

FOUR COUNTIES IN FIGHT FOR CONGRESS

Complications in Dresser's District Over Rule Governing Nominations.



CAPT. CHARLES F. BARCLAY, Cameron's Candidate.

BELLEFONTE, March 11.—The contest for the Republican nomination for Congress in this district is attracting much interest. The friends of former Judge Love, of this county, are still hopeful that he will land the prize. The fight in Clearfield county presents the names of Representative Fred Schofield, of Clearfield, and M. I. McCreight, a banker, of DuBois.

Captain Barclay, of Cameron county, has a strong following, not only in his home county, but in other parts of the district.

S. R. Dresser, of McKean, who now represents his district, is not a candidate for re-election.

Each county in the district may have a candidate in the conference.

The proposition in the district today is a very peculiar one by reason of the rule which reads as follows:

"That each county in the district in all Congressional conferences shall be entitled to three conferees or delegates to be elected by each county in accordance with their respective rules; provided, that after the first day's session of the conference no nomination is made, then an adjournment shall be had for not more than one week or less than five days; and when the conference is reconvened and no nomination is made; then each county's representation shall be thereafter as follows: Three votes absolutely and one additional vote for each 1000 Republican voters or majority fraction thereof polled at the last preceding Presidential election. After ten more ballots have been had and no nomination made, the candidate receiving the lowest number of votes will be dropped and so continue on each succeeding ballot until a nomination is made."

And it is further provided that any one or more conferees or delegates present from any county shall cast the full vote to which it is entitled.

Now under the above rule a peculiar situation is presented.

The rule gives three votes absolutely for every county and one additional vote for every 1000 Republican votes cast at the preceding Presidential election. Here is the analysis: Republican vote of 1904:

9541, Clearfield county, 3 plus 10 equals.....	13
5291, Centre county, 3 plus 5 equals.....	8
1228, Cameron county, 3 plus 1 equals.....	4
6719, McKean county, 3 plus 6 equals.....	9
Total votes cast would be.....	34

Here, therefore, is the checkboard of the situation.

If Cameron and Clearfield vote together the result will be 17 votes, and if on the same ballot, Center and McKean vote together, the result will be 17 and a tie.

Centre voting with Cameron would produce 12 votes, while McKean voting with Clearfield would make 22 votes and an election.

In other words, Cameron and Clearfield can tie McKean and Center, but Cameron voting with any other county could not do so, and an election could only be secured against Clearfield county only by the combined vote of the other three counties of the district or a fraction thereof.

The situation is one that should command the attraction of the voters in the several counties, so that a good man will be nominated no matter from what county he shall come from.



WILLIAM S. WALKER.

Courtesy of Condorsport Enterprise.

President of the Austin Board of Education, vice president of the Emporium Lumber Company and one of the foremost business men in this section. Much credit is due him for the part he took in the erection of Austin's new school building.

Mr. Walker passed most of his life in Emporium, where he was associated with his father, the late Judge Walker. He is one of the stockholders and directors of First National Bank, of Emporium, and has other interests in Emporium.

The Observer.

In the current number of the Atlantic Monthly there is an article of the highest social and economic value by Professor F. W. Taussig, of Harvard, entitled, "The Love of Wealth and the Public Service." This article is the substance of an address which Professor Taussig, as President of the American Economic Association, delivered before that body at its recent meeting in Baltimore. It is a discussion of the substance of an address which Professor Taussig, as President of the American Economic Association, delivered before that body at its recent meeting in Baltimore. It is a discussion of the causes which lead the majority of capable and ambitious Americans to seek a field for their ambition in private industry rather than in public service.

As a "captain of industry," the forceful American finds himself in a position of real and permanent power, a position in which he is able to lord it over thousands and ten thousands, and one which appeals to the admiring imagination of the world. What he values more than the luxury and distinction which wealth commands, is the opportunity to work out great enterprises to their completion without being hampered by checks at every turn or embarrassed by the knowledge that in one year or two years or four years his tenure of power will cease.

In the public service on the other hand, he is confronted by the watchful jealousy with which the executive power is always viewed in a democracy, and is surrounded by the constitutional checks, which a democracy has devised to render the power of the executive ineffective. The mayor of a city, elected for a short term, and tied as to his hands and feet by unsympathetic councils and courts, can do very little in the way of inaugurating and carrying to completion any great enterprise or reform. The same is true of governors and presidents. To the "big men" of the business world, the public service as a rule makes no appeal; and when a man of that class does respond to the appeal it is with a sense of conscientious sacrifice and not to gratify his ambition.

