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Pension Sharks Dissatisfied.

The pension sharks and claim agents are growing impatient because the President doesn't turn Commissioner H. CLAY EVANS out of the pension office. During the campaign, we are led to infer by some of the statements made by these treasury looters, the promise was made that EVANS would be turned out. Now that the election is over and the fruits of the contest safely garnered, the President is afraid to fulfill his promise. He has been trying for months to find some place which EVANS would like better, in the hope that the offer of it would entice him into resigning. But he has been unable to find such a place.

The complaint against EVANS is that he won't throw the doors of the pension office open wide enough to admit every bounty jumper, camp follower, deserter and straggler whose name ever got on the roll of the army. Colonel EVANS, who was a gallant soldier himself and while willing to be generous with all the real soldiers who are suffering on account of service, doesn't believe in deserting the roll of honor by putting on it the names of men who never earned the right to be there, and that doesn't suit the Sunday soldiers and political military men whose stock in trade is the promise of pensions to stragglers in return for party service.

According to the Pittsburgh Post one of the prime workers in the movement against Pension Commissioner EVANS is THOMAS G. SAMPLE, Superintendent of Public Printing and Binding at Harrisburg. Now it is barely possible that SAMPLE was a soldier, but if he was he has been paid a thousand fold for any service he may have rendered. Ever since the close of the Civil war he has been pulling at the public tax except when it was more profitable to organize "rat" labor to defeat strikers. At present he is probably enjoying the fattest snap in the State, for he gets a good salary for doing nothing but work politics for the machine.

Democrats to Meet in Erie.

Rilling and Guffey Want State Convention There. Delegates can Nominate Candidates and Then Take a Lake Trip to Buffalo—Hardenberg Not Ready to Quit the Senate.

HARRISBURG, May 8.—There is now every indication that the Democratic State convention to nominate candidates for State Treasurer and a successor to Justice Potter on the Supreme bench will be held in Erie. The Democratic State committee is to meet here immediately after final adjournment of the Legislature to fix time and place for the convention.

Ex-Chairman John S. Rilling and J. M. Guffey are in favor of Erie. Reports from many other Democratic leaders indicate the lake city as the next convention place. It is probable the convention will be held the last week of July or the first week in August. Erie can be made to serve the double purpose of political business and visiting the Pan-American exposition. Excursion rates will be given those attending the convention in Erie and excursions will be run by lake from there to Buffalo. A large summer pavilion has been tendered the committee in which to hold the convention.

Contrary to general expectation Senator E. B. Hardenberg, of the Susquehanna-Wayne district, did not resign his seat in the Senate to-night in order to allow him to assume the office of Auditor General to-morrow to which he was elected last November.

Auditor General McCauley's term expires to-morrow, but Mr. Hardenberg desires to retain his seat in the Senate for party reasons until the adjournment of the Legislature. He has asked the attorney general for an opinion as to whether the present deputy Auditor General can act as Auditor General until he is ready to assume the office himself.

The Ballot Reform Conference.

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 6.—The ballot reform conference between Col. Guffey and Senator Quay, came to a close after midnight without reaching a definite agreement. Both parties agreed that the party circle should be dropped and that the party circles should remain as they are on the present ballot. The Democrats insisted that no person shall be entitled to assist more than ten voters to prepare their ballot and that before a voter can secure assistance he must make affidavit that he cannot read and write or that he is physically unable to prepare his ballot. The Republicans objected to the feature requiring the voter to make affidavit as to his disability and promised to take the matter under consideration and report later. The original Democratic proposition was that no person could assist more than three voters.

Qualified as Auditor General.

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 7.—Senator Edmund D. Hardenberg, of Wayne, resigned his seat today in the Senate and qualified as Auditor General, to which office he was elected last November. He succeeds Levi G. McCauley, of West Chester, whose term expired at noon. Mr. Hardenberg was anxious to retain his seat until the close of the legislative session and was given a written opinion by Attorney General Elkin that it was optional with him when he entered upon the duties of Auditor General. To avoid possible complications, however, the Senator handed his resignation to President pro tem Snyder and filed his bond and assumed charge of the department.

