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STUNT OF DUSKY GYPSY MAID

TOLD FORTUNE OF TRAVELING MAN AT MILL HALL.

RELIEVED HIS ROLL OF \$31

The Lock Haven Express relates the circumstances in dramatic detail—without doubt the same band who were in Bellefonte last week.

In last week's issue The Centre Democrat told of a band of gypsies who had victimized a number of persons at East Freedom, Blair county, and also stated that a gang of nomads had struck Bellefonte, who without any doubt were the same band of swindlers who had been forced to leave East Freedom. Beyond an abnormal boldness the wanderers left Bellefonte with little or nothing to their discredit. Our Axemann correspondent, however, relates this week of how several of the male gypsies attempted to force a horse trade upon a citizen of that place, at a lonely spot along the highway, and would have succeeded only for the timely arrival of another citizen in a buggy. They were one of the boldest gangs that has drifted this way in many a day, and the great wonder prevails generally why they have escaped so far from the severe penalties of the law.

Their latest escapade occurred at Mill Hall and is told in the following clever story taken from the Lock Haven Express of Monday, the 24th.

"This is the true romance of a man with a roll of greenbacks, a dusky Gypsy maid, a jolly crowd in a hotel, and the telling of a fortune as the setting for the first act; of the same roll (somehow lost), a squire's office, the jolly good fellow converted into embarrassed witnesses and 'Dad' Myers with the Gypsy caravan corralled, as the striking and realistic features of Part II.

Synopsis of Chapter I.

"It was afternoon that a party of 'hall fellows well met' were seated at a table at C. H. Long's Clinton House at Mill Hall, when the door opened and two genuine Bohemian maidens, radiant in their brightly colored Gypsy attire, with ribbons and beads and short skirts, invaded the circle and inquired if the gentlemen would have their fortunes read. Why certainly the gentlemen would. Who could decline such an offer, coming from such exquisite cherry lips and accompanied by soulful glances from eyes as dark as night and as alluring as those of a Cleopatra? A piano salesman, traveling for a Johnstown firm, and well known here, volunteered, and extended his palm. The sly enchantress asked if he did not have a coin. No he had not, and to borrow one would have broken the spell.

"But perhaps the kind gentleman has a pocketbook," persisted the reader of the misty future. "Happy thought. Of course he had, and he lost no time in producing a fat wallet from an inside pocket, and opening it, displayed a neat pile of crisp bank notes. The Gypsy's eyes emitted sparks of envious fire as she leaned forward and said:

"I surely mean no wrong, but if the kind gentleman will permit me to hold a few of these bills in my hand while I truly read for him the future I will then immediately replace them just as I got them" and without further ado she seized several of the bills back on the top of the others in the wallet, made a graceful courtesy and with a ravishing smile, faded with her companion through the door and out of town. Another round was ordered and drank to the health of the beautiful Gypsy maid.

Part II.

"The Awakening. "Say, Jim, do you know how much money you had in that wallet?" innocently inquired the alert young man from the condensed milk plant. "Why of course I do! Do you think I'm Coal Oil Johnny and don't know how much money I have? I had just \$11!"

"Well, it's a shame to wreck your trusting faith in frail humanity, but I believe I would count it." "Jim lost no time in dipping so. 'Great Scott,' he exclaimed, 'I'm just \$11 shy! Police! Help! Murder!' Blow the fire whistle! What shall I do?"

"A council of war was held and a plan of action was mapped out. A warrant was sworn out before Justice of the Peace William Peters for the arrest of the gypsies and Constable Myers was phoned to and asked to round them up. 'Dad' got on the job at once and ambushed the gypsy caravan near the power house, made them right about face, and marched them back to the Mill Hall temple of justice. Squire Peters hazy just got all the authorities on the subject ranged up before him and was about ready to proceed with the examination of witnesses when one of the men from the gypsy camp showed up and reasoned with the traveling man something in this way: 'Now, see here, my friend, you have no case anyway. Probably the lady might take it into her head to prefer some counter charge? I will agree to deposit \$31 plus the cost with the squire for a further hearing next Tuesday. How about it?'"

