

## **LIBRARIAN'S REPORT, MAY 2017**

### **Book Acquisitions:**

“The Cloisterette” (Ephrata High School yearbook), 1945. (Donation—Linda Hoffman)

### **Manuscript Acquisitions:**

#### **NOTE:**

A large collection of manuscript items and photographs relating to the business affairs of Robert C. Wenger and to C.P. Wenger & Sons (Ephrata) was received from Carolyn Wenger; these will be individually described at a later date.

### **Photograph Acquisitions:**

8" x 10" black-and-white photograph of Emma G. (Adair) Smith of Denver, in equestrian clothing and holding the halter of a blanketed horse, ca. 1950's. (Donation—Barbara Fichthorn)

Real-photo postcard portrait of Jennie (Duck) Sheaffer, a native of Brownstown, and a second woman believed to be her sister, Mary Duck. Unmailed; n.d., ca. 1910-1915. (Donation—Bob Dickershied)

#### **The following photographs and photographic postcards were purchased from Ruth Moyer:**

8" x 10" photograph of the members of the "Chryslers" baseball team, Ephrata, 1932, at the baseball diamond at the Ephrata Park. With a partial name listing.

4 3/4" x 6 5/8" photograph of Reinholds School primary students with their teacher, 1926-1927; there are no identifications.

4 3/4" x 6 5/8" photograph of Reinholds School secondary students with their teacher, 1926-1927; there is a name listing, not keyed to the students.

Mounted 5" x 7" photograph of the members of the Reinholds Cornet Band with their instruments and with a cornfield to the rear, ca. 1910.

3 3/8" x 5" photograph of children marching down Denver's Main Street towards the railroad tracks in a summer parade, occasion unknown; Stuber's produce can be seen at left.

Set of printed color postcards showing sets from America Wonderland, Denver, ca. late 1940's or early 1950's. America Wonderland brochure, ca. 1956-1961.

Printed color postcard, photograph and advertising of the Knotty Pine Motel, Adamstown, 1976.

Printed color postcard, artist's rendering of Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge, Denver R.D. 1; with a 1959 Denver postmark.

Printed color postcard, photograph of Walter and Salome Eberly of Denver hand-rolling cigars, ca. 1960's or 1970's; printed color postcard, photograph of Salome Eberly hand-rolling cigars.

Printed color postcard, photograph and advertising of the Church Bell Restaurant, Ephrata, ca. 1959-1961.

Printed postcard featuring a photograph of the Adamstown Hosiery Mill and published by S.K. Heffley; addressed to Miss Frances Stover of Stevens, but not postmarked.

Printed postcard featuring a view up South Ninth Street, Akron, ca. 1910. Unmailed; no message.

Printed postcard featuring a photograph and the advertising of the C & H Esso Servicenter, Denver, ca. 1950's.

Printed postcard featuring a photograph of the Denver House, I.B. Johns, proprietor, and advertising a fox chase to be held December 22, 1910, by the Denver Hunting Club.

Real-photo postcard, Ralph Overly's Gospel Quartette, ca. 1930's. Ralph Overly lived on the northeast corner of East Locust and Grant Streets, Ephrata. .

Real-photo postcard showing the home and office of Dr. Harry Dissler, 6th and Main Streets, Denver, not long after its construction; the house was built in or around 1907. Not postmarked, but with a written message: "Oh this is the place I love to go and see my sweetheart / Wishing you many more happy birthdays / Maggie."

Real-photo postcard, Gensemer's Luncheonette, Denver, ca. 1930. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing the interior of the sanctuary of Trinity United Brethren Church, Denver, with Rev. and Mrs. Oliver R. Brooks; the couple stand amid numerous baskets and vases of flowers. Ca. 1939-1945.

Real-photo postcard showing a horse and light open buggy and its occupants on an unpaved street, ca. 1908; inscribed on the reverse "2nd St Denver at the Washington House." No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing the costumed cast of a dramatic production, with the Denver Fire Hall to the rear, ca. 1908; cast members include Guy K. Bard and Wayne R. Parmer. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard, view up Denver's Main Street from a point south of the railroad station and showing the station, the Palace Theater, etc. Mailed by Catherine Mowrey of Elizabethtown by "M.E.M."; postmarked August 28, 1917.

