LIBRARIAN’S REPORT, SEPTEMBER 2014

**Manuscript Acquisitions:**

Family register taken from a Bible belonging to John George and Sabilla (Johnson) Albrecht (Albright), married at Ephrata October 20, 1866. Scrivener William Henning completed entries recording the couple's marriage and the births of their nine children, using gold, rose, black, and lavender inks; the deaths of John George, Sabilla, and some of the children were added in penciled script. (Donation—Betty Albright)

Autograph book kept by Dorothy Caulwell of Ephrata; inscriptions are all dated 1931. Signers (many of them members of the Ephrata High School Class of 1934) include Elizabeth A. Sheaffer, Ethel Martin, Roger Witman, L.J. Fleischman, Violet Erwin, Dorothy Ryder, Vincent Spangler, Isobel Cox, Irma L. Martin, teacher Sadie K. Mohler, and others. (Donation—James Brodt)

Two letters from Robert P. Becher, serving with the U.S. Marines, to family friends Paul and Elsie (Killian) Kochel of Bareville, April 29 and November (postmarked November 23), 1943. Robert Becher was a son of Paul and Verna (Culp) Becher, who lived in Columbia at the time the letters were written; the Bechers also resided in Ephrata. (Donation—Rose Marie Kochel Null)

**Photograph Acquisitions:**

Digital copy of a Killian Studio photograph of members of the Akron High School graduating class of 1920; identified subjects include Alma C. Daniels, Melvin K. Zell, and Maude E. Eshleman (Made Eshleman Zell). Other class members were Paul S. Eberly, L. Bernetha Wechter, Ruth R. Enck, Irene B. Brubaker, Marlin C. Holland, Lester Eichelberger, Irene B. Brubaker, and Elmer Miller. (Lent for copying by Helen Keith)

The following photographs were donated by Betty Albright:

Mounted oval portrait of Catharine (Marshall) Waltman of Ephrata holding an unidentified baby, probably a grandchild, on her lap, ca. 1900.

3 1/2" x 5 1/2" photograph of Ephrata High School basketball player Warren Gockley, 1924.

Real-photo postcard portrait of Ephrata High School basketball player Lloyd S. Gerhart, 1924; Gerhart was later mayor of Ephrata.

8" x 10" photograph of 20 of the original 34 members of the Ephrata High School Class of 1924 assembled for a class reunion at the Ephrata American Legion, date uncertain. Only four subjects are identified: Theodore S. Zerfass, Noah G. Good, Emily (Brossman) Sprecher, and Pearl (Waltman) Albright.
8" x 10" b & wh photograph of a group of "Anniversary Belles" assembled at Ephrata's War Memorial Field during the Borough's Diamond (75th) Anniversary celebration, June, 1966; subjects include Edith Vaitl, Nancy Summy, Josie Dunlap, Nancy Grant, _____ Heckert, Gloria Shober, Betty Albright, Donna North, Jane Vaitl, Liz Eberhart, Mrs. Henry Hummer, and Eleanor Schindehutte.

Mounted "Fritz Studio" photograph of a Franklin Street School class with teach Pearl Waltman (Pearl Waltman Albright), n.d., ca. 1928-1932.

Mounted "Fritz Studio" photograph of an unidentified Ephrata Township school class with teacher Pearl Waltman of Ephrata, n.d., ca. 1926-1928.

Mounted photograph of an Ephrata High School basketball team with their coach, ca. 1924. Two players, Roy Bishop Albright and Isaac Hacker, are identified.

Mounted photograph of the Ephrata High School class of 1924 outside the Franklin Street School building, 1923 or 1924.

Mounted photograph of an Ephrata baseball team, n.d., ca. 1930's; one player, Roy Albright, is identified.

Mounted "Fritz Studio" photograph of the Ephrata High School basketball team, 1924; one player, Roy Albright, is identified.

5" x 7" photograph of John Krouse in his football uniform, ca. 1944; Krouse was a member of the Ephrata High School class of 1947.