"The victim of the modern Cleopatra's wiles and charms saw the shadow of his \$1 simoleons and agreed. The gypsy man handed the justice \$31 plus costs, and court adjourned until Tuesday. The gypsy caravan kept right on adjourning down over the hill along the creek, flipped up their camp and continued to vamoose in an easterly direction until only a thin streak of dust remained to indicate the course of their retreat. "Tomorrow when Squire Peters con-

FIFTH REGIMENT HOLDS FIFTH ANNUAL REUNION

TWO-DAY GATHERING OF EX-SOLDIERS IN BELLEFONTE.

THE BANQUET WAS ELABORATE

Business Meeting Held Saturday Morning and Officers Elected—Next Reunion to be Held in Altoona in 1913—Many Visitors in Town.

Bellefonte willingly and gladly surrendered to the peaceful invasion of the ex-Fifth Regiment soldier boys on Friday and Saturday of last week, the occasion of the Regiment's fifth annual reunion since it was mustered from the service. Nearly every train on Friday brought members to town, and they were met by committees who took them in charge and looked after their comfort. Many of the men were accompanied by their wives, who as thoroughly enjoyed the reunion as did the members.

The president of the association elected at the previous meeting at Clearfield in 1911 was Col. H. S. Taylor, and it was due to his tireless efforts and those of his well-selected committee of arrangements that the gathering was made the most enjoyable of any yet held by the Regiment. Those who served on this committee were: Major R. G. H. Hayes, chairman; N. E. Spangler, Esq., Dr. Daniel Philip, Esq., Capt. J. M. E. R. Taylor, and S. D. Gettler, Esq.

On Friday evening an elaborate banquet was held in the Brockerhoff House dining room, attended by about seventy-five guests. The menu as served by Miss Host Way was as follows:

Roast Philadelphia Capon—French Dressing	New Potatoes on Cream
Green Peas	Sugar Corn
Sweet Bread Patties with Mushrooms	Hot Potatoes
New York Ice Cream	Assorted Cake
Toasted Waters	Chamberbert Cheese

After the inner man had been thoroughly looked after, cigars were lighted, and Dr. M. J. Locke was chosen toastmaster for the evening. The following named responded when called upon, and generally held the interest of the audience: Judge Ellis L. Orvis, Col. H. S. Taylor, Col. Palmer of the 12th Regt., Major Rutherford, U. S. A. inspecting officer, Geo. T. Bush, John J. Bower, Henry C. Quigley, James R. Hughes, J. Linn Harris, Robert F. Hunter, Major John F. Dunkle, of Huntingdon; Lieut. Col. Barber, of Lewisburg; Sergt. Joseph Butler, of Altoona; Lieut. E. R. Pearce, of Saltsburg; Sergt. Charles R. Simpson, of Altoona; Capt. Henry Taylor and Rev. John Hewitt, of Bellefonte.

The inspection of Company L, 12th Regt., was held in the armory on Friday evening by Major A. G. Rutherford, of Scranton, and Col. Palmer and Lieut. Col. Barber, of Lewisburg. After the boys had been put through the various drills and manoeuvres, to the credit of themselves and the satisfaction of the officers, the latter were escorted to the banquet hall and became the guests of the Fifth Regiment.

On Saturday morning a business meeting was held at which the following officers were chosen and elected: President, Judge Ellis L. Orvis; Secretary, Charles C. Simpson, Altoona; first vice president, Major H. W. Fee, Indiana; second vice president, Major R. G. H. Hayes, Bellefonte; third vice president, Sergt. Joseph Butler, Altoona; secretary, Robert F. Hunter, Huntingdon; treasurer, Sergt. Joseph Butler, Altoona. It was decided to hold the next reunion in Altoona on April 26th, 1913.

Resolutions of sorrow were adopted upon the deaths during the year of Major McNamara, of Bedford, former Battalion commander; Col. John Jacob Astor and Major Archibald Butt, the latter having heroically sacrificed their lives in the late Titanic disaster.

The balance of Saturday was spent in renewing acquaintances and in sight-seeing tours about the town and suburbs, and every facility at the local member's command was used in entertaining the visiting comrades and their friends.

