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## CROSSED THE PACIFIC.

Licking Creek Boy's Experience in the Philippines.

GIVES A BRIEF SKETCH OF HIS TRIP

Corporal Joseph S. Everts, Son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Everts, was in the Philippines in 1902, and is now at Fort Assiniboine.

The friends of Joseph S. Everts will read with interest the following brief outline of his experience in the Regular Army, and will especially envy him his long trip to the Philippines. The probability is that his experience in camp since the close of the Philippine War is not half so funny. In writing, he says:

"I left my home in Licking Creek township April 1, 1900, went to Pittsburg, where I stayed until the 25th of the following September, when I went to Gilman, Iowa. I remained in Iowa until January 1, 1902, when I enlisted in the United States regular army for service in the Philippine Islands and was sent to San Francisco, where I remained until the 1st day of February, 1902, when I, with 1700 others, set sail on the U. S. transport Thomas for Manila, and arrived at the point of our destination on the 3d of March.

"On our voyage across the Pacific, we stayed two days and a half at Honolulu to take on coal. Honolulu is, as you know, the capital of the Hawaiian Islands, a part of Uncle Sam's newly acquired possessions, is situated on the island of Oahu, and is a beautiful city. We also stopped at the island of Guam, which belongs to the Philippine group, and is about seven days sail from Manila.

"Upon reaching Manila, our transport remained in the bay three days taking on more coal, when we again set sail for northern Luzon and disembarked at Vigan. At this point I was assigned to the Third U. S. cavalry and joined my troops on the 8th of March. I was not destined, however, to see much service in the Philippines, for our regiment had already been ordered home, and on the 5th of June, four troops of us started overland for Manila, where we arrived June 23d. On the 1st of July, we embarked on the U. S. army transport for San Francisco, went via Nagasaki, Japan, and arrived at San Francisco, August 12th, having been on the water forty-three days. After staying about a week in San Francisco, we were sent to our present station, Fort Assiniboine, Montana, where we have now lain for almost two years with very little to break the monotony of camp life. It is the loneliest place I have ever struck. There is nothing but one vast prairie all around the fort.

### WEST DUBLIN.

Mrs. George Wagner of Harrisburg, has been spending some time with the family of her son, Harris.

Joseph Price, the Laidig blacksmith, has made over five hundred horse shoes this year, which he will put on at the rate of twenty cents apiece for number three shoes, prices advancing according to size of shoe.

Harvey Snyder and sister Orpha with Cora Funk and sister of Belfast, passed through here last Thursday morning on their way from Wells Valley where Miss Orpha and Miss Cora had been attending school.

Cleveland Mellott of Licking Creek, has been engaged the past week in hauling lumber for Joseph Laidig from Ross King's farm to Joseph Laidig's with the traction engine.

Mrs. French of Trough Creek, has been visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity.

John F. Johnson started out last week with his engine and thresher to thresh.

Cleveland Mellott will begin sawing shingles today (Monday) for Ross King.

## CHARLIE MAYNE IMPROVING

If not Already Removed from the Hospital, He Soon Will Be.

SO WRITES REV. GEO. B. SHOEMAKER.

That any One so Seriously Wounded as Rev. Mayne Should Recover so Soon, is Seemingly Miraculous.

Eldora, Iowa, July 20.—Yesterday I spent an hour with Rev. Charles Mayne at the hospital at Iowa Falls. It seems almost marvelous that he is so rapidly recovering, and will soon be able to be around. The doctors having in charge his case told me that they thought he could go to his home in safety the latter part of this week. Should this be permitted by his steady improvement, when the "News" family are reading this letter he will be in his own home in Nevada, Iowa.

I am told that his physicians say that the condition of his system—its freedom from poisons of either liquor or tobacco—aided much in his speedy return to health. Medicines administered to him, not having any poison to overcome, acted immediately, and accomplished just what they desired them to do. To me, it is a wonder indeed that, with eight perforations of the bowels, a man should in so short a time be so far along on the road to perfect health. We recognize the skill of the physician, the excellent care of the attending nurses, and the sanitary benefits of a good hospital—we give, we believe due credit for it all—but we still believe that the Heavenly Father, who answered the earnest prayers of his children who cried unto Him in behalf of our brother, saved a valuable life.

