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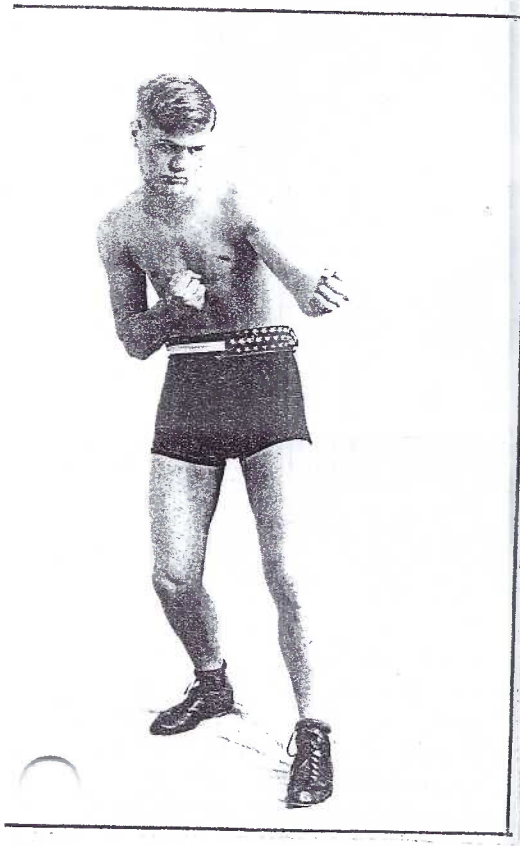

