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TWO REUNIONS OF WAR VETERANS

Company H Penna. Infantry Gather at
Boalsburg.

7TH PA. VOLUNTEER CAVALRY

Hold an Interesting Meeting in Bellefonte
Which is Largely Attended - Brief
Report of the Various Sessions -
Officers Elected.

Saturday was a gala day in the history of the quaint old town of Boalsburg nestled at the base of Nittany Mountain. The citizens were again enthused with a patriotic zeal to the extent that the village was beautifully decorated with flags and bunting, and everywhere there was an unusual stir. The cause of this special outburst of patriotism was the reunion of Co. H, 7th Pennsylvania Infantry, better known as the First Defenders who left that community in April 1861 for the seat of war. The day dawned bright and clear, thus the attendance of old comrades and friends was large. The first on the morning program was a parade. The line of march was down Main street and thence countermarched to the public hall. While the old soldiers were entering the building a large choir of ladies and gentlemen began singing "Columbia the Gem of the Ocean." The singing was grand and greatly appreciated. The large hall which was crowded with men, women and children was decorated very prettily with the national colors. On one side of the stage hung an oil painting of Captain Boal under which were the remains of the old flag this company carried away with them. On the other side of the stage hung the sword and sabre of Col. Robert McFarlane. Three relics that are cherished more than gold and silver by the descendants of these brave men who have long answered the call to the better world.

Following the singing comrade Hook of Boalsburg, a member of this famous company introduced Col. Greno, of Cincinnati, who made an earnest prayer invoking God's blessing on the old soldiers and friends. Rev. A. Black, in words of kindness, cordially welcomed the old boys to Boalsburg. The response to the address of welcome was made by Clement Dale, Esq., of Bellefonte. Capt. S. H. Williams nominated Col. Greno, the guest of honor, president of the organization. He was elected by acclamation. On account of Col. Greno being a stranger to a great many commanders W. H. Musser filled this position during the meeting in a most action during the morning session.

After singing "Star Spangled Banner" in the morning session closed. Dinner was ordered then. The members of this famous company were guests of Mr. Theodore Boal who entertained them in royal style at the hotel. At 1:30 in the afternoon the old veterans assembled in the hall again when the session was opened by the choir singing, "Have you got the Counter-sing." This was followed by an interesting and well rendered recitation by Miss Margaret Gohsen, of Boalsburg, who has considerable talent as an elocutionist. The main speaker of the afternoon was the venerable Armstrong Jacobs, who was Orderly Sergeant of this famous company when it left Boalsburg in 1861. He has passed his 84th year and thus very feeble, but his address was listened to with interest, as it contained many historical points of value. In part he said: "Patriotic Boalsburg is the birthplace of five, and possibly six, military organizations, namely: 'Boalsburg Riflemen,' Captain James Dunlap's 'Penna Valley Cadets,' Captain Fort Irvin, Captain Jonathan Shaffer, Captain Geo. Kepler, and last, but not least, General James Brislin; 'Cameron Guards,' Captain Robert McFarlane; 'Company G,' 148 P. V., Captain Robert McFarlane; and 'Company C,' 23d Reg. P. V., First Lieut. G. A. Jacobs.

Forty-six years ago last April when the war clouds of that awful Rebellion broke over our homes and Fort Sumter was fired upon, defenders of the Union were called for by President Lincoln. A meeting was held at Boalsburg in the Lutheran church for the purpose of answering that call and the "Cameron Guards" recruited to 108 men. Captain McFarlane and your humble servant were not reduced to ranks. John Boal was elected First Lieutenant by acclamation. William H. Riley was chosen Second Lieutenant. The men went on to state the movements of the company during the entire time they were out. Other addresses were made by the following comrades: S. H. Williams, D. F. Fortney, B. B. Minch, W. P. Harpster, W. H. Musser, Philip Wertz, John Stuart W. C. Patterson, Charles Eckenroth, Griffith Lytle, Andrew Cramer and William Reed. Comrade Harpster then favored the audience with a beautiful solo entitled, "We've drank from the same canteen." Seven little girls attended in white and carrying flags came on the rostrum and sang, "Beautiful Flag of the Brave." The meeting closed by the singing of "When the Roll is called up Yonder, I'll be there." Out of 108 men who enlisted 46 years ago only 13 were present on this occasion. Mrs. Amanda Fisher was chairman of the committee of ladies who served the splendid dinner at the school house to all visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Frank McFarlane received the comrades of H at the tavern and made them feel perfectly at home.

