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Letter From Geo. W. VanWert.
Extracts from letters written by G. W. VanWert, from Beaumont, Texas: "Beaumont is right in the centre of the oil field on the Natchez river, which is navigable to the gulf. It is a beautiful city of about 15,000 inhabitants; has many fine buildings and the streets are paved. It is 120 miles from Galveston, the main sea port of Texas."
"The country here is level as far as the eye can reach. It looks like one vast field, dotted here and there with herds of horses and cattle. The horses are small and wild; the cattle have long horns."
"They are still sowing cotton here and have used the first crop of green corn and are pulling up the corn stalks to replant a second crop of corn."
"There are 6000 acres of rice growing in sight of the city. It is about ten inches high and stands in four inches of water."
"This could well be called the land of flowers—they are so plentiful. Sweet persimmon grows all over and the sweet magnolia trees are plentiful. They have a blossom resembling a white pond lily, only about three times as large. They are the sweetest scented flowers I ever saw."
"The site where we are to build, is four miles from the city in a pine grove as level as a floor. I don't know what they would think up there of building a dynamite plant on the dead level."
"The woods here are thick with chameleons, but they are harmless. Mosquitoes and sand flies are numerous. They almost eat a fellow up until he gets used to them."
"Banana trees, figs, apricots, plums and pecan nuts are abundant. No apples, peaches or ears of corn here; the salt air moss smother's such fruit. It gathers on the trees thick; it even gathers on the telephone wires."
"I was down to Houston. That is a fine old city; while here I visited the Humble oil fields, and saw a well that flows 50,000 barrels a day."
"I am getting to like it here but I would give anything to drink of water from Pennsylvania. I haven't seen a face I ever saw before since I left Pittsburg, but the people here are fine and this is the country after one gets used to it. There is a great demand for men of education and brains. Common laborers are plenty but men with trades or education command big salaries."
"Am getting used to the climate and am rugged and healthy now, but it is very hot and dry. The temperature ranges from 98° to 106°; but there is always a good stiff breeze from the gulf and you don't mind the hot weather much."
"We have had a rain since Good Friday and hundreds of horses and cattle are dying. People are drilling wells as fast as possible, and are expecting rain every day. You would think nothing would grow but everything looks fairly well."
The Texas Powder Co., is composed of a fine lot of felloes; altogether these are a fine lot, good heated lot of people, not the rough so usually found in the oil regions, but big hearted, all everyday men. The population runs about three colors to one white.
"Remember me to all old friends and tell them I am getting along fine."

Fatal Accident at Westport.
Special to the Press.
Mrs. Edwards, wife of P. R. R., Station Agent Edwards, of Westport, was struck by a flat bound engine, running light, Sunday morning, July 15th, and instantly killed. She started to cross the east end track and did not see the approaching engine, on account of the mail, which was standing at the station, obscuring the view of the other track. Mrs. Edwards is survived by her husband and two daughters. The remains were taken on the morning train to Lock Haven, Wednesday, July 18th for burial.

God has been giving His enemies age on age, making His sun to rise on the evil and the ungodly and being kind toward the ungodly and the ungodly, Jesus on the cross said, "Father forgive them," and His entire life was one of forbearance and magnanimity toward His foes. Hard is it to forgive we cannot take our revenge with Jesus, we cannot be perfect if the Heavenly Father is perfect if we think from the Christian duty of forgiveness. But whenever we have seen to this height of magnanimity as have been able really to overlook the slight or the insult, have we not been rewarded with a sense of having entered more deeply than ever before into the fellowship of Christ and into alliance with God?—The Congregationalist.

CLEAR FIELD FOR JUDGE B. W. GREEN IN CLINTON.
There will be only one Republican candidate for president judge in Clinton county—Judge B. W. Green, of Cameron. Capt. Kress, who was reported to be a candidate, did not file his candidacy, in fact he states that he is not, nor has he at anytime been, a candidate. This ensures Judge Green's nomination, having the support of Clinton and Cameron conferees.

Pleasant Reception.
The reception given last Thursday evening by Mrs. Helen Day Metzger, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Day, recently married, was a very pleasant occasion. The happy couple received the well wishes of our people, who gathered in large numbers from eight until eleven. Light refreshments were served. The bride who is an attractive and very intelligent lady will be a valuable acquisition to our town. The groom, who has for years been one of our prominent business men, has always been held in the highest esteem by our citizens. Mr. and Mrs. Day have the best wishes of the Press for a long, happy and prosperous life.

