MAYOR SHOWS HIS OLD VIM IN OPENING SPEECH ON STUMP FOR PORTER

"Loyal 800" of 22d Ward Make Old Town Hall, Germantown, Ring With Their Approval of His Address

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By M'LISS

Take one Mayor with a venerable white beard and a still more venerable reputaar well-doing; put him in an historic an historic neighborhood; fill that with 800 or more men and women. doers, and an eager readiness to pay tribute to them, and you have the elements of one of the most successful and one of the most enthusiastic mass meetings ever held in the city of Phila-

It was such a meeting that Rudolph Mankenburg, veteran of more political battles than it would be possible to recount, addressed last night. He stood the lower balcony of the quaint stage Town Hall, Germantown, and in words of earnestness and hope told the Ward why George D. Porter ought to be the next Mayor of Philadelphia.

Not that the 22d needed to be told. Far rom it. The 22d and the young mayoralty candidate of the Franklin party on terms of perfect understanding, what George D. wants the 22d wants and vice versa. It was here that Porter's political aspirations were born, and was the 22d that nursed them for him To the 22d Ward proper government and Porter government are synonymous terms, and so they just come to snow admiration and love for Mayor Blankenburg and his political pro-

BLANKENBURG'S SPEECH. Looking something like a patriarch of Biblical times and something like a prosperous and kindly burgomaster. Blankenburg, in a notable speech, replete with irony and chock full of humor. with irony and chock full of humor, rendered an account of his stewardship and the pathos of the fact that a man who has grown old in waging a war for reform should have to defend himself against charges of inefficiency and pusilwas not lost on the audience to

whom he rendered it. In resounding voice and with a vigor that seemed to belie his white hairs and 73 years, he alternately made his listeners chortle with mirth and pulse with indignation as he poked the finger of fun r scorn in some vulnerable spot of 'Uncle Dave's" or "Lord Jim's" political

When he referred to the subway as a 'underground" work that he had started on the surface, but which Mcchol was anxious to finish underneath, e crowd roared its approval, and when told them an anecdote to prove that "Jim" was not likely to achieve his de-sire in this respect, their applause made walls of the old Town Hall rever-

SPEAKING ON OLD SUBJECT. "More than 33 years ago," he explained to inem, "I addressed just such a gathering in this building. I spoke on the subject then that I'm speaking on now and in the three decades that I've been speaking I've never lost heart. The sub-

continued, his blue eyes twinkling behind his spectacles, "reminds one of the remarks of a man when he saw a locomotive for the first time.
" 'Betty,' he said to his good wife, 'that

thing will never go."
"The locomotive did go.

"'Betty,' he said when he saw it in action, 'they'll never be able to stop it.'
"That's the position of reform today,"
he continued. "We've got it going and no one can stop it. Forty thousand moof our voters registered in this election than in the last one and the next Mayor of Philadelphia, George D. Porter, is go-ing to win by a 50,000 majority."

Three cheers for Blankenburg. Loud huzzuhs! Hats in the air. Much clap-ping. "The old man's all right." Vet-erans, who have watched the more or less uncertain progress of reform in Philadelphia for a half a century and who would guard the honor of the 22d with their lives, wiped away the tears.

And then the storm broke loose all

over again. It was after 10 o'clock and already the vague whispers had been heard: "Where's Porter?" "Isn't he go-ing to be here?"

WELCOME TO PORTER.

Up the centre aisle he came, like a fa-worite son in the bosom of his family, about to receive the blessings of his vorite son in the bosom of his family, about to receive the blessings of his father. Stirred by the tremendous enthusiasm of the gathering, Blankenburg, with arms extended, leaned down and embraced theman for whom, in his declining years, he has taken the stump and on whom he has pinned his faith. Together they paced the platform, while the band and the loyal 800 endeavored to outdoeach other in the matter of noisy appreciation.

COOKE HELD NOT LIABLE

Director Not Personally Responsible for City Debt Councils Ignored

Director Morris L. Cooke, of the De-partment of Public Works, was absolved today by Judge Bregy of personal lia-bility for the cost of the water conserva-tion exhibit booths constructed in City Hall courtyard three years ago. In Court of Common Pleas No. 1 the action of James E. Tague & Co. against the director was non-suited because the firm falled to prove a personal contract with Director Cooke for mill work used in

the booths. The director at the time Councils de-The director at the time Councils de-clined to make an appropriation for the booths told creditors that he was anxious to pay the ciaims bimseif, but had been informed by his counsel that it would be a violation of a State law. He suggested that the creditors get together and bring suit against him for their money. A motion to have the non-suit stricken will be made, and if this is successful the act of like relative to work being done for the city will be argued before the court, all Judges sitting.



OVERCOATS

GRADE CROSSING REMOVAL

Dangerous Points in Germantown to Be Made Safe

The work of eliminating dangerous grade-crossings in Germantown is being made the subject of investigation today by Chief Webster and members of the Board of City Surveyors, who are making a tour of streets crossed by the lines of the Chestnut Hill branch of the Pennsylvanta Railroad.

The most important of the changes is the crossing at Chelten avenue. There the street will be depressed four feet. The crossing at Seminole and Highland avenues, which is regarded as the most dangerous, because both streets intersect with the railroad, will be changed to permit the railroad to pass under the intersection. The streets at this point will be raised a number of feet,

MACHINE SEEKS MORE CASH

Election Division Officers Now Assessed to Replenish Campaign Fund

The Republican Organization, which has levied assessments upon some mu-nicipal officeholders, has now levied an assessment of 2 per cent, upon division officers, according to a statement issued today by the Franklin party. The statement says that the Republican Organ-ization, not content with its attempt to assess officeholders for the city and ward campaign funds, has now extended the levy on the municipal officeholders to the election divisions of Philadelphia. There are 1284 divisions in the city

23 NOMINEES SIGN

PLEDGE TO TRANSIT

Taylor plan, he has refused absolutely to

answer

EIGHTEENTH WARD

18TH WARD TRANSIT STATISTICS Population of ward, 25,500. Hours lost to residents through present inadequate transit system in course of

Money loss of residents through 8-cent exchange system in course of year,

JOSEPH J. DILWORTH, Franklin, Se-GEORGE C. YEAGER, Franklin, Common, ISAAC HETZEL, Republican, Select,

No."
Mr. Hetzeil, after refusing to sign the transit pledge, dictated the following "I favor rapid transit, but will abso-

lutely nor sign any paper dictating my future action. My record for the past 20-odd years speaks for itself on the question. I favor anything that will benefit the people."

WILLIAM C. WILLIAMS, Republican,

Mr. Williams gave his negative reply without any qualifications. The summary of the ward shows the two Franklin candidates definitely pledged over their signatures to the Taylor transit program, and the two Organization candidates unpledged and un-

signed. TWENTY-FIFTH WARD

25TH WARD TRANSIT STATISTICS

Population of ward, 44,900. Hours lost to residents through present inadequate transit system in course of year, 343,000.

Money loss of residents through 8-cent

exchange system in course of year,

HARRY C. EVANS, Franklin, Common,

CANDIDATES PLEDGED FOR TRANSIT



The 21st Ward has two men running for Common Council who promise, if elected, to demand transit and other improvements for their constituents and the city at large. They are John R. Grammer, on the left, and Dr. Howard K. White, on the right. They are running on the Franklin party ticket.

"Yes."
MARK FLEMING, Republican, Common doubtful.

Mr. Fleming algued the first portion o the construction clause only after he had stricken out the delivery loop and the northeast elevated branch from Logan, Under the clause referring to the construction of the Woodland avenue elevated he signed: "As far as I know now.

vated line, he signed: "If practicable,

The same answer he wrote under the op-The same answer he wrote under the op-erating clause. To the final three clauses them my best consideration and judgbe signed an unqualified "yes."

BERNARD J. McGUIGAN, Republican, ommon, doubtful.

Mr. McGuigan, like Mr. Pleming, struck ut all reference to the delivery loop and to the northwest branch to Logan before he signed the first operating clause. To the clause referring to the construc-tion of the Woodland avenue line, he wrote: "Give later judgment."

The same condition he wrote under the tuse referring to the northwest subway-

elevated line.

"At present, yea," he wrote under the first operating clause, and under the second he wrote, "Give answer later."

To the remaining three questions Mr. McGuigan signed an unqualified "Yea."

The summary of the ward shows two Frank'in party candidates definitely pledged over their signatures to the Tay-lor transit program, while the two Or-ganization candidates gave their replies with so many qualifications that they are isted in the doubtful class.

TWENTY-SIXTH WARD

26TH WARD TRANSIT STATISTICS Population of ward, 59,700, Hours lost to residents through present inadequate transit system in course year, 392,000. Money loss of residents through 8-cent system in course of year, \$23,600.

ELWOOD WILSON, Franklin, Common, JOHN C. KIMMERLE, Franklin, Com-

ion, "yes." JOHN CALVIN, Franklin, Common, FRANK B. STOCKLEY, Republican, Com-

mon, favorable.

Mr. Stockley wrote across the piedge: "I am in favor of high-speed lines so that all sections of the city may be brought within easy and quick reach of each other. I favor universal free trans-

G. W. HUGHES, Franklin, Common, fers and the abolition of the exchange

GEORGE B. KELLEY, Republican, Mr. Kelley said: "I do not wish to sign: I have nothing

to say and nothing to write. JOSEPH P. GAFFNEY, Republican, Common, "ne."

Mr. Gawney dictated the following statement to his stenographer and then

aunched a tirade against the Evening pledge "over on" the candidates: struction of the northwest subway eletime to read it, but my general policy in all matters of this kind is to await their presentation in Councils in the ment from the standpoint of the interest

of all of the citizens of the city. The summary of the ward shows three Franklin party candidates signed and pledged to the Taylor program for rapid transit, one Republican candidate favor-able, but unwilling to affix his signature to a pledge, and two Republican candidates unsigned and unpledged.

THIRTY-FOURTH WARD

34TH WARD TRANSIT STATISTICS Population of ward, 64,200. Computation of "hours lost yearly" impossible as ward is served by present Market Street Elevated.

Money loss of residents through present erent exchange system in course of year,

CHARLES E. GILL, Franklin, Select,



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FRANK SMITH, Republican, Select.

Mr. Smith gave a positive affirmative to the construction clauses. The operative clauses he qualified with the statement that he was in favor of the propositions set forth if they were proper and equit able to all citizens.

To the remainder of the questions Mr. imith likewise gave his assent, with only qualification to the anti-subsidy clause, that he favored the city's refusal to re-linquish the financial claim on condition the claim of the city is meritorious.

Jacob M. Shetter, Franklin, Commont Frank Gray, Franklis, Common

Dr. J. Melvin Smith, Franklin, Com-Benjamin A. Mingier, Republican, Common: "Yes."

Common: "Yes."

Mr. Mingler answered the questions in the transit pledge in a long letter. He admitted that he was not sufficiently conversant with the details of the program to bind himself on these, but he declared himself in favor of the general transit program as outlined in the pledge. Edward A. Kelly, Republican, Com-

"Yes." Kelly answered a general affirma-Mr. Kelly answered a general affirmative, making slight reservations, however, as to minor details in the construction clauses, and expressing lack of definite information which would warrant judgment on the operating clause.

Martin J. Morgan, Republican, Commont "Yes."

Mr. Morgan wrote a lengthy letter in

Mr. Morgan wrote a lengthy letter in reply to the questions, stating that he hesitated to place himself on record as to the minor details of the plans, but ne declared that he was positively in layor of real rapid transit for Philadel-

The summary for the ward shows all eight candidates in the ward pledged to the Taylor program for rapid transit. The three candidates on the Franklin party ticket signed the pledge without any conditions or reservations, but the three Republican candidates wrote letters attached to their signatures placing general conditions on their pledge

FORTY-FIRST WARD

41ST WARD TRANSIT STATISTICS. Population of ward, 17,700. Hours lost to residents through present inadequate transit system in course

ent inadequate training and the second possible as no exchanges are sold on the P. R. T. line running in the ward.

GEORGE J. CAMPBELL, Franklin, Com-JOHN N. COSTELLO, Republican, Com-

Mr. Costello, although he hopes to represent the people of Frankford, who have

eo much to gain by the carrying out of the transit plan, refused to sign the tran-sit pledge. He is the son of Congressman Peter E. Costello, who introduced the "fake" transit ordinance in Counce's.

The senior Costello was in Councils until elected to Congress last year, and his son aims to succeed him. John N. Costello is associated with his father in

"I am in favor of rapid transit," he said, "but I will sign no piedge. The people of Frankford want the clevated extended all the way to Rhawn street and I will do my best to obtain this for them." the contracting business,

Congressman Costello was present when his son refused to sign the pledge and agreed with him that he should not

The summary of the ward shows the Franklin party candidate definitely pledged over his signature to the Taylor Franklin transit program and the Organization candidate unpledged and unsigned.

FORTY-SECOND WARD

42D WARD TRANSIT STATISTICS Population of ward, 34,000. Hours lost to residents through pres ent inadequate transit system in course of year, 780,000. Money loss of residents through 8-cent exchange system in course of year, \$6800

GEORGE C. ULRICH, Franklin, Select, ROBERT KINCADE, Republican, Select,

WILLIAM P. SIEGERT, Franklin and Republican, "Yes."

In several instances Mr. Siegert ampli-ed his "yes" by a statement making his ffirmative position even more assured. affirmative position even more assured.

MICHAEL S. BENNETT, Franklin and Republican, Common, "Yes."

The summary of the ward shows two Franklin party candidates and two candidates on both the Franklin and the Republican tickets signed and pledged to the

Taylor transit program. FORTY-FOURTH WARD

44TH WARD TRANSIT STATISTICS. Population of ward, 44,700. No "hours lost yearly" on

No "hours lost yearly" computation possible, as ward is served by present Market street elevated. Money loss of residents through present 8-cent exchange system in course of year,

JOHN B. DEMPSTER, Franklin, Com-C. WESLEY T. ROBINSON, Franklin,

DAVID D. FRANKENFIELD, Republican

WILLIAM N. LEGIERSE, Republican

Mv. LeGlerse sard: "I am in favor of transit, but I won't sign anything opledge myself—that's something the operation hasn't asked me to do, wooldn't dare sign H.

"The gaing's got seven divisions on there and they can do me more bate than your paper can good. They'd knife me and I wouldn't have a chance. I am going to see the leader tonight and sell let you know, but I won't sign anything

when called on the telephone on the following day, LeGierze said: "Nothing doing; can't sign anything."

The summary of the ward shows two Franklin party candidates and one Republican definitely pledged over their signatures to the Tayor transit program and one Republican candidate unpledged and unsigned.

and unalgred,
Tomorrow polls will be printed in the
following wards: 3d, 5th, 2sth, 22d, 3th

Indorses Transit Campaiga

Development of the high-speed from plans was indorsed last night by bear famin F. Smith, Franklin harty canddate for Common Council from the Ma. Ward, in an address at the men's mesting at Mith street and Woodland avenua

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