7th PA. VOL. CAVALRY.

Tuesday and Wednesday Bellefonte entertained the surviving members of the 7th Pennsylvania Volunteer Cavalry. The old soldiers began to arrive on Monday evening and continued to come until Wednesday noon when the number was increased to about one hundred. R. H. McGhee, of Lock Haven, the president of the association, had his headquarters at the Garman House, and as he is a genial good fellow

PRUNER ORPHANAGE ORDINANCE PASSED

Over the Veto of Chief Burgess John I. Curtin.

A CAMPAIGN OF ANNOYANCE

To be Instituted to Weary the Public - Six Loyal Councilmen Stood Firm - Public Sentiment Prevails Over Selfish Interests.

Sometime ago the Bellefonte Council passed an ordinance directing that a Board of Managers should be appointed for the Pruner Orphanage, an institution which, in time, would certainly become the pride of the town. The ordinance passed into the hands of Burgess John I. Curtin for his approval or disapproval, and the opinion of some of the best citizens of the town was that he would reconsider his former action in the matter and for the sake of needy humanity he would place his signature to the document, as was done by the Chief Burgess of Tyrone. After giving some very flimsy excuses, Burgess Curtin vetoed the measure, which he would not have done had his uncle, Hon. Andrew G. Curtin, the friend of orphans, been living. Monday evening Dr. M. A. Kirk brought the matter before council by making a motion that the ordinance vetoed by Burgess Curtin should be reconsidered and passed over his veto. It was seconded by C. C. Shney, President Harry Keller very reluctantly stating that he believed it to be illegal. If Mr. Keller had any serious doubt as to the legality of the action he should have stated his reasons clearly and fairly, instead of representing Dr. Hayes as an attorney, and the people of the North Ward at the same time, which accounts for his position which has always been against the orphanage, and for which he could have been caused considerable trouble had the friends of the orphanage seen fit to make the fight. When the vote was taken it stood 6 to 2 in favor of the orphanage.

CHAPEL DEDICATION.

Sunday was a red letter day in the history of the St. John's Reformed church of Bellefonte. The congregation and Sunday school united in dedicating their handsome chapel which is an ornament to that end of town. The sermons, both morning and evening were preached by Rev. Thomas L. Bickel, of Philadelphia, who was a former pastor of this church. Both discourses were highly edifying, showing much study and thought. During the morning service Rev. Ambrose M. Schmidt, the pastor, announced the gift of a handsome brass eagle Lectern. It was given to the congregation by Mrs. Chestie A. Harper in memory of her husband William Harper, then followed the consecration of the Lectern. The Treasurer, Jared Harper, announced that the church had received and furnished at a cost of about \$6,500 and that other church improvements had cost nearly \$300 making a total of \$6,800. Of this amount the congregation had paid \$4,650 leaving a balance of \$2,150 unprovided for. In a short while \$1,700 were pledged, the consistency assuming the remainder of the sum passed into the hands of the formal dedicatory services were held. The chapel is built of native sandstone and limestone trimmings. It is 47x45 feet in dimensions. The first floor is divided into a main auditorium with three class rooms which are separated by rolling partitions. There is also a work room for the Ladies Aid Society on this floor as well as a library and toilet. Two sides of the chapel are rounded by galleries which will be used for class rooms. The windows are very handsome and all of the first floor windows are the gifts of individuals or families. The wood work of the interior is a combination of pine and oak, the wainscoting is oak as well as the gallery balustrade. The Ladies Aid Society not only subscribed \$2000 toward the chapel but they also furnished the handsome carpet that covers the floor. Chairs of appropriate designs are used for seating purposes.