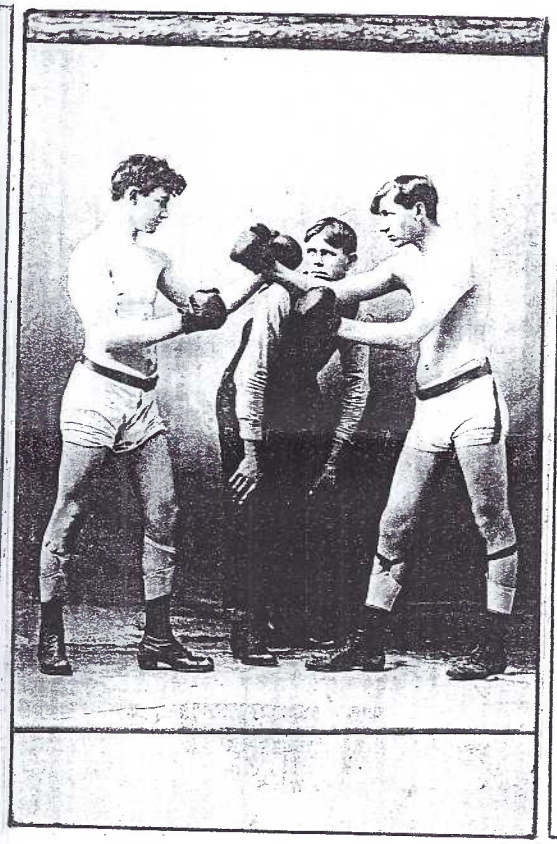

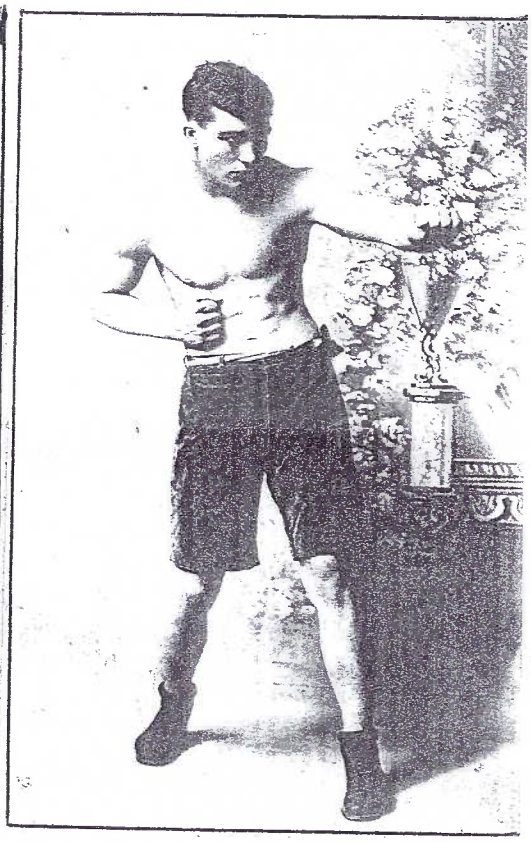

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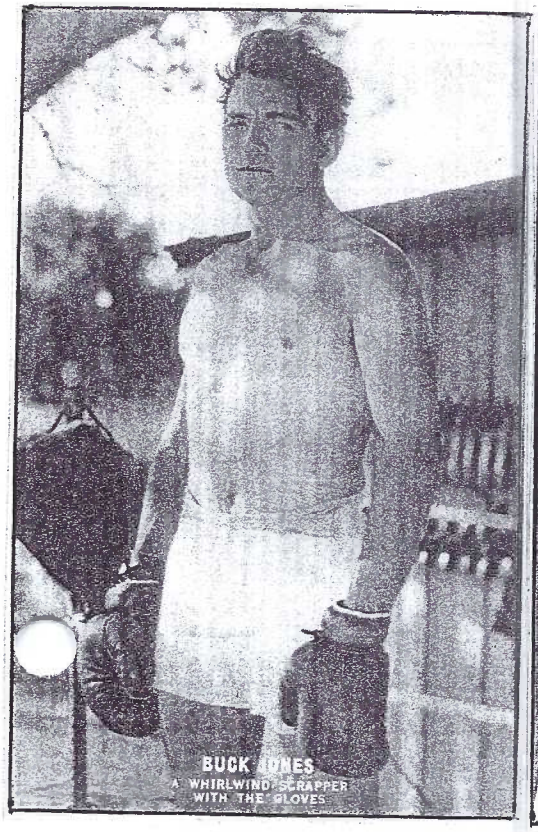
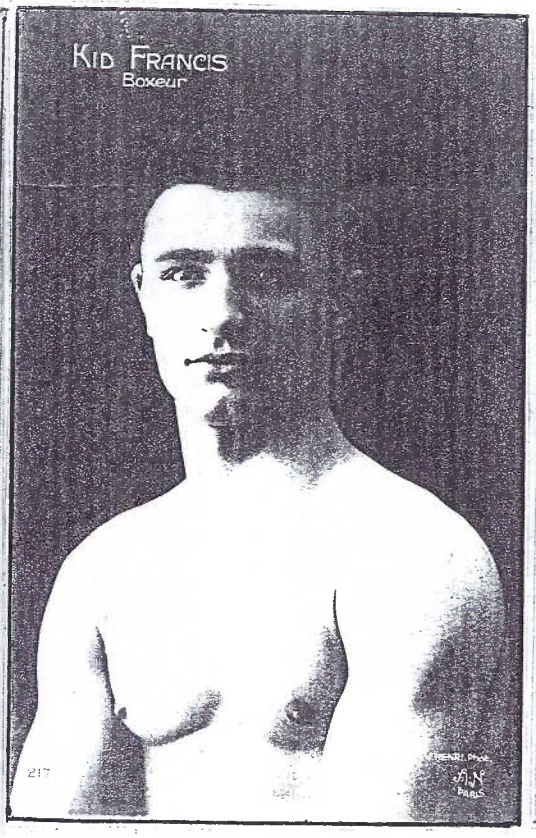




Boxing Postcards

By Bryan S. Benner

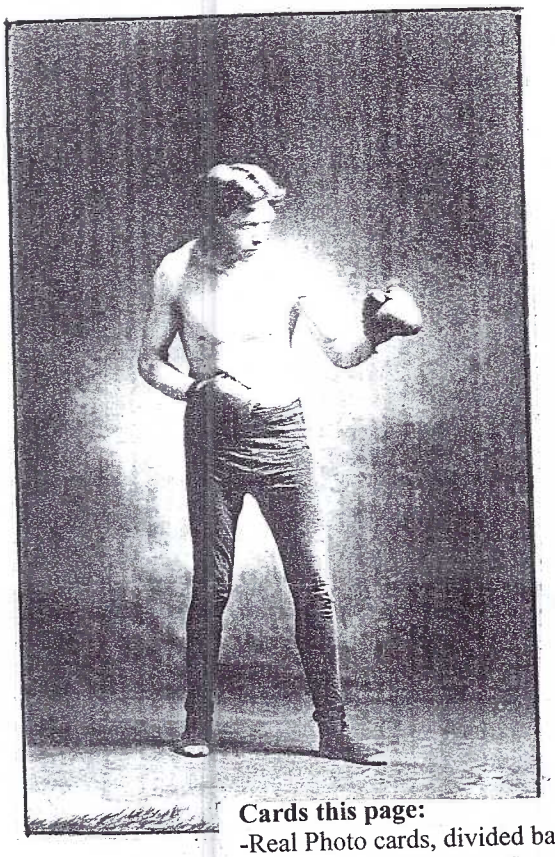
On postcards all sporting events and their participants are collectible. Sports collectors and postcard collectors alike seek them out. From what I've read baseball postcards are the most sought after, with boxing coming next.