Charles Foster a Bankrupt.

Former Secretary's Liabilities \$741,000 No Assets. TOLEDO, May 8.—Charles Foster, of Foster, former Secretary of the Treasury, has made application in the United States Court here as a voluntary bankrupt. His debts are set down at \$747,008.34 and there are no assets.

Relief Trains Arrive.

The Hunger of Jacksonville's Homeless People Has Been Satisfied.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., May 5.—The hunger of 10,000 people made homeless by the great fire that destroyed \$11,000,000 worth of property in this place was satisfied today when the arrival of relief trains and boats bringing provisions from neighboring towns. Early this morning a commissary was established in the centre of the city and thousands were fed.

To-day an order was promulgated under martial law requiring all merchants whose stores were spared by the conflagration to open their doors and sell to all who asked. The streets were crowded all day with shoppers who lost all in the fire and many stores will remain open all night.

It is estimated that 3,000 persons have left the city and every outgoing train is crowded with refugees. Five carloads of tents were received to-day the property of the State, which are to be used by the homeless temporarily. Another shipment of tents is expected from the government to arrive to-morrow.

To-morrow morning the Times Union and Citizen will estimate the total property loss at \$11,000,000. These figures are based upon an itemized statement furnished by a volunteer committee of citizens. Rumors of loss of life are heard on every hand to-night and the river has been closely watched to-day. Many persons have confirmed the report of loss of life at the Market street wharf. Numerous ad-vertisements appeared in the newspapers asking for aid in searching for persons who are missing. As many have left the city for the Gulf it is impossible to ascertain who have been lost in the Market street pier tragedy.

A committee of Atlantans was here to-day to deliver \$1,000 worth of provisions, promising another car during the week. Atlanta also furnished by express 1,000 feet of hose. Martial law is being readily enforced and the town is quiet to-night, although much anxiety prevails because of the threats said to have been made by the negroes that they would obtain provisions by force at their first opportunity. In the eastern portion of the city the debris is still burning, but no further outbreak of the flames is anticipated.

To-morrow morning the citizens' committee will meet to further organize the relief work. At a meeting of the relief committee to-day a resolution was adopted offering work to every unemployed person in the city, to be paid for at the rate of \$1 per day and rations. The men will be put to work clearing away the debris in the ruined district. It is believed this plan will prove a happy solution of the race situation and will prevent any anticipated trouble.

Grand Master James Campbell, of the Masonic grand lodge of Florida, to-night issued an appeal to the Masonic fraternity of the United States. He asks all Masons to send contributions to W. P. Webster, grand secretary, Jacksonville, Fla.

Revised Bills are Handed to China.

Indemnity to Powers Likely to be Met by Increased Customs Duties. At Odds Over "Open Door."

PEKIN, May 8.—The foreign Ministers to-day decided to address a collective note to the Chinese Government informing it that a joint indemnity of 450,000,000 taels (about \$337,000,000) would be demanded, and asking what method of payment is proposed. A reply is expected at the end of the week, which will probably propose to meet the indemnity by raising the custom tariff.

It is considered likely that the powers will assent to some such measure in return for concessions on the part of China in the shape of a total abolition of the likin, the placing of import duties on a gold basis, really free navigation of Chinese waters and removal of impediments to navigation and the tax of Woosung.

The Ministers were unable to agree as to the desirability of opening the whole Empire to trade and residence, some of them holding that it would be asking China to assume too great responsibility, and that under the present system of government it would be impossible to guarantee the safety of the numerous foreigners who would flock into the interior if the Empire were entirely opened.

Mock Hanging Ends Fatally.

Two Men Killed by Fastenings Giving Way.

DAVENPORT, Ia., May 6.—Emil Mohr and Charles Reis were killed to-day while pretending to hang August Blunck on a pulley rope outside the Independent Malt-Brewing Company's building. Mohr and Reis wound up by winding the rope about his waist with the avowed intention of hanging him.

