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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)
Washington, June 3rd, 1905.

Editor Press:
The President has finally announced that he will not call Congress in special session until after the November elections and he now expects to convene the extraordinary session on November 13. There are many of the leaders in the Republican party, however, who believe that this decision sounds the death knell of the special session and that eventually the President will be entirely dissuaded from the idea of calling any special session. The argument used with the President to induce him to abandon his first idea was that he could accomplish no good by calling the Congress in session at a time that would prove objectionable to all the members, that as a result they would all come to Washington in a surly or sullen mood and would merely waste time instead of getting down to business in advance of the regular session. The President has heeded this argument to the extent above outlined and now the opponents of a special session are ready with arguments for further delay although they may not present them until later in the summer.

The argument which is expected to dissuade the President from calling any special session is this: By calling Congress together on November 13, there will be at most but three weeks gained before the date on which the national legislature would meet by law; Congress will never again consent however, to remain in session right up to the hour when the regular session must commence, for the reason that when this was done a year ago the members lost the extra mileage which they regard as their special perquisite whenever they meet in special session. For that reason, it will be urged, Congress will certainly adjourn at least a week in advance of December 4, the date on which the regular session must begin, and so only two weeks would be gained. Then the President will be asked if in his judgment the two weeks gained will compensate for the \$100,000 which Congress is certain to take for itself for mileage and the old argument that no member of Congress wants a special session at all will be revamped and so the special session, of 1905 will, in the judgment of those best fitted to judge, have been added to the long list of things "gone glimmering."

With the purpose of making good his assurance of the President Senator Aldrich immediately thereafter secured from the Democratic leader, Senator Gorman, a pledge that if the House would send over a tariff bill during the special fall session the Democrats in the upper house would permit it to come to a vote before the date for the beginning of the regular session. Of course, now that the President has deferred the convening of the special session until so late a date there is no chance for the Democrats to redeem Mr. Gorman's pledge, while the Speaker's argument against opening the tariff question on the eve of an election has gained added force. The "stand patters" are therefore doubtless correct in their assertion that, while the President has in no way departed from his original conviction that some readjustment of the tariff schedules to changed conditions is essential to a square deal, he has dealt tariff readjustment in the next session a death blow by his abandonment of October 16 as the date on which to convene the special session.

Have you read that very interesting magazine, *The Smart Set*?

The Observer.

If a public holiday or church festival is to be celebrated at all the celebration should be of such a character as to emphasize fittingly the principle or the event which the holiday is intended to commemorate. Thousands of people observe Thanksgiving Day in a manner of which a pagan would be ashamed. A devout pagan would at least offer a libation to his gods in acknowledgement of his sense of dependence upon them; but by a large number of Americans the festival is celebrated in a manner totally devoid of any religious observance. The Christmas festival has often been celebrated in a manner which makes much of Santa Claus and nothing at all of the Nativity of Christ.

The approach of Independence Day, the first and greatest of our national holidays, makes timely a plea, not only that the day should be observed, but also, that it should be observed in a proper manner. If the day is to be merely an opportunity for the juvenile males to make the small hours of the morning hideous with the explosion of giant fire crackers, or if it is to be made chiefly an occasion for colossal drinking, we should be better off without an Independence Day. A parade, such as we had last year, is very good in its place, as are also a properly conducted ball game in the afternoon and a display of fireworks in the evening; but none of these should be regarded as constituting the core of a Fourth of July observance. They are but the accidents and trappings of a proper observance. The real core of the Fourth of July celebration should be a gathering of the population, old and young, in and about the park pavilion, or in some other suitable place, to listen to the reading of the Declaration of Independence and to one or more patriotic addresses, interspersed with songs and instrumental music suitable to the occasion. This is not an innovation that the Observer is suggesting, but simply a return to a time honored, but lately neglected, custom. There is certainly in our community sufficient spirit and abundance of talent to make the successful carrying out of a proper Fourth of July program possible.

Automobile Accident.

Last Sunday morning, about nine o'clock, Mr. E. J. Smith, accompanied by his father and little son, were enjoying a short spin up Rich Valley, when a spring under the forward part of the machine suddenly snapped. The automobile partly tipped, throwing out Mr. Smith, Sr., and the little lad. The boy escaped with a few scratches, while the elderly gentleman was considerably bruised and shaken up, although no bones were broken.

