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Description: Although James Buchanan is the subject; his Freemasonry is the focus of this scrapbook. The book contains information on the Masonic Home in Elizabethtown and Wheatland in Lancaster. The people mentioned in the scrapbook are H. T. Albert, William Uhler Hensel, and Jacob Hay Brown.

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Related Materials at the Lancaster County Historical Society:

Bassler, R. E., ed. *Military Masonic Hall of Fame, First One Hundred, 1975.*

Alexandria, Virginia: National Sojourners, 1976.

Buchanan, James. *Mr. Buchanan's Administration on the Eve of the Rebellion.* New York, NY: D. Appleton and Company, 1866.

Campbell, John Alton. *James Buchanan: Advocate in Congress, Cabinet and Presidency.* Ann Arbor, Michigan: University Microfilms, 1968.

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Subjects: Buchanan, James, 1791-1868.

Hensel, W. U. (William Uhler), 1851-1915.

Masonic Homes (Elizabethtown, Pa.)

Wheatland (Lancaster, Pa.)  
Freemasons.  
Floods -- Susquehanna River.  
Floods -- Pennsylvania.  
Trolley cars.  
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Administrative/Biographical History: **James Buchanan**

James Buchanan was born in Cove Gap, Pennsylvania on 23 April 1791. He graduated from Dickinson College in 1809. He studied law after graduation and in 1812 was admitted to the bar. Buchanan was elected to the House of Representatives in 1814 and served until 1831. His political career continued to flourish when he was appointed as the Minister to Russia from 1832-1834. For the next ten years, Buchanan was one of Pennsylvania's representatives in the United States Senate. Under two of his predecessors, James K. Polk and Franklin Pierce, Buchanan served as Secretary of State and Minister to Great Britain, respectively. Buchanan was the Democratic nominee in 1856 and was elected the fifteenth President of the United States of America. Buchanan was the only president from Pennsylvania and the only unmarried president.

After his presidential term, Buchanan retired from politics in 1861 and returned to Wheatland, his Lancaster estate. During his life, Buchanan was an active Freemason serving as Master of his Masonic Lodge in Lancaster and District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. He died at Wheatland on 1 June 1868 and was interred at Woodward Hill Cemetery in Lancaster.

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