You can find Real Photo and Printed cards depicting boxing. Some of the printed cards were used as advertising for upcoming events. From some of the Real Photo cards in my collection (some illustrated here) it appears boxing was a popular amateur sport at the turn of the twentieth century as well.

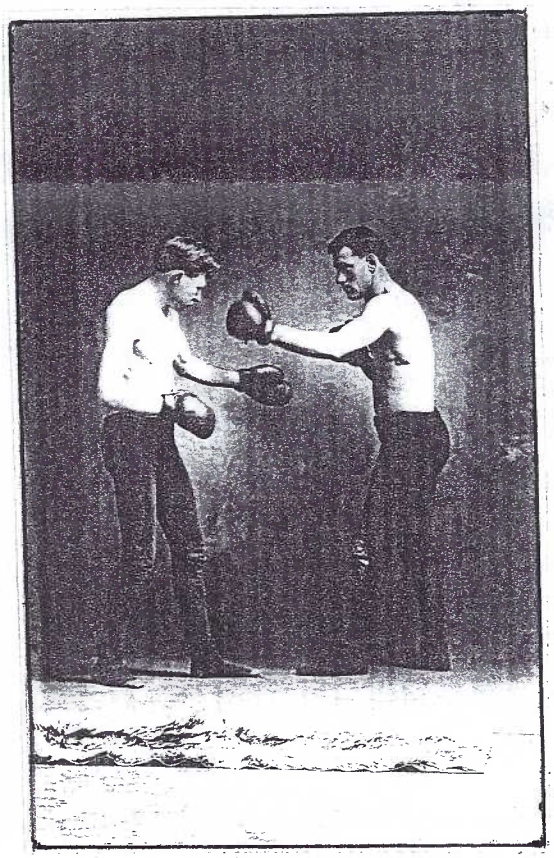
Boxing, also known as Pugilism or 'The Sweet Science', goes back to ancient Greece and Rome. They didn't use gloves, but wrapped their hands in leather straps. These bouts were often gruesome and deadly.

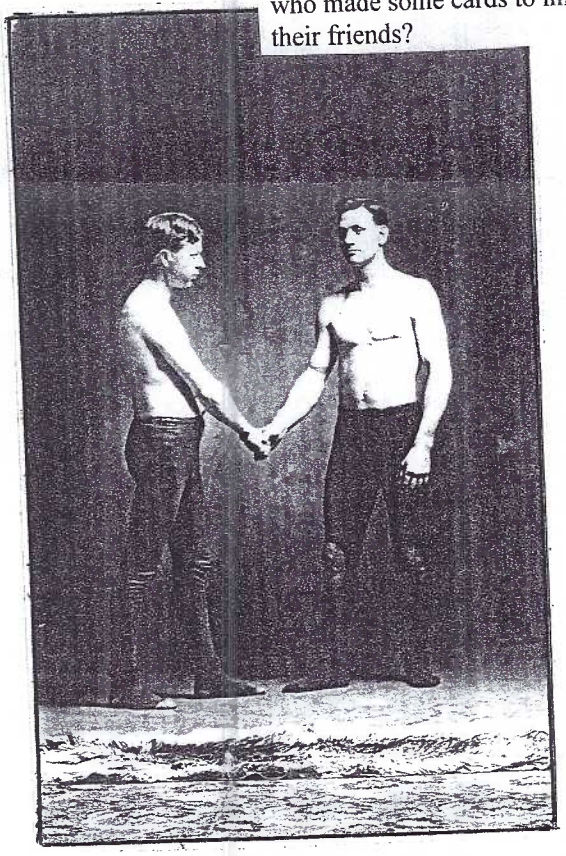
The first documented 'boxing match' took place in 1681 in England. The Duke of Albermarle had his butler and butcher fight. The sport changed significantly in 1865 when John Douglass (Eighth Marquis of Queensbury) drew up rules which made it very similar to today's sport. It included the three minute round and boxing gloves.

