



THE OLD HOMESTEAD

No trace has been found of the legendary stockaded log house of Nicholas Oblinger, along the Lehigh River, Lehigh Gap, Pa., on land deeded to him by Colonial Government at Philadelphia, June 12, 1751. Tradition places it at present location of Craig's Inn, the rear of which is said to contain part of the original log house and old stone kitchen.

The above picture, taken 1915, is the only picture of the earliest ancestral home found to date. It is that of Nicholas' oldest son, Isaac (1741-1813), Lehigh Township, Northampton County, Pa., on the outskirts of Danielsville, along present tracks of Lehigh and New England Railroad, and only accessible across tracks or fields. Men are: (left) Reuben R. Oplinger, first president, and (right) William H. Oplinger, third president, both of Danielsville, who in May 1914 conceived the idea of having a family reunion.

Built about 1785, when Issac Oblinger was warranted 60 acres of land, adjoining farm of brother, Samuel, this two story log house was his home for the remainder of his life. Legend states that Nicholas spent his last days here. In this house Isaac's three sons and two daughters grew up; and after his death the house was occupied by his widow, Susanna, and son, Daniel (1790-1851).

Last photo taken 1951 shows the Old Homestead badly disintegrated and nearly gone but not forgotten. On its obscure crumbling foundation and cornerstone there rests the still growing structure of a vigorous early American family now spread into almost all of the states of the United States, and Canada and foreign lands.

AFTERNOON PROGRAM

2 O'clock

Opening Songs	Lena Kistler, directing Mrs. Donald A. Kuntz, at piano
Opening Prayer	Rev. Ralph T. Baily
Words of Welcome	Elwood E. Oplinger, President
Accordion Selection	Borger Brothers
Personal Greetings and Letters from Relatives	
Vocal Selection	Miss Kathleen Baily
Visiting the Uplingers and Oplingers	Arthur and Elwood Oplinger
Latest Family History News	Wm. H. Rinkenbach, Historian
TALENT TIME: Relatives perform their favorite musical and vocal selections.	
Awarding of Seven Prizes	
Oldest Man Present	Longest Married Couple
Oldest Woman Present	Most Recently Married Couple
Youngest Baby Present	Largest Family Present
Coming Longest Distance	
Accordion Selection	Borger Brothers
Business Session: Date and Place of Next Reunion	
Nominating Committee Report	
Election of Officers	
Remarks and Announcements	President-Elect
Accordion Selection	Borger Brothers
Awarding of Badge Prize	
Collection	(entire income depends on YOUR contribution)
Memorial Roll Call	Miss Tessie M. Oplinger
Closing Song	Lena Kistler, directing
Prayer and Benediction	

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A 25c FREE TREAT after program to all relatives and their guests, age 14 and under. Young folks will gather at speaker's platform to receive their quarter from Secretary Claude C. Eckert.