

## **One Hundred Years Ago**

"Grand New Year's Day Parade" was front page news in the January 1, 1910 *Lewisburg Chronicle*. "Fully fifteen hundred persons will be in line and the column will be more than a mile in length."

Leading the parade was Trate's Sons of Veterans Military Band of Watsontown, followed by Company A-12th Regiment, Company C of Milton; military degree teams of Woodsmen from Milton, Sunbury, Mifflinburg and Lewisburg; visiting firemen from Milton, Sunbury, Mifflinburg; Wm. Cameron Engine Co., secret societies and lodges - Red Men, Hay Makers, P.O.S. of A., Knights of the Golden Eagle, Junior Order of American Mechanics; and the ladies' Degree of Pocahontas, Daughters of the American Revolution and the Rebekah's; floats by businesses, mummers, and "funny boys" at the end. Marshals included Lieut. Samuel Wolfe, Major W. R. Follmer, U. R. Swengle, Capt. T.H. Murrow, Fire Chief W.N. Wensel. Charles Stackhouse and Foster Arbogast led the fantastically costumed mummers.

The afternoon parade was to start near 8th Street and move down Market to Water, through the south side of town, cross town on 4th to St. Anthony Street, through the north side of town, ending at Market.

### **Feature Articles**

The newspaper printed the names of men of Co. D 150th PV who saw action at Gettysburg in 1863, according to the Gettysburg Battlefield Commission. These names were to go on a tablet at the State Memorial.

Readers learned about Dr. Lightner Whitmer's work at Bucknell with a chimpanzee taught to use tools and understand language, and how Daisy, a trained bear belonging to Sheriff Anderson, prevented 4 prisoners from escaping the Harris County jail. Other articles included "The Marienbad World: Taking the Cure at the Salt Springs of Bohemia" and "How Insects Breathe." There were also several multi-column stories.

Register's Notices listed wills for the upcoming court session. Marriages were announced. An obituary recalled Lewisburg's oldest resident, Miss Lucretia Fruit, who died at 95, of "old age."

### **Advertisements**

Advertisers on January 1, 1910 included Lewisburg merchants: A.E. Bowers, jewelers, at 213 Market Street; Joseph C. Traub's tailoring at 25 N. Front Street, and Ireys' Big Shoe Store. O.B. Stine's 5 and 10-cent store offered house wares, paints, hardware, books, stationary, dry goods and chocolates at the best prices. Competition came from J.W. Painer & Co., who sold groceries, candies, hardware, and farm tools. K. Derr sold ice cream and candy, and Werner's Bakery sold Werner's "N U" Bread at 5 cents per loaf. Frank Himmelreich, at Baker House Livery, Sales and Boarding Stables, offered "first-class turnouts of every description...safe horses, good vehicles and reliable men to drive." Norman Mitterling's orchestra would provide "up-to-date programs for all engagements" and the Lyceum showed new films daily.

The Leader Grocery in Milton advertised fruits, olives, maple syrup, nuts, lettuce and celery, homemade cider and mincemeat.

J.F. Gauger & Sons, men's tailors and outfitters in Milton, advertised custom-made full-dress worsted wool suits for \$25. H.F. Clemmer of Sunbury sold ladies coats, suits and furs. In Selinsgrove Will W. Houtz sold chewing and smoking tobacco.

The newspaper itself ran several ads: selling subscriptions for "only one dollar for one year;" an offer of a free sewing machine to anyone who solicited 100 subscribers to the paper, plus "correspondents wanted." The Lewisburg Chronicle (L.K. Derr - owner and publisher) was published every Saturday morning.

The Union County Historical Society has newspapers on microfilm for research and reference, including: New Berlin's *Union Annalist*, *Union Times* and *Anti-Masonic Star* of the 1830's, the *Mifflinburg Telegraph* 1862-2002, the *Lewisburg Journal* 1910-1952, and the paper from which this article is derived, the *Lewisburg Chronicle* 1847-1912.

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# Lewisburg Chronicle

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Politics---Republican.

Local and County

LEWISBURG, PA., SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 1910.

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## My New Year's Resolution

By GERALD PRIME

**O**NCE I made a resolution  
That I'd be an eremite;  
Tried to pore o'er pond'rous  
volumes

E'en until the morning light;  
Aimed to flee from foglish fondness  
And the lighter side of life,  
Sternly looking toward the glory  
Of the soul's seraphic strife.

Banished all were wine and roses.  
St. Stylites on his perch  
Ne'er outdid me, nor did even  
Scriptured saint within a church.  
Then I chanced to meet her walking,  
And she smiled—well, what's the  
use?

My fine New Year's resolution  
Galopped madly to the deuce.

### BATTLEFIELD COMMISSION.

Names To Go On the Bronze Tablet in the State Memorial.

The CHRONICLE has secured from the Gettysburg Battlefield Commission the names of the officers and enlisted men of Co. D 150th P. V. who were in action at Gettysburg in 1863, as the list is now made up.

These are the names to go on the bronze tablet in the State Memorial, subject to corrections that may hereafter be made, and the missing soldiers or the families or friends of these who are not now alive, are requested to examine the list and submit any correction in the spelling of a name or to whether there has been a wrong insertion or the omission of a name, to General H. S. Huidskoper, P. O. Box 533, Philadelphia, Pa. It is not the intention of the Commission to put on the tablets the name of any soldier who was not actually "present for duty" on some one of the three days of the battle. The loss of the 150th at Gettysburg was 58 killed or mortally wounded, and 140 wounded to some extent and 47 captured or missing.

1st Lieut. W. P. Dougal.

2nd Lieut. Elias B. Weidensaul.

#### SERGEANTS.

Roland Stoughton, S. H. Himmelreich, \*William E. Henning.

#### CORPORALS.

John H. Harter, John Hafe, John A. Hauck, \*Joseph B. Ruhl, S. P. Kerstetter, \*Jos. S. Gutelius, William Donachy.

#### PRIVATEs.

Aaron Ammop, John S. Bird, Charles S. Buoy, Ephraim Campbell, James Cummings, Adam Diehl, John Diehl, John Donachy, William Eberhart, Isaac Eisenhower, Simon Erdley, \*Henry A. Fees, Jacob Fillman, Simon E. Foust, Charles A. Frey, Peter Grove, Fisher Gutelius, F. S. Hassenplug, D. R. Hoitenstine, John M. Hunt, John Kaler, Henry M. Kieffer,

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