Democrats Want Eight for Sues.

HARRISBURG, May 7.—A joint caucus of Democratic Senators and Members was held to-night, at which a committee was appointed to go before the Senate and House congressional apportionment committee and demand that a bill be drafted which gives the Democrats eight sure districts. The committee is composed of Senators Wentz, of Montgomery; Heinle, of Centre, and Cochran, of Lycoming; Representatives Ickler, of Columbia; Meyers, of Cumberland, and Wilson, of Crawford.

Soldier's Monument Fund.

The following contributions to the Soldier's Monument Fund have been received by the treasurer of the fund, James Harris:

Miners Not Likely to March.

HAZLETON, Pa., May 7.—President John Fabry, of district No. 9 of the United Mine Workers, notified President Thomas Duffy of the Hazleton district, this afternoon to make no further preparations for the proposed march of miners to the State capitol until he receives word from him to go ahead.

Governor Used His Pen.

Approved of Some Bills and Disapproved of Others.

HARRISBURG, May 8.—Governor Stone to-day signed the following bills: Requiring foreign corporations, limited partnerships and joint stock associations to pay a bonus of one-third of 1 per cent. on their capital actually employed in Pennsylvania.

Imposing a bonus of one-third of 1 per cent. upon the capital and increased thereof of partnership associations.

Regulating the proceedings in actions of ejectment.

These bills were disapproved: Granting a pension of \$8 a month to Charles H. Huyett, private in company I, Twelfth regiment Pennsylvania volunteer militia.

To provide for ward representation in the town council of the borough of Dunmore and providing for the election of members of council from each ward.

Repealing the act of April 24th, 1869, which repealed the act of March 23rd, 1867, in so far as it relates to the sales of real estate of decedents made by virtue or authority of an order or a decree of orphans court in Erie county.

United States Troops Leave Peking.

PEKIN, May 5.—The United States cavalry and artillery left Peking this morning to march to Ton Ku. Imposing farewell ceremonies attended their departure. Sir Ernest Gaslee and other British generals, with their staffs, were present, and the British commands sent a detachment of Baluchis, who escorted the Americans outside the city gates.

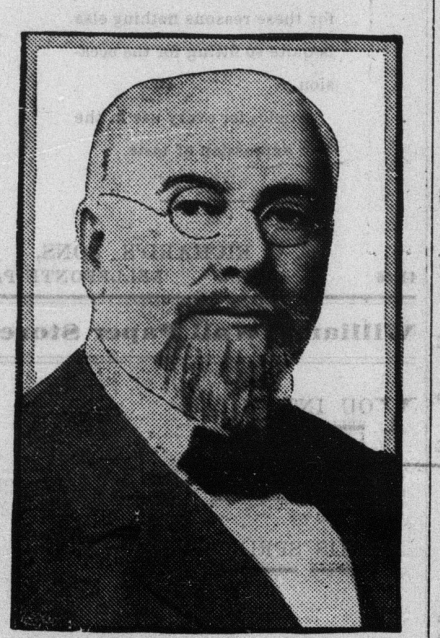
General Chaffee publicly thanked the cavalry and artillery for their services in the international relief expedition and for their behavior since, which has been, he said, a credit to themselves and their nation.

The infantry headquarters' staff will leave by rail as soon as the transports arrive at Taku.

With Three Voices.

Does the Pan-American Speak to the Visitor. Its Buildings Present a Valuable Lesson in Architecture; its Exhibits are a Materialized Encyclopedia—Educational Amusement.

The true function of an exposition is education. The purpose and the end of all its ministrations should be the development and the ripening of each soul which comes within the scope of its influence. Young or old, man or



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woman, gentle or simple, each visitor should gain and should be conscious of gaining an enlarged appreciation, subjectively of himself as a living and sentient being and objectively of the world as his sphere of living and knowing, a realm fuller of sweetness and light. His respirations should be quicker, his inspirations deeper and his aspirations loftier and nobler.