Gen. Beaver at Synod.

The Pennsylvania synod of the Presbyterian church at Philadelphia, which has been in session for a week, concluded its work Monday. The synod accepted the invitation of the First Presbyterian church of Beaver to hold the meeting there next year. The appointment of a committee to raise a fund of \$800 for a "student pastor" at State College was the most important matter brought before the body at the final session. Former Governor James Beaver, of Bellefonte, was one of the most earnest advocates of the "student pastor" movement for State College. He said there was a great field for a Presbyterian laborer among the 1633 students in the college and they certainly should have a student pastor. The speaker said he did not recognize the difference between Christian education and secular education worthy of the name that is not Christian.

Mrs. Chadwick's \$300,000.

A pass book showing deposits, of over \$300,000 in favor of the late Mrs. Cassie Chadwick in a Pittsburgh bank came into the possession of Nathan Loesser, the referee in bankruptcy. The deposits were made on June 10, 1902, and the referee says there is nothing to indicate that the account was checked against at all.

At Mill Hall on Saturday afternoon Dr. Rider, the veterinary surgeon, met with an accident that will keep him from his duties for a few days. He was returning home from a visit in Nittany Valley, and when near the iron bridge the horse became frightened and ran away, throwing the doctor out of the buggy. He was picked up and taken to the Clinton House and Dr. McGhee called, who found that he was badly shaken up and bruised, but no bones were broken. The buggy was damaged. Monday he is resting comfortably. He was formerly of Centre Hall.

It takes a certain amount of backing to put up a good front.

WEDDINGS.

BEAVER-MERRIMAN

Saturday morning at 11 o'clock a pretty wedding took place in the St. John's Episcopal church which was attended by a large number of friends and relatives. The decorations were green and white, which presented an attractive appearance. The wedding march was played by Miss Mary Bradley who announced the coming of the bride and groom, Miss Augusta Merriman and Andrew Beaver. The best man was Bevan Jones, of New York City, and the maid of honor was Miss Adelaide Merriman, sister of the bride. The bridesmaids were Misses Christine Merriman, Isabel Merriman, Katherine Cravan and Katharine Beaver. The bride was gowned in white satin trimmed in prince's lace and carried a shower bouquet of roses and lilies of the valley. The maid of honor and the bridesmaids were attired in white muslin and carried bouquets of pink chrysanthemums. Their heads were ornamented with beautiful wreaths. The ushers were John H. Stevens, Bertram Robinson, S. W. Jones, of New York City, and John Blanchard, of Bellefonte. At the church the wedding party was met by Rev. George Israel Brown, formerly of Bellefonte but now pastor of St. Paul's Episcopal church, at Harrisburg, and after the bride had been given away by her mother he spoke the words that united them in the holy bond of matrimony. After the ceremony at the church an informal reception was held at the Merriman residence on Currier street followed by a wedding breakfast. The wedding trip after which they will reside in New York City where the groom is employed in the First Co. of America.

WALKER-ORRIS.

Miss Julia Ida Orris, of Milesburg, and Edward Lloyd Walker, of New York, were united in marriage Wednesday evening of last week at six o'clock, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. E. A. Pyles, of Bellefonte, at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. E. E. Davis on East Lynn street. The bride was attended by Miss Elizabeth Orris, a sister, as maid of honor, and Misses Marie White and Madge Orris as bridesmaids, and Caroline I. Orris, of Bellefonte, Mildred I. Campbell, of Tyrone, and Mary I. Davis, of Bellefonte, as flower girls. The best man was E. E. Davis, of Bellefonte. After a sumptuous wedding dinner, the bride and groom left on the 8:16 train for Washington, D. C., Richmond and other southern cities. Upon their return they will go immediately to housekeeping at 13 Prospect Terrace, East Orange, N. J., where a furnished home awaits them. Mr. Walker has his office on Broadway, New York, where he has charge of the drafting department of the Aqueduct Commission of New York.