Out of the gloom and shadow that was cast upon the five hundred delegates of the Iowa State Sabbath School Association, and the people of Iowa Falls and surrounding community, when Charley was shot, we come with shouting and gladsome praise that he lives.

The interest of this community which is 18 miles from Iowa Falls was in this case, intense from the very first announcement of the tragedy. Saint and sinner were constant in their inquiry about the young preacher. One man—an ungodly fellow—after listening to a statement of the case said, "Well I'll be—if I ever knew a preacher that was a coward."

Perhaps it may be thought that this young man was rash to grapple with a burglar whom he knew was armed; but I believe that, at least, seventy-five out of every hundred persons would have done as he did under similar circumstances. As to myself I am inclined to think I would have been one of the twenty-five out of the hundred, for I would have been paralyzed with fear.

We are not great for camp meetings out in this country, but we are something on the bent of chautauquas. One closed at Iowa Falls yesterday—the attraction of the day being Bishop Hartzell of our church who is Missionary Bishop of Africa. His address was on Africa, and was a masterpiece, showing great knowledge of the country, and a wonderful insight into its needs for larger and permanent development.

The season is rapidly advancing. We will soon be cutting oats and other grains. Hay making—tame hay—is in its height. Corn is pushing on rapidly and prospects are good now for an excellent crop in this community.—Small fruit was a good crop with us. Strawberries are gone and black-cap raspberries are beginning to ripen. Blackberries will not be plentiful and are not yet ripe. Of garden stuff we are having home grown potatoes, cabbage, cucumbers, cauliflower and all the ordinary varieties of vegetables. Spring chickens are ripening—had some last Sunday, there fore I know. I expect to have some more at a picnic tomorrow.

In the early part of June we

### Church Reception.

The reception held by the United Presbyterian congregation in their church last Friday evening in honor of Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Reed, who had just returned from Egypt, where they had spent the last eight years as missionaries, was a very pleasant affair, and was attended by members of all the other churches in town.

After the devotional services which were conducted by Rev. J. L. Grove assisted by Rev. Adams of the Methodist church, Rev. S. B. Huston of the Associate Presbyterian church occupied a period of fifteen minutes in a carefully prepared address of welcome to the returned missionaries.

To this address, Mr. Reed responded, and held his audience in deep interest as he related incidents and facts connected with their work in that far-off land. Mr. Reed expressed his gratification at being permitted, after an absence of several years, to return with his family to their native homes and to look again into the faces of loved ones. Perhaps no one ever appreciates the land of his birth to so great a degree as after having spent some time in a foreign land, living among strange people, with a strange language, strange customs and a stranger religion. In all their vocabulary, the Egyptians have no such word as home. The idea of home as we have it, does not exist in their minds.

Mr. Reed possesses fine descriptive powers, is a pleasant speaker, and imparted much that was new and very interesting about the land of the Pharaohs.

### Teachers Elected.

The board of Tod township, last Saturday, elected the following teachers for their schools: Woodburn, Miss Rebecca Rotz; Knobsville, Miss Blanche O. Peck; McGovern's, Miss Minnie Mock; Scott's, Miss Jessie Gress; Sumner's, C. C. Rotz.

Teachers were elected in Dublin on Monday as follows: Burt Cabins, Lewis Harris; Mud Level, Miss Myrtle Stevens; Fort Littleton, Levi P. Morton; Smith's, Miss Emma Lyle; Clear Ridge, Miss Elsie Baker; Chesnut's, Harvey M. Sipe; Glunt's, David Chesnut; Battle Ridge, Roy Morton. Salaries \$35, except Littleton and the Cabins, which pay \$37.50.

were happy in having Mrs. Shoemaker's brother, Rev. A. S. Baldwin and his wife spend a week with us in our Eldora home. To say that we enjoyed it would be to speak mildly of that event. The pleasure of their stay with us will dwell long in our hearts.

Let me tell you of a compliment I received recently. One Sunday morning in the month of May last, the Congregational minister, Rev. Warner, of Eldora, preached the memorial sermon to a union congregation. In the afternoon on the same day, and in the same church, before a union congregation it was my privilege to deliver the class sermon for the graduates of our high school. A lady who was present at both services was heard to say, "If I could just hear brother Warner and not see him, and could see brother Shoemaker and not hear him, how nice it would be." It strikes me that so far as my part of the above is concerned, it is rather a doubtful compliment, and yet it is worth something to be seen.

