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town hall construction continues



Boyertown's new Town Hall is still in the process of being completed. Although construction contracts were awarded in November, 1973, the building has been faced with a series of delays and no target date has been set for its completion.

According to Larry Comunale, assistant to borough manager Rowland Read, workmen are concentrating on the outside work while the weather is good. Curbing and sidewalks are being completed with alley construction next on the agenda.



Although the plasterer has finished his work, there is no further interior work in progress in the new Town Hall, located at the corner of East Third and South Washington streets, Boyertown.



pubic invited to tour bank

The glass-fronted addition to the Boyertown office of the National Bank of Boyertown will be officially open to public view this Saturday and Sunday, October 26 and 27.

The official ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony is scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday morning, October 26, according to James K. Boyer, president.

At approximately 3 p.m. on that afternoon, the bank will be toured by Ambassador Corneliu Bogdan, Romanian ambassador to the United States, who will be visiting in the community.

A second day of bank tours is set for Sunday, October 27, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Hall of Fame honors former editor



Charles B. Spatz, editor of the Berks County Democrat, forerunner of the Boyertown Times, is now a member of the Pennsylvania Newspaper Hall of Fame. One of the founders of the Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers' association, Spatz was one of fifteen association founders honored at the 50th anniversary of PNPA, held in Harrisburg, October 3-5.

Editor of the local paper for 36 years, Spatz assumed the post upon the death of his father, Charles Spatz, in 1884. He was nineteen years old.

Turning the newspaper over to his son, Frederick, in 1920, Spatz continued to write columns and was well known as a banquet speaker and political campaigner. He was the father of General Carl Spatz.

Mrs. Anne Spatz Leaver (center), daughter of Charles B. Spatz, accepts her father's Hall of Fame plaque from Shandy Hill (at left), Hall of Fame secretary. Representing the Times of the Boyertown Area at the award ceremonies was editor Mary Jane Schneider (right).

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