HEVERLY-COLE.

Tuesday morning Augustus Heverly and Miss Mary Cole left Bellefonte for Harrisburg where they were quietly married at the St. Paul's Episcopal church by the Rev. George I. Brown, formerly of Bellefonte. After the nuptial word had been said the happy couple left the Capitol City for Philadelphia. Wednesday evening they returned to Bellefonte where they were warmly greeted by their hosts of friends. The bride is a daughter of Architect Robert Cole, and a young lady possessed of those qualities which are essential to the making of a good wife. The groom is one of Bellefonte's progressive young business men, who for a number of years has been employed as one of the efficient clerks in Mingle's shoe store. It is to be hoped that the new life may be happy and prosperous.

STINSON-CRITTENDEN.

A very pretty but quiet home wedding was solemnized on Thursday evening at 6 o'clock at the residence of Rev. Richard Crittenden. The contracting parties were Miss Lillian Crittenden, daughter of Rev. R. Crittenden, and Mr. David William Stinson, of Pittsburg, Pa. In the presence of the immediate members of the families, Rev. R. Crittenden, father of the bride, performed the ceremony. The bride and groom departed on the evening train for a trip through Northern Pennsylvania after which they will be at home at Donora where Mr. Stinson is connected with the American Steel and Wire Co. The out-of-town guests were Miss Jennie Crittenden of Waterbury, Conn., and Mrs. George Sherman Frost, of Brooklyn, N. Y., sisters of the bride and Mrs. W. J. Stinson of Pittsburg, the groom's mother.

TAYLOR-SHELL.

Reynolds Taylor, of Bellefonte, and Miss Lucy Beryl Shell were the contracting parties at a beautiful wedding at the home of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. William Shell, of Williamsport, Wednesday evening of last week at 5 o'clock. Rev. Walter G. Steel performed the ceremony in the presence of about one hundred invited guests. Mr. Harry Hogmire and wife, of Altoona, were the attendants. The bride and groom were beautifully gowned in white Paris mousseline and carried exquisite bouquets of roses. After the ceremony a delicious supper was served and Mr. and Mrs. Taylor departed on the evening train for a tour of eastern cities, after which they will reside in McKeesport where the groom is an experienced electrician.

WETZEL-SWEET.

Miss Beulah Wetzel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rev. Frank Wetzel, and Joseph E. Sweet, of Pittsburg, were married Wednesday, Oct. 16th, at 12:00 noon, at Reformed parsonage of Rebersburg. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Frank Wetzel, father of the bride. Miss Lodie Shaffer played the wedding march; Miss Grace Wetzel, sister of the bride, was bride's maid. A reception followed the ceremony, after which their many friends escorted them to the railroad station at Coburn; of course, they decorated the train for Williamsport. Their many friends wish them abundant success.

AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MONUMENT

The Decree of the Court Directs Commissioners to Pay \$5,000

TWO GRAND JURIES APPROVE

Payment is Compulsory - Miles Township School Board Must Act - Other Decrees. Filed on Wednesday by Hon. Ellis L. Orvis.

Judge Orvis filed on Wednesday of this week a number of opinions and decrees which are as follows: In the application for an appropriation of \$5000, by the county to make final payment on the soldiers and sailors monument, which appropriation was approved by two successive grand juries, and to which approval exceptions were filed, the Court overrules the exceptions and approves the recommendations of the grand jury, as required by law. In the petition of citizens of Miles township school district, (which in substance prayed that better facilities be provided for the transportation of the school children of the Harter school district, which school had been closed by the school board of the township because small number of children in the school, and directed the school board of orders and directs the school board of Miles township to furnish better transportation for the school children, and gives the board until December term of court to arrange to carry out the suggestions contained in the opinion of the Court. If this is done, further proceedings will not be had. If not, the rule to show cause why the board should not be removed will be taken up at that time. In the case of Z. S. Welsh vs. Harry Young, certiorari, proceedings of the justice, which were in favor of Young, reversed.