I enjoy the news from the old home, brought me by "THE NEWS" very much indeed, each issue has something in it to greatly interest me. I wonder when "dewberries" are ripe. How I would like to go out and gather some, as I used to do when a boy. I wonder will I ever have that privilege? I hope so.

With greetings to all my friends, I am very truly  
GEO. B. SHOEMAKER

## SOME NOTES OF TRAVEL.

Rev. S. B. Houston Writes of Some Things He Saw on a Recent Trip to Kansas.

VISITED DR. AND MRS. R. W. MCKIBBIN.

MR. EDITOR:—I shall jot down a few thoughts that may possibly be of some interest to your readers.

We usually think of Kansas as a dry country, as it is on the border of a vast arid region; but in May and June, when the writer was there, it was anything but dry, especially while in the eastern part of the state. Rain fell copiously and the consequence was destructive floods in many localities. Hundreds of acres of corn were under water. By reason of excessive rainfall 15,000,000 bushels of wheat have been lost in the state. In the central part the grain fields looked very fine; and such fields as we never see in Pennsylvania—hundreds of acres lying contiguously, with scarcely anything often times to mark the boundary lines between the farms. Wheat is harvested with headers. Six or seven men with about eight horses will harvest from twenty-five to thirty acres a day. That includes "the hauling in."

The writer had the pleasure of spending a little more than a day at Ft. Riley. This is a very picturesque spot, situated at one side of a 22,000-acre tract of land belonging to the government. It is about seventy miles west of Topeka. The Kaw river, formed by the Republican and Smoky Hill a short distance above the fort, skirts its southern boundary. This is where Dr. R. W. McKibbin and wife, formerly of Fulton county, are comfortably located and are very happy in their home. There is a cavalry and also an artillery post at this point. Several hundred troops are here all the time.

The camp is very tastefully laid out and kept in the best order. There are about eighty-six officers' quarters, each built of Kansas limestone, covered with slate, fitted up with electric lights and all necessary conveniences, costing from eight to ten thousand dollars. Beautiful lawns surround the buildings and lofty shade-trees skirt the walks and drive-ways. There are three large barracks three stories high costing, severally, seventy-five thousand dollars. There are several fine stables which are every way complete, well lighted and ventilated, fitted up with automatic feeding troughs and watering troughs. An elevated place the length of the stable, but on the outside, with a heavy rope stretched between posts, is where the grooming is done. Near by is a commodious corral enclosed with a neat stone wall, where the horses and mules can recreate when not on duty. Each stable will accommodate about seventy-five horses. A fine stable is being presently erected for a hospital.

I saw guard mount the evening I was there and it was substantially the same exercise we were put through forty years ago in the sunny South. Uncle Sam has been lavish in his expenditures in fitting up the fort for the convenience and comfort of his boys and horses.

Splendid water, clear as crystal, comes down into all parts of the fort from the reservoir filled from artesian wells. Near the reservoir is a monolith, erected on a massive pedestal, with a strong iron fence around it. The stone which is probably fifteen feet high bears this simple inscription: "Erected to the Memory of Brevet Major A. E. Ogden." This monument is said to be the geographical centre east and west of the United States.

Let I occupy too much space in your columns, I shall close.

Respectfully yours,  
S. B. HOUSTON.

Mrs. Virgie Doyle Baid-tman, of Harrisburg, spent a few days in town last week visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Hannah Goldsmith.

### Recent Weddings.

GUNNELS-CLOUSER.

A pretty home wedding was solemnized on Wednesday evening, July 20, 1904, at the home of Mr. Amos Clouser, Knobsville, Pa., when his daughter, Miss Minnie May, was united in marriage to Mr. Daniel Rush Gunnels by the pastor of the contracting parties, Rev. J. Vernon Adams, of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Miss Mamie Eore was bride's maid and Mr. Samuel M. Pittman of Altoona, was best man. Mr. Harry Clouser, brother of the bride, played the wedding march.

Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. William Gunnels, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Clouser, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Vauvert Kelo, Miss Daisy Polk, of Clearfield, Mr. Samuel Pittman, Mrs. Jane Kerlin, J. B. Clouser, of Altoona and Miss Mamie Fore, Mrs. Elizabeth Sowers, Mrs. Jacob Sharp, Mr. Geo. E. Clouser, Mrs. Jane Grissinger and Mr. Harry Clouser.

After supper was eaten, a company of well disciplined young men and young ladies of the town and surrounding country, numbering about seventy-five, under the leadership of an efficient and fantastically uniformed captain, was ushered to the porch, and, with songs and cheers, made their presence known. The newly married couple appeared, and the captain of the host in a few pleasant sentences introduced them to his followers, who in turn stepped forward and personally expressed their best wishes to their newly married friends. When this was accomplished, the serenaders withdrew in an orderly manner to their respective homes.

SNYDER—McELDOWNEY.

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William McEldowney, near Gen, on last Wednesday evening, when their daughter Miss Olive, became the bride of Mr. Corder W. Snyder of the same neighborhood.

The parlors were lavishly decorated with evergreens and flowers, a large number of merry guests were present, the evening was fine, and every thing conspired to make it a most delightful occasion.

At eight o'clock the bridal couple appeared with Miss May McEldowney as maid of honor, and Mr. Harry L. Peck as best man, and with the impressive ceremony of the Primitive Baptist church, Elder C. L. Funk pronounced them man and wife.

Not the least attractive feature of the occasion during the evening was the serving of most elaborate refreshments. The bride was the recipient of a nice lot of presents. Of course, the serenaders made their appearance, and everything passed off most pleasantly.

Among the guests present were James P. Waltz and sister Miss Esther, Miss Ida Hann, Miss Thomas, Misses Lula and Nellie Simpson, Miss Mattie Funk, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Mellott, W. H. Peck and son Raymond and daughter Miss Lyda, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Morgret, Miss Ida Richards, Mrs. Kate Hess and daughters, Mr. S. L. Wink and H. M. Snyder.

Rev. W. W. Evans, D. D., presiding elder of the Juniata District of the Central Pennsylvania conference, held quarterly conference in the Mapleton M. E. church last Saturday morning. This was the doctor's first official labor since his return from the general conference. While attending the sessions at Los Angeles he sprained his ankle which made three surgical operations necessary. His condition is improving but he moves about with great difficulty. The doctor being unable to procure a house at Lewistown, may decide to locate at Huntingdon.—Mapleton Item.

## A VERY HOT AUGUST.

Predicted by Rev. Irl R. Hicks, of St. Louis.

WITH MANY SEVERE STORMS.

Mars Reigning Planet and Even Tornadoes and Hail May be Looked For. The Month Will End Cool.

Rev. Irl R. Hicks, of St. Louis, makes these predictions for August:

First Storm Period, regular, reaches from the 1st to the 5th, the disturbing causes being the Vulcan regular, the Mercury equinox, the Mars perturbation and Moon at last quarter. The Mars and Mercury periods in all probability will cause the unsettled, stormy weather prevailing at the end of July to continue into August, but the first days of August will bring decided increase of storm conditions. A low barometer will pass eastward over the country, attended by great increase of warmth, all followed by many black and blustering storm clouds. Heavy rains will visit sections covered by previous rains at this period. Change to much cooler will follow in the wake of these disturbances.

Second Storm Period, reactionary, is central on the 8th and 9th, the Vulcan reactionary and the Mars period being reinforced at this time by the opposition of Saturn with Earth and Sun. On the 10th of August our little airship passes directly between the planet Saturn and the Sun, which fact must be taken into the calculation for all terrestrial phenomena for a period of at least two weeks, centering on the 10th. Cloudiness and return of more or less storminess will be natural results on and touching the 8th and 9th. Under existing conditions, whatever perturbations arise at this reactionary period are very apt to be prolonged into the storm period next following.

