

Michael Frantz I  
mentioned in an excellent book, p. 99,  
Ephrata, a History published by  
The Pennsylvania German Folklore  
Society, Vol. 25, 1961. It (Ephrata,  
a History) was written by James E.  
Ernst. The book was printed  
by Schlechters - Allentown, PA.

No Index! It is a fascinating  
book and the best I've read on  
Ephrata!! I could sit and  
read it for hours. It has a lot  
more background on the Dunkers  
than I've previously read.

Must try to buy this book.

p. 99 "A second schism in Conestoga came  
in September, on the 29th, after a series  
of revival meetings under Peter Becker."  
[\* Footnote: "This discourse was published  
by Franklin and sold to the public  
for four pence."] [continuing] "At a council  
held to determine the loyalty of members,  
Michael Frantz placed a nail on the →

barn-floor in which the meeting was held. He asked all those wishing to join the new church of old Dunkers to step to the right side, he leading the way. And those wishing to follow Conrad to step to the left side. The separation was peaceful. It was a break with Beissel's church at Ephrata because of his mystical teachings."

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The Pennsylvania German  
Folklore Society  
Vol 17, 1952 is about  
"Ephrata As Seen By Contemporaries"  
and  
likewise very interesting  
reading.

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Both in Mennonite College Library,  
Goshen, Indiana, 9/5/2000.