For many years the Fifth Regiment was rated among the best in the National Guard of Pennsylvania. It remained, however, for the Spanish-American war to place it upon the pages of history. During the year of the Fifth Regiment left their respective homes on April 27th, 1898, and proceeded by rail to Mt. Gretna, the point of mobilization. They were the first troops to arrive, and the total strength of the regiment when it reported for duty was 32 officers and 482 enlisted men, a total of 520 men. Theodore Burdick was colonel and Rufus C. Elder, lieutenant colonel. On May 11th, 1898, the regiment was mustered into the United States service and numbered 441 men. On the morning of May 17, 1898, they started by rail for Chickamauga Park, Georgia, arriving two days later, and bivouacked for the night on Snodgrass Hill; the following day they marched three miles and went into camp along the Alexander bridge road. They were assigned to 1st Brigade, 3rd Division, 1st Army Corps. Although necessary never required by the army, they were prepared and awaited eagerly the orders that would send them to the scene of conflict. The regiment remained in the south the entire summer for the night of August 27th they were granted a 30 day furlough, and each company proceeded to its home station. During that period orders were issued for their mustering out, which took place November 7, 1898.

Broke His Mother's Arm.

Thomas Walizer, of Mackeyville, was placed under arrest Tuesday afternoon by Constable W. W. Pettinville on a charge of assault and battery preferred by some of his neighbors. It is alleged that while under the influence of liquor Walizer assaulted his aged mother and cruelly struck her with a chair, fracturing her arm. He gave bail for a hearing next week.

BAY STATE EMBITTERS TAFT.

Fight From Now on Will Be to Becloud Roosevelt Victories.

Extreme disappointment and discouragement were apparent at the Taft headquarters in Washington when incomplete returns from Massachusetts showed that if the President won out in his fight against Roosevelt it would be by the narrowest margin, while the strong probability was that the victor would be Roosevelt's when the count of ballots was complete.

It was admitted that the effect of the loss of 36 votes of the Bay State would be dangerous, if not disastrous, to the President while it would serve as a new energy and determination into Roosevelt and his backers in all States where the fight for delegates is still open.

Massachusetts would have a most demoralizing effect on the loosely-bound Southern delegates that have been elected for Taft and encourage the South-east promoters, who persuade the Roosevelt interest, to persecute their work with fresh industry and determination.

The President himself in a series of sensational speeches attacking his rival, made a direct personal appeal to the Massachusetts voters, thereby marking a new epoch in American politics.

But with all this the President and his backers have apparently been unable to stem the onrush of the Roosevelt tide. But Taft and his friends will keep up the fight. The early returns indicate that Champ Clark carried the state by a large vote over Wilson.

GLASGOW TO PRESIDE.

Lawyer Accepts Offer of Both Reorganizers and Regulars. William A. Glasgow, Jr., a declared lawyer, of Philadelphia, declined recently that he has agreed to accept the offer of both the Democratic Reorganizers and Regulars to serve as temporary chairman of the Democratic State Convention in Harrisburg on May 7. Mr. Glasgow said that he had taken no part in the controversy and that he would be his whole purpose at the convention to give to both sides a fair and impartial deal.

The acceptance of Mr. Glasgow paves the way for a harmonious convention in which both factions may participate to the end that all differences may be settled by the votes of the regularly elected delegates. Both the regulars and the reorganizers claim a majority of the delegates. The reorganizers will work for the election of Congressman A. Mitchell Palmer as national committeeman, and the regulars for ex-Judge James Jay Gordon. The reorganizers will also strive to have George W. Guthrie elected chairman of the State Committee.

Meeting of the Woman's Club.

The May meeting of the Woman's Club promises to be one of great interest because of the presence of Miss Lovejoy. The meeting is an open one and the club cordially invites non-members to take advantage of the opportunity.

Miss Lovejoy, Dean of Women at the Pennsylvania State College, who is master of her art, will speak to the women on "Household Economics." The subject is popular; is much discussed, and is rapidly becoming a part of the curriculum of the schools. The subject that appeals to women, the Woman's Club deems it a pleasure to bring Miss Lovejoy here to benefit and please the public.

Mourned as Titanic Victim.

The morning papers on Saturday carried the news that Jack DeMello, of Tyrone, had gone down with the Titanic. He was in Tyrone the same day just as his friends were talking of his sad death.