The accident happened opposite Howard Co's hardwood mill and Jas. Farrell, Chas. Auchu and others hastened to the scene and assisted in righting the mix up. Mr. Smith, Sr., is about eighty years of age and it was feared he had been seriously injured but at this writing he is doing nicely, although quite lame. The venerable gentleman says he has seen the day when he could have cleared the machine before the dump took place. We forgot to mention the fact that Mrs. A. M. Mattison supplied the restoratives, which came in mighty handy and at the right time.

Summer Health and Comfort.

The season of hot weather is a trying time for most every one, particularly the housewife, upon whom depends in large measure the well being and good nature of her family. Hot weather health and comfort is discussed with many practical recommendations by Isabel Gordan Curtis in the July Delineator, the paper being a chapter in "The Making of a Home-wife." Other seasonable suggestions are given in "A Snow Ball Luncheon," illustrated; "Milk as a Food," "Fruit Fantasies," and "New ways of Serving Strawberries," containing the recipes for many refreshing Summer preparations. Plans for a Summer camp and housefurnishing ideas are other features of this number of the magazine and are of particular interest for their timeliness.

Notice of Removal.

R. Seger & Co., who for the past 23 years conducted the well known Merchant Tailoring establishment opposite the M. E. church, have removed to the store of R. Seger & Son, next to Bank, where Mr. Seger has consolidated the two establishments in order to give his business closer attention. His tailoring business will be carried on as usual, also cleaning and pressing. Having added a line of the celebrated W. L. Douglas shoes he is able to fit his customers from top to bottom with the best to be had.

The room vacated to let. 14 3t.

Outing Party.

Frank H. Dodson, Carl Blair, Vernon Evans and Edward Extrom, of this place, left for Cauley Run Tuesday morning, where they will "camp" for several days, or as long as their grub holds out.

Greater Emporium Meeting Postponed.

The Greater Emporium meeting advertised for Monday evening was postponed owing to the "big wind storm," although several parties interested in the question were in attendance. This question is up to the tax-payers and property owners of the territory surrounding Emporium. Let the question be carefully discussed. Our columns are open to all.

Shawmut Gets Control.

Coal mines and personal property of the Riverview Coal Mining company, with an appraised value of \$78,000 were sold in bankruptcy court at Buffalo on Saturday last, for \$40,500 to Frank S. Smith, of the Shawmut Coal and Coke company. The Shawmut company owns the mines adjacent to the Riverview company at Riverview, Armstrong county, Pa. Mr. Smith is a stockholder of the Shawmut company.

In Poor Health.

Thomas Gallagher, for many years agent for Pennsylvania railroad at this place, has been in poor health for some time, but kept at his post of duty. Last Saturday his condition becoming so serious and painful, Dr. DeLong, (Mr. Gallagher's brother-in-law) advised that he at once go to Philadelphia and consult a specialist. Accompanied by Dr. DeLong, he took Erie mail Saturday night for Philadelphia. Mr. Gallagher has been a faithful guardian of the Pennsylvania railroad company's interests at this place for many years, always at his post of duty. He is entitled to and has earned a good vacation and should take it.

Battle With a Trout.

Robt. C. Dodson, the druggist, is an expert angler and it is seldom that he comes home without a good catch of the "beauties." One day last week he returned from one of his favorite fishing spots, looking as though he had been in battle, his nose being scratched, pole and line somewhat demoralized, yet wore a great broad smile. Robt. had been laying for a monster two pound trout, finally catching him, but the fish broke the line from the pole and made for deep water. Robt. tumbled, headforemost, down a steep embankment into the deep water, catching the line and safely landed the big fish, proud as a boy in his first red-top boots.

Eye Specialist.

Prof. W. H. Budine, the well known Eye Specialist, of Binghamton, N. Y., will be at R. H. Hirsch's jewelry store, Emporium, Pa., June 10th. If you can't see well or have headache don't fail to call and see Prof. Budine, as he guarantees to cure all such cases. Lenses ground and fitted in old frames. Eyes tested and examined free. All work guaranteed.

House Painting and Paper Hanging.

Clifton S. Larrabee, who has had two years experience with a leading Philadelphia firm, has located in Emporium and is prepared to contract for house painting and papering. Orders left at M. M. Larrabee's store will receive prompt attention.