Real-photo postcard showing a Denver Fire Company pumper; inscribed in pencil on the reverse "1922 Hahn Truck." No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing three men in overalls with masonry and other tools, thought to have been taken in Denver; inscribed on the reverse "Martin Nissley" (?)

Miniature 2 5/8" x 4 3/8" real-photo postcard of a young man identified as Earl Stober, date uncertain. The subject is believed to have been W. Earl Stober, a son of William and Amanda (Strickler) Stober.

Real-photo postcard, St. John's Lutheran Church, Denver, constructed in 1913. N.d., ca. 1915. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing Army supply wagons and teams of horses on current Rt. 272 at Swartzville, 1917; the Daniel Graeff house can be seen to the rear. No message; unmailed.

Two similar real-photo postcards showing Army supply wagons and teams of horses on current Rt. 272 at Swartzville, 1917; the Daniel Graeff house can be seen in one of the views. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing Grace Union Chapel at the site of the Muddy Creek Lutheran and Reformed Church, East Cocalico Township, ca. 1910. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing the second building of the Muddy Creek Lutheran and Reformed Church, East Cocalico Twp., with a portion of the adjoining cemetery visible in the foreground, ca. late 1920's or early 1930's. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing the organ in the second building of the Muddy Creek Lutheran and Reformed Church, East Cocalico Twp.; the organ was purchased in 1869 from Samuel Bohler of Reading and was reconstructed for use in the new church building upon the demolition of the second in 1938. Ca. late 1920's or early 1930's. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing the interior of the sanctuary of the second building of Muddy Creek Lutheran and Reformed Church, ca. late 1920's or early-mid 1930's. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing the front gable end of the second building of the Muddy Creek Lutheran and Reformed Church, ca. late 1920's or early-mid 1930's. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing the elevated pulpit of the Muddy Creek Lutheran and Reformed Church, ca. late 1920's or early-mid 1930's. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing Lutheran pastor Rev. Benjamin Welder among Harvest Home decorations in the sanctuary of the Muddy Creek Lutheran and Reformed Church; postmarked 1911. Mailed to Miss Gertrude Hug\_\_ (?) of Wernersville by her cousin H.L. Freehafer(?): "I am ever so much obliged for the present you sent me . . ."

Real-photo postcard showing the ruins of Levi Mellinger's cigar factory, located to the rear of 101 Main Street, Denver. Mailed to Miss Hattie Burkholder, Denver; sender unknown.

Real-photo postcard showing Bear's (Keller's; Eberly's) Mill and an adjoining stone home, located off Weaver Road outside Denver, ca. 1910. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing Fry's Service Station, located at the intersection of Main and Snyder Streets, Denver, ca. 1930. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing a horse-drawn float and its occupants, dressed in reproduction Colonial-era garb with a patriotic emphasis; portions of the front facades of the Denver Post Office, the Denver National Bank, and the Palace of Sweets can be seen to the rear. The occasion is unknown. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing the Denver House, ca. 1930's. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing an early auto decorated with flags and bunting on an unpaved street at an uncertain location, possibly Denver, ca. 1908. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing the Shady Oak Inn, located on South Cocalico Road between Schoeneck and Cocalico, ca. 1930.

Real-photo postcard showing members of the Stevens Sunday School assembled near a pavilion in a park setting, ca. 1915. No message; unmailed. Inscribed on the reverse "Stevens / Sunday School, / Ella Buch."

Real-photo postcard portrait of George S. (1852-1928) and Emmaline (Renninger) Ludwig of Stevens, ca. 1912. Inscribed in the margin "Mr. & Mrs. George Ludwig / Justice of the Peace at / Stevens when I was a boy 1912," and on the reverse with the same notation and the name Dave Hornberger.

Real-photo postcard showing Plum's Hotel and Store, Stevens, ca. 1906-1907. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing a baby in a wicker carriage on the porch of a frame house, ca. 1909; the reverse is inscribed "Emma Hertzog." The child is thought to be the daughter of Simon and Annie (Rupp) Hertzog of Stevens, born July 13, 1908. She later married Mahlon Reich, and lived in Ephrata. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing four children in a light open carriage drawn by two matched ponies, ca. 1910, with a home and outbuildings to the rear. Inscribed on the back at an uncertain date "Reamstown PA." The subjects are unknown. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing buildings on the grounds of Haldeman's Hatchery near Reamstown (Stevens address), ca. 1940. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing buildings on the grounds of Haldeman's Hatchery near Reamstown (Stevens address). Mailed to Pvt. Homer K. Long at Camp Blanding, Florida, by "Anna & Elam" [Haldeman] and postmarked Stevens, July 11, 1942.

