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FNB OF Intercourse, PA

NOTES FROM THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF Intercourse are very popular in the National Bank Note collecting fraternity due to its name.

The bank was chartered in August, 1908, with a capital of \$35,000. It was assigned charter #9216. It issued \$5, \$10 and \$20 Third Charter Date Backs and Plain Backs. It also issued \$5, \$10 and \$20 Series of 1929 Type One and Type Two notes.

The total amount issued was \$667,850. The amount outstanding in July, 1935, was \$35,000 with \$1,770 being of large size notes. Whenever one of these notes comes available it commands a strong price.



The quaint village of Intercourse is in the center of the Pennsylvania Dutch settlement of eastern Lancaster County.

This area is known as "The Garden Spot of America."

Intercourse was founded in 1754 with the building of Cross Keys Tavern. The name is derived from the intersection of two important colonial roads, one being King's Highway, now known as Route 340.

Shown is a complimentary coin purse from the bank. Perhaps this purse dates back to the National Bank Note era. Also, pictured is a postcard postally cancelled from 1966 that shows the classic First

National Bank building. Notice the Amish buggy heading east on Route 340.

Besides notes, it is also fun to search out other collectibles on banks.

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