And yet the tendency these days is to look to the government to enlarge the scope of its administration and control. Municipal ownership is one form which this tendency assumes. Many would like to see the general government own and administer the railroads and telegraphs, as it already does the post office. But is there sufficient administrative capability in the public service to warrant the belief that it would be wise to entrust the government with such enlarged functions? This is a question which at least must give pause to the advocates of governmental ownership. The success of such a policy in bureaucratic Germany must not hastily be advanced as an argument for its adoption in democratic America. "It shows what can be done, not by educating a democracy, but by disregarding it." Our problems are the problems of a democracy, and we must solve them without giving up our essential democracy.

With this understood, Professor Taussig suggests that the machinery of government may be rendered more efficient, if we would lengthen the term of the executive, reduce the number of elected officers and enlarge the appointing power, and simplify the machinery of municipal and state governments. "All this involves an abrogation of power by the voter. He must consent to keep hands off,—if not forever, at least for long periods of time. Only by some such change will it be possible to enlist and hold in public service men of the needed capacity."

But it is absolutely necessary that we should have moral perception and resolution. "All the elaboration of more effective governmental apparatus is useless unless the public really wishes better government."

"The American people has undergone great changes in the last fifty years. No one can undertake to say what will be the outcome, after another fifty years, of the revolution in industry through which we are passing, and of our extraordinary mingling of nationalities. Yet I believe that the heart of the people is sound, and that democracy will emerge successfully from the difficulties of adjustment to the new conditions. Not without effort, not without trials, not without disappointment; least of all, by any rapid or revolutionary changes; yet in the end with success. * * * The worship of wealth is diminishing, and the respect for public service is increasing. * * * We may hope for greater repression of the selfish motives and the sordid activities, for freer play to noble ambition and public spirited effort, and not only for a stronger government, but for a better and purer democracy."

The pet parrot belonging to Mrs. O. P. Warner died last week. The bird was twenty-nine years old.

Left Emporium to Take a Wife.

William H. Weaver, who has resided in Emporium for fourteen years, left on Monday for Beech Creek, where he will reside permanently to engage in agricultural pursuits. Before entering upon his new life he commenced right by taking to himself a wife, in the person of Miss Rose Smith, an estimable lady, well known in Emporium. The ceremony was performed at Elmira, N. Y., yesterday. The PRESS and many friends join in wishing the couple a happy life. He was an industrious workman and the fact that he was for fourteen years in the employ of C. B. Howard Company and Emporium Furnace Company proves conclusively that he did not fail to do his work well.

Mr. Weaver has been an active member of local lodge of Odd Fellows, as also was he closely allied with Rescue Hook and Ladder Co., both of which will miss him.

Return Engagement of the Real Widow Brown.

"Laugh and the world laughs with you, weep and you weep alone." You may be feeling blue and in the mental "dumps" on the evening of Monday, March 19. If so, just drop into the Emporium Opera House and see "The Real Widow Brown." That charming lady will hold a reception, diversified by tuneful songs, captivating dances, by an assembly of some of the most clever comedians and comediennees on the farce comedy stage. And strange to say, there's a plot too, and that, together with clever acting and amusing complications will keep you in unbounded hilarity until the final fall of the curtain. But kindly observe this injunction: Don't be too boisterous in your merriment as your neighbor may have made a mistake and thought he was to see a tragical drama. In that case, blandly excuse yourself with the remark that you understand "The Real Widow Brown" was for laughter purposes only. This is a guaranteed attraction. Money back if not satisfied.

Youngsters are Now Heading For Schools.

MILLVILLE, N. J., March 11.—Since Prof. Harry F. Stauffer, supervising principal of public schools, began to enforce the new school law and issue orders to parents to send their children between the ages of six and fourteen years to school, or suffer the consequences, the schools are filling up at an astonishing rate and the Board of Education is experiencing great difficulty in accommodating the many youngsters.

The truant officer has had great trouble in forcing some of the parents to send their children to school and Prof. Stauffer issued warrants for the parents, but when the officer went to the home the child was surrendered to be placed in school. The enrollment is now 2030, which is many more than have been enrolled in previous years.