Mr. DeMello had intended leaving Liverpool on the Titanic but received word two days before the ill-fated ship left that his wife and three young were taken and that they could not accommodate him. Mr. DeMello then took passage on the Lacombe, a magnificent palace on water. He arrived in Boston on Monday and has been in the city the last few days en route to Tyrone.

BOSS PENROSE IS SHORN OF HIS POWER

ROUTED AT THE REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

ORGANIZATION BEYOND GRASP

Flinn, of Pittsburg, the New Leader—Progressive Platform Adopted—New Deal in State—Machine Smashed and the Old Guard Unhinged.

Senator Boies Penrose is beaten. Ex-State Senator William Flinn, of Pittsburg, is in control. The Flinn-Roosevelt forces had everything their own way at the meeting of the State convention yesterday. Their slate went through without a hitch.

More; they are planning a political governing body the like of which was never known and with which they declare, they will smash the Penrose organization in this State to finders. Measures of the most drastic character were adopted Tuesday by the Flinn-Roosevelt caucus. In brief these measures are:

The appointment of a permanent committee of nine to form a council of citizens for the promotion of political education throughout the State.

The retention of the convention as a body which will not be adjourned sine die after the nomination of the State ticket, but which will "open call" to reconvene for the purpose of forcing progressive measures through the next session of the Legislature.

Continuous sessions of the Committee of Nine during the session of the Legislature and the appearance of that committee before the House and Senate in demands that the voice of Pennsylvania as expressed in this convention shall be obeyed.

Caught Fancy of Crowd.

The boldness of the proposition caught the fancy of the big crowd and it did not require the hammering arguments of Flinn to enthrone the crowd.

To all outward appearance, the convention was as radical as though it were held in Wisconsin. There was no mincing of words. Every mention of Roosevelt and his policies was received with boisterous demonstrations of delight. "Smash the old guard," were the watchwords of the fight.

Sweetens the Pill a Bit.

There was still a few of the Old Guard who talk fight, but even they admit that the Penrose Machine has lost the power of battle, and most of the Old Guard realize that a new deal is on, and are preparing to get on the same wagon in some capacity, no matter how humble.

At a secret caucus Tuesday night and Wednesday morning, during the early hours, the following slate was made up:

Permanent Chairman: Congressman S. G. Porter, Pittsburg; Treasurer: Robt. K. Young, Tioga; Auditor General: Senator A. W. Powell.

Congressmen-at-large: A. H. Walters, Johnstown; Fred T. Lewis, Allentown; Arthur R. Ruple, Carlisle; John M. Morn, Pittsburg.

State Chairman: Henry G. Wasson, Pittsburg.

Secretary State Committee: A. Nevill, Dietrich, Chambersburg.

United States Senator Boies Penrose, who has been completely routed as leader of the Pennsylvania Republican organization, was absent when the state convention was called to order at 10:30 o'clock Wednesday morning. Penrose when he realized that there was not the shadow of a chance to break up the Flinn program pulled down his tent and abandoned the battle.

CHARITIES AND A DRAMATIC POOR FOOD LAW.

Legislation for good roads. Revision of municipal laws. Approving the tariff policy under the National Republican platform of 1908. Recommending the revision of the county laws. Endorsing the Pinchot conservation plan.

FOR ONE CONVENTION.

At a meeting of the Democratic State Executive committee in Harrisburg on Tuesday afternoon, the recommendation of Chairman Guthrie, of Pittsburg, that William A. Glasgow, Jr., of Philadelphia, be selected as temporary chairman of next Tuesday's state convention, was unanimously adopted.

Chairman Guthrie stated that the meeting had been called for the purpose of selecting a temporary chairman, temporary secretaries, reading clerks, sergeant-at-arms and other officers of the convention.

It was decided that the other officers of the convention be named by the chairman and that the committee take an adjournment until 3 o'clock on May 6, the night before the state convention.

Secretary Blakslee was directed to officially take up with Mr. Ritter the matter of an equal distribution of tickets to the convention hall. If the one convention plan is carried out the Reorganizers will join the Regulars. The present rules of the party were discussed, although it was found that only the State committee could change them. It was pointed out that the certificate of election with the State chairman two days after the election was an impossibility as is also the provision that contests be filed within three days after an election.

