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TRIUMPH FOR STALWARTS

Republicans Give Bolters an Object Lesson by Electing Ashbridge Mayor of Philadelphia.

DAVID MARTIN IS REBUKED.

Senators Quay and Penrose Complimented Upon Their Success in Securing Big Appropriations For the Delaware Channel and For League Island and Navy Yard.

(Special Correspondence.)

Philadelphia, Feb. 21.—The early returns from the voting today indicate that the Republican candidate for mayor, Samuel H. Ashbridge, will be elected by a splendid majority. His elevation to the mayoralty will be a triumph of stalwart Republicanism and a proper recognition of an active, aggressive and successful party worker. The party wrecker or party bolter will get no consolation from a man like Samuel H. Ashbridge, who is a firm believer in party organization and to express the opinion that Senator Quay, having gotten the regular Republican caucus nomination, should receive the vote of every Republican in the state legislature. In this connection it is interesting to recall that at a meeting during the present mayoralty campaign in the Nineteenth ward, where David Martin votes, Mr. Ashbridge, with Mr. Martin present, made a spirited speech, in which he declared that he had the greatest admiration and respect for the man who stood by his party and labored for the success of its candidates and maintenance of its principles. Those present could not fail to see that these remarks were placing Mr. Martin in a rather unenviable position, in view of the fact that after having grown immensely wealthy through his association with the Republican organization he now assumed the role of a bolter, helping to disrupt the party which has made it possible for him to build "a magnificent country seat" and to mingle with millionaires. A few years ago he was a policeman, patrolling the streets of Philadelphia.

The business men of this city continue to enter vigorous protests against the action of the Republican bolters at Harrisburg and their Democratic allies in preventing the breaking of the senatorial deadlock and completely obstructing legislation. They appreciate the need of revenue legislation and the danger to the interests of the state that must follow a continuance of the present tactics in the general assembly.

QUAY AND PENROSE PRAISED.

There are heard on every hand the warmest expressions of praise and commendation of the labors of Senators Quay and Penrose, who have succeeded in their efforts to have the senate committee agree to an appropriation to carry out the project for a 30 foot channel in the Delaware river and bay from this city to the sea. The river and harbor bill as it passed the house appropriated \$300,000 for deepening the Delaware river channel to 26 feet, but did not specifically recognize the 30 foot project. Representatives of the commercial and maritime interests of the city subsequently appeared before the senate committee on commerce and asked that some recognition of the project to provide a channel 30 feet deep and 600 feet wide in the Delaware river from Philadelphia to the sea be incorporated in the bill. They asked that the appropriation for the next fiscal year be increased from \$300,000 to \$500,000, and that the secretary of war be authorized to make contracts under the continuous system for completing the work, up to \$5,925,000. They added that they would not insist on the increase from \$300,000 to \$500,000 provided the secretary of war was authorized to enter into continuous contracts.

The committee took the Philadelphia bill at their word. The amount for the next fiscal year remains at \$300,000, but this sum is applied to the 30 foot channel project, except so much as may be necessary to expend on the channel between Philadelphia and Trenton. In addition, the committee authorizes the secretary of war to enter into contracts up to \$1,000,000 for continuing the work on the channel. This, it is believed by Senators Quay and Penrose, will amply provide for carrying on the harbor improvements until the Fifty-sixth congress meets next December. There will undoubtedly be another river and harbor bill in that congress, and additional appropriations can then be secured.

Another cause for felicitation here is the fact that the Pennsylvania senators, with the assistance of some of their colleagues in the house, are now in position to promise an appropriation of \$750,000 for sea walls, walks, lanes, buildings, machinery, etc., for League Island navy yard. Senator Quay has written a friend here that he has hopes of the navy department designating League Island as one of the most important naval stations. All recognize the advantages of its fresh water and of the protection afforded by its natural surroundings.

The regular Republican members of the legislature who have been down here over Sunday are all confident of Senator Quay's re-election.

The Van Valkenberg bureau is actively circulating reports that there is a division among the leaders of the Quay side. No more timely comment could be made upon these statements than a recital of the fact that at a recent conference of friends of the senior senator there were present State Chairman Elin, former Senators Durham and Andrews, Frank Willing Leach, Senator James G. Mitchell and William M. Brown, Representatives Voorhees, Keyser, Harris, Marshall, Kreps and other friends of Senator Quay among the leaders on the floor of the house. They expressed entire satisfaction with the situation as far as the senatorship is concerned and are working in entire accord on all questions.

"Mr. Van Valkenberg and some others," said Senator Mitchell, of Jefferson, "have been industriously spreading stories to the effect that Quay's friends have been quarreling among themselves. This is an inexcusable falsehood. On the contrary, they understand each other thoroughly and are working in cordial co-operation, the one with the other. The bolters also charge us with bad management. This comes with poor grace from a combination that claims to have ten votes more than is necessary to beat us, and yet displays the spectacle of being hopelessly divided and at cross purposes. As to the question of effective management, we will leave the result to speak for itself."

There is some local interest in a measure before the Pennsylvania legislature which it appears is advocated by farmers and dairymen throughout the state. It makes the manufacture or the sale of oleomargarine or butterine illegal, unless under certain conditions. There shall be no coloring used to make the article look like butter, and whenever it is placed on sale there shall be signs of a prescribed character to indicate the nature of the substance. There is a proviso for annual license fees of \$1,000 for a manufacturer and \$500 for a wholesaler, \$100 for a retailer, and \$25 for a boarding house keeper, who shall keep these products on sale. The present oleomargarine law is believed to be unconstitutional.

An attack on the ground of unconstitutionality is to be made against a bill on the house calendar, which Mr. Keator, of Philadelphia, introduced, for the registration, examination and licensing of horsehoes. Service for four years as an apprentice is a proposed requisite qualification for examination. Persons engaged in horse shoeing not less than four years prior to the passage of the proposed act shall be exempt from examination, and pay \$1 for registration. The board of examiners, appointed by the governor, is to consist of one graduated veterinarian of five years' experience, and two master horsehoes and two journeymen with experience throughout that period.

To extend the purchases, but limit the cost of land bought in accordance with the act of 1897 for a forestry reservation is the object of a bill on third reading in the senate, from Mr. Hertzler. The law gives the forestry commissioner pretty broad scope in purchasing unseated lands for non-payment of taxes, but provides that in no case shall the price exceed the delinquent tax bill.

Something will have to be done soon, and from the protests that are coming here daily against the action of the bolters, public sentiment may yet drive these freebooters into line with their party, stop this awful drain upon the state funds and maintain the credit and honor of Pennsylvania.

REAL REFORMERS DISGUSTED.

Sincere reformers like Herbert Welsh and others, who take an interest in public affairs for the good of the state, have no sympathy with the men nor the methods of the leaders of the fight against Senator Quay. Though, as an independent of the most radical type, Mr. Welsh naturally says he still hopes for the defeat of Senator Quay, yet he holds that if this is to be accomplished by bribery and corruption, he cannot see "that the cause of good government will profit much thereby." In his paper, "The City and State," Mr. Welsh calls attention to the scandalous charges of bribery and corruption made against the anti-Quay leaders in the recent Lebanon county fight. He calls attention to Senator Quay's reward of \$10,000 for the discovery of evidence of bribery in this contest and intimates that part of Mr. Quay's money might be fairly earned. Mr. Welsh rises to inquire why John Wanamaker does not exert his moral influence to prevent occasion for such scandals, and why he permits a struggle, ostensibly for honest government, to be conducted by men of the type of the Van Valkenbergs.

BOSSSES MARTIN AND FLINN.
Commenting upon Martin and Flinn, Mr. Welsh says:

"One feature of the Harrisburg situation which is discouraging to those who seek good government for its own sake, irrespective of party, is the prominence given to the lesser bosses who are opposed to Quay. Philadelphians know that Martin's political methods are not a whit better than Quay's. It was reported last week that three more Quay voters who owed allegiance to Martin had been ordered over to the opposition side, and would shortly take such a public position. The news was welcome as denoting weakness in Quay's candidacy, but men who, under such conditions, follow the order of their local boss are no better representatives of the people than those who take their orders directly from Quay himself. The people are using a two-edged sword in their efforts to defeat Quay, and after his ruin is accomplished, it may and probably will result in the same degradation of Pennsylvania politics with simply a change of masters."

The people of the state are gradually getting familiar with the character of the anti-Quay leadership. Both Martin and Flinn having laid the foundation for immense fortunes by working politics, trafficking in city contracts and controlling legislation in city councils in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, respectively, have now, like Tammany Boss Croker in New York, turned their attention to the stock market. It is stated on the best authority that each of these men has made upwards of \$1,000,000 in speculation during the last two years. They seem to care very little, while here, about their legislative duties, but when not scheming to defeat Senator Quay, they are working the stock market and piling up big bank accounts, while the interests of the public suffer.

Sentiment is growing stronger every day, not only among the members, but with the people, that the McCarrell bill is a just and proper measure and ought to become a law.

ONLY ONE BILL PASSED.
The People Demand That Factional Fighting Shall Cease, and Real Reformers Are Disgusted at the Prominence Given Men Like Martin, Flinn and the Van Valkenbergs.
(Special Correspondence.)
Harrisburg, Feb. 21.—But one bill passed and the legislature in session for nearly two months.
This scandalous record of wanton extravagance has not been equalled in the history of Pennsylvania. There is a general clamor all over the commonwealth for the legislators to drop factional fighting and get down to the transaction of public business, for which they are being paid by the people. The enormous figures for salaries of the members and employees of the general assembly, cost of heating and lighting the capitol building, and the other items that go to make up the general expense account of the legislature, are rapidly depleting the state money, with no substantial results in prospective for the taxpayers. The senatorial deadlock continues without a single deserter from the ranks of the regular Republicans since they met in party caucus and named Hon. Matthew Stanley Quay as the Republican candidate for United States senator. The 52 Republican bolters who have set themselves up as empowered to speak for the Republican party as against the 113 stalwarts who have been standing loyally by the party nominee, have been resorting to the most daring and reckless schemes of filibustering, obstructing the progress of legislation and tending to disrupt the Republican organization in every section of the commonwealth. They have been working hand and glove with a wing of the Democracy which has up to date shown com-