In the two cases of Burdine Butler, plaintiff in error and defendant below vs. the commonwealth ex rel Ruben Lucas, defendant in error below, the exceptions were sustained and judgment reversed in both cases. In all these cases the successful parties were represented by Fortney & Fortney, attys.

In the application of the citizens of Boggs township for a new school house at Gum Stump, the case was continued until December court.

ELK'S OFFICERS.

Last week we gave a notice of the organization of the new lodge of Benevolent Protective Order of Elks in Bellefonte but we went on to give the names of the officers as follows: Exalted Ruler, F. E. Nagin; leading knight, Sam Baum; loyal knight, Arthur B. Kimport; lecturing knight, J. J. Kilpatrick; secretary, Charles T. Noll; treasurer, Maurice A. Jackson; tiler, Homer Barns; esquire, M. J. Locke; junior guard, H. L. Gardner; trustee, John Kniesly and W. C. Cassidy. It took until just 10 o'clock to install the new officers in their various duties after which all adjourned to the Brockerhoff house and partook of a sumptuous banquet. Just one hundred covers were laid and every chair was filled. After the inner man had been satisfied J. S. McCarger was chosen toastmaster and a number of after-dinner speeches were made, among the best being those of Mr. McCarger, ex-Judge John G. Love and Mr. Markus.

Saved His Limb.

On Saturday Geo. G. Fink, of Martha, was in town for the purpose of taking his son, Drove Fink, home from the Bellefonte hospital. The young man entered that institution over a year ago, suffering from necrosis of the bone, which had practically affected the entire bone from the ankle to the knee. At one time amputation was determined upon, but was finally stopped, in the hope that new formation of bone could be secured by care and extended treatment. This was successfully accomplished and on Saturday the young man was able to return to his home practicing that his limb was saved. This cure for necrosis was brought about in about a year, which is much less time than the average. The father of the young man was loud in his praise of the kindness and efficient treatment accorded his boy, and desires us publicly to express his appreciation of the good work being done by all those connected with the Bellefonte Hospital.

GARDNER-DELONG.

A pretty wedding took place at the home of Mrs. Hugh DeLong, near Romola, Saturday evening at 6 o'clock, when her daughter, Miss Ethel, was married to Ellis Gardner, son of Wayne Gardner, of Howard. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. J. Dudley, pastor of the Disciple church at Howard. After the ceremony refreshments were served. The happy pair left on the B. E. V. train for Howard at 8:30 for a wedding trip.

BROOKS-NOLL.

Miss Pearl L. Noll, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Noll, Jr., of Pleasant Gap, was married to Mr. Paul F. Brooks, in Altoona Thursday. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Brooks, of Pleasant Gap, and is in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad in Altoona. The wedding was a very quiet one, and quite a surprise to some of their acquaintances. They left on a honeymoon trip to the Jamestown exposition.

WELSH-CONFER.

Married, at Canton, Pa., October 23rd, at 7 p. m., by evangelist Delmont, D. L. Welsh to Miss Minnie B. Confer, both of Howard. The groom is one of Howard's leading blacksmiths, and the bride is one of the ladies who has worked in the Commercial exchange there for the past 16 months. They left there on the train for Curtin, Buffalo and Silver Creek, N. Y., on an extended trip.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright, Sparkling Paragraphs--Selected and Original.

AUTUMNAL.

October comes with gentle tread
And rambles blusters flying,
While here and there the gold and red
Proclaim there's joy in dying.

The brown leaves whisk about our feet,
Like apples glistering and red,
While baring branches toss and meet
And shiver slightly, coldly.

The vine its purpling clumps has lost,
The chestnut bar is riven,
And blackening had drupe shows frost's
Maturing touch has given.

A soft mist lies upon the hills
Like misty tears of mothers
Who feel the press of lowering hills,
But still give joy to others.