Real-photo postcard showing buildings on the grounds of Haldeman's Hatchery near Reamstown (Stevens address). Mailed to Pvt. Homer K. Long at Camp Blanding, Florida, by "Anna & Elam" [Haldeman] and postmarked Stevens, August 8, 1942.

Real-photo postcard showing the Elam J. and Anna Haldeman house at the couple's hatchery and poultry farm near Reamstown, ca. 1940. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing the sanctuary of an unidentified church, decorated for Christmas, ca. 1910. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing the members of a Hopeland United Brethren Church girls' Sunday school class, ca. 1913-1917. The subjects are identified on the reverse: Ella Haas, Vena Moore, Mabel Schnerer, Emma Nessinger, Rev. W.E. Shoop, Lillie Marks, Minnie Dissler, Goldie Wealand, \_\_\_\_\_ Meiskey, Elsie Steffy, Bessie Wolf.

Real-photo postcard of the area on the outskirts of Akron known as "Mexico Valley," ca. 1908; stamped in the lower margin "Compliments of Harry K. Smith, Akron, Pa. / Dealer in all kinds of Fancy Poultry, Dogs and Pure Ice." Inscribed on the reverse "Annie."

Real-photo postcard showing the Hope Hosiery Mill property, Adamstown, ca. 1912-1915. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing the students at the Pleasant Retreat School, West Cocalico Twp., 1911. The image is unfocused. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing Witwer's Bridge near Blainsport. Sent to Mrs. R.S. Brunner of Blackwood, N.J. by "Lillian"; postmarked Reinholds Station, April 14, 1910. Message reads: "Thank you for the photo. I think it is fine. Do you know this bridge? I took it a few weeks ago. This is concrete."

Real-photo postcard showing the Blainsport Hotel, Rt. 897, ca. mid-1930's. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing the rear of the Blainsport Hotel and an adjoining barn, ca. mid-1930's. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing an aerial view of the Ralph Wolf farm at the intersection of Meadow Road and Rt. 897; the farm had previously belonged to Rev. and Mrs. George S. Showalter. Ca. late 1940's or early 1950's; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing an aerial view of Showalter's Poultry Farm, Reinholds, ca. 1950's.

Real-photo postcard showing a bartender and customer in the Reinholds Hotel, 1908. No message; unmailed.

Real-photo postcard showing the house and hatchery building at Sleppy's Hatchery, located on Rt. 272 between Ephrata and Reamstown. Mailed to Elam Zook of Bareville by hatchery owner R.E. Sleppy; postmarked March 4, 1939. Message reads, "Your chicks will be delivered Mar 9th in the afternoon."

### **Miscellaneous Print Acquisitions:**

Small calling card with the handwritten inscription "Mrs. Hannah Hibshman"; inscribed in a later hand "For Graduation 1915 . . ." (Donation—Henrietta Hartranft)

Two copies of the simple printed calling card of Mrs. Harry (Lizzie Lausch) Mohler. (Donation—Henrietta Hartranft)

Program, service of installation for Rev. Celo V. Leitzel, pastor of the Muddy Creek Evangelical Lutheran Parish, July 26, 1953. (Donation—Rowena Clough)

Program, "It's Fun to Sing," elementary pupils of the Ephrata Borough Schools, March 10, 1955. (Donation—Rowena Clough)

Program, Ephrata High School baccalaureate service, May 27, 1956. (Donation—Rowena Clough)

### **The following print items were purchased from Ruth Moyer:**

Card distributed by M.B. Angstadt, Ephrata, to accompany a set of postcards also distributed by Angstadt: "The enclosed beautiful Post Cards show a few of the most popular styles of the famous 5A Horse Blankets and 5A Lap Robes . . ."

Postcard promoting the 4th of July celebration held at Ephrata July 3 & 4, year not given; the card, mailed to Alice Ditzler, is postmarked 1931.

Postcard announcing an "Old Timer's Dance" to be held in the Ephrata Band Hall, April 6, 1923; mailed to Steve Hornberger, Reinholds.