16-3t. CLIFTON S. LARRABEE.

May Weather.

The average daily temperature for May was 59.4 degrees, being four tenths degrees colder than 1904, and one degree colder than 1903. The rainfall for May was 1.75 inch being 1/2 inch less than 1904 and 1/2 inch more than 1903.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury.

As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange his whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists. Price, 75c per bottle. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

For Rent.

The store room, so many years occupied by R. Seger & Co., will be rented to responsible party.

R. SEGER.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

DINGER.

Mr. Charles Dinger, brother of Mrs. Ross Overturf, died at the home of his parents, Scottdale, Tuesday last of pulmonary complaint. Deceased was a public school teacher of that place and a young man of exceptional professional ability and of fine character. Mr. and Mrs. Overturf attended the funeral. Mr. Dinger formerly resided here and had many friends in this county who will be pained to learn of his death.

DOW.

The Rev. Mr. Dow and wife, of Rich Valley are sadly afflicted in the death of their daughter, ten years old, from the results of an operation, which occurred last Monday evening. The child had been ill for a long time and the operation was decided upon as a last resort and though hopeful of a favorable outcome, her weakened vitality thwarted the prayers and wishes of the fond parents. Preliminary to the removal of the remains to Eagle, N. Y., for interment, services were conducted at the home of the parents in Rich Valley by the Rev. J. M. Robertson, pastor of the Free Methodist Church of town. Mr. Robertson is an old time friend of Mr. Dow and his services on this instance were most timely, tender and helpful.

Mr. and Mrs. Dow have the fullest sympathy of the neighborhood in their affliction.

HECKMAN.

John Heckman, died at his home at Coudersport, May 28th after a short illness with pneumonia, aged 64 years. Mr. Heckman was well known in this county having lived at Silverville and Four Mile, some years ago, where he was engaged at lumbering. Mr. Heckman went from this county to Coudersport where he engaged in the hotel business, renting the Farmers' Hotel, and afterwards assumed the management of the Thompson House, and from there took charge of the Crittenden house.

The Enterprise says: John, as he was familiarly known, among his many friends, was a good citizen, a kind neighbor and a reliable friend. He was ever ready to respond to calls for his assistance, and never did he shirk what he considered his duty.

Deceased leaves a widow and two small children to mourn their great loss, also four brothers and one sister.

ROSS.

HON. SOLOMON ROSS, aged 82 years, died at his home, at Wharton, Pa., last Tuesday morning, after a long illness. During the morning he laid down for a little rest and when called at 11 o'clock he was discovered to be dead. His funeral takes place today at Wharton, under the auspices of Emporium Masonic lodge, of which the deceased had been a member since May 27th, 1867.

Judge Ross was for very many years a resident of Cameron county and closely identified with its interests. He served in the position of Associate Judge for five years, with credit to himself and county. About twenty years ago he moved to Potter county and engaged in farming. A large delegation of Emporium Masons left here this morning to attend the funeral.

The late Judge Solomon Ross was elected one of the Associate Judges of Cameron county in 1875.

Chas. W. Rishell's Big Fish.

Chas. W. Rishell went up to Gardeau last week to decorate a few speckled beauties with his new doped flies. Chas. was determined to capture that big blind trout supposed to measure about 24 inches. He armed himself with all the new fangled lures, doped hooks that Dodson and H. S. Lloyd knew about and failed to land the monster when they last visited the hole. Rishell patiently awaited the appearance of the whale but no fishy would come, not until he lighted his new mown hay pipe. Then up jumped his satanic majesty. Charley was not prepared for the sudden attack and rolled down the old bank, where Noah Parker so often coaxed the big fish into one pool, when he succeeded in snagging against a quince tree and held Mr. five pound trout in check. Fate was against Charley, for the old tree gave away and into the mighty deep did this now exasperated chap go on all fours. "Dog gast your buttons" said Chas., "I will capture you or perish in the attempt. When almost ready to drop his clothes line, to which he had attached Nick Stern's ice tongues, he yelled for Nick who hastened to the scene with his Jersey bull dog. Now it was dog eat fish and fish eat dog for minutes, when the big fish grabbed Mr. bull dog and threw him across the creek and made for his happy home in the silent dream. And Chas. lost his fish and dream.

