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Special Correspondence. Harrisburg, Pa., May 27, 1907. It is no betrayal of confidence to predict that Speaker McClain will get "all that's coming to him," in the course of time.

In his expectation of support of the Elkin faction, however, the Speaker has been disappointed. Mr. Justice Elkin declines to tear up his snug judicial nest and go on the war path to save McClain with the result that the Speaker has been compelled to modify his original statement and apologize to the machine.

Of course the machine cannot injure the Speaker in his local political estate. Boss Greist is not ungrateful and he can return McClain to the Legislature as often as he wants to. But after having been in turn floor leader of the majority for a number of sessions and finally Speaker there could be little enticement in a seat on the floor without influence or activity.

McClain's Fault and Future. This fact was exemplified in the Senate during the recent session. Judge Elliot Rogers, of Pittsburg, had some to the Senate at a considerable personal and professional sacrifice, to lead the Penrose majority through smooth paths to safety.

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The Speaker is entitled to little sympathy, however, in his dilemma. He brought the trouble upon his own head. He took advantage of his powerful position to force iniquitous legislation on to the statute books and there is something like poetic justice in the punishment which appears to be inevitable.

Small But Smelling Graft. The Legislative Record for the session of 1907 will soon have run its course and the payment for it at the rate of twelve dollars a page be completed. This is comparatively a small matter but in turpitude there was no fraud committed in the construction of the State capitol which was greater.

ment of a man in an adjoining room, for a moderate figure to the enormous amount which he received. This was the result of collusion between the contractor and an officer of the Senate.

During the session of the Legislature these facts were brought to the attention of the House committee on Printing. The chairman of that committee, who was pretending to make an investigation of the charge visited the person responsible for the gossip and got all the facts.

The incident reveals the unregenerate character of the Republican machine. It is pressing the investigation of the capitol graft because State Treasurer Berry made that inquiry so plain that it couldn't be ignored and the investigation is "making a virtue of necessity."

Governor Stuart's Hard Task. Governor Stuart is busy on the six hundred or more bills left for his consideration by the Legislature and he has an Herculean task before him. The appropriations are far in excess of the revenue and it is up to him to make ends meet.

It is not likely that Governor Stuart will adopt that course. He has shown in various ways a respect for the law and a disposition to obey his oath of office. Fixing the amount of an appropriation is a prerogative of the legislature—it is legislating.

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There will be plenty doing in the capitol investigation next week and before long the conscience of the State will be shocked as it has never been before by the revelations of iniquity. The expert accountants are bringing their work to a close and it is confidently asserted that their report will show where every dollar of the loot went. A check for \$25,000 which was

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paid to a prominent politician has been mentioned and there is a good deal of speculation as to the identity of the recipient of the favor. But that is only a trifle, compared with other exposures which will be made soon, the probers say, while they decline to name names.

One result of the inquiry is noticeable in all directions, however. It is universal and enthusiastic popular approval of State Treasurer William H. Berry for his part in the exposures. Last fall all the Republican prints and speakers declared that there was no fraud and denounced Mr. Berry as a villain.

There is reason in this sentiment, too. The vast fiscal affairs of the commonwealth are in the hands of the Governor, the Auditor General and the State Treasurer. They constitute the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings, a majority of the Revenue Commissioners, the Sinking Fund Commission and the Board of Public Accounts.

The Democratic State Executive committee met here on Wednesday of last week and I never saw the representatives of the party in so confident a spirit. The excellent record made by the minority in the Legislature has inspired hope everywhere and the party leaders are as unselfish as they are energetic.

It was finally decided to call the State Central Committee to meet at Harrisburg at 1 o'clock, P. M., on Thursday, June 13th, to fix the time and place for the State Convention. It developed that the Executive Committee was almost unanimously in favor of holding the convention in June but it was decided to give no expression to that preference, in an official way, to the end that the Central Committee may be free to express the views of the public.

The Republican State Convention will be held at Harrisburg on Thursday, June 6. For this occasion the Pennsylvania Railroad will sell round trip tickets to Harrisburg June 1 to 6 good to return until June 15 inclusive, from all ticket stations in Pennsylvania, at reduced rates. This will be an excellent opportunity to see the New State Capitol which has been pronounced the handsomest State building in the United States.

WHY WOMEN AGE QUICKLY. Fail to rest Systematically—Sleep the Best Medicine. Lack of repose is a prime factor in the causation of "nerves," says Elizabeth S. Chesser, M. D., in the London Express; the constant rush in the social and business world, the frantic pursuit of pleasure and amusement are frequent precursors of nervous ill-health.

The working woman ages quickly and loses her looks ten years before her domesticated sister, simply because she refuses to rest enough. She comes to her meals in a fagged condition, and is surprised that she has no appetite. A short bodily rest before meals would make all the difference. Then, hard working men and women alike should always have at least half an hour's complete mental and physical rest after meals.

Sleep is the best and cheapest medicine, and it is within the reach of everybody. We require as much sleep as we can procure. We may work at high pressure if we sleep enough, but if we overwork and under sleep irritability, insomnia and neurasthenia are almost certainly in store.

Pretty Afternoon Gown. The liberty foulards are always pretty for afternoon and evening wear, and are shown in a great variety of beautiful colors and designs. This one has the lustrous satin surface and shows figures of white on a pale blue ground while it is trimmed

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