In 1904 Boxing was for the first time an Olympic event at the St. Louis, MO Games. Its popularity was world wide after this time. Since the postcard craze coincided with Boxing's broader emergence its no surprise both American and European Boxer's are found on postcards.



Cards this page:
-Real Photo cards, divided backs, AZO stock 1907, I have five cards of these two men, two have boxing, one they are shaking hands, one they are wrestling and the last one shows the darker haired man balanced on his head and feet with the other standing on his rib cage. My guess is they were amateurs who made some cards to impress their friends?



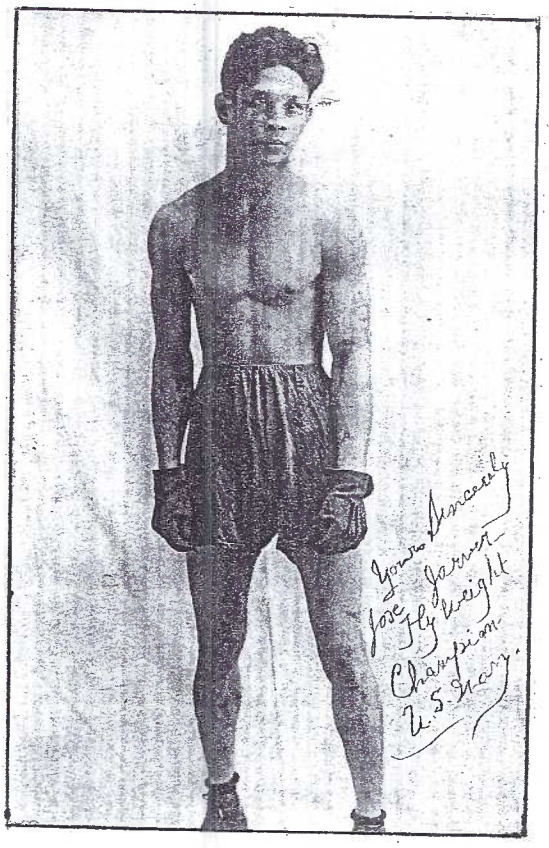


Cover Captions: top, left to right:

- Real Photo card, divided back, AZO stock (made by Eastman Kodak Co.) 1907-1909. This young boxer has a patriotic flag waist band and high top leather shoes.
- Real Photo card, divided back, Kruxo stock-1913 (made by Kilborn Photo Paper Co., Cedar Rapids, Iowa) Two young boxers and their referee, note the high top, heeled shoes and socks with garters!
- Real Photo card, divided back, Azo stock. This studio card is amusing in that the sitting backdrop isn't particularly a boxing theme.

Bottom, left to right:

- Printed card in a blue tone, divided back. This advertising doubled as a coupon for a match. On the correspondence side in the left corner a disclaimer and coupon is printed. I couldn't find any information who 'Buck Jones' was and were he fought.
- Real Photo card, divided back, V. Henri photographer, Paris, France. Marked 'Made in France on the back. Boxing must have been popular on both sides of the Atlantic. Front titled 'Kid Francis, Boxeur'
- Printed card in a grey tone, divided back. Same exact back as the first card in this row with coupon in the corner. Jack Sharkey who is pictured on the card was the 1929 Heavy Weight Champion and won his title at a match in Yankee Stadium.



Library Highlight

SPORTS POSTCARD PRICE GUIDE
By J. L. Mashburn

The wonderful world of Sports…the players, the teams, the great games played, and the winners…have always been extremely important to people all over the world. Through the early years of the 20th century, these people, the fans, photographers, newsmen, and publishers have savored the competition, and have saved the printed history pertaining to it.

One of the most factual means for recording and preserving sports history has been the ongoing use of the picture postcard. The early photographers recorded the history of games and players with their cameras as it happened. Many of these happenings were published in real photo or printed postcard form, and remain today for sports historians and collectors. The great players and teams live on through the efforts of those individuals. This guide represents a very good cross-section of the postcards that are available for collecting interests.

