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BLOOMSBURG'S CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

The One Hundredth Anniversary of the Founding of Bloomsburg Will be Appropriately Celebrated on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, August 27th, 28th and 29th, 1902.

The following is a general outline of the program:

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 27th, 8:00 P. M.

A union meeting will be held in the M. E. church when addresses will be made by Rev. Dr. W. M. Frysinger, Rev. D. N. Kirkby, and Rev. Father J. R. Murphy. Music will be furnished by the combined church choirs, and all other singers who wish to participate.

THURSDAY, AUG. 28th, 10:00 A. M.

A public meeting will be held in the Normal Auditorium. Addresses by Col. J. G. Freeze, Hon. Fred Ikeler, and Rev. D. N. Kirkby. Music by combined choirs.

THURSDAY, 1:30 P. M.

Civic parade of secret Societies, industrial and allegorical floats, automobiles, bicycles, a dozen brass bands, etc.

7:00 p. m.—Band concerts at Market Square, Town Hall, Market and 7th streets.

FIREWORKS.

8:30 p. m.—The grandest pyrotechnic display ever seen in this section will be given on the Neal cinder tip.

FIREMEN'S PARADE.

1:30 p. m.—A dozen brass bands fifteen or more fire companies, drum corps, etc.

FRIDAY, AUG. 29th.

3:00 p. m.—Hose contests, running 200 yards, making connection with fire plug, turning on stream, etc., with prizes.

BASE BALL.

Games have been arranged with Cuban Giants for both days at 3:30 p. m. at Normal Athletic field. 1st day, Berwick. 2nd day Danville.

BALLOON ASCENSIONS.

An immense balloon rising 1000 feet high will be in constant operation, carrying passengers both days. Illuminated by electricity, with beautiful effect at night.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

An exhibition of wireless telegraphy will be made by Prof. Henry Shoemaker, of Philadelphia, and this will be worth coming miles to see.

HISTORICAL MUSEUM.

A valuable and very interesting collection of relics has been made by the Civic Club, and will be exhibited in the Old Presbyterian church on Market street.

The Governor and Staff have been invited to be present, and are expected on Thursday.

EXCURSION RATES.

Special excursions have been arranged on railroad lines leading into Bloomsburg at one fare for the round trip.

Fire Destroys a Shed.

A fire which might have resulted in a tremendous loss of property, broke out this morning about half past three o'clock in a shed directly the rear of the F. M. Gilmore cafe. An alarm was sent in from box 13 and only a few minutes elapsed until the firemen were on the scene. The Friendship company was the first to arrive. By expeditious work they had their hose connected and two streams playing on the fire before the Winonas, who were second to reach the scene, had had time to make a connection. The other companies also responded but their services were not needed. The shed, which was only a small structure used by F. M. Gilmore as a chicken house, was totally destroyed, and the roof of an adjacent barn owned by the Stephen Kuhn Estate was slightly burned. Outside of this but little damage was done.

The fire in its first stages made a very brilliant illumination and at a distance of two blocks looked as though several buildings were being destroyed.

The alarm system worked excellently and gave good satisfaction.

J. WESLEY EYER.

The death of J. Wesley Eyer occurred at his home on West Main Street early Monday morning, after an illness covering a period of several years. He was a victim of the dreaded disease diabetes and suffered greatly. Mr. Eyer was for many years engaged in the mercantile business, but failing health necessitated his retirement, and he turned the store over to his son Frank P. who conducted it until a few months ago. Early in this year Mr. Eyer made a trip to California in the hope that his health would be benefited. He was improved somewhat but the results were not lasting and after returning home, he again grew worse. He was completely worn out with suffering, and death on Monday came as an alleviation.

Mr. Eyer was born in Fishingcreek township this county, fifty-nine years ago last March. He settled in Bloomsburg at the close of the Civil War, in which he served, and has resided here ever since. He was a member of the M. E. Church, and always manifested a deep interest in its services. He is survived by a wife and two children, Frank and Anna, beside two sisters, Mrs. L. N. Moyer and Miss Lettie Eyer.

The funeral took place Wednesday afternoon. Services were conducted by Rev. W. M. Frysinger, interment in Rosemont Cemetery.

The Royal Arcanum, of which deceased was a member, attended in a body, and their ritual was read at the grave by O. H. Yetter acting chaplain.

Among the out of town relatives who attended the funeral were Rev. F. P. Eyer, pastor of the M. E. Church, Saxton, Pa., and Chas. Eyer, of Williamsport.

Centennial Notes.

In addition to the arches previously provided for there will be two more constructed, one at Fifth and East streets and one at Second and West streets.

Privilege has been granted the Carpet Works Athletic Association to play two base ball games at Athletic Park in the forenoon of each day of the centennial, with the understanding that fifty per cent of the receipts are to be given into the Centennial fund.

Barrels of ice water will be placed in various parts of the town for the comfort and convenience of the people.

A committee from the Civic Club was present at Monday evening's meeting and arranged for the hours of keeping the Historical Museum open. The Museum will open Tuesday evening from 7.30 to 10 p. m., continuing Wednesday from 3 to 8 p. m. On Thursday the hours will be from 8:30 a. m. to 8 p. m.; Friday 8:30 a. m. to 10 p. m.; Saturday 9 to 11 a. m. and if the attendance warrants it will be kept open the following week.

A slight change will be made in the Civic parade. Each secret organization heading a division will appoint its own chief marshal with four aids. The marshals in one or two instances at least, were not connected with the order leading the division over which they were supposed to have charge, and of course could not wear the regalia of the order.

It was decided that invitations be extended to prominent men residing within a radius of seventy-five miles from Bloomsburg.

Favorable reports were made by the various committees. Everything is moving along very nicely, and the celebration is bound to be a glorious success.

Ping Pong Club Organized.

The Bloomsburg Ping Pong Club was launched Monday night. The officers are President, Paul Harman; secretary, D. J. Tasker; treasurer, Harry Ritchey. The new organization will have its headquarters in the basement of Clark's building on Centre street. Four tables of the regulation size have been ordered made and will be placed in the room at once and the walls will be tastefully decorated. The club starts in with a membership of twenty-four and the indications are that it will reach fifty. Young ladies are eligible for membership, and any information regarding admission can be had of the president or secretary. An entertainment committee was appointed to communicate and arrange for matches with clubs from other towns.

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A. Z. SCHOCH, PRESIDENT.

WM. H. HIDLAY, CASHIER.

[READ MY AD ON 5TH PAGE.]

Every Movement,

No matter what the grade, is carefully inspected before going out of this store.

Every Watch

Is backed by our unqualified guarantee—a guarantee that's kept.

J. Lee Martin,

Jeweler and Optician.

Telephone 1842.

J. G. Wells' Centennial Gun Sale.

A first class single barrel gun, self ejector. This is a good one \$4.48.

Special price on double barrel hammer guns \$7.98 up to \$18.00.

Don't miss this one.

New Worcester Double Barrel Hammerless Gun \$19.40.

Hunting Coats, Leggins, Shell Vests, Belts, Etc.

J. G. Wells, General Hardware, BLOOMSBURG, PA.

In our last issue we intimated that the trouble at a ball game recently played at Berwick between the home team and Freeland was started by Berwickians. We have since learned from a thoroughly trustworthy source that the fight was caused by some Freeland toughs who accompanied the team, and who after loading themselves up with beer, went to the ball ground to start a row. The officers of Berwick are to be commended for their prompt action in quelling the disturbances and the only regrettable feature of the affair is that they didn't use their authority to a fuller extent. The COLUMBIAN printed the report of the game from information thought to be reliable, finding out differently we cheerfully make this correction.

Fire Destroys Barn.

The barn on the farm of J. B. Robison, located some distance above Almedia was burned to the ground Monday night, together with its contents consisting of grain, hay and farming implements. The property was partially insured, and Mr. Robison cannot tell just what his loss is. Spontaneous combustion is advanced as the cause, but some say there was not a sufficient quantity of hay in the building to produce it.

Museum Articles.