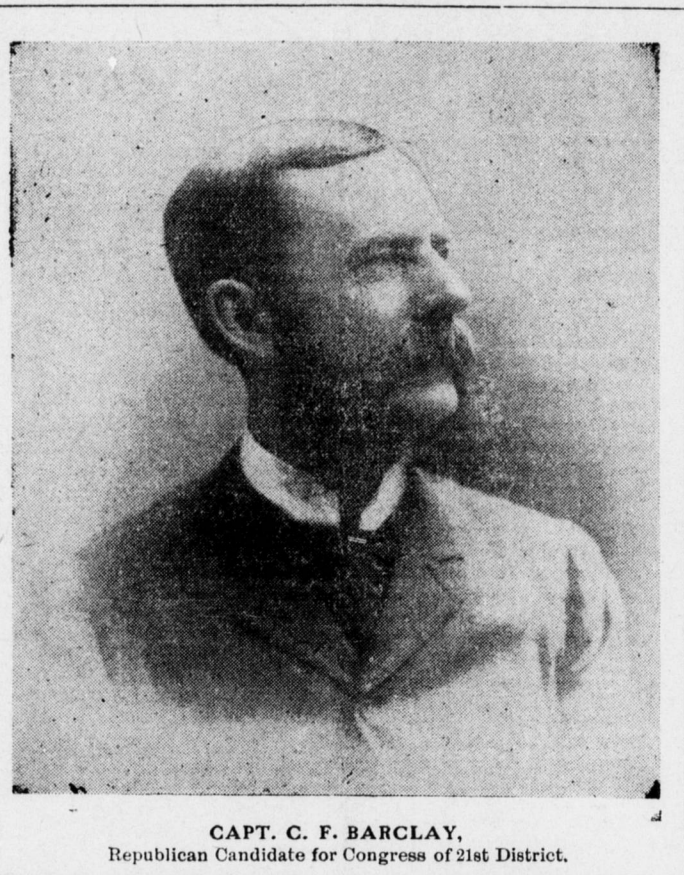
The following guests (many of those invited having been detained at conventions and other business meetings, therefore being unable to attend) were in attendance:
Judge and Mrs. B. W. Green, Mr. and Mrs. H. Howard, Mrs. Josiah Howard, Mrs. H. H. Mullin, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hackenberg, Mrs. Balcom, Mr. Max Balcom, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Felt, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. McQuay, Mr. Thomas Gallagher, Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Hinkle, Mr. and Mrs. DeLong, Mrs. Lizzie Hinkle, Mrs. Robert Dodson, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Andrews, Mrs. Sallie Lloyd, Mrs. J. S. Wylie, Miss Jettie Wiley, Miss Grace Walker, Mr. Russell McQuay, Miss Lora McQuay, Mrs. Geo. J. LaBar, Mr. and Mrs. Grant S. Allen, Mrs. Chas. Zaps, Mr. J. F. Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Strayer, Mr. and Mrs. Forbes, Dr. and Mrs. Leon Felt, Miss Ennie Howard, Miss Myrtle Taggart, Miss Flossie Taggart, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Thomson, Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Harrie, Miss Marion Larrabee, Mr. Clifford Larrabee, Mrs. C. M. Thomas, Miss Maud Thomas, Miss Nellie Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Paul Felt, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Leet, Miss Eva Leet, Mrs. L. K. Huntington, Mrs. J. C. Bonham, Mrs. Rose B. Sage, Mr. and Mrs. H. Day, Miss Ethel Day, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Day, Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Day, Miss Kate Metzger, Miss Mattie Collins, Miss Nina Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. Seth J. Hackett, Mrs. Helen Day Metzger, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Day, Hon. John Day, Sr.

A Farewell Reception.
A farewell party was given to Miss Edith Sterner last Friday evening at the Lutheran parsonage by the members of the church. The lawn on which the tables were set was brilliantly lighted with Japanese lanterns and other beautiful decorations. About thirty young people enjoyed a spread of strawberries and cream and ice cream and cake. During the evening amusing games were played. Miss Sterner, who is soon to go to Emporium, will be greatly missed among the church workers and other friends.—Potter County Journal.

Notice to Scoundrels.
Not content to smash the piano, stove, furniture and wire netting at Keystone Park, children or adults have commenced to tear up and break seats in the grand stand. A reward of ten dollars is now offered for the apprehension of the scoundrels who did this or will continue to do it. Parents of children guilty of this will be held responsible hereafter.