The only Reorganizer absent from the committee was Warren Worth Bailey, of Johnstown. Those present were: William K. Meyers, of Harrisburg; William N. McNair, of Pittsburg; James G. Paul, of Bradford; Fred Kirkendall, of Wilkes-Barre; Edward S. Kempf, Reading; Frank B. Rhodes, Media; Chairman Guthrie; Secretary Blakslee and Resident Secretary Warren VanDyke.

A meeting of the Executive committee of the State Federation of Democratic Clubs has been called for next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the state headquarters.

MARRIAGES.

Hosterman—Stonebraker. On Sunday evening at the United Evangelical parsonage at Millheim, John Harrison Hosterman, and Miss Hazel Stonebraker, both of Haines township, were united in marriage by Rev. W. J. Dice.

Hoffard—Seyler. Orvis Seyler, of Rebersburg, and Miss Mabel Hoffard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Hoffard, of Lock Haven, were married on Wednesday, 24th, by Rev. E. Crumling, pastor of the United Evangelical church.

McLaughlin—Hall. Mr. Joseph McLaughlin and Miss Mary Hall, both of Snow Shoe, were united in marriage by Rev. E. K. Parsons of Lock Haven, in his office in that city last Thursday. Their many friends extend hearty congratulations.

Shope—Bottorf. Frank Shope, of Snow Shoe, and Miss Elsie Bottorf, of Runville, both pupils in their respective communities, were married recently in Ohio. The bride was a member of the class of 1911, Snow Shoe High school, and the groom an enterprising young business man engaged in painting, plumbing and tinning. They will make Snow Shoe their future home.

Hospital Notes.

Operations: Miss Gertrude Kane, and Miss Elizabeth Cunningham, of Bellefonte; Mrs. Margaret Harper, of Centre Hall; Mrs. Marcella Shope, of Millroy; Mrs. Maud Clevenshine, of Zion; Joseph Mendenhall, (student) State College; Daniel McGinley, aged 2 years, Bellefonte.

Admitted for treatment: Miss Mary Graham, of Bellefonte; Rev. T. S. Shultz, Pine Grove Mills.

Discharged: Mrs. Eva Behers, of Stormstown; Eldon Leathers, of Snow Shoe; Rev. and Mrs. Shultz, Pine Grove Mills; Mrs. Mae McCoy and daughter, of Bellefonte.

Thirty-six patients now in the hospital.

Credits Given.

All persons who sent us money during the past month of April will find that they received proper credit for the same by a change of the date on their label this week. Look at it now, and in case of an error you will oblige us by calling our attention to it at once, stating definitely what the error is. If you sent us any money that you think was not credited state when it was sent to us. At this time of the year many have changed their post office address and, in asking us to send the paper to the new address, fail to mention what was their former address.

Marriage Licenses.

John M. Potter	Centre Hall
Mary Lingle	Centre Hall
James Hart	Conemaugh, Pa.
Clara F. Motter	Conemaugh, Pa.
John Evasic	Renovo
Mary Cushion	Bellefonte
Samuel M. Bell	Balsburg
Louella Dale Stickle	Harrisburg
Ernest D. DeGruchy	New York, N. Y.
Mary Megginie Hood	St. College, Pa.
Andro Fedorsin	Clarence
Annie Beley	Clarence

Governor Fined for Speeding.

On Monday a letter was sent by the authorities of Reading to Governor Tener with a request to remit \$112.50 as fines for automobile speeding through the city. The governor's auto passed through Reading at a speed alleged to have been 55 miles an hour. It is said that he was one of four men in the machine.

Suffering Over.

Judge Baldrige held his opinion in the Tyrone license applications Tuesday morning. Six of the seven applications were granted and were lifted at once owing to the many dry throats in that community in the past month.

STOLE \$4,000,000 MORTGAGE.

The victim of the modern Cleopatra's wiles and charms saw the shadow of his \$1 simoleons and agreed. The gypsy man handed the justice \$31 plus costs, and court adjourned until Tuesday.

The four million dollar mortgage of the Penn Public Service company, operating in Centre, Clearfield, Cambria and Indiana counties, has been filed for record in the recorder's office, this county. The instrument covers seventy pages of typewritten matter.

State Highway Work.

There are at present 25 members of the State Highway Department located at Clearfield arranging for work to be undertaken this spring and summer in this section of the state.

Send us the news—we will print it.