

The Transcript.

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Democratic Ticket.

STATE TICKET

FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR: BLAIR LEE, of Montgomery county.

FOR COMPTROLLER: EMERSON C. HARRINGTON, of Dorchester county.

FOR CLERK COURT OF APPEALS: CALAB C. MAGRUDER, of Prince George's county.

COUNTY TICKET

FOR LEGISLATURE: HOWARD TURNER, ROBERT A. SHALLCROSS,

FOR COUNTY TREASURER: S. G. CALDWELL,

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: T. BENJAMIN CREW, JOHN C. WOOD,

FOR SHERIFF: WILLIAM E. BROWN.

The Bull Moosers of Kent county will not nominate a ticket, we understand.

Teddy has gone to South America to get ready for 1916. He will be in the race for President for sure, but Woodrow Wilson will beat him.

The keynote of all the speakers at the big Democratic rally last Saturday night in Firemen's Hall was harmony. Let all get together for a rousing Democratic victory in November.

If the Democrats of Kent county could poll 2,480 votes in a primary contest, there is no reason in the world why they should not win a sweeping victory in November for every candidate on the ticket. Nothing short of the boldest treachery will defeat a single candidate.

The only excuse the Organization Republicans have for the nomination of a county ticket is to give John D. Urie control of the county offices. The county has had this experience in that kind of one man power, and we do not believe it wants a repetition.

CONGRESSMAN DAVID J. LEWIS is at work upon an investigation which has for its object the government control of the telegraph and telephone lines of the country. His parcels post system will eventually destroy the express companies, and though the cost to the government of owning the telegraph and telephone systems will be enormous, something like \$1,000,000,000, yet the great benefit to the people will be a great consideration, and it will prove a good investment.

TARIFF for revenue only became an actual fact last week when President Wilson affixed his signature to the great tariff bill. The Republican newspapers, which for years have gorged themselves at the crib of protection are seeking to discredit the value of a bill like the tariff to the great mass of the American people but the time is now at hand when the long promised relief of the people from the oppression of an iniquitous high tariff is to be realized and the people and not the money barons are to be the beneficiaries. The Republican party in every campaign for years has promised a revision of the tariff downward, but it remained for the Democratic party to give the people relief, and the new tariff bill will prove a great blessing to the people of the entire country.

DEMOCRATIC RALLY.

Large and Enthusiastic Gathering at Firemen's Hall, Chestertown.

Blair Lee, Mayor Preston, Caleb C. Magruder and George A. Frick Were the Speakers.

A large and enthusiastic gathering of Democrats of both factions of the party greeted the above speakers at a Democratic meeting in Firemen's Hall last Saturday evening. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Charles L. Dodd, chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee. Mr. Dodd introduced Mr. John P. Ahern, of Millington, who presided over the meeting and introduced the speakers.

Senator Blair Lee was the first speaker. He advocated the direct primary and spoke at length of its virtues. The tariff bill recently passed by Congress and signed by President Wilson also received his warm and hearty approval. He discussed other matters pertaining to Congress and asked for his election to the Senate that President Wilson's hands might be strengthened by his vote.

Mayor Preston's speech was mainly in advocacy of his "borough plan" for Baltimore. He said he had no other way to get his plans to the people except by word of mouth as it was impossible for him to get fair treatment at the hands of the daily press of Baltimore. The Mayor desires to extend the city limits for Baltimore by taking adjacent parts of Anne Arundel and Baltimore county and is putting his claims to the county people and asking their aid through their representatives in the next Legislature to pass his "borough bill". He stated that Baltimore city would give a large majority for the Democratic State ticket and send to Annapolis a solid Democratic delegation.

All the speakers plead for harmony in the Democratic ranks in Kent. Hon. Caleb C. Magruder, candidate for Clerk to the Court of Appeals, and Mr. Geo. A. Frick, candidate for the Legislature from Baltimore, both made telling and interesting speeches. The Chestertown cornet band furnished music.

SOCIAL WORLD.

Other persons on pages 2. Dr. Henry Martin and Mrs. Margie P. Finley are attending the general convention in New York. Miss Julia Cacy and Miss Vic Power, of Wilmington, are in New York, attending the general convention.

MAYOR JAMES H. PRESTON

APPEALS FOR

Fair Play for Baltimore City.

At the largely attended Democratic mass meeting held at Chestertown last Saturday night, after eulogizing the Honorable Blair Lee, candidate for the United States Senate; the Honorable Emerson C. Harrington, candidate for Comptroller, and the Honorable Caleb C. Magruder, candidate for Clerk of the Court of Appeals, and appealing for a full vote for all candidates, State and local, and promising that Baltimore city would contribute a handsome majority for the State candidates, Mayor Preston made the following appeal for fair play for Baltimore city:

"I am pleading for fair play for Baltimore City, because we have no power to demand fair play. Our population being one-half of the state, our wealth being one-half of that of the state, our contribution to the support and maintenance of the state being more than one-half of the total income of the state, yet we are confronted by the fact that our representation in Annapolis is but one-fourth of the representation of the state, and in the Senate less than one-fifth.