Change of Firm—Big Bargains.
Mrs. Stella Coppersmith has purchased the millinery and fancy goods store so many years conducted by Miss H. L. Raymond and taken possession of the same. In order to reduce the large stock, Mrs. Coppersmith will sell all summer goods below cost. Now is the opportunity to purchase at great bargains and save money.

You can get all kinds of good cedar shingles at C. B. Howard & Co.



CAPT. C. F. BARCLAY,
Republican Candidate for Congress of 21st District.

Republican Congressional Convention.
DuBois, Pa., July 12th, 1906.
Adjourned meeting of the Republican conferees of the 21st Congressional District held at the Commercial Hotel, DuBois, Pa., at 1:45 p. m., July 12, 1906. Mr. Geo. Patton called the Conference to order and the following delegates presented their credentials and answered to their name on the roll call:
Hon. J. O. Brookbank, Hon. J. C. Johnson, Hon. Josiah Howard, representing Cameron county; Dr. J. W. Dunwiddie, G. G. Fink, Harry Keller, representing Centre county; Blake Kuntz, Sam'l T. Henderson, G. A. Johnson, representing Clearfield county; F. D. Gallup, M. J. Gallup, Geo. Patton representing McKean county.
On motion Messrs. G. G. Fink, of Centre county, and G. A. Johnson of Clearfield county were elected tellers.
The chair then declared nominations to be in order for a candidate to represent the Republican Party in the 21st Congressional District and Mr. Dunwiddie, of Centre, nominated Hon. Jue. G. Love, of Bellefonte, and was seconded by Mr. Fink.
Capt. J. C. Johnson, of Cameron, then presented the name of Capt. C. F. Barclay, of Sinnamahoning, Pa., which was seconded by Mr. Brookbank.
Mr. Blake Kuntz, of Clearfield, nominated Mr. A. L. Cole, of DuBois, which was seconded by Mr. Henderson.
Mr. F. D. Gallup, of McKean, nominated Hon. S. R. Dresser, of Bradford, Pa., which was seconded by Mr. M. J. Gallup.
On motion of Mr. Henderson, seconded by Mr. Keller, the nominations were then declared closed.
On motion of Mr. Kuntz, seconded by Dr. Dunwiddie, it was resolved that the Conference now proceed to ballot.
While the tellers were preparing their tally lists the Hon. S. R. Dresser, the present Member of Congress, addressed the Conference with a straightforward statement of his position as a Republican and expressed his thanks for past and present courtesies shown him, but stated that he did not desire a renomination and hoped that the Conference would agree upon a candidate whom they could all loyally support.
The Secretary then proceeded to call the roll by counties in their alphabetical order with the following result of each ballot as announced by the tellers:
1st ballot—Judge Love, Capt. Barclay, A. L. Cole, Hon. S. R. Dresser, three votes each.
2nd ballot—Judge Love, 6 votes, Capt. Barclay, 3 votes, A. L. Cole, 3 votes.
3rd ballot—Judge Love, 6 votes, Capt. Barclay, 3 votes, A. L. Cole, 3 votes.
After the third ballot, on motion the Conference took a recess of five minutes.
At the end of the five minutes the Conference reconvened and the roll call was proceeded with for the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth ballots which resulted as follows:
4th ballot—Judge Love, 6 votes, Capt. Barclay, 3 votes, A. L. Cole, 3 votes.
5th ballot—Judge Love, 6 votes, Capt. Barclay, 3 votes, A. L. Cole, 3 votes.
6th ballot—Judge Love, none, Capt. Barclay, 6 votes, A. L. Cole, 6 votes.
7th ballot—Judge Love, 3 votes, Capt. Barclay, 3 votes, A. L. Cole, 6 votes.
8th ballot—Judge Love, 3 votes, Capt. Barclay, 3 votes, A. L. Cole, 6 votes.
9th ballot—Judge Love, 3 votes, Capt. Barclay, 3 votes, A. L. Cole, 6 votes.
At the end of the ninth ballot the Conference took another recess of three minutes, after which they reconvened and roll call was ordered for the 10th ballot which resulted as follows: The three delegates from Cameron county voted for Mr. Barclay; followed by the three delegates from Centre county voting for Mr. Barclay; then Clearfield county was called and the three delegates voted for Mr. Cole, and when McKean county was called the three delegates, who had been voting for Mr. Cole for four ballots, changed and cast their tenth ballot for Mr. Barclay, giving him a total of nine votes.
When the tellers announced that Capt. C. F. Barclay had received nine votes the chair declared Capt. C. F. Barclay, of Sinnamahoning, duly nominated as the Republican candidate for Congress in the 21st Congressional District.
It being announced that two secretaries were necessary to sign the nomination papers, on motion Mr. G. A. Johnson, of Clearfield county, was elected as additional secretary, after which the Chairman, on motion duly carried, declared the Conference adjourned.