To this end the Exposition speaks to its visitors with three voices—through its architecture, its exhibits, its amusements. The Pan-American Exposition will address its expected throngs in all these voices.

In its architecture must be included the whole external equipment—its buildings in their artistic and symmetrical arrangement and grouping, the beauty of their style, the exuberance of their decorations, breathing afresh the genius of the Spaniard and the Moor in graceful forms and gorgeous colorings; the landscape effects, blending the harmonies of forest and lake, of fountain and tower, of cascade and castle and culminating spire—all that is lovely in nature with all that is refined and ennobling in art. Here, as at Chicago, the architect holds high carnival. If at the Columbian exposition we found the chaste purity of the lily in a presentation "unequaled since the days of Phidias and Praxiteles," the fairies who join hands in the Pan-American clothe themselves with the chaste hues of Titian and of Murillo, unequalled since the days of Venice and of the Alhambra. Another dream of beauty will hang in the eastern sky, paralleling the visions of delight that linger on the western horizon.

Who can doubt the educative effect of these architectural lessons within the hearts of the American people?

It is, however, not enough to have evoked, like a mirage floating over the plains, these phantasmagorical delights which fill our lives with joy and our memories with dreams. The president of the French republic in the decree which laid the foundation of the exposition of 1900 declared the purpose of that great enterprise to be "a presentation of the works of art and of industrial and agricultural products"—an assemblage of exhibits. That is without doubt the central, the formative, idea of the Pan-American Exposition. Without exhibits there can be no exposition.

Each new and well arranged exposition is a new edition of a world's encyclopedia constructed by a scientific and exhaustive arrangement of material things. It is also a landmark, a

Three Free Trips to the Great Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo.

The Watchman's Unparalleled Offer of a Summer Outing.

Opportunity Open to All, Young and Old, Rich and Poor. The Chance of a Life Time to See Buffalo, the Great Exposition and Niagara Falls Without a Cent of Expense.

The great Pan-American Exposition which will open at Buffalo on May 1st is expected to surpass, in many ways, the marvels of the Columbian Exposition at Chicago in 1893. Already the attention of the entire civilized world has been directed toward it and millions of people from all parts of the globe will gather there this summer to enjoy the wonders of this grand show that is being especially designed to usher in the New Century.

Are you going? If not, why not? The trip need not cost you a cent. The WATCHMAN will send you as its guest for a week and guarantee you one of the most delightful times you have ever had.

The only conditions are these: You must get a few new subscribers to the WATCHMAN between now and July 1st. At that time the three persons who have secured the greatest number will be awarded the WATCHMAN'S trips.

There is no trickery by coupons in this plan. All we want to know is the names of the persons undertaking to secure the trip. As they send in new subscriptions they will be credited with them and on July 1st the announcement of the winners will be made, with the number secured by each one. This will show to all contestants that the award has been fairly made.

No matter how many new subscribers are secured, the prizes will be awarded just the same. If a person sends in only two new names, with the accompanying \$1 for each one of them for a year's subscription in advance, and if nobody else should care to enter the contest he or she will be sent to Buffalo just the same as if hundreds of new ones had been secured.

The chance is open to every person in Centre county. And a very little trouble might win some one of them such a trip as they have never taken in their lives before.

1st Prize. To the person securing the greatest number of new subscribers to the WATCHMAN at \$1.00 per year in advance between now and July 1st, 1901, we will give railroad transportation, board for one week at a good hotel and tickets of admission to the exposition grounds during the entire week. Winner to select the time of going.

2nd Prize. To the person securing the second highest number of new subscribers to the WATCHMAN before July 1st, 1901, we will give railroad transportation to Buffalo and tickets of admission to the exposition ground, good for one week, during the great Pan-American Exposition.

3rd Prize. To the person securing the third highest number of new subscribers to the WATCHMAN, at \$1 per year in advance before July 1st 1901, we will give railroad transportation to Buffalo and return at any time during the great Pan-American Exposition.