12" x 18" copy photograph of the Ephrata Jr. High School basketball team, 1947-48; one player, R. Barry Albright, is identified.

12" x 18" copy photograph of the Ephrata High School football team, ca. 1947; players are not identified.

12" x 18" copy photograph of Ephrata High school football player Jack Bryson, coach George Male, an unidentified player and an unidentified manager, ca. 1945-1947.

12" x 18" copy photograph of an unidentified Ephrata or Ephrata-area basketball team, ca. 1930's. Players' jerseys are printed with the names of sponsors: Arbegast's (2); Givler's; E. Ephrata view; Neff's; Longenecker's Restaurant; Speedway Cleaners. Two players, Roy Albright and Clifford Doremus, are identified.

Miscellaneous Print and Print Artifact Acquisitions:

Three copies of Ephrata’s Saturday Review newspaper, as follows: December 20, 1879 (Vol. II, No. 5); December 27, 1879 (Vol. II, No. 6); January 3, 1880 (Vol. II, No. 7). (Purchase)

Funeral invitation for Mary M. (Albright) Becker of Ephrata, d. November 24, 1913, with clipped newspaper obituary. The deceased was a daughter of John George and Sabilla (Johnson) Albright, and the wife of Isaac D. Becker. (Donation—Betty Albright)
Funeral invitation for George Albright of Ephrata, d. July 16, 1943; the deceased was a son of John George and Sabilla (Johnson) Albright. (Donation—Betty Albright)


**The following manuscripts were lent for copying by Joyce Eberly:**

Draft of a small tract of land (one acre, 16 perches) drawn for Peter Elser of Clay Twp., n.d.

Letter to Joseph W. Borry from a secretary within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Executive Chamber, December 4, 1918: "The Governor has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the second inst., tendering your resignation as a Justice of the Peace for Clay Township, Lancaster County . . ."

Rental agreement between Joseph W. Borry (landlord) and Warren and Hattie Wike, "part of a house on my farm in the Township of Clay," April 1, 1947 through April 1, 1948.


Bond between Joseph W. Borry of Clay Twp. (borrower) and Christian B. Snyder of Clay Twp., $600 and interest, March 31, 1911.

Deed between Sarah Fetter (widow of George Fetter), Thomas and Louisa Fetter, and John Fetter of the first part and Edwin S. Fetter of the second part, two tracts of land totaling 10 acres 15 perches, Clay Twp., March 25, 1874. One of the two tracts had previously belonged to Henry Fetter. Unrecorded.

Deed between John B. Eberly and Edward Dommoyer, both of Clay Twp., for a house and a 1+ acre lot in Clay Twp., January 29, 1876. The lot of ground had previously belonged to Peter and Catherine Eberly, was conveyed to John Eberly, Sr. in 1819, and was subsequently conveyed to John B. Eberly in 1838. Unrecorded.

Deed between Hiram and Susanna Borry and Henry S. Eberly, all of Clay Twp., for a house and a 1+ acre lot in Clay Twp. Same as the above), April 1, 1879. Unrecorded.

Deed between Henry S. and Salinda Eberly and Hiram Borry, all of Clay Twp., for a house and a 1+ acre lot in Clay Twp. (same as the above), March 17, 1880. Unrecorded.

**The following print items were donated by Mary Bernstel:**

Clipped "Ephrata Review" article on the history of the Muddy Creek Reformed Church, September 18, 1947.

Constitution and by-laws of the Reamstown Relief Association, organized September 3, 1926; issued to Mrs. Charles L. Glass.

Program, Service of Blessing, St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Denver, November 25, 1951.

Program, Service of Dedication, St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Denver, March 28, 1954.
Dedicatory Celebration Booklet, sanctuary and educational unit, First Evangelical United Brethren Church, Ephrata, September 11, 1955.

Program, 15th Annual Home Coming, Lincoln Lutheran Parish, August 2, 1953.