Harry Lloyd, "Bucky" Norris, E. J. Smith and R. C. Dodson have concluded to make a dose of Pittsburgh powder and make an effort to defeat the man-fighting fish. When they fail Dick Hirsch and Mike McCarthy will try their charms on the whales. All Parker Run fish had better make for their deepest dives.

Horse and Buggy Recovered.

John L. Johnson has recovered his horse and buggy stolen on May 28th. The horse was left in a livery stable at Falls Creek.

Hotel Sold.

Mr. James B. Hayes has sold his hotel, the Valley House to Mr. Olesen, of Clearfield, Pa. Mr. Olesen expects to take possession in about ten days.

Ladies Aid Society.

Mrs. C. G. Schmidt and Miss Mattie M. Collins left on Wednesday for Johnstown to attend the State Convention of Ladies Aid Society as delegates from this county.

Emmanuel Church.

Next Sunday being the festival of Whitsunday, there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at the mid-day service, 10:30 a. m.

The early service a 7:30 a. m., will be omitted.

Big Event at Austin.

David Buckley, of New Warner, reports a big time at Austin, July 4th. The popular policeman, Mr. James Fitzpatrick is down on the program to make a parachute jump. Buckley is booming the great event.

Gone to Canada.

Seymour Hood, Kane; R. A. Cortwright, Brockport, and Jos. L. Wheeler, of Emporium, left Tuesday morning for their silver and lead mines at Georgian Bay, Ont. From all accounts they have struck rich leads.

Children's Day.

Children's Day will be observed next Sabbath at the Presbyterian Church. A children's preaching service will be held at 10:30 a. m. All the children of the Sabbath School are expected and earnestly desired to be present. At 7:30 p. m., a program of exercises by the children will be given.

Close Call.

Last Thursday night, about 11 o'clock, some of U. A. Palmer's neighbors discovered that his residence was on fire. The alarm was promptly given and after hard work succeeded in extinguishing the fire, which had been started amongst some hard dry wood under the summer kitchen. The interior of the house was injured by smoke. The family had retired for the night when the fire was discovered. The loss we understand, is fully covered by insurance.

Governor Pennypacker Honors This County.

His Excellency Gov. Pennypacker has appointed Hon. Josiah Howard of this county, one of the delegates to attend the Good Roads Convention to be held at Portland, Oregon. This is an honor conferred not only upon Mr. Howard but Cameron county. Our Representative is an enthusiastic supporter of good roads and backs up his opinion with the cash, not hot air.

We hope and believe Mr. Howard will use his good offices to further improve our roads.

Teachers Selected for Next Term.

At a meeting of the School Directors of Emporium Borough held last Monday evening, the following teachers were elected:
Principal, Prof. E. S. Ling.
Asst. Principal, Miss Rumsey.
HIGH SCHOOL.
Miss Marian Larrabee,
Miss Grace Leet,
Miss Rosa Ritchie,
Miss Mame Cleary,
Miss Gertrude Germond,
Miss Lillian Heilmann.

EAST WARD SCHOOL.

Miss Augusta Fullford, Sayre, Pa.,
Miss Witman Austin,
Miss Alice Horton,
Miss Florence Ling,
Miss Blanche Ludlam,
Miss Nina Bryan.

Misses Bair, Cummings and Metzger were not applicants for re-election.

The School Board is up against a hard proposition. Both school buildings are crowded to their full capacity, while sixty pupils are located in the City Hall, subject to the pleasure of the Town Council. B Primary room is now crowded, yet there are 48 pupils to be taken care of with a probability of a still further increase. How to provide another school house is a hard nut to crack, unless the district incurs another debt. The present valuation of the Borough will not raise sufficient money to meet the expenses. How shall it be remedied? A school director suggests that the old Presbyterian church be purchased, at a cost of \$1500, and remodeled into two school rooms.

The rapid increase in the population of Emporium certainly calls for a radical change in the long unequal valuation on real estate. More money should be raised for school and Borough purposes and still not inflict a hardship on any of our citizens. Greater Emporium is sure to come and let us be up and doing.

Reception.

