ending June 1st, 1908.  
Balance in hand from last audit 68 37  
State appropriation..... 488 18  
Recd. from County Treasurer..... 730 00  
" George Karge Collector..... 1150 02  
" E. C. Peters..... 1 00  
" R. E. Botsford (borrowed) 725 00  
" Ernest Botsford..... 125 00  
" E. C. Peters..... 226 00  
By amt. paid teachers..... 1670 00  
Teachers attending institute..... 62 90  
Auditing account year 1907..... 85 67  
Fuel..... 109 86  
School supplies..... 170 74  
Text books..... 21 21  
Freight..... 25 85  
Cleaning buildings..... 20 25  
Repairs..... 12 90  
Collector's salary..... 29 84  
Publishing..... 9 00  
Laporte Boro. children tuition Sugarloaf Twp., Col. Co. 11 13  
Attorney's fees..... 17 99  
Rent for Nordmont school house Directors attending convention and election of Superintendent 28 52  
Miscellaneous..... 1 25  
Purchasing lot..... 8 00  
Building new house..... 886 50  
Furniture and fixtures..... 133 66  
Treasurer's commission..... 29 84  
Postage and stationery..... 1 08  
Balance in Treasurer's hands..... 105 59  
3503 67 3503 67

We the undersigned auditors do hereby certify that the foregoing statement is true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.  
HOWARD C. HESS,  
MORGAN GAVITT, Auditors.

**SHERIFF'S SALE.**  
By virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Sullivan County, Pennsylvania, and to me directed and delivered, the will be exposed to public sale at the Court House, in the Borough of Laporte, Sullivan County, Pa. on  
FRIDAY, JULY 10, 1908,  
at 10 o'clock a. m., the following described property, to-wit:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Borough of Laporte, in the County of Sullivan and in the State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows:  
BEGINNING at a point on the North side of Cherry street seventy-six (76) feet West from the west side of the extension of Spring Alley; thence along the North side of Cherry street two hundred and fifty-seven (257) feet to a corner and line of Lot No. 87; thence along the said line and line of Lot No. 88 North two hundred and sixty (260) feet to Raspberry Alley; thence along the South side of said Alley East two hundred and fifty-seven (257) feet to a corner seventy-six (76) feet West from the West line of Spring Alley; thence South in a line parallel with the West line of this lot two hundred and sixty (260) feet to the place of beginning. CONTAINING Sixty-six Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty (66,820) Square Feet of land be the same more or less.  
Said lot being improved and in a good state of cultivation and having a number of fruit trees thereon.  
Seized, taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Charles Landon at the suit of A. H. Buschhausen, (use.) JUDSON BROWN, Sheriff.  
Sheriff's office, Laporte, Pa., June 12, 1908.

**NATIONAL GRANGE NOTES.**  
Matters of General Interest to Members of the Order From Maine to California.  
New York stands at the front among grange states. State Master F. N. Godfrey reports the membership at about 75,000. There are 659 subordinate granges, thirty-eight having been added the past year. The Patrons' fire insurance associations are strong factors in a financial sense. They represent nearly \$100,000,000 of risks. There are 172 grange halls owned in the state, the total value being reported at \$343,076. Much has been done by the state grange in legislation benefiting rural conditions.  
State Lecturer Thompson is one of Maine's enthusiastic grangers. He says there are over 400 granges in the state, and over 300 of them own their own grange halls, which range in value from \$2,000 to \$6,000 or more. A grange of 200 members is almost certain to have its own hall, and this gives a permanence to the grange movement that is unquestionable. The grange membership has increased from 20,000 to 54,000 in twelve years. The largest grange in the state and perhaps in the United States is Houlton grange, with 900 members. It has a grange store, which did a business of \$100,000 last year, and there are half a dozen more younger stores in the state.

National Treasurer Mrs. Eva S. McDowell of Rome, N. Y., reports the financial condition of the national grange as follows:  
**RECEIPTS.**  
Balance Oct. 1, 1906..... \$20,896.30  
From various sources..... 42,212.59  
\$63,108.89

**PAYMENTS.**  
On orders..... \$62,711.86  
Balance Oct. 1, 1907..... 10,397.03  
\$73,108.89  
The total resources of the national grange, including the above balance and money invested in bonds, savings bank deposits, etc., is \$102,921.44.

**WANTED**  
Farmer or Business  
for sale. Not particular about location. Must be from farmer only who will sell direct to buyer. Give price, description and state when possession can be had.  
L. BARTMAN, Box 529, Rochester, N. Y.

**FIRST NATIONAL BANK,**  
HUGHESVILLE, PA.  
CAPITAL STOCK \$50,000  
DeWITT BODINE, President.  
JEREMIAH KELLY, Vice Pres.  
W. C. FRONTZ, Cashier.  
DIRECTORS:  
DeWitt Bodine, Jacob Per, Frank A. Reeder,  
Jeremiah Kelly, Wm. Frontz, W. C. Frontz,  
W. T. Reedy, John C. Laird, Lyman Myers,  
Peter Frontz, C. W. Sones, Daniel H. Poust,  
John Bull.  
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