Able Clergyman.

Rev. R. C. Knox and wife, of Lock Haven, have been visiting friends in Emporium during the past week, guests of Mrs. Mary Mayze and family. Rev. Knox officiated on his old charge last Sabbath, preaching at Moore Hill, Beechwood and Howard Siding. Of course his many friends were delighted to have him with them again. He is an energetic minister and hard-worker in the "cause."

Birthday Party.

Miss Leona Coppersmith entertained twenty-three of her little friends last Saturday in honor of her eighth birthday, at her home on Allegheny Avenue. Miss Leona is an excellent hostess and the merry little ones spent a delightful time in playing games, and at a late hour in the day departed for their homes wishing Miss Leona might have birthdays real often.

Eggs for Hatching.

Pure bred Brown Leghorns, the best laying breed of fowls in the world. The hen that lays is the hen that pays. Eggs for sale as follows: One setting, 13 eggs, for \$1.00; three settings, 36 eggs, \$2.50. We also have the pure White Wyandottes, same price.

FARMERS EXCHANGE, Pittsfield, Pa.

Tea and Sugar.

To advertise our 50c Uncolored Japan Tea we will give with every pound of tea at 50c, five pounds of best Granulated Sugar at 4c per lb. Or a pound of tea and five pounds of sugar for 73c on Friday and Saturday, this week. This must be strictly cash.

Girl Wanted.

A competent girl wanted for general housework. Apply at residence of E. G. COLEMAN.

NEW WARNER CHANGE.

W. G. Gilbert, of Austin, the New Proprietor, Takes Possession.

The popular Warner House, so successfully conducted by Joseph L. Wheeler has been sold to W. G. Gilbert, of Hotel Goodyear, Austin, Mr. Gilbert taking possession last Friday. Consideration, \$38,000. Mr. Wheeler after purchasing the property made extensive repairs and improvements that placed the New Warner on a plane equal to the best hotels in this section of the state and enjoyed a large patronage and extensive reputation for first-class service. Our town owes Mr. Wheeler a vote of thanks for the manner in which he conducted the house. He expects to engage in other business, possibly in South Carolina, but his family will reside here for a time at least. The many friends of this pleasant family hope they may continue to make Emporium their home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Gilbert, who for several years have conducted the Hotel Goodyear at Austin—and still conduct the same—are experienced hotel people, with a wide circle of friends. Mr. Gilbert was for many years a commercial agent and enjoys the confidence and respect of the business men. We bespeak for Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert, who come to Emporium so highly recommended by our Austin friends, the same cordial treatment bestowed upon Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler, whom we all greatly respect.

Few changes are to be made. Mrs. E. M. Hurteau, who has as housekeeper labored so zealously to maintain the reputation of the house will soon retire to enjoy a rest. A new chef, Mr. John Diehl, of Elmira, N. Y., has arrived and will keep up the reputation for excellent meals. Geo. Hurteau remains as day clerk.

What the Pittsburg Post Thinks of Tom Waters.

"Neighboring Neighbors" a new musical farce company, written and produced by Tom Waters and assisted by an exceptionally clever company, made its debut at the Empire Theatre last night to an audience that completely filled the big East End Theatre. The piece scored a decided hit. It is indeed one of the best and most laughable comedies Pittsburg has listened to for some time. At Emporium Opera House to-night.

"Neighboring Neighbors"

A three act musical mixture, with the popular comedian, Mr. Tom Waters, as the star, at opera house to-night. Don't fail to attend. Your money back if not satisfied.

Met With an Accident.

Last Sunday evening Mrs. James Davins had the misfortune to fall and break her arm. Dr. Falk assisted by Dr. Groves set the injured member, and the patient is now getting along as well as possible.

Prospects Bright.

Capt. C. F. Barclay was in Emporium last evening conferring with friends. His candidacy for Congress is being received well not only here but in all parts of the district.

Killed by Flyer.

The east bound Buffalo Flyer struck and instantly killed a man, about five telegraph poles west of Hulings Tower, Friday p. m., March 9th, while he was walking on the track. He appeared to be about 25 years of age, brown hair and blue eyes, five feet seven inches tall, weighs about 135 pounds. His head was crushed in, one foot smashed and both legs and arms broken. No clew to his identity was secured. He was buried at Wistar, Monday, March 12th. The burial was in charge of overseer of the poor Wallace Gaskel.

