

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT, MAY 2014

Book Acquisitions:

Buehrle, R.K. *Geography of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania*. Hinds, Noble, & Eldredge, 1913. (Donation—James A. Tshudy)

Manuscript Acquisitions:

Deed between Michael and Elizabeth (Erb) Shapler of the first part and Jacob Bollinger and Daniel Widder of the second part for 26+ acres adjoining Michael Shapler's Mill, Elizabeth (now Clay) Township, April 3, 1824. The property had formerly belonged to John Erb, Sr., Elizabeth Shapler's father. A second transaction between Daniel and Elizabeth Widder and Jacob Bollinger is recorded on the reverse; this transfers Widder's half of the property to Bollinger, March 22, 1828. (Donation—Cynthia Marquet)

Photograph Acquisitions:

Digital copy of a photograph of musician Frankie Widder and his 11 accordion students at the Ephrata Recreation Center, ca. early 1950's. One student, Bernice Martin (Bernice Martin Ruff) has been identified. (Lent for scanning by Bernice Ruff)

5" x 7" copy photograph of 322-324 West Main Street, Ephrata, later Miller's Photography Studio; the original photo was taken ca. 1912-1918. (Donation—Joan Sweigart)

CD containing photos from the album of local WWII veteran Robert Bieber, including photos of Iwo Jima; photos from the album of WWII veteran Lester Ramsey (Occupied Japan, etc.); and scans of WWII documents gathered by or pertaining to Leo S. Sweigart of Ephrata. (Donation, Clarence Spohn; originally received from the persons mentioned, or from their families)

DVD containing all of the photographs and other illustrations used in Clarence Spohn's two-volume HSCV publication "What's Cookin' Among our Boys and Girls in the Armed Forces," released in 2013 & 2014. (Donation, Clarence Spohn; originally received from numerous sources)

CD containing miscellaneous WWII photographs and documents offered to Clarence Spohn for his use in the two-volume HSCV publication "What's Cookin'," some were used, while others were not. (Donation, Clarence Spohn, originally received from numerous sources)

Compact disc containing photographs of Cocalico Valley WWII monuments, all taken by Richard Wanner; the grouping includes the monuments at Denver, Reamstown, Reinholds, Schoeneck, and Ephrata, besides the Ephrata Monument and Ephrata's War Memorial Field stadium. (Donation, Clarence Spohn/Dick Wanner)

8" x 10" photographic copy of a hand-colored portrait of Ephrata native Harold S. Mohler in his WWII Army Air Corps uniform, ca. 1943-1944. (Donation, Clarence Spohn; originally received from the Mohler family)

Mounted photograph of the Cocalico School, West Cocalico Township, January 15, 1902. The school's students are gathered in front of the building with teacher Harry Aungst. (Donation—Betty Jane Wise)

Mounted photograph of Cocalico School students with teacher Harry Aungst, ca. 1901; a portion of the school building is visible to the rear. (Donation—Betty Jane Wise)

Mounted "Fritz Studio" photograph of an F.S. Miley (Fairview) Dairy picnic or gathering, Hershey Park, August 10, 1927. The photo is titled "F.S. Miley and Employees, Ephrata, August 19, 1927 / Taken at Hershey Park." The dairy was established by Frank S. Miley, Sr. on Ephrata's Lake Street in 1921, and was later operated by his sons. (Donation—Joan Kachel)

Photograph of the employees--probably route drivers--of the Fairview (Miley Bros.) Dairy, 120 Lake Street, Ephrata, 1937. One subject is Raymond Weaver; the others are not identified. (Donation—Joan Kachel)

Lease (Lancaster) cabinet card portrait of George Christ, ca. 1890-1894; he was a son of George and Rosanna (Flowers) Christ of West Cocalico Township, and later resided in Akron. (Donation—Robert Dickersheid)

Lease (Lancaster) cabinet card portrait of a small girl, ca. 1894, inscribed on the reverse "Mr. Geo. Christ." The subject is presumed to be Edna M. Christ, daughter of George and Sara Ann (Leisey) Christ of Akron. (Donation—Robert Dickersheid)

The following photographs were donated by James A. Tshudy:

Strunk Studio (Reading) cabinet card portrait of Monroe Edwards as a young man, ca. 1896-1900; he was a son of John E. and Caroline (Miller) Edwards of Mount Airy, Clay Township.

Strunk Studio (Reading) cabinet card portrait of Frank Miller Edwards as a young man, ca. 1895-1900; he was a son of John E. and Caroline (Miller) Edwards of Mount Airy, Clay Township.

Bew (Lititz) cabinet card portrait of Ella Edwards at around age 13, ca. 1891; she was a daughter of John E. and Caroline (Miller) Edwards of Mount Airy, Clay Township.