"Let me say in the beginning that Baltimore City is the most congested city in the Union. Our 585,000 population by the census, probably now 650,000, is cooped up in a territory of 28 square miles. Cleveland, which in the last census, passed Baltimore in the list of large cities, has 46 square miles; Pittsburg, 44; Buffalo, 42; San Francisco, 46; New Orleans, 42; Boston 40, and St. Louis, 61.

"The proposed borough bill, therefore, is a commercial necessity, if Baltimore is to keep step with the great cities of the country.

HARBOR DEVELOPMENT.

"Take, for example, our harbor development. The congestion of the inner harbor has been such that it was impossible to obtain at a reasonable price a piece of land to be used by the United States immigration authorities as a site for a detention hospital, and we were compelled to go to Congress and carve off a portion of our old historical Fort McHenry for the purpose of a United States detention hospital. So that we must look forward to the time, and it is not far distant, when the growth of our shipping and the development of our foreign trade will demand the occupation of Spring Gardens and Canton Hollow as a further sphere for the development of our foreign and coastwise trade.

"We are confronted here with an absolute brake on our expansion. Our outer harbor in the Spring Gardens, adjacent to our great terminals in South Baltimore, owned by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad and Western Maryland Railroad, cannot be owned, controlled or developed by the city of Baltimore, for the reason that their possession is in the hands of the Commissioners of Anne Arundel county and of Baltimore county.

"It is important that this commercial shipping section be incorporated as a part of Baltimore city. This can only be done by the passage of an annexation act similar to that which we have suggested to the Legislature in 1912, and will again submit to the Legislature in 1914, a bill based on the borough system adopted in the city of New York, and a measure holding, out to the fullest degree equitable and fair treatment and self-government to the people in the proposed annexed district.

"It is only by their consent that we hope to have this done, and if it is not fair to them, and if the measure does not give them full protection in laws and property, then we cannot hope to obtain their sanction to become part of Baltimore city.

"Under the bill the annex district is divided into four boroughs and the question of whether they will come into the city will be submitted to the voters of each borough; they will not have to come in unless a majority want to. That it will be for the interest of all Maryland to give Baltimore city proper expansion, ought to be manifest to every right-thinking man. The more Baltimore grows and prospers the more credit it reflects on the whole State and the better market it provides for the products of the entire state, and the more it will be able to, and will, contribute toward the revenue of the state government.

"It will be a source of gratification to the people of Kent county, as well as to the people of Baltimore, to have Baltimore City take her proper place among the great cities of the world, especially as she is the chief city of the South, and will be, we hope and believe, the chief emporium for the increased South American trade that is to follow the opening of the Panama canal.

EXPENSES OF THE COURTS.

"In 1912 the city paid for court expenses, including the People's Court and the Juvenile Court, over \$30,000.00; and the state received from the clerks and register of wills of Baltimore City a net revenue of \$513,000.00, while the clerks and registers in the counties, as a whole, contribute nothing to the state treasury.

"The public schools cost the people of Baltimore more than \$2,000,000 per year, in addition to the amount received from the State School Fund, and, in addition to this, the city contributes to the State School Fund in excess of what the city receives from that fund \$296,181.47, which is distributed for schools in the counties.

"The salaries of the Liquor License Commissioners, appointed by the state authorities, cost the City of Baltimore \$16,000 a year, and we turn over to the state annually (in 1912) \$371,000, one-fourth of our total receipts for liquor licenses.

TAX ON FUNDED DEBT.

"Take for example the very unjust tax imposed by the state on the funded debt of Baltimore City. This will amount in 1913 to \$96,000, or more than three cents on our tax rate. This tax, which is imposed on the debt of the City of Baltimore, is not imposed on other cities of the state outside of the City of Baltimore.

"The total receipts from motor vehicle licenses for the year ending March, 1913, were, \$184,300.97, of which the City of Baltimore gets one-fifth, or \$36,860. There are about 7,500 motor vehicles in the state, of which about 4,000 are owned in Baltimore City. We get 20 per cent. of the tax to which we contribute 70 per cent.

"These are all in addition to the state tax on real and personal property which we pay as contribution to support the state government.

"We must also consider the enormous excess contributed by Baltimore City to the state tax, owing to the fact that in Baltimore we assess our property to its full value, while in many of the counties of the state the assessment is on a 50 per cent. value or less. In other words, the assessments in Baltimore City upon which the state tax is levied, is paid upon a full valuation of the real estate and personal property, while in many of the counties of the state, the state tax is paid upon an estimate of one-half its value, with this result, that a