Artist-drawn postcards also played a leading role in the portrayal of the great popularity of sports throughout the 20th century. In the artist-drawn sections are works by American and European artists that were predominant in the 1905-1930 era.

This price guide has been uniquely designed to serve the needs of both the beginning and advanced collector, as well as the established postcard dealer. The author has attempted to provide a comprehensive guide to sports postcards dating from the late 1890s through the 1960s, and to make it possible for the novice collector to consult it with ease in finding each sport and listing.

Cards this page:

- Real Photo card, divided back, Kruxo stock. Signed by the Boxer himself, Jose Jarver, Champion U.S. Navy (Atlantic & Pacific combined) Flyweight Champion in 1921, he was Filipino.

Two New Holland Landmarks

By Brian Frankhouser

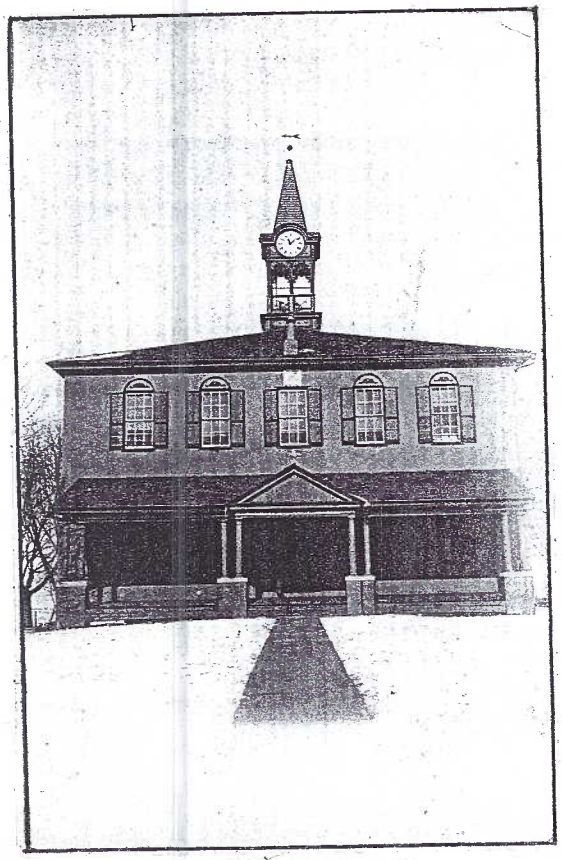
This year marks the end of an era for two landmarks in downtown New Holland. In March, clean up was completed after the demolition of the New Holland Elementary School, which served the community as a learning institution since 1875. This month (June), the deed to Kauffman's Store will be transferred, thus ending the reign of the town's oldest place of continuous public business.

The school was located in the heart of New Holland at 101 East Main Street. Upon completion of the original structure in 1874, it was decided to install a clock in the belfry. The money for the clock was raised by holding a bazaar in Witmer Hall (located in the building occupied by Kauffman's Store). The school expanded several times by building additions around the original structure on the south, north, and east sides, but by the 1950's there was no longer enough room to house 12 grades and a Kindergarten class. Several other buildings were used to fulfill the classroom needs, including the second floor of Kauffman's Store. By 1960, Garden Spot High School was completed and the building served as an elementary school for the next 45 years.