Bemesderfer (Manheim) cabinet card portrait of Frank Miller Edwards at around age 13, ca. 1888.

Bew (Lititz) cabinet card portrait of Annie Edwards, a daughter of John and Caroline (Miller) Edwards of Mount Airy, ca. 1893-1894; she married Harvey J. Haldeman in 1902.

Fowler Gallery (Lancaster) cabinet card portrait of Jacob Hummer as a young man; the subject is thought to have been a son of Joseph and Mary Ann Hummer of Rapho Township.

Huble (Lancaster) cabinet card portrait of Salinda Hacker, a daughter of Mary Ann Apple of Lincoln, ca. 1885.

Strunk (Reading) cabinet card portrait of Mrs. and Mrs. Simon Heffley, ca. 1896-1900; they are thought to be Simon K. and Elizabeth S. (Swartz) Heffley of Adamstown.

Strunk (Reading) cabinet card portrait of John Enck, ca. 1895-1900. The identity of the subject is not otherwise known; possibly he was a son of John and Mary Enck of Elizabeth Township; or possibly John W. Enck of Ephrata.

Cabinet card portrait of Susan Jacoby, ca. mid 1880's; the subject is thought to have been Susan (Zorn) Jacoby, daughter of William and Angeline Zorn and wife of Isaac Jacoby.

Strunk (Reading) cabinet card portrait of Mrs. and Mrs. Peter Heffley, ca. mid 1880's; the subjects are believed to be Peter Brubaker Heffley and Sarah Ann (Wiest) Heffley of West Cocalico township.

The following 4" x 6" copy photos were donated by Ellen Snader:

Photo of siblings John L. Keller, Miriam Keller, and David L. Keller of Ephrata, ca. 1942; John and David are wearing their Army and Navy uniforms. The picture was taken by another sibling, James L. Keller; the four were the children of Harry L. and Jenny Snyder (Ludwig) Keller.

Two photos of David L. Keller in his Navy uniform, ca. 1942.

Photo of John L. Keller in a flight suit, 1942.

Photo of John L. Keller in Iraq, hunting, with a small antelope, 1943.

Photo of Technical Sergeant John L. Keller with four unidentified soldiers, 1942.

Artifact Acquisitions:

Full-length dress which belonged to Sallie (Baker) Carter (1876-1964) of Ephrata. The sheer white cotton dress has lace yolk panels extending to the undulant lace waistband in the front and the back; the 3/4-length sleeves are trimmed with matching lace. Deep panels of the same lace overlay the skirt, which has four bands of pleating above the hem and is trimmed with ecru fabric buttons. All of the lace panels are edged with delicate pom pom trim. The bodice, waistband and upper skirt close with a series of hooks and eyes. The dress is accompanied by a small crocheted drawstring bag, part of the ensemble. It was worn as a wedding dress by Carter's great-granddaughter, Susie (Mellinger) Bachman.

Sallie Carter was a daughter of Andrew Baker, owner of Ephrata's Eagle Hotel, and his wife Mary Ann (Longenecker) Baker. Her husband Robert Carter was a son of William and Annie (Gross) Hull Carter, also of Ephrata and the owners of the Mt. Vernon Inn. (Donation—Suzette Bachman)

Navy blue wool bathing suit, with bloomers, which belonged to Sallie (Baker) Carter; worn ca. 1910-1915. (Donation—Suzette Bachman)

White cotton camisole, heavily trimmed and inset with panels of eyelet and laced with pink ribbons; belonged to Sallie (Baker) Carter. The camisole closes with three white shell buttons, a drawstring at the waist, and the laced ribbon at the neck; ribbon lacings also extend through the shoulder straps and tie at the tops of the shoulders. (Donation—Suzette Bachman)

White cotton bloomers, trimmed above the leg openings with deep, gathered, scalloped eyelet panels and laced with pink ribbon above the trim; the ribbon gathers to bows. The bloomers close at either side of the waistband with a white bone or ivory button; they are slit on either side to a depth of 8" below the base of the waistband. Belonged to Sallie (Baker) Carter. (Donation—Suzette Bachman)

Small sheer smocked dress worn by Mabert Hipple Carter, at the age of five, at the wedding of her aunt Esther Mae Hipple; Mae married Charles Gentner in 1929. The white cotton dress has short raglan sleeves. Pale blue and rose pink smocking extends over the shoulders from the front to the back of the garment in a continuous circle, and the dress fabric is gathered into the hemming at the neck above the smocking. The yolk closes at the back with two small snaps. The sleeves are edged with bands of bobbin or similar lace; matching lace bands trim the hem and form an inset panel above the hem. The dress is accompanied by the cream satin slip with which it was worn. Mabert was the daughter of William and Miriam (Hipple) Carter, of Ephrata; her mother and Esther Mae (Hipple) Gentner were sisters. (Donation—Suzette Bachman)