Third Storm Period, regular. The influence of this period will be felt from the 11th quite up to the 16th. A Venus period, with Moon new on the 11th, in perigee on the 12th, and on the celestial equator on the 14th, all combine to perturb the elements at this time. One of the heated terms of the summer is one of the things to be expected about this period. It will come in with very high temperature, consequent upon Moon's conjunction with Earth and Sun on the 11th. The warmth will increase and the barometer will fall as we advance into the period, and by the 14th may be expected wide areas of violent electrical storms. These storms will be attended with heavy hail in western and north-western sections. Change to rising barometer and cooler will naturally come in behind these storms. Such perturbations will almost certainly appear before the end of August, and no one need be surprised if they develop at this third storm period. About the 11th to 14th may also be considered a time of probable seismic and earthquake disturbances.

Fourth Storm Period, reactionary, is central on the 19th and 20th, being at the close of the Mars disturbance, and the beginning of the Earth's autumnal equinox, and also near the center of the Venus period. Very high temperatures, low barometer and sultry, humid atmosphere will be natural at this period, and under such conditions intense electrical storms are very apt to occur. General thunder storms with phenomenal lightning, heavy gales and possible tornadoes, are among the results to be watched for over much of the interior country. A marked rise of the barometer and change to westerly winds and cooler will push the rear of these disturbances.

Fifth Storm Period—Regular—Extends from the 24th to the 28th. The disturbing causes are, Earth, Venus, Vulcan and Moon at full, in apogee and on the celestial equator. Very general and severe storms will also visit the interior parts of the country. As the Mars

## ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Snapshots at Their Movements, as They Come and Go.

NAMES OF VISITORS AND VISITED.

Home for a Vacation, Away for an Outing, a Trip for Business or Pleasure, You'll Find it Right Here.

Dr. S. R. Fraker of Fort Littleton, spent a few hours in town last Thursday.

Mr. R. Sharpe Patterson of Newville, spent a day or two in town last week.

Mrs. Horace Cromer of Pittsburg, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Sarah Woodal in Chambersburg.

Miss Jess Dickson and Miss Bess Irwin are spending a week visiting friends in Mercersburg and in Chambersburg.

Mr. B. S. Graves sailed from Washington recently for a European trip. His sisters the Misses Abbie and Jennie Graves have been in Europe for several months.

D. B. Nace and family returned to their home in Chambersburg last Wednesday, after having spent several weeks visiting friends in the West and attending the World's Fair.

Mr. Milton Mellott of Sipes Mill, was in town last Thursday. Milton served his township seven years very efficiently as constable, but says he much prefers that somebody else fill the offices.

Hon. John M. Reynolds of Bedford, was nominated as the Republican candidate for congress in the Nineteenth district, composed of the counties of Cambria, Blair and Bedford, at Johnstown last week.

Miss Margaret Cleyenger of West Dublin, and her cousin, Miss Bessie Morton, were pleasant callers at the News office last Wednesday evening. Miss Cleyenger went to Ocean Grove, N. J. on Thursday.

Maurice Trout and Stella Sipes, Nathan Everts and Helen Fore, and Paul Shade and Maye Johnston drove down and spent last Wednesday evening very pleasantly at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Walker Johnston.

Ervin B. Fisher of Hancock, has started an automobile livery in that town, and has two good machines on hand. There is a fine opening for some enterprising man to do something of that kind in McConnellsburg.

After an absence of four years Mr. S. H. Goldsmith is visiting his mother, Mrs. Hannah Goldsmith, of this place. Sam is a resident of Polo, Illinois, is engaged extensively in the merchant tailoring business, and is one of that hustling town's most enterprising citizens.

Miss Isa F. Stevens of Fort Washington, Pa., and Mrs. W. S. Greenland of Philadelphia, came over on the hack last Thursday afternoon, and after taking dinner at the Fulton House, went up to visit friends in Taylor township.

Rev. T. Davis Richards of Germantown, Md., son of Hon. John T. Richards of Union township, was on the 14th of inst., elected a Director in the Mountain Lake Park Association, one of the finest of all the Allegheny mountain summer resorts.

disturbances will be fading out at this time, the sectional conditions that have prevailed during the present and past month will break down, bringing changes in the character of storms and general weather to all sections. More rain will fall in many places than for weeks past. Tornado storms in many localities should not surprise the intelligent students of these forecasts. Change to very cool nights will follow, especially should heavy equinoctial storms visit the south coasts, and induce corresponding storms out of the west. In such event, even more may follow to the north this week in August.