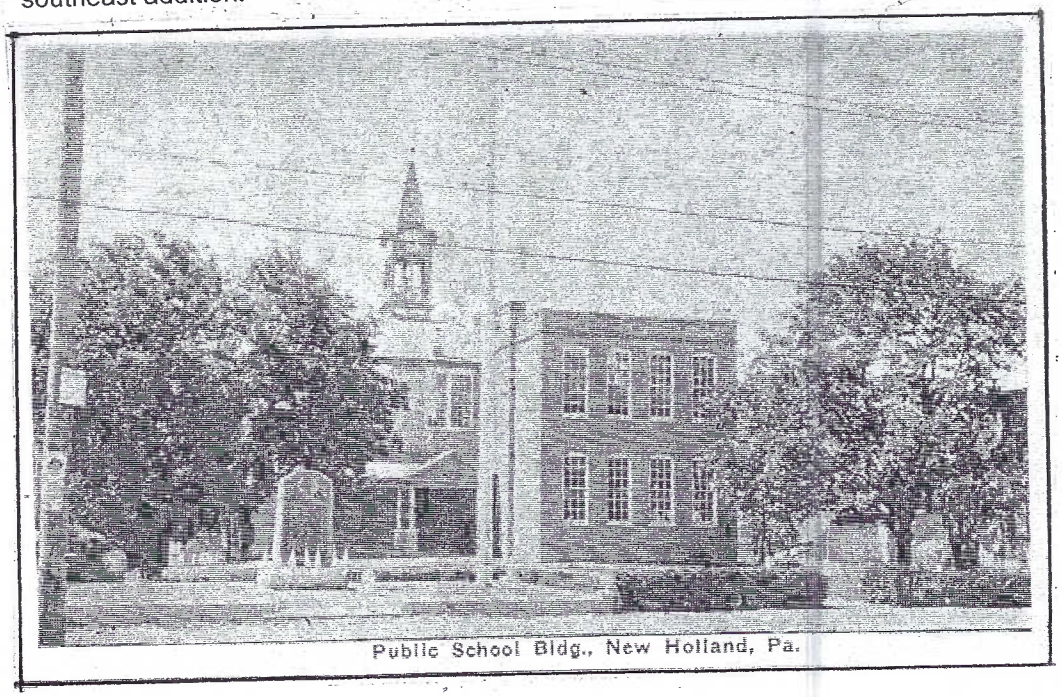
The buildings that once housed Kauffman's Store are located in the heart of what was once a thriving business section of town in the 200 block of East Main Street. The western end of the structure dates to the 18th century. The eastern side was constructed by Isaac Witwer after the Civil War, and was financed with lottery winnings. In its long rich history the buildings served as a town hall, bank, post office, hotel, stores, and even a jail. In all likelihood there were more postcards sold at this location than anywhere else in town because William M Stauffer's Drug Store was situated here until 1913.

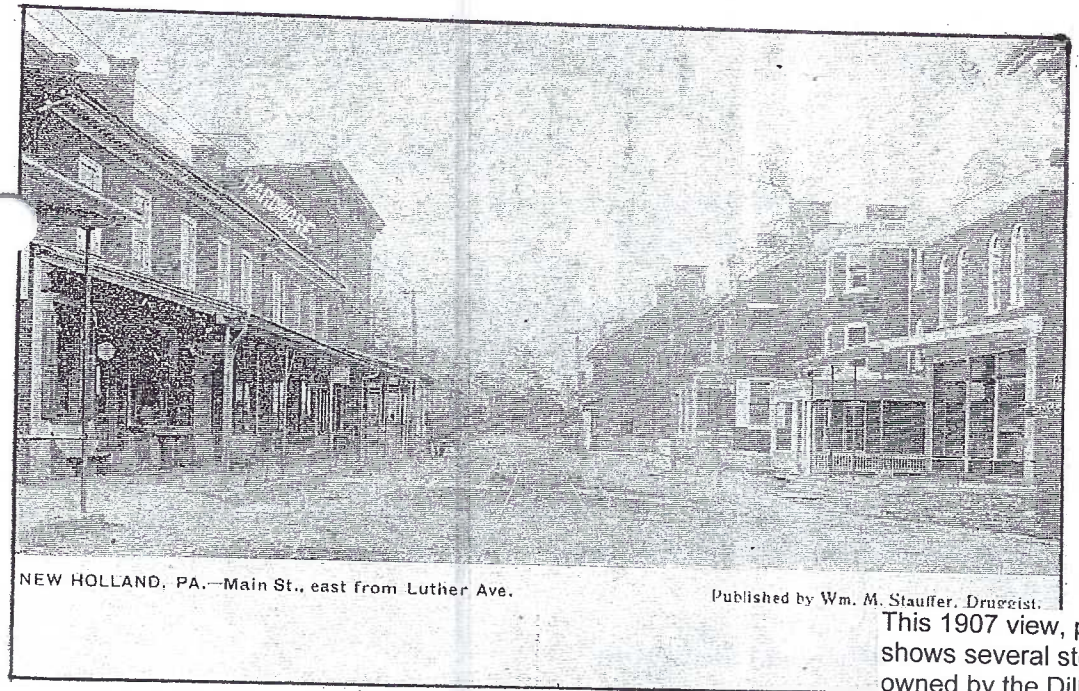
The future of the old school's Main Street frontage is uncertain, but 18 townhouses will soon occupy the northern end of the property. Some of the Kauffman's Store building will be converted to additional apartments, but a large portion of the first floor on the west side and the basement will be home to the New Holland Area Historical Society. On the east side of the first floor, will be the District Court 02-3-06 presided over by Judge Rodney Hartman.

