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ROOSEVELT OR TAFT.

The same staff correspondent of the Brooklyn Eagle from who we quoted yesterday has written a second letter from Philadelphia. He has undoubtedly gotten on the inside of Republican secrets and made a "scoop" for his paper. One so seldom goes to Philadelphia for news that the secret was thought to be safely hidden in the City of Brotherly Love. The gist of the second letter is that Taft, the Secretary-of-War, recently appointed to succeed Root, is the man upon whom the Anti-Roosevelt forces are really uniting and that the Hanna candidacy is a blind. Hanna has muscular rheumatism and sometimes thinks it is going to attack his heart. His health alone is a sufficient excuse for his not attempting the race for the nomination. Then President Roosevelt, who is no inconsiderable politician, as we have before remarked, succeeded last summer in bottling up Mr. Hanna in his own convention, in very much the same way that Ben Butler was bottled-up at Bermuda Hundreds. And then Mr. Quay does not love Mr. Hanna devotedly and Quay holds the key to the situation.

Taft is an Ohio man and believes in the "Ohio idea". He is a McKinleyite instead of a Rooseveltite. He has made a fine record as the Governor-General of the Philippines. His name was whispered at the Ohio Convention last fall. The Hanna boom was launched mainly to counteract and check the Roosevelt movement. The interesting thing is that Roosevelt has checked if not checkmated the plan by appointing Taft Secretary of War and thus a member of his official family. And Taft is to be rushed through to Washington, on a special train, without pausing to receive the ovations that have been prepared for him in San Francisco and elsewhere.

Here are some of the suggestive comments of the correspondent referred to:

It appears to be one of the certainties of the unstable Republican situation that Mr. Taft's future personal attitude, no matter how definitely it may be taken, can neither relieve the President of the opposition that besets him nor eliminate the new War Secretary from the presidential situation until the convention acts.

The friends of Mr. Taft will advance the proposition that his services in the Philippines prove him to be the foremost expansionist of the country, while his conservatism of character and alignments in Republican politics insure an avoidance under him as President of the internal difficulties charged up against the account of Mr. Roosevelt. To the average Republican of the McKinley school this statement of the case will, it is expected, appeal with force. It is asserted, in fact, by the opponents of Mr. Roosevelt, who favor the candidacy of Mr. Taft that no other man can be found to whom the Republican party could safely at this juncture transfer its interest and powers.

In Washington, as in Philadelphia, the opinion prevails that in the end Mr. Quay will yield to the pressure of the interests with which he is allied and oppose the President, but as far as the records go he still remains a Roosevelt man. The dissatisfied Republicans do not intend in their present temper to withdraw the demands on Mr. Quay. When it is suggested that he call for the Republican convention, to reiterate its declaration for Mr. Roosevelt, the anti-Roosevelt leaders declare that such a course will invite reprisals in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Quay is not regarded by these Republicans as likely to place himself, on inadequate considerations, out of touch with the vested interests of his State which control and will continue to control, with or without him, the Republican machine.

Now we do not believe that the opposition can succeed in defeating Mr. Roosevelt in the Republican Convention and for the sake of the Democracy we trust that it will not succeed. Unquestionably Governor Taft would make a stronger candidate than either Hanna or Roosevelt. But it seems to be all the clearer that the opposition if defeated will turn to the Democratic candidate, if he is a safe and conservative man. And Parker of New York is just that kind of a man. The South is willing to accept any candidate that will beat Roosevelt and a large and influential element of Republicanism is just as willing, apparently, to accept any candidate with or without the Republican party to beat him, unless he should happen to be more radical and dangerous than Roosevelt himself.

PARKER THE MAN.

It has been generally understood that if New York could unite on a candidate for the Presidency, who would be at the same time acceptable to the Southern Democracy, that candidate would be pretty apt to get the nomination. The news comes now on good authority that New York will undoubtedly present the name of Chief Justice Parker and that the New York delegation in Washington this week received the assurance of the national committeemen from Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Georgia and Texas, that the delegations from these States would unite to press his claims in the convention.

McCarren, the new Brooklyn boss, was the bearer of the assurance that the New York delegation would be for Parker and that Parker will consent to be a candidate, two very material facts. McCarren was for Parker for Governor as against the McLaughlin-Hill combination that nominated Coler, Hill and the Up-State Democracy is obliged to second the Tammany move for Parker on general principles. Tammany, Brooklyn and the Hill Democracy pretty nearly comprise the whole State.

The New Yorkers are playing a fine game of politics in not making a personal canvass for their man. They are not fighting Olney, or Gorman, or Hearst. Olney will probably have the New England delegation, Gorman may have a few Southern States, if the politicians can control. Hearst is making a noble campaign in all the country weeklies that get the C. A. Edwards News Bureau letter. But at this day and date it looks like Parker. And we suggest to the esteemed Raleigh Post that as Cleveland seems to be out of the running, and New York has chosen Parker instead of Shepard, we unite in substituting for Cleveland any Aycock or Shepard and Aycock, the new banner of Parker and Aycock. And we'll send Aycock on a stumping tour through the North and West to tell the folks just how the case stands down South.

The Spartanburg Herald says: The Charlotte News says that there are times when pessimism as to the outlook of one's own party amounts to treachery. There are times when insincere talk about party harmony and unity makes us sick. If the democratic party is to be a conservative party, let it say so and remain so. If it is to be a liberal party, let it say so and remain so. It cannot and will not be both.

The Herald enjoys the unique distinction among Democratic papers of predicting Republican success. The Democratic party is liberally conservative and conservatively liberal, even liberal enough not to exclude its prophets of evil and conservative enough not to organize a mob and hang the traitors.

The Greenville News rises to remark:

In this State so many of the "moral commands" are violated that it would not hurt a great deal to allow a few freight trains to run on the seventh day.

In North Carolina there is no sort of objection to freight trains running on Saturday. But as to the violation of the "moral commands", the eighth commandment is occasionally fractured in the Greenville News office, by the local editor, when the Charlotte News arrives.

"A TRIFLE TRANSCRIPTION."

Trust Dr. McKelway, of the Charlotte News, to dish up something original for the readers of The News. In yesterday's paper he claims that Walter H. Page sowed the seed which fruits in such articles as that in the Boston Transcript defaming the Methodist clergy of North Carolina. And, indeed, the famous phrase, "herding the women by the stagnant waters of theology" does sound a trifle Transcription.—Greensboro Telegram.

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