Woman's felt hat, manufactured by George W. Bollman & Co. of Adamstown and sold under the designer label "Adolfo II." The chestnut-brown hat, ca. 1960's, has a domed crown and a broad upturned brim; the brim is appliqued with two large net maple leaves completely covered with gold sequins and matching tubular beads. (Donation—Kathy Bertesch)

Small wall plaque on an oak backing; the metal plate is printed with an aerial view of the Kurtz Quarry property off Old Mill Road at the present location of the Ephrata Public Library. The text reads "With sincere appreciation to Mr. & Mrs. A. Gary Kurtz and Thomas Russell Nock & Harriet Kurtz Nock for making this ideal location, formerly the Kurtz Quarry, available for purchase by the Ephrata Public Library." (Donation—Ephrata Public Library)

The following barber bottles, all labeled by Philip Eisemann, were donated by J. Phillip Eisemann. The elder Eisemann actively sold barbering preparations, which he himself formulated and bottled, in northern Lancaster County.

Cylindrical white glass jar with an "Eisemann's Crème de Luxe" label and a twist-on cap, with contents.

Clear glass bottle with an "Eisemann's Sage Head Tonic" label and a twist-on cap, with partial contents.

Clear glass bottle with the molded mark "Wildroot"; has a Phil. Eisemann "Rose Toilet Water" label and neck band and a twist on cap. With contents.

Clear glass bottle with a Phil. Eisemann "Klondike Head Rub" label and a twist-on cap; with partial contents.

Cylindrical clear glass bottle with a "Phileise Shampoo" label and a twist-on cap; with partial contents.

Clear glass flat-sided bottle containing the original cork; has a Phil. Eisemann "Lilac Toilet Water" label.

Miscellaneous Print and Print Artifact Acquisitions:

7 1/2" x 9" advertising placard for H.E. Hartman & Co., dealers in Feed, Flour, Hay, etc., Ephrata, Pa. The placard features a scene of Union cavalymen, entitled "Sheridan's Ride." (Donation—Brian Frankhouser)

Two Walter W. Moyer Co. "Certificates of Service" issued to Elsie G. Keller, 849 W. Martin Avenue, Ephrata, for 32 years and 35 years of service, 1963 and 1966. Walter W. Moyer 65th anniversary open house booklet with a guide's ribbon attached: "Welcome! I'm, a Host / Mrs. Elsie Keller . . ." (Donation—Randy Newcomer)

Program, 15th anniversary of the ordination of Rev. David J.W. Noll, pastor of the Lincoln Reformed Charge, June 6, 1943. (Donation—James A. Tshudy)

Booklet prepared for the unveiling and dedication of a monument erected in memory of Rev. John Waldschmidt at Swamp Reformed Church, Reinholds, October 17, 1915. Includes Waldschmidt family history and a history of the Swamp Reformed and Muddy Creek Reformed congregations. 31 p. (Donation—James A. Tshudy)

Program booklet printed for a historical service commemorating the 225th anniversary of the first communion services held at Salem (Heller's) Reformed Church, Upper Leacock Township, October 12, 1952; includes a history of the congregation by Rev. Fred D. Pentz. (Donation—James A. Tshudy)

The following Lancaster (etc.) newspapers with significant WWII headlines were donated by Amvets Post No. 136, Ephrata:

Intelligencer Journal, June 13, 1942: "Japs Land on Aleutian Islands."

Intelligencer Journal, June 24, 1942: "First All-Night Blackout."

Lancaster New Era, April 13, 1945; with news of President Harry S. Truman's swearing in to office: "Truman Summons War Leaders, Pledges to Keep F.D.'s Policies." Another headline reads "Yanks are 45 Miles from Berlin."

Lancaster New Era, May 7, 1945: "German Quits Unconditionally to U.S., Great Britain and Russia in Gen. Eisenhower's Headquarters."

Lancaster New Era, May 8, 1945: "Truman Says Nazi Defeat is Now Complete and Final; Warns 'Victory Half Won.'"

Lancaster New Era, August 11, 1945: "Allies Accept Japan's Peace Offer Provided they Rule Country Through Emperor."

Lancaster New Era, August 15, 1945: "Camera Record of Japanese in Victory--and in Defeat."

The Ephrata Review, August 16, 1945: "Wildest Joy Greet's Surrender Here."

Lancaster New Era, December 7, 1945: "2,198 Lancaster Casualties Reported in World War."