Mrs. Jos. Lingle and daughter Miss Nellie were tendered a pleasant reception by their lady friends Tuesday evening, at the Reading Room. They will leave very shortly for Westboro, Wisconsin.

WEATHER REPORT!

(Forecast by T. B. Lloyd.)
FRIDAY, Fair.
SATURDAY, Fair.
SUNDAY, Rain.

NOTES OF INTEREST.

Everybody reads the PRESS

Rev. O. S. Metzler preached last Sunday evening, an eloquent sermon on John Knox.

WANTED—Immediately at The New Warner House, one dining room girl, one second cook and one laundry girl. Chief A. A. McDonald reports the Mountaineer Hose cart considerably damaged while coming back from the fire last Friday night.

The new railroad schedule places two postal clerks at Emporium every day. Of course they like Emporium, but dislike to be laid up away from home.

Emporium now boasts of a number of bang-up stylish turnouts, especially those of Leo Hayes, J. T. Howard, J. W. Norris, Frank Shives and Wiley's.

Sneak thieves made a clean sweep of Postmaster Seger and E. D. White's refrigerators last Saturday night. Some of the eatables were found at the freight depot—that they could not eat.

A. F. Vogt's new shoe store had a close call to a fire on Saturday. A young lad turned a torch into a paint pail and set fire to same. It was quick work for a time, the benzine and oil becoming ignited. Geo. Ritchie burned his hands while setting the paint pails into the street.

The Emporium Furnace, now the leading industry in the county, was first lighted Nov. 26th, 1888, the late C. B. Gould, former editor and publisher of the PRESS, applying the torch. Manager Brady continues to increase the output of the plant, which ranks with the best iron in the state.

C. A. Burdick, of Smetoport, went fishing Monday and he caught one trout that he thought was six inches long, but when the game warden came along and measured it, he found it to be a quarter of an inch short. It cost Mr. Burdick \$10 and costs. The funny part of it is that Mr. Burdick was one of the men who hired the game warden and to insist that he show no favors to any one. The warden was faithful to his trust.

Parents, when your boy gets a licking at school, don't get your back up and howl about it, but do your Christian duty by giving him one yourself. Have him to understand that he will have no protection for his bad conduct and it will make a good man of him some day. The jails and penitentiaries are full of men whose parents kicked whenever they received punishment at school. Never let your boy and you will have no trouble with him at school, but the moment he finds he has protection at home for deviltry, then he is almost sure to provoke his teacher and make trouble. Solomon, said whip the way out of them when necessary, and they would be good boys, and when they get old they would do their own likewise.—Kittanning Free Press.

For Sale Cheap.

Having about two tons of fertilizer, of various kinds, on hand and wishing to dispose of, will sell at low prices, having engaged in other business.

16 2t. M. F. LUCORE.

Humane Society Meeting.

All members and other interested persons are requested to attend a meeting of the Society at Reading Room, Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.

MRS. JOSIAH HOWARD, President.

Going South.

G. W. Huntley & Son have taken an extensive timber job at Shirok, Greenbrier county, W. Va., and will leave for that place to-day. They will cut 40,000,000 feet of oak and pine a year and will stock it by railroad.

G. W. Huntley, Jr., will superintend the operations and will move his family to that place in the near future. They will eventually return to Driftwood.—Gazette.

Prepare for the Fourth.

All roads will lead to Emporium on July Fourth and everybody will have a good time. The committee, which meets every Monday evening at Council Room, will be glad to confer with any of our citizens. The program will soon be ready for announcement. However count on a great large day with a parade in the morning and singing and speaking in the opera house, ball game at 2:30 at Keystone Park, with dancing at the pavilion afternoon and evening. In case it should rain the dancing will take place in the opera house.

Watch for the programs.

Impostor Detected.

Chief of Police Frank Mundy noticed a chap enter McDonald's liquor store last Friday and approach the proprietor with a request that he assist him financially, representing that he was an engineer on P. & E., and was contesting for a gold watch with a brother conductor. The Chief watched the lad for a short time when he accosted him, requesting that he present his book. After making all kinds of excuses he finally produced the book, which contained the names of several Renovo parties and one Emporium man who had given the impostor 50c. Seeing that officer Mundy was onto his game he confessed and begged not to be arrested, giving as an excuse that "he was up against it and hungry." Chief gave him a short time to leave town.