Of Interest to Supervisors.
The following letter received from State Highway Commissioner Joseph W. Hunter may interest many readers:
DEAR SIR:—
Reply to your inquiry would say that Section 2 of Act of April, 1905, known as Supervisors or townships of second class law, provides for the organization of the Board of Supervisors and after such organization the act says they shall proceed immediately to levy a road tax, which shall not exceed ten (10) mills on each dollar of valuation; this valuation shall be the last adjusted valuation for county purposes, etc. The Act does not say that duplicate must be made out at once; but the levy must be made and the duplicate should be made out as quickly after the spring assessment is made as possible; this will take out the names of those who have removed from the township and add the names of those who have moved into the township about April 1st.
(Taxable means, capable of being taxed; liable by law to the assessment of taxes; as, taxable estate, taxable commodities.)
This means that a woman owning property must be assessed the dollar provided for in the Act and every estate assessed as an estate must be charged the dollar. The dollar is assessed against the property and must be paid by the non resident as well as the resident owner.
It is not a poll tax.
A single woman who is not a real estate or personal property owner cannot be assessed the dollar; she is not a taxable.
The tax of one dollar is to be paid in cash and not worked out.
The Treasurer appointed by the Board of Supervisors is entitled to a commission on the amount of money received and distributed by him. This does not mean, however if he received \$2,000 that he is to be paid a percentage of 2 per cent. for instance on the \$2,000 when he receives it and 2 per cent. on the same amount when he pays it out. He is entitled to the percentage once only. He can receive no percentage on the work tax. He neither receives nor distributes it. He is not responsible for the work tax. The amount of his bond must be determined by the Board of Supervisors. It would be a good custom to appoint some one Treasurer who is not an elector in the township. The Secretary of the Board can and should receive compensation for his services as Secretary, and the amount to be fixed by the Board of Supervisors.
A member of the Board of Supervisors must not furnish supplies of any kind to the Board or articles that are to be used by the township in the improvements of its roads.
Any member of the Board of Supervisors can work out his taxes, where the work tax system is still in force.
The discount to be allowed on the payment of taxes by June 1st is only to be allowed on the cash tax and not on the work tax.
The Supervisors receive no compensation and do not give bond.
The Board of Supervisors must direct the affairs of the Township. Divide the township into one or more districts and appoint a roadmaster for each district and fix their per hour wages. Also the wages to be paid to laborers and the amount for team hire, etc. and it is the duty of the Supervisors to sell the roads when that system is in use.
The taxpayers will have to go to the treasurer of the Board of Supervisors to pay the tax levied for road purposes. The fifteen per cent to be paid to Townships that have abolished the work tax will not be paid until after the first Township statement is filed with the State Highway Department on or before March 15th, 1907.
In Townships that have not abolished the work tax it is the duty of the board of Supervisors to give notice to all persons rated for work tax by advertisement or otherwise at attend at such times and places as such Supervisors may direct. The Supervisors may have such notices printed and direct the roadmaster to serve them.
The Treasurer must give a written notice to all taxable persons of the amount of tax that has been assessed against them, within ten days after receiving the duplicate. This can be done by mailing a bill to each taxable.
The levying of taxes in a township where the work tax has been abolished would be done in the manner heretofore in vogue.
Neither the Treasurer nor a township auditor can serve as a roadmaster.
"Necessary expenses" would properly include traveling expenses, cost of meals, horse feed, and such other like items, but would exclude any compensation of any kind for the time spent by the Supervisors in the discharge of their duties.
If the interests of the township can be best taken care of by employing some one outside of the township as roadmaster the Supervisors have the right to employ such assistance.

