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Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

---Proverbs 3:5,6

"In all Thy mercy and majesty, O Lord, behold thy household, that they may be neither stained with vices of their own, nor held in bondage by the sins of others; but that being ever freed and cleansed from both, they may do service unto Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen"

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Sunday School Rally Day

Next Sunday, Nov. 6th, the Sunday School will hold a rally day in hope of increasing the school membership. Special features of the occasion are being prepared that will make it of general interest.

Parents are urged to attend, and all children and older folks who do not go to any school on the Sabbath. Service begins at 9:30.

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"The Ladies aid society will meet at the home of Mrs. Bayliss on Thursday Nov. 3rd. Owing to poor attendance last Thursday the cafeteria supper had to be postponed until Nov. 8th. Please come out to the meeting Nov. 3rd. so our plans can be made." By Mrs Delmar Green, President.

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Eastern Star Service Nov. 13.

The Order of Eastern Star is to hold a religious service on Sunday afternoon, November 13th, in our Church, to be conducted by the Pastor and with the assistance of the Episcopal Minister of Washington.

The public will be cordially welcomed to attend the service.

There is to be special music and the service will be of general interest to all.

A Letter from Dr. George Deb. Keim  
Chairman of the State Committee on  
Historic Sites to the Editor.

October 19, 1938

"I have your letter of October 3rd  
upon my return to the office after  
an extended business trip.

Needless to say, it is very dis-  
appointing to write you anything  
except good news regarding Oxford  
Furnace, especially in view of your  
extreme interest and willingness  
to co-operate with us.

In our request for an appropria-  
tion this year we asked for the sum  
of \$1850 for the Oxford Furnace  
Project. When we appeared before  
the Appropriations Committee, you  
will recall that the Governor had  
recommended the sum of \$30,000 for  
our Commission. This was first  
approved by the Appropriations and  
raised \$,500 for markers for the  
World's Fair. In this appropria-  
tion we could have taken care of  
the project for Oxford Furnace.

However, the figures as recommended  
by the Appropriations Committee  
were not adopted by the Legislature.

All budget requests were reviewed  
again by the heads of of the Approp-  
riations Committees of the House  
and the Senate, and our appropriation  
was first cut to \$13,000, and then  
raised to \$15,000, which is \$5,000  
less than the Governor recommended  
and \$3,000 less than what we re-  
ceived last year. This of course,  
cut into our available funds so  
that it has been impossible for us  
to set aside any money for Oxford  
Furnace. We already had under  
way a project for the renovation of  
the Steuben House, and it was the  
view of the Commission that this  
must be continued. Outside of  
that, the Commission has been re-  
stricting itself to its usual func-  
tion of maintaining the houses and  
monuments already in a good state  
of repair, and has been forced to  
neglect Oxford Furnace, as well as  
one or two other projects which we  
had hoped to put through.

We are again requesting a substan-  
tial sum in our next year's approp-  
riation for the renovation of  
Oxford Furnace. I am sure you can  
realize that until we receive the

financial support necessary, it is  
impossible for us to undertake the  
work which we would like to do at  
Oxford. I don't want you to  
think that we have lost interest.

If there could be any way that we  
could get the funds required, we  
would start the work immediately.

The Commissioners had planned to  
make an inspection trip of all our  
properties under our jurisdiction  
during the latter part of September  
but this was interfered with by a  
change in plans of my fellow Com-  
missioners. We are hopeful to  
take this trip in the near future,  
and if it materializes, I will ad-  
vise you so that we can go over the  
matter with you on the ground at  
that time."

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This is the first knowledge we  
have had about the Appropriations  
Committee changing the sum they  
had voted on last Spring. So  
that the Commission's plans were  
upset as described above in the  
very painstaking and lucid letter  
of Dr. Keim, for which we are properly  
grateful. But we regret that we  
were not informed of this change  
early last Summer, so that we could  
have made it known to all who are  
interested in the Furnace, and we  
could have adjusted our minds to  
the necessary delay. But the letter  
assures us of the deep interest the  
Commission shows in the restoration  
of the Furnace, and we shall expect  
action as soon as it is possible.

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Another disappointment we have  
to record is that the local dealers  
in intoxicating liquors have filed  
a petition to sell on the Sabbath.

It will be on the ballot for the  
citizens to vote on at the coming  
election. Three years ago it  
was voted on and the people of  
Oxford very definitely decided that  
they did not want liquor sold on  
Sunday, and there is no reason to  
think that they have changed their  
minds. At least we hope they have  
not. It is a form of Sabbath des-  
ecration that is against the con-  
science of our citizens.

The Hillside Cemetery Report.  
An appreciation by the President

Clinton E. Weston

(To be printed in its entirety  
and just as written)

It was a grand thing you did to print an extra lot (50) of the Association reports to be passed around among plot owners and others interested in the work that the Association is doing. It will surely create a better understanding, and give people an idea of what has been accomplished in such a short time.

But aside from that we want you to know how appreciative and thankful we are for the wonderful support you have given through the Bulletin; for without the wide spread publicity the road would have been much more difficult.

At the last meeting it was mentioned what a keen interest you had taken in the movement from the beginning; so you can believe that your help and cooperation has not passed unnoticed; and with this encouragement and with that received from so many others has, to say the least, been a stimulation to the Officers and Trustees in the knowledge that their work is being given entirely in the interest of those who have selected Hillside as a place of eternal rest, and a place that people will no longer hesitate to recommend, is meeting with general approval.

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Miss Gertrude Lukens has sent us a copy of the Order of Service for the Installation of the new Stated Clerk of the General Assembly

Rev. Dr. Wm. E. Fugh. The service was held in the Second Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia. It is a handsome pamphlet and contains the regular forms of installation in complete detail.

In that Church, in its first place of worship on Arch street, the General Assembly was first organized 150 years ago. It may be recalled that it was the Church of our Shippen family at that time. And a descendant is on the program.



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