Printed card promoting a performance by "Uncle Jack and Mary Lou" at the Denver High School auditorium, April 19, 1940.

Postcard announcing "Rally [sic, 'Rall'] Day" of the Schoeneck Sunday School, September 26, 1915.

Postcard mailed to the members of American Legion Cloister Post No. 492, dated May 17, 1921: "It is requested that every member of the Post meet at the Post Rooms at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 19, to attend the funeral of Our Comrade Harvey G. Steffy, whose body arrived from Oversea on Monday evening . . ." Mailed to Harry Schlott, Denver.

Postcard mailed to the members of American Legion Cloister Post No. 492, dated June 10, 1921: "It is requested that every member of the Post meet at the Post Rooms at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 19, to attend the funeral of Our Comrade Jacob Hirneisen, whose body arrived from Oversea on Thursday evening . . ."

Advertising postcard distributed by "Westinghouse Radio Registered Dealer" M.G. Steffy, 403 Main Street, Denver, 1930; mailed to Howard Beck of Denver.

Business/advertising card printed for D.H. Snyder, proprietor of the Schoeneck Hotel. The reverse features a poem tailored for the establishment: "Schoeneck is a loft place, / With beauties rich and rare, / The people all have pleasant ways, / and SNYDER keeps the HOTEL there . . ."

"Thanksgiving Offering" postcard with a folding overlay, distributed by Marburger Bros., Denver; mailed from New York City to John Stober of Denver, 1907.

Printed card promoting a pig roast to be held at the Schoeneck Hotel, August 5, 1938: "Music will be furnished by Schuyler's Melody Makers." Mailed to Miss Grace Snyder, Adamstown.

Printed card promoting, in Pennsylvania Dutch, "en sou roasht" (a pig roast) to be held at the Schoeneck Hotel, July 15, 1938. Mailed to Grace Snyder, Adamstown.

Printed card promoting, in Pennsylvania Dutch, a "Grosey fux chase" (big fox chase) to be conducted from the Schoeneck Hotel, January 7, 1939.

Printed card promoting a fox chase to be conducted from the Black Horse Hotel, Reinholds, February 22, 1941: "A Large Male Red Fox will be Dropped Promptly at 4:00 p.m."

Printed notice on card stock: "After Today - - - / Sunday, November 19, 1933 / Until Further Notice / Fairview Dairy / Ephrata, Pa. / Will be unable to serve / you with Dairy / Products! / By Order of the / United States Secretary / of Agriculture. / PLEASE Write or Telegraph a Protest to / Hon. H.A. Wallace, Secretary De- / partment of Agriculture . . ."

Unused Reamstown Exchange Bank check printed for the Blainsport Hotel under the proprietorship of L.K. Binkley.

Menu, Kountry Korner Drive-In, Rt. 897 between Blainsport and Reinholds, ca. 1960's.

**The following photocopied records were donated by Milton Haldeman:**

Group of photocopies documenting cases brought before the Lancaster County Court of Quarter Sessions, as follows:

Commonwealth vs. Clayton John Keller, September Term, 1917; paternity suit brought by Mary Beam of Ephrata.

Commonwealth vs. Herbert S. Weaver, September Term, 1920; paternity suit brought by Alverta M. Fry of Martindale.

Commonwealth vs. Myer Wolf, April Term, 1919; statutory rape, Sarah Hacker.

Commonwealth vs. Lloyd Eckman, April Term, 1919; paternity suit brought by Mary Beck.

Commonwealth vs. Frank Stoneback, January Term, 1910; paternity suit brought by Ida Demmy.

Commonwealth vs. Charles Blaze, April Sessions, 1913; paternity suit brought by the father of Ella May Mull.

Commonwealth vs. Henry Bomberger, September Term, 1916; paternity suit brought by Mamie Ulrich.

Commonwealth vs. Harrison Minnich, August Term, 1915; paternity suit brought by Mabel E. Gockley of Ephrata.

Commonwealth vs. Edna Steffy, September Term, 1914: Maud Axer charges that the defendant "did . . . have carnal knowledge of the person of Fred Axer, a married man and not her lawful husband."

Commonwealth vs. Charles Baxter, November Term, 1913; paternity suit brought by the father of Florence Erb.

Commonwealth vs. Preston Epler, August Term, 1918; paternity suit brought by Sallie Breitegam of Reamstown.