Shippen Teachers.
Plank Road, intermediate, Miss Rose Ganey, \$40.
Plank Road, primary, Miss Leatha Victory, \$40.
Sweezy, Mr. Ezra B. Smith, 40.
North Creek, Miss Rena Sweezy, \$37.50.
Chadwick, Miss Anna Market, \$37.50.
Clear Creek, Miss Flora Edwards, \$37.50.
Elk Lick, Miss Carolyn Lechner, \$37.50.
West Creek, Miss Eva Lewis, \$37.50.
Shippen, Miss Ruby Heideck, \$35.
Four Mile, Miss Mable Edwards, \$37.50.
Howard Siding, Miss Nora Ostrum, \$37.50.
Bryan Hill, Miss Maud Pearsall, \$37.50.
Whittemore Hill, Miss Alice Quigley, \$37.50.
Beechwood, Miss Jessie Card, \$37.50.
Truman, Mr. Geo. Leavitt, \$37.50.
More Hill, Miss Nellie O'Keefe, \$37.50.

THE WEATHER.
FRIDAY, Fair SATURDAY, Rain
SUNDAY, Fair.
ASSETS
First National Bank,
EMPORIUM, PA.
At the close of business July 19, 1906.
\$696,525.28.
A bank account sets your family a good example.

DR. LEON REX FELT,
DENTIST.
Rockwell Block, Emporium, Pa.
Another Democratic Candidate for President Judge.
George A. Brown, of Lock Haven, has announced his candidacy for president judge in Clinton county, therefore Major Hall will have democratic opposition for the nomination.

Down an Embankment.
Last Sunday afternoon Mr. E. W. Eschbach and Miss Margaret Cummings, while returning from Cameron, met an automobile near the coke ovens when their horse took fright and plunged over the steep embankment. The occupants stuck to the buggy until thrown out, after tumbling about one hundred feet. Miss Cummings was considerably bruised and cut about the face and body. Her companion escaped with slight injuries. The horse never stopped until it reached the railroad track. It is a miracle that the occupants were not fatally injured.

The Portage Store.
W. L. Dixon, proprietor of the Portage store, desires to inform his patrons and the general public that he is offering special inducement in canned goods for the next thirty days. Read this:
Tomatoes, 10c; Good California Peaches, 16c; Mince Meat, 8c, Corn 8c; Finest String Beans, 10c; Best Seeded Raisens, 11c; Seven bars Oak Leaf Soap, 25c. Other goods in proportion.
Call me on phone.
W. L. DIXON,
Near Portage Bridge.
7-ft.

Marriage of two Young People of Huntley.
Miss Myrtle Logue and Mr. Jesse Johnson were united in marriage, Friday, July 13th, at Sterling Run, by the Rev. Sam'l Ebersole. The young people took the Erie Mail for a short trip to Erie and Buffalo, returning home on the Buffalo Flyer Saturday afternoon. Miss Logue is the only daughter of Mrs. David Logue and is one of Huntley's most popular young ladies. She is connected with several charitable and religious works and is admired by all who know her. The groom is the son of John L. Johnson, who is one of our prominent citizens and a veteran of the civil war. The young couple will reside in Huntley. The Press unites with their many friends in wishing a bright future for them.

NOTES OF INTEREST.
W. H. Cramer's store is crowded every day and evening with customers.
The Epworth League and the members of the Methodist Church choir gave a reception at the Methodist parsonage Monday evening for Prof. E. S. Ling and family who left town on Wednesday for Lock Haven.
The voters of Cameron, Clinton and Elk counties ought to elect Judge Green to the bench in that district as a rebuke to the Hall machine as well as because of the fitness of Judge Green for the position—Williamsport Bulletin.
The lady who visited Emporium last Monday, after being chased by a monster snake or sheep, (our informer was not sure which) until she had torn her Sunday-go-to meeting dress, can now call on either Henry Zaps or W. H. Cramer, each having sent a rush order for some of that "repair a rip" material.

Festival and Bread sale by the ladies of M. E. Church, in public Reading Room, Saturday, July 21st. Home made bread, biscuit, brown bread, cakes, pies, doughnuts, cookies and baked beans and coffee served afternoon and evening. Follow the band and patronize the ladies.

Death of Philip Peasley.
Editor Press:—
We announced in your paper some months ago the serious illness of Philip Peasley, in a hospital at Vancouver, B. C. Mrs. E. G. Hicks, a cousin, has received a letter from the officials of the hospital, that he is dead. Philip was well-known in this county, especially up Rich Valley. His death blots out the entire family, all the other members having died before him.

Valuable Real Estate For Sale.
The undersigned offers for sale some valued improved real estate, at a bargain. Apply to V. A. Brooks, Sinnamahoning, Pa. 17-4t.

Potatoes \$1.00 a bushel at Diehls'.
J. M. E.