Real Photo card shows snow scene of the New Holland School. This divided back card is marked NOKO in the stamp box, and shows the school between 1907 and 1913 when the addition was added.



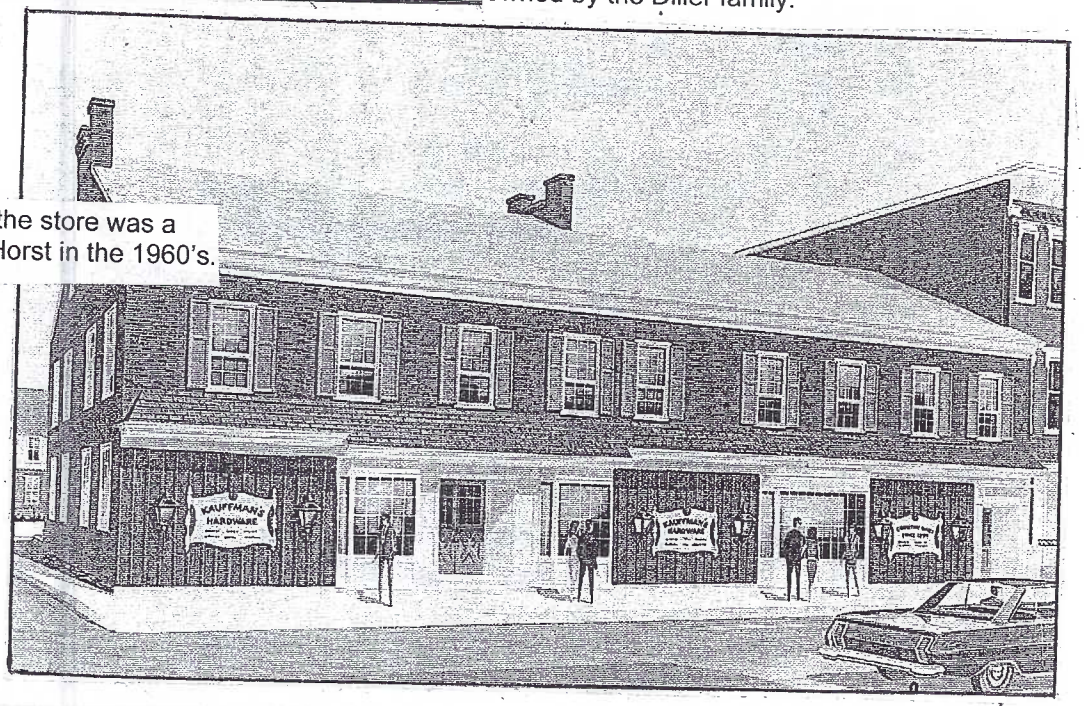
This view of the New Holland School, published by Auburn Post Card Manufacturing Company about 1920, shows the original schoolhouse and the 1913 southeast addition.



