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## "A FORGOTTEN MANHEIM PUBLICATION"



All we hear about are, of course, the Sentinel, Stiegel News, The Sun, etc. How about "THE WEEKLY PICKUP"? - published by the Bright Printing Co. of Manheim, Pa., (address unknown) the "header" of which is pictured above.

This issue is of March 17, 1938, and listed as Vol. 1, No. 50, which makes issue No. 1 to have been April 8, 1937.

It is, basically, an 8-page "advertising rag", but pp. 1-2 did have local news items. In this issue, Howard Merkey wrote a lengthy exposition on the needless, tragic death of C. Raymond Geib, a Manheim insurance agent.

Pictured below is a classic ad in that issue. Who can remember - or even dream - of chuck roast at 19¢ a lb.??? This is - without doubt - a glaring beacon of where we were then vs. now. What will tomorrow bring??

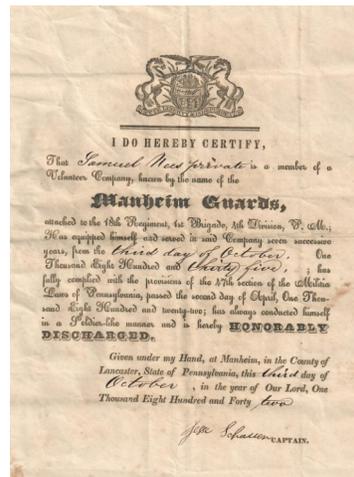


In earlier years, No. 124 was evidently known as the Phalm property. The meat shop was added for John Herr. It passed to Wayne Hershey Quality Meats, to Marvin Lebo, to Al Dissinger who ran it through the 50's, and, ultimately, to Allen Shaw.

H.E.D.

## The Manheim Guards

This document appeared at auction recently and was acquired by HMPF. At this time, our knowledge of the militia group comes only from the information printed and written on the document. The document provides a research challenge. We plan to try to obtain a copy of the **Militia Laws of Pennsylvania** passed in 1827, as a start.



**Also Acquired:** This coverlet by John Brosey, a Manheim weaver, for F. Shelly, dated 1851.



A wrought iron spatula by locksmith John Long. The spatula was made, circa 1845, when his shop was located in the Sporting Hill area. It was made

for "Fanny M. Erisman" and her name and John Long's name appear on the handle, along with some decorations. - a gift from member Steve Michael

A collection of over 200 Manheim, Penryn and Mt. Hope postcards. - gift

Daniel Hershey's "**Ledger A Book**", dated 1835, along with information related to Daniel, by Ben Hershey, Daniel's great grandson. - gift More on David and his ledger in a future newsletter issue.

## "THE BANNER of HOPE HOSE NO.1"

Pictured below is the beautiful Parade Banner as it appeared in Old Home Week of 1912.



It is now pictured as it appears today on display in the Fire Company Museum on the 2nd level of the Firehouse at 83 South Main St.



The Museum has no regular hours for public visitation, but is generally open on days of Borough events, or by appointment by contacting Fire Chief Dan Wagner at 665-7727. A MUST for serious Manheim history "buffs"... H.E.D.

**On August 1st of this year, Gary Frederick, an HMPF member, will join the Board of Directors of our organization. Gary brings to HMPF a love of Americana and a deep interest in Manheim's early history. He will be a guiding force at HMPF.**

## New Publications

HMPF announces the third publication in the Manheim series by Henry E. Deemer entitled "MANHEIM - One More Look Back" ... It contains 105 pages of "look-back" at Fire and Police - then and now -, a fraternal update, and a "potpourri" of Manheim and personal memories. It will be available July 1st at Longeneckers Hardware Store, Sloan's Pharmacy, and the HMPF office. . .

Also - a second publication is anticipated by early summer "Germania Band/Germania Band (Musical) Club - 1888-1988", also by H. E. Deemer, at the request of HMPF. It will contain 39 pages tracing the organization's history through the few remaining records and other sources. More on this when finalized.



The cap seen here is now available from our organization. The price is \$10.00, our cost, and comes in stonewashed colors of Olive, Forest Green (pictured), Midnight Blue and Burgundy. If you would like to

purchase one, please call the museum at 665-5560.

## **An Early Manheim Auction**

In our archives, we have the March 11th, 1850 manuscript vendue of the property of Adam Danner, Weaver. Here are a few interesting details:

Highest price for an item: Cow, \$16.12.  
Next highest amount paid: Wagon, \$12.50  
Wooden Washing Machine; 12½¢  
Pewter Ware: 18¢  
Carpet: 16 yds. at 25¢ ea., \$4.00  
Rocking Cradle: 3¢  
Copper Kettle: 25¢  
Spinning Wheel: 50¢  
Coffee Mill: 20¢  
Total sales: approximately \$368.16