The Real Widow Brown, Coming Back, Next Monday Night.

If you want to enjoy a long, hearty laugh of 180 minutes, go to see "The Real Widow Brown" which comes to the Emporium Opera House, Monday evening, March 19. It possesses the essential qualities and virtues of a genuine farce comedy: Clean, pure, exhilarating, and with sufficient spice of captivating songs and clever dances to compose one of the best drawings at tractions on the road. The author has constructed an ingenious plot on which the laughable incidents hinge, a seemingly strange anomaly, as the average farce comedy is as barren as the Klondyke is of a dress suit case. Its cardinal object is to make you laugh and enjoy yourself. Money back if not satisfied.

We are under obligations to the Independent for favors received, for which they will please accept our thanks.

THE WEATHER.
FRIDAY, Snow. SATURDAY, Snow Drifts.
SUNDAY, Fair.

ASSETS
First National Bank,
EMPORIUM, PA.
At the close of business March 14, 1906.
\$758,014.09.

A bank account stimulates your courage, guards you against extravagance and gives you confidence in your judgment.

Man About Town.

MAKING OF A MAGAZINE.
To make a modern magazine, Take, say, three hundred pages. Fill three of these with photographs Of gratifiers, statesmen, sages; Of sonnets, here and there, use one To finish up a page, And devote full twenty pages To the people of the stage. Three very smart short stories— Motar car in every one— Fill the rest with advertising. And your magazine is done.
—Washington Post.

Our Postmaster says a man in Cameron proposed to a young lady in this town on a postal card. She replied by letter and he did not see the answer.

There is on exhibition in a downtown store a collar that has been through the laundry three times and is not worn out.

One of Uncle Peter's Sunday School class says he saved wood once. Peter remarked he remembered the time well. It was when he saw his way out of jail.

Mike Hout is the principal cook in his bungalo; says he has no use for cook books, for everything in the book begins, take a clean dish.

The nature of an oath according to one of our leading lawyers is when you tell a lie stick to it.

We are all liable to mistakes—the doctors as well as the lawyers. A doctor's mistake is often buried six feet under the ground and a lawyer's often swings six feet in the air.

A man was turned away from the pearly gates the other day when St. Peter found he was the man who guaranteed patent leather shoes not to crack.

A man in our photograph gallery the other day having his picture taken was told to smile. "Not much," says he, "my wife is going to send one of these pictures to her mother and if she sees a smile on my face, she will come here and stay all summer."

One of our ministers is criticised for calling his congregation "my dear friends." He probably knows them to well to call them ladies and gentlemen.

The subject discussed by the Window Sill Club the other evening was "Can an Honest Man Play Poker?" The decision was, he can but he cannot win anything.

Uncle Peter Beattie says he agrees with our great financiers, that we need a more elastic currency. He wishes now it was so elastic he could stretch a dollar bill over the bills he owes for cigars and then snap it back into his vest pocket.

We never read where King Solomon had anything to say about his mother-in-law. He had so many, he probably thought in his wisdom it was better to keep mum.

Some of our people are complaining that the milk they buy is watered. Our city council should pass an ordinance forbidding milk men to water their cows before milking.

A woman living over on the Portage writes the PRESS asking what to use in cleaning a carpet. Ye editor says if she is a married woman, tell her to use her husband.

One of our town kids Sunday evening placed an umbrella near one of our church doors with a string attached to it; he says that eleven different members of the church picked up that umbrella and carried it the length of the string before the dropped it.

Judge Brennan says in law a man has no right to kiss a woman against her will; but if he attempts it and does not succeed the woman will never forgive him.

We noticed two ladies walking on Sixth street the other day. Passing another lady, one of them remarked, her coat is brown just the color of her hair. Yes replied the other they were both colored by the same dye.

Is it not queer a young lady generally prefers to sit in a chair that has arms.

Spring poetry is coming to the PRESS office by the ton. Here is a sample from North Creek:
The crows are flying o'er the hills,
The teeks begin to sprout,
The snow is gone, the brooks and rills
Will soon be full of trout;
The city man will soon be here
Mose Minard for his guide,
They'll have a case of bottled beer,
And other stuff beside.