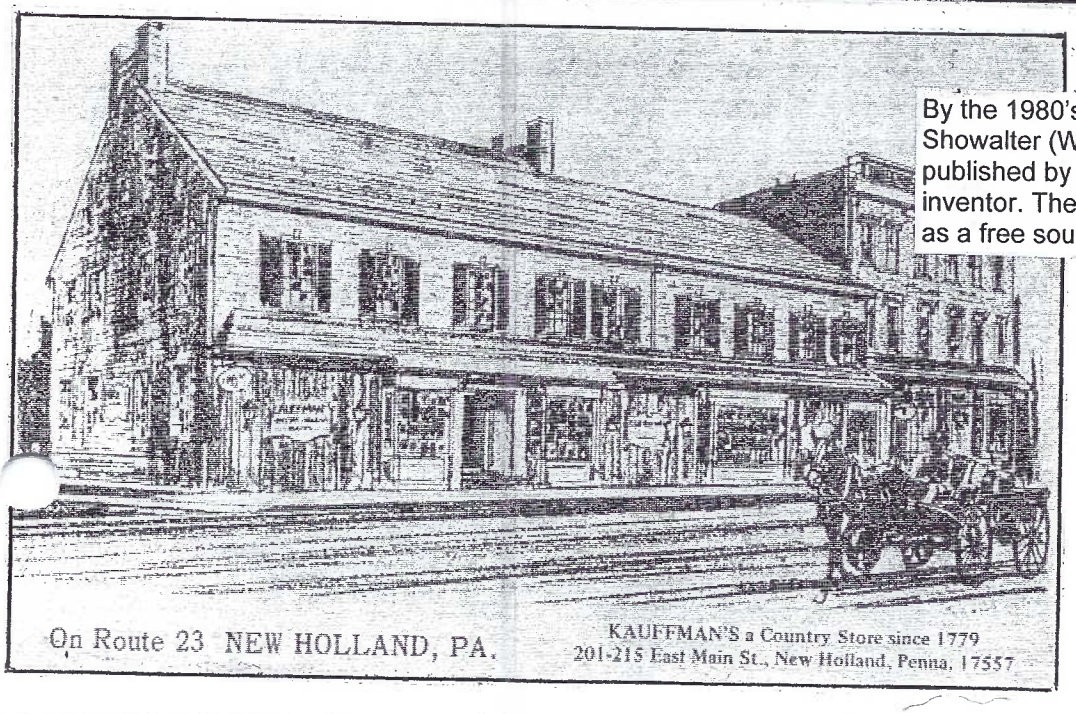


This 1907 view, published by William M. Stauffer, shows several storefronts on the buildings at left, then owned by the Diller family.

Clyde Kauffman's first postcard of the store was a colored chrome published by Mel Horst in the 1960's.



By the 1980's Kauffman's store expanded into the Showalter (Witwer) building. This postcard was published by Edward C. Procter, a local engineer and inventor. The postcard was available to all customers as a free souvenir until last year.



CLUB PAGE
BY JERE GREIDER

May meeting- Hawaiian music set the mood for Dolores Rowe and her excellent power point program on Hawaiian Postcards. Mike Middleton, Jim Ward, Ray Dennis, the Moyers, and the Buckwalters were busy selling postcards.

Monthly Postcard Competition
Errors* occurred in reporting the postcard competition for the April Meeting The Most Beautifully Decorated Egg. The following is the correct report:

First Place (tie)	Ruth Moyer	Lady in an Egg
First Place (tie)	Sandra Shaub	Lady in an Egg
Second Place	Dorothy Haffly	Eggs and Snowdrops
Third Place	Walter Mowrer	Boy in a Balloon (floating Egg)

Honorable Mentions:
Jere Greider, Carl Haffly, Harold Moyer, Dede Schaeffer, Maria Schurz, Jim Ward, and Jan Weitzel
*The errors did not originate with the secretary.

Competition for May-The Prettiest Flower or Flowers

First Place	Carolyn Middleton	Mainzer Butterflies on Flowers
Second Place	Bill Heinaman	Carling Thistle and Winter Cherries
Third Place	Harold Moyer	Nasturtiums at Rockford Seed Farms

Honorable Mentions:
Betty Beck, Mike Middleton, Doug Milliken, Walter Mowrer, Kate Quigley, Sandra Shaub, Maria Schurz, Win Schurz, Don Tribit, Jim Ward, and Gisela Withers. Thanks to all for their participation.

Future (single card) Subjects:
June-Most interesting insect (bug, beetle, butterfly, etc.); July-Most bizarre vacation site(not necessarily yours); August-Most interesting message related to the PC image.

Door prize winners Walt Mowrer $1.00, Leon Rowe $2.00, Betty Kreider $3.00. 50 /50 Clarence Swinehart $23.50

Postcard Club Picnic – Saturday June 16, 2007

June meeting The annual picnic will be held this year at the home of Barb and Bud Heim 783 Old Chickies Rd. Columbia, PA. Starting at 1:00 and we will eat around 3:00. Each member is asked to bring a covered dish and a serving utensil, lawn chair, white elephant item for the auction and also postcards to sell or albums and cards to share with each other. The club will provide drinks and place settings. Directions to 783 Old Chickies Rd. Route 30 to Route 441exit. North toward Marietta. Turn Right at Breezyview Road (This is the first road on the right look for church). Turn left at stop sign (this is Old Chickies Hill Rd.) turn right at 4th house on the right.