Real Estate Transfers. The following real estate transfers have been recorded during the past week by the recorder N. E. Robb:

Wyckoff Pipe Co. to Linden Hall Lumber Co., April 20th, 1901, tract of land in Harris township. Consideration \$1,500.

Matthew D. Philson to Chas. E. Corrigan, April 20th, 1901, 2 tracts of land in Taylor township. Consideration \$1.

David P. Shamp to J. H. Folger, April 13th, 1901, 32 acres, 106 perches in Walker township. Consideration \$400.

J. L. Kremer et al to Laurelton Lumber Co., April 24th, 1901, 1225 acres, 56 perches in Haines township. Consideration \$2,500.

Henry I. Taylor et ux to Carrie Dell Armstrong, May 4th, 1901, house and lot in Bellefonte. Consideration \$900.

Phillipsburg Coal and Land Co., to T. H. Twigg, Sept. 2nd, 1900, lot of ground in Rush township. Consideration \$60.

Wm. Bond to Colyer Class Evangelical Christians, June 22nd, 1901, 63 6-10 perches in Potter township. Consideration \$10.

Henry I. Taylor to Theresa B. Taylor, May 4th, 1901, house and lot in Bellefonte. Consideration \$1,500.

Sallie E. Alexander et baron to C. H. Pressler, May 1st, 1901, 50 acres in Penn township. Consideration \$2,500.

Cyrus Brungart sheriff to W. Harrison Walker April 25th, 1901, house and lot in Bellefonte. Consideration \$5,110.

Franklin Knarr et ux to Lambert J. Noll May 1st, 1901, 8 acres, 95 perches in Millheim. Consideration \$515.62.

Speaker's Room Rifled.

None of the Capitol's Historic Relics Were Taken.

WASHINGTON, May 6.—Sometime Sunday or Sunday night Speaker Henderson's private room at the capital was broken into and the desks and boxes were rummaged. The Capitol police are said to have no clue. There are some articles of value in the room, but none of these were taken.

Among the historic relics stored there is the silver ink tray, which has been used by speakers of the House since the time of Henry Clay.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

A crusade against cigarette smoking has been inaugurated by the teachers of the Bellefonte High school.

The hotel license at Sandy Ridge heretofore held by Benj. Copperthwaite has been transferred to John Pennington, the present owner of the property.

Rev. Dr. Geo. W. Miller's lecture on "Pluck," which will be delivered in the Methodist church next Friday night, May 17th, will be something worth hearing. Buy a ticket.

The body of Marshall Cunningham, the boy who was drowned at Renovo on April 13th, was found at North Bend on Monday. A boy who was fishing hooked it out of the river.

While sitting in his office Saturday evening probatory M. I. Gardner was taken suddenly ill and had to go home. He has been confined to his bed ever since. He is suffering with slight inflammation of the bowels.

A petition of the members of the Centre monthly meeting of Friends has been filed asking the court for the appointment of new trustees for their property in Bellefonte as follows: George Valentine Jr., Edmund Blanchard and Joseph D. Mitchell.

A neektie social will be given in the Methodist lecture room on Tuesday evening, May 14th, by the Sabbath school classes of Mrs. McClain and Mrs. J. Ward. Strawberries, ice cream, coffee, cake and candy will be served and you are especially invited to be present.

Andrew B. Young, who has been foreman in the Centre Democrat office for the past five years, will sever his connection there on May 18th, when he will leave for Pittsburg, where another position awaits him. "Maj." is a good fellow and a good printer and we wish him well.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—Following is the list of marriage licenses granted by orphan's court clerk, A. G. Arohey, during the past week:

"They tasted," she said, "exactly like English breakfast tea."

"I'm not surprised, ma'am," replied the grocer. "These fish were caught in Boston harbor."—Youth's Companion.

Chas. Kutz, aged 68 years, died at his home near Phillipsburg, on Wednesday morning, from the effects of a cold which terminated in quick consumption. He is survived by a widow and one son. The body will be interred at Loganton.