Commonwealth vs. Leroy Arndt, November Term, 1920; paternity suit brought by Ruth Eitnier of Elizabeth Twp.

### **Artifact Acquisitions:**

Blotter printed with a depiction of the young secretary taking information over the phone, and with the advertising of Bolton Farms Hatchery, Schoeneck, ca. 1941-1947. (Purchase—Ruth Moyer)

Ephrata High School Mountaineers enameled pinback button, the face enameled in purple and gold, 3 ½" in diameter. Uppercase inscription reads "Ephrata / E.H.S. / Mountaineers." (Donation—Marcia Spohn)

Ephrata High School appliqued felt pennant, Class of 1961, black and mint green in color; measures 34" long and 14" wide at the widest point. (Donation—Marcia Spohn)

**The following four "Foltz Pottery" deep redware plates were donated by Donna Horst.** Each has a coggle rim and green slip accents and measures 9 ½" in diameter; each is incised with a depiction of an Ephrata Cloister building.

Plate incised with a depiction of the Saron; stamped on the underside with the mark of the Foltz Pottery, Reinholds, and incised "The Sisters House (Saron) / 1743 / at the Ephrata Cloister / C.N. Foltz / 1986 / + / Doneckers 25th Anniversary / Limited Edition / #165."

Plate inscribed with a depiction of the "Conrad Beissel House"; stamped on the underside with the mark of the Foltz Pottery and incised "The Conrad Beissel House/ at the Ephrata Cloister / C.N. Foltz / 1989 / + / Made for Doneckers / Ephrata, Pa. / Limited Edition / #125."

Plate incised with a depiction of the Academy; stamped on the underside with the mark of the Foltz Pottery and incised "The Academy - 1837 / at the Ephrata Cloister / C.N. Foltz / 1986 / + / Made for Doneckers / Ephrata, Pa. / Limited Edition / #113."

Plate incised with a depiction of the Saal; stamped on the underside with the mark of the Foltz Pottery and incised "The Saal - 1743 / at the Ephrata Cloister / C.N. Foltz / 1987 / + / Made for Doneckers / Ephrata, Pa. / Limited Edition / #113."

**The following artifact items were donated by Sandy Reidenbach:**

Blotter printed with the advertising of Harry Ruth, Jr., Ephrata: "Electrolux / Cleaner and Air Purifier / Bonded Representative: Harry Ruth, Jr. / Route 3 - Phone 195-J-4 - Ephrata, Pa. / Sales and Service / Free Home Demonstration."

6" wooden advertising ruler, Frank R. Gockley Sewing Machines, Ephrata, ca. 1948-1962.

Early wood and metal advertising hanger, Schwartz Bros., Ephrata.

Wooden advertising pencils, as follows:

- Ephrata National Bank
- Stoner's Shoe Repair Service, Ephrata (2)
- Ephrata Motor Co., Ephrata

Small pocket knife in a pearlescent plastic sheath: "Compliments of Ephrata Pioneer Fire Co."

**The following artifact items were donated by Carolyn Wenger:**

Refrigerator magnets, as follows: Ephrata Community Ambulance Association; C.P. Wenger & Sons, Ephrata; "Borough of Ephrata Recycles."

R.W. Zimmerman and Sons advertising key chain; John H. Steffy advertising key chain.

Small vinyl Ephrata National Bank zippered change bag, 3 1/4" x 5". The burgundy-tinted brown bag is printed in white "The Ephrata National Bank," beneath the bank's logo.

Vinyl Ephrata National Bank zippered change bag; the dark blue bag is printed in white "The Ephrata National Bank," beneath the bank's logo.

Vinyl Ephrata National Bank zippered change bag. The dark blue bag is printed in white above the bank's logo "Founded 1881," and below the logo, in a variety of lettering styles, "The Ephrata National Bank / Ephrata, Pennsylvania 17522 / Member F.D.I.C."

Vinyl Ephrata National Bank zippered change bag. The burgundy, leather-textured bag, which has a vertical format, is printed in white above the bank's logo "Founded 1881," and below the logo, which incorporates the bank name, Member F.D.I.C."

Synthetic fabric drawstring money bag printed in black and white with a depiction of the Ephrata National Bank building, 31 East Main Street, Ephrata. The face of the bag is printed in white above the illustration "We Pay You To Save," and beneath the illustration "The Ephrata National Bank / Organized 1881 / Ephrata, Pa. / Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation."