

CLARK AND MANN JOIN FORCES IN DEFENSE FIGHT

Obliterate Party Lines and Two Preparedness Measures Pass Without Opposition

Special to the Telegraph
Washington, D. C., Feb. 8.—Democratized Democracy found a new leader—or rather a rejuvenated old leader—in the person of Speaker Champ Clark of Missouri who left the Speaker's chair in the House to take up the cudgel for the defense program, and as a result the House unanimously passed the Padgett bill to double the number of midshipmen at the Annapolis Naval Academy.

The result of the new turn in affairs was that Speaker Clark and Republican Leader Mann fought side by side in the House for adequate national defense. With party lines obliterated, most of the members followed their leaders and two navy measures passed without a dissenting vote. The bill adding three hundred midshipmen to the entering class at Annapolis next July, passed 173 to 0, and the other, to equip navy yards for construction of the battleships, Nos. 43 and 44, passed without a rollcall.

No Negative Responses

Mr. Mann tried to put the anti-preparedness advocates on record by calling for a division on the Naval Academy bill, but there were no negative responses.

The appearance of Speaker Clark on the floor to champion preparedness measures aroused wide interest. Rumors persisted that he would make active charge of the fight to increase the army and navy. Majority Leader Kitchen having joined the opposition, immediately improvement of the navy by designating new battleships along the lines of the best now in use, doubling the membership of both Annapolis and West Point, creation of many additional regiments for the army, and short term enlistments to produce a reserve, were among suggestions made by the speaker. He said he expected to discuss the subject of preparedness generally soon.

Mr. Mann reiterated his previous plea for a larger army and navy and aided in maneuvering the bills to passage. The debate went far afield from the measures under consideration, extending to the general subject of military preparedness. The unusual sight of the speaker and the minority leader battling together for administration measures while the majority leader sat silently in the back of the house, attracted crowds to the galleries, and members rushed to the floor from their offices and committee rooms.

Haste Urged by Clark

Mr. Clark urged haste in getting new battleships into commission. He asked Chairman Padgett, of the Naval committee, why it would not be a good plan to pattern the two battleships, Nos. 43 and 44, after the best United States ship now afloat and get them completed quickly.

"Simply because," Mr. Padgett said, "the chief of the Bureau of Construction told us that he had plans already worked out that would make decided improvements against torpedo attack."

REAL ESTATE INSPECTOR WANTS BUILDING CODE

Need of New Regulations Shown by Recent Case; Fire Zone Extension Also Needed

Building Inspector Grove is seriously disturbed over the deficiencies of the present building code and referring to a recent editorial in the Telegraph emphasizing the importance of better housing conditions in this city, declared that he was helpless until the present code was broadened in its scope.

He favors an extension of the fire zone to cover the entire city. Frame buildings are now being converted into garages outside the fire limit and even inside the present fire zone, owing to the fact that he is helpless to prevent such misuse of frame buildings.

Referring to the York street controversy where a building was condemned by the present inspector more than eighteen months ago and which controversy has been hanging fire in the court Inspector Grove said that it had given him all kinds of trouble, inasmuch as careless builders and contractors always taunted him with the York street building when he endeavored to enforce proper building regulations.

According to his statement of the matter, the building in York street, constructed in the winter almost two years ago, has bulging walls which make it unsafe for occupancy. The court directed that the building should be reconstructed and promises were made by the owners to do so, but Inspector Grove declares their promises have counted for nothing. The building is in dispute changed hands about two months ago and the new owner has agreed to strengthen the building, as directed by the court, but nothing has been done.

The York street case has been the loophole of escape for many indifferent builders and the inspector says he is helpless until such time as a proper code is adopted.

This matter is now under consideration by the City Council, and it is expected that action will be taken without delay toward amendment of the existing regulations. One of the worst offenses under existing conditions is the building of garages next to frame dwellings and on the first floor of houses occupied by families on the second and third floors.

TO-DAY'S REALTY TRANSFERS

Really transfers to-day included the following: Charles E. Bear to Elmer C. Siders, Progress, \$10; Lavinia J. Rose to Minnie E. Noe, Perry town, \$150; John Evans to Theodore Bloom, Williams town, \$750; James A. Townsen, executor to Martha J. Spooner, 813 Calder, \$1100.

Tracy and Hildrup Remain of the Original Trio at Pipe Works

Among the important changes in the personnel of the management of the Harrisburg Pipe and Pipe Bending Company, whose product goes all over the world, is the recent retirement of E. J. Patten, a director and formerly president and general manager, whose place as president is taken by David E. Tracy, one of the founders of the big plant. W. T. Hildrup is now general manager and continues in the directorate. Other officers under the reorganization are, W. P. Starkey, new member of the board of directors and chief superintendent, and E. C. Fry, general accountant and a director.

Prof. Benj. Miller in Inca Burying Ground



In Peru years ago the people didn't believe in much formality in burying their dead. The bodies evidently were tossed on a pile judging from the above picture, which shows an Inca burying ground, near Oroya, Peru. Professor Benjamin L. Miller will lecture to-night in the Technical High School Auditorium on "South America, and its Inhabitants," using a number of illustrations to show the customs in vogue there. The talk will be given under the auspices of the Harrisburg Natural History society.

NEITHER GERMANY OR ENGLAND FOR PEACE

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powers, Herr Harden said, was that Germany approached exhaustion, and in this connection he declared:

"It is the most reckless crime of our enemies to dare to say that Germany, who holds them by the throat, is nearing her own annihilation."

The third detension, Herr Harden said, was contained in the stories alleging German barbarism, which, the speaker asserted, were refuted by all that had happened on the German fronts. Continuing, the speaker said:

"The statesmen of the entente countries want to postpone the day of reckoning. It would be much better if truth could pierce the walls erected by those governments and reach the souls of the nations."

Northcliffe said: "Those who talk of ending the war in a few weeks or months do not realize the stupendous character of this conflict, and the vital issues of national and racial existence back of it. Really it is not a war at all, in the ordinary sense that we speak of wars. It is one of those vast upheavals of the human race, like the great racial migrations, the Moslem invasion of Europe, which lasted 800 years in Spain and is still alive in the near East."

"No, this is no ordinary war which can be brought to an end suddenly by one campaign or one great victory, or any series of decisive events in any one field. The issues of national and racial existence are far too great for any such sudden ending. It will go on, I believe, for a long time, a very long time."

"In the end it may be narrowed down to a war between England and Germany—the supreme issue, which must be fought to a finish. Instead of ending soon or suddenly, the war is more likely to go on and on, and then gradually abate."

MUCH EVIDENCE VOLUNTEERED IN BREWERS PROBE

Hundreds of Letters Telling of Political Activities Are Received

Special to the Telegraph
Pittsburgh, Feb. 8.—Information regarding the activity of Pennsylvania breweries in politics has been pouring in upon United States Attorney E. Lowry Humes since it was announced that a probe of the breweries would be started here to-morrow by a federal grand jury.

Every mail, Mr. Humes said yesterday, brings in letters—some of them anonymous, but most of them signed—containing enlightening facts about liquor money in politics. Much of the information, it was stated, will be helpful to the government investigators, while some of it will be of no use to the federal men, as it applies to elections for city, county and state officers.

The scene of activity in the probe was transferred from here yesterday to Philadelphia, where a conference of brewery officials, officers of the brewers' associations involved and counsel was reported to have been held.

Another effort, it is said, is to be made by the liquor interests at Washington to stop the investigation before it reaches a grand jury.

A report believed to have emanated from a "wet" source, which was freely circulated yesterday and given some publicity, branded the brewery probe as a political move by Mr. Humes in the interest of the Vares of Philadelphia and Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh, who are said to have united in a fight against United States Senator Boies Penrose.

Not a Penrose Matter

When asked about the rumor yesterday, Mr. Humes made an indignant denial. He said:

"I have not discussed this case until now because it is government business. As far as I am concerned, government business and politics have no relation to each other. This is not a political probe. I did not begin it. It was started by the internal revenue authorities, who, when they discovered violations of the federal laws, called my attention to them."

Local internal revenue agents corroborated Mr. Humes' statement that they began the investigation with a view to compelling the breweries to make good the tax they are alleged to have been evading.

Local Delegates Leave For C. of C. Convention

Delegates from the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce left this morning for Washington to attend the fourth annual session of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. Those who left to-day: J. William Bowman, president of the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce; Charles W. Burnett, J. Allan Donaldson and David E. Tracy.

Arrangements have been made by the Harrisburg Chamber to have representatives of the Reading, Harrisburg, Huntingdon, Altoona and Johnstown chambers confer in Washington with A. W. Henderson, secretary of the Pike's Peak Ocean-to-Ocean Highway Association, on the William Penn Highway.

BUSINESSMEN WARNED TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS

Place Less Dependence on "Proverbial American Guess," Is Advice

By Associated Press
Washington, Feb. 8.—Warning to American businessmen to place less dependence upon the "proverbial American guess" and to do constructive thinking to become less partisan in dealing with great economic questions and to systematically discourage the prevalent disparagement of the efforts of men in public life was voiced by John H. Fahey, president of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States at the opening of its fourth annual convention to-day.

"I am convinced," said President Fahey, "that if we are quite frank with ourselves we must realize that for many years we have been very poorly informed as to the real facts involved in great questions before the country of special interest to us. The workmen in their organizations and the farmers in their granges have been far better posted on matters of particular importance to them than have the businessmen in their field but we have now come to the period in the history of America when less dependence can be placed upon the proverbial American guess. We must begin to do constructive thinking."

Describes Petty Politics

"I believe also that American businessmen would be more useful to the country and to themselves if they were less inclined toward partisanship in dealing with the great economic questions which so vitally affect their interests. A number of our most important problems would have been disposed of in Congress years ago but for the petty politics."

"Another thing we businessmen should set out systematically to discourage is the altogether too prevalent and continuous disparagement of the efforts of men in public life. When the businessman himself has a little experience with holding office or when he comes to understand Congress or the average State Legislature as he really is he usually begins to change his views about public servants if he is at all fairminded."

Middle Division Wreck Blocks Passenger Traffic

Trains east and west this afternoon were blocked for several hours as a result of a freight wreck of eleven cars at Ryrie, 10 miles west of Lewis town. No one was injured.

CRIMINAL COURT CASES

Charged with having falsely obtained \$35 from the Mechanics bank on a promissory note, John Folan was on trial nearly all day in February criminal court. John W. Geiger was tried on several charges of retaining funds of the Underwood Typewriter company while serving as local manager for that firm. Simon Fisher, George Nagel and John Gibbons got six months in jail for stealing brass.

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Constipation is a condition affecting all classes of all people and can be permanently relieved only by acquiring habits of regularity.

The most natural time for the eliminative process is in the morning when both the muscular and nervous systems are relaxed by sleep and rest. When relief does not come readily, it is an excellent plan to take a mild laxative at bedtime. Cathartics and purgatives, that by the violence of their quick action shock and disturb the system, should not be employed.

An effective laxative remedy that is very dependable, and which does not gripe or otherwise disturb the organs involved, is found in a combination of simple laxative herbs known as Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin that can be bought at the drug store for fifty cents a bottle.

Mrs. C. C. Allen, 215 Foam St., New Monterey, Calif., wrote to Dr. Caldwell: "I found Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin just what was needed for constipation and distress of the stomach after eating. It should be

in every household." Get a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin and keep it in the house to use when occasion arises. A trial bottle, free of charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 454 Washington St., Monticello, Ill.

Deaths and Funerals

HENRY A. METZGER

Henry A. Metzger, aged 49, special sales agent for the International Harvester company died yesterday at his home, 1622 Market street from a complication of diseases. He has been employed by the International Harvester company for twenty years and has been a resident here for the last ten years. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Florence M. Metzger, and two daughters, Pauline and Henrietta. Mr. Metzger was a member of the Blue Lodge of Lock Haven, Harrisburg Consistory, Scottish Rite Masons and A. A. O. N. Mystic Shrine. The funeral will be held to-morrow evening at the home conducted by members of the Masonic order. Burial will be made at State Road, near Williamsport.

MALTA REORGANIZE

Former members of Amo Division, No. 1, Knights of Malta, reorganized last night at Odd Fellows hall, 323 Market street. The body now includes 21 members with applications from 12. Meetings will be held on the first and third Wednesday evenings of the month at the hall of Egyptian Commandery. The following officers have been elected: S. M. Blair, president; H. C. Staub, vice-president; H. A. Peters, secretary; J. W. Elbert, treasurer; R. A. Vorudran, business manager; trustees, J. W. Grissinger, one year; Frank Oyster, two years and

FUNERAL OF MRS. DUNKLE

Funeral services for Mrs. Catherine Ely Dunkle, aged 71, were held this afternoon at the home, 2729 Jefferson street, at 2 o'clock by the Rev. Joseph Daugherty, pastor of the Sixth Street United Brethren, assisted by the Rev. Peter Balsbaugh, former pastor.

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