With some people, to be envied is to be happy.
Even the shoemaker may feel that he is all to the good.

The fool may attract more attention than the wise man.
She is a stingy woman who would keep a secret all to herself.

Even the murderer gets justice, but he gets it in the neck.
A bad penny always turns up. But then so does a pug nose.

Any man can be a good fellow as long as his money holds out.
History repeats itself so, naturally, does the historical novel.

The game season is on, but poker joints are still under cover.
The man who has never made an enemy doesn't amount to much.

Fall styles in raps are being advertised by spiritualistic mediums.
A Kensington quack advertises, "Operations performed at cut rates."

Conscience is often synonymous with the humiliation of being found out.
The fellow who has learned to mind his own business has a mind of his own.

You never hear a married man boast that he never made a mistake in his life.
Because love is blind is no reason why a lover should make a spectacle of himself.

A man doesn't have to take his wife out in an automobile to get a good blowing up.

Wonderland of America.

If you desire to take a tour to many of the important places in America and haven't \$2000 to spend, go to the court house this Thursday evening, Rev. J. B. Stein will furnish you the trip for 25 cents. The Ladies' Aid Society of the Bellefonte Methodist church have made arrangements to give a stereopticon entertainment at 8 o'clock. The entertainment which is called "Wonderland of America" from the fact that in one hour and a half those who attend will see more of the most important places to be found in this country, among which will be the Garden of the Gods and Colorado, the Grand Canyon and the South West, Yosemite and the big trees. There are one hundred and fifty views, most of which are colored. These pictures were taken by Rev. J. B. Stein when he was on a tour several years ago, and they are all interesting and instructive. The ladies are anxious to have a large crowd because there is considerable expense and trouble connected with an enterprise of this character. Ralph Mallory, the photographer, will use his electric lamp for throwing the pictures on the canvas which will have a good effect. The price of admission to adults will be 25 cents. Children 15 cents.

Larimer Gone By.

Charles Larimer, who was well and favorably known in Bellefonte and Centre county, was in Phillipsburg Thursday and in speaking of his visit the Journal says: "Charles Larimer, one of Osceola's oldest citizens, now in his 76th year, and most active for one his age, was a visitor to town today. Mr. L. was a valiant member of the famous Bucktails, belonging to the 14th regiment, and spent ten months in the Andersonville prison. He was a brother of Maj. James H. Larimer, of the Fifth Pennsylvania Reserves, a former resident of Clearfield, who was killed at Grant's Station by Mosby's guerrillas, and had two other brothers who fought in defense of the stars and stripes. Mr. Larimer's early life was spent at Pine Grove Mills, this county, and in a conversation with him he said he could not help but contrast Phillipsburg's present with the by-gone days when as a young man he drove over the mountain to do trading here, and would put up over night at McGirk's tavern which stood where the large Hale stone, business block now stands, and when Phillipsburg did not cut much of a figure as a progressive town. He can tell some interesting things concerning his earlier visits to Phillipsburg."

State Reservation.

The report of the Pennsylvania department of forestry, just issued, contains a great deal of local interest regarding forest reserves in this section, the natural reforestation of the mountains. The state, at the time the report was closed, owned 701,397 acres, out of which Centre and county counties acreage is as follows: Clinton, 84,558; Cameron, 63,135; Centre, 66,150; Clearfield, 29,212; Elk, 22,265; Lycoming, 52,339; Potter, 66,614; Snyder, 13,240; Tioga, 42,504; Union, 46,994. In addition to these acres there was under contract to be purchased an additional area of about 100,000 acres.

Say Law Forbids Barmaids.

The members of the State Constabulary, who are waging a crusade against illegal liquor sellers, announced that they would prosecute the proprietors of saloons and restaurants who permit waitresses to serve liquor to patrons. The contention of the constabulary is that the law forbids any female serving liquor in a licensed or unlicensed place. Three saloonists were arrested and waitresses sworn out for the arrest of waitresses in Hazel township, Luzerne county.