The committee of the Civic Club of Bloomsburg will be prepared to receive any of the articles for the Historical Museum after Monday the 18th and especially request that all articles be sent in by the 23rd or by the 25th at the very latest. There will be a responsible person in the building to receive and take charge of the articles brought.

MRS. HERVEY H. GROETZ, Chairman of Com.

Bonds Accepted.

At the meeting of the County Commissioners, on Tuesday, the bonds of C. H. Reimard, with W. H. Stebbins, of Welsboro, Pa. and S. E. Reynolds, of Bloomsburg, as sureties and of the King Bridge Company, with H. W. King, H. B. Gibbs and J. B. Larned, as sureties, each in the sum of 15,000 were accepted.

Danville is strengthening its base ball team for next Friday's game with the Cuban Giants here. We of course want to see our neighbors win, but judging from the way the colored lads have been ripping up their opponents all season, they will have to play for all there is in it to accomplish it.

Casper Kressler died at the Bloom Poor District Alms House Sunday night at the advanced age of eighty-six years. He was an old resident of Bloomsburg and at one time owned considerable property, but adversity swept it away and he died a public charge. He was a man of excellent character, and had the sympathy of all who knew him. The funeral was held on Tuesday, conducted by Rev. M. E. McClinn.

The remains of Mrs. David Kinley arrived in Bloomsburg over the D. L. & W. R. R. from Wilkes-Barre on Saturday and conveyed to Madison township where interment was made on Monday. She died at her home in the above named city Friday evening, aged 56 years. She is survived by a husband and nine children, two of whom are Oscar and John Kinley of this town. The deceased was born in Columbia County, June 7, 1846.

Notwithstanding the fact that he has been confined to his house by illness for the past two weeks, Chairman Townsend has been planning and directing arrangements for the Centennial daily. There are innumerable details to look after, but none of them have escaped him. Everything will be ready for the Centennial. The only thing that he has not been able to make complete arrangements for is the weather. If Providence should favor us in this, Bloomsburg will see the biggest crowd that ever gathered here.

Marriages.

On Aug. 16, 1902, at the Evangelical parsonage, by Rev. J. W. Bentz, M. Harry May to Miss Emma Smith both of Bloomsburg, Pa. LAUBACH—UTT. At the home of the groom at Forks, Pa. by Rev. A. Houtz, Mr. E. M. Laubach and Mrs. Mary E. Utt of Rhorsburg, Pa.

Get the Boys Ready for School

Hardly possible that, after a Summer's siege of hard knocks, the boys' wardrobe is in fit shape for school. We invite parents to some extremely good clothing bargains—low prices on the kind of suits that will give great service. Give your boy the benefit of the sort that is built to stand wear and tear.

\$2.50 Will buy the boy a good looking suit of of durable material, that will surprise you on account of its being such a good suit for so little money.

\$3.50 Will buy a splendid suit, made right, and made well in every way and good enough for anybody's boy.

\$5.00 Will buy a fine suit of more expensive material—a little more fineness and a little more elegance thrown in—that's all EVERY SUIT IS A GOOD ONE. Money back if you want it. Bring the boy here for his School Suit.

Ben Gidding

The Clothier, Bloomsburg, Penn'a., Corner Main and Center Sts.

Come in and see us, we'll treat you right.

FINAL SUMMER SALE!

We have been doing some vigorous price clipping and this final Summer Sale marks the end. If you are fishing for bargains be sure your hook is cast in the right place.

WAISTS.

Womens' White Lawn Waists tucked and trimmed with embroidery were \$4.00, and \$3.25 now \$3.00 and \$2.50.

Womens' White Lawn Waists tucked and trimmed with embroidery, were \$2.50 and \$2.00 now \$2.00 and \$1.25.

SHIRT WAIST SUITS.

Womens' Shirt Waist Suits of Lawn, Gingham and Chambray in solid colors, polka dots and stripes, exceptional values at price quoted: Were \$5.50 and \$5.00 now \$3.00.

Lawns, Dimities and Tissues were 25c. now 15 cents.

Wash Silks, extra quality, were 75 cents, now 50 cents.

Silk Gingham were 50c., now 35 cts. STORE OPEN FROM 7 A. M. TO 8 P. M.

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