

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT, MAY 2013

Photograph Acquisitions:

Mounted photograph of the 1924 graduating class of Ephrata High School; the names of the class officers and the class motto are inscribed on the reverse of the mount. (Donation—Roger L. Eberly)

Digital image, portrait of Gertrude Bishop Gress, a daughter of Frank J. and Bertha (Mull) Bishop of Ephrata, ca. 1912-1915. (Lent for copying by Robert Dickersheid)

Manuscript Acquisitions:

Funeral invitation for Frank Elmore/Elmer Miller, d. 1934; Frank was a son of Elwood S.P. Miller and Rosina E. (Bishop) Miller of Ephrata. (Donation—Robert Dickersheid)

Funeral invitation for Frank Bishop of Ephrata, d. March 27, 1939. (Donation—Robert Dickersheid)

Printed wedding invitation for Elwood S.P. Miller and Rosina E. Bishop, married April 15, 1916 in Ephrata. Certificate of membership issued to the Millers, First Evangelical United Brethren Church, Ephrata. 1954. (Donation—Robert Dickersheid)

The following manuscripts were donated by Virginia Botchoff:

Deed between George and Ellen A. Wise and Christian and Leah Smith of the first part and William Stober, Jr. of the second part; for an acre of land in Ephrata Twp., April 1, 1874. Recorded in Lancaster County Deed Book T, Vol. 10, p. 249. A second transaction between William Stober, Jr. and Mary Stober and Jacob W. Landes, 1875, is entered on the reverse.

Deed between Jacob W. and Sarah A. Landes of Ephrata Twp. and Louisa S. Keller of Warwick Twp. for an acre of land (same as the above) in Ephrata Twp., April 3, 1884. Recorded in LC Deed Book Q, Vol. 14, p. 76.

Deed between Martin L. Weidman of Ephrata Borough and John M. Keller of Ephrata Twp. for 98 perches in Ephrata Twp., May 29, 1903. Recorded in LC Deed Book E, Vol. 17, p. 242.

Mortgage, Louisa S. and John M. Keller (borrowers) of Ephrata Twp. and Martin L. Weidman of Ephrata Borough, March 31, 1894. The mortgaged property was that sold to Louisa Keller by Jacob W. Landes in 1884.

Mortgage, Louisa S. and John M. Keller (borrowers) and the trustees of the Ephrata Odd Fellows Lodge, April 1, 1897. The mortgaged property was the same as the above. Bond and warrant, Louisa S. and John M. Keller and the trustees of the Ephrata Odd Fellows Lodge, April 1, 1897.

Ten receipts written to Jennie or to Harry and Jennie Keller by the Lititz Agricultural Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Lancaster County, 1916 through 1933.

Mortgage bond, Harry H. and Jennie S. Keller (borrowers) of Ephrata Twp. to Louisa S. Keller of Ephrata Twp., for \$1400 due August 15, 1926.

Artifact Acquisitions:

12 matching, silver-plated "Rogers Bros." demitasse spoons from the Hotel Cocalico, Ephrata; each is engraved "Cocalico" on the patterned handle. The hotel was destroyed by fire in February of 1921. (Donation—Kathleen Kilkuskie)

Cast bronze Ephrata Shoe Company plaque, rectangular, with the original rosettes and mounting screws. The raised lettering on the 15" x 24" x 5/16" plaque reads "Ephrata Shoe Co. / Inc. / Ephrata, Pa.," with a raised ornamental flourish. The plaque was mounted on the North State Street office building of the company, which was founded in 1929. (Donation—Susan Mentzer)

Complete wool uniform worn by Joseph J. Mitchell (1903-1989) as a member of American Legion Cloister Post 429, Ephrata. The dark navy-blue uniform consists of a pair of pants, a lined jacket with pleated breast pockets, and a cap, all trimmed with gold piping. The owner's name is in an interior pocket of the jacket. A native of Bayonne, New Jersey, Mitchell served in the U.S. Army Air Force during WWII. He was co-owner and operator of the Mitchell & Ruth men's clothing store, East Main Street, Ephrata. At the time of his death, he resided in Reinholds. (Donation—Robert Dickersheid)

Bergman's Shoe Repair (Denver) combination comb and shoehorn, ca. 1950. The green plastic comb/shoehorn, marbled with white and dark neutral shades, yellow, muted red, and blue, is stamped "Sundial Shoes / Bergman's Shoe Repair / 14 N. 3rd St. Denver, Pa. / Phone 7-0471." (Donation—Kerry Mohn)

Pair of rimless spectacles with six-sided lenses, in a rigid hinged case stamped "J.E. Mentzer, M.D. / Ephrata." (Evidently the "E" was printed in error, as Dr. Mentzer's middle name was "Franklin.") The spectacles have gold temple bars and a gold nosepiece; the inner surface of the nosepiece is impressed "Shuron 10K Ctr." The case is leather-covered and lined with black plush. (Donation—Kerry Mohn)

Late 20th century Denver Fire Department sleeve patch; the black oblong patch is machine-embroidered in silver and black with the fire company's symbol and name. (Donation—Kerry Mohn)

Miscellaneous Print Acquisitions

Camp Silver Belle (Mountain Springs Hotel, Ephrata) program booklet, summer season, 1977. (Donation: Tatum Hammer)

The Friend for Boys and Girls, August 25, 1907 [published for the Evangelical United Brethren Church]; includes a cover photograph of a girls'/young women's Sunday School class, led by Lottie Mae Gross, at the First E.U.B. Church of Ephrata. (Donation—Robert Dickersheid)

7 p. genealogical compilation listing descendants of Susanna (Stober) Billingfelt, born in Cocalico Twp. around 1798; she married Thomas Billingfelt. The children of Thomas and

Susanna Stober Billingfelt were Jeremiah Billingfelt, b. 1821; Elizabeth Billingfelt, b. 1825, m. Solomon Regar; and Esaias Billingfelt, b. 1827, eventually a state senator. Susanna's fourth child was Abraham Lutz, b. 1830. (Donation—Joseph Huffman)

The following publications were donated by John J. Klopp:

16 copies of "Die Shilgrut fun der Tulpehock" (Journal of the Tulpehocken Settlement Historical Society), as follows:

Vol. XX (November, 1988)
Vol. XXIV (November, 1992)
Vol. XXV (November, 1993)
Vol. XXVI (November, 1994)
Vol. XXVII (November, 1995)
Vol. XXVIII (November, 1996)
Vol. XXIX (November, 1997)
Vol. XXX (November, 1998)
Vol. XXXI (November, 1999)
Vol. XXXII (November, 2000)
Vol. XXXIII (November, 2001)
Vol. XXXIV (November, 2002)
Vol. XXXV (November, 2003)
Vol. XXXVII (November, 2005)
Vol. XL (November, 2008)
Vol. XLIII (November, 2011)

39 copies of "The Palatine Immigrant" (quarterly journal of Palatines to America), as follows:

Vol. XX, No. 1 (December, 1994)
Vol. XX, No. 2 (March, 1995)
Vol. XX, No. 3 (June, 1995)
Vol. XX, No. 4 (September, 1995)
Vol. XXI, No. 1 (December, 1995)
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Vol. XXVII, No. 1 (December, 2001)
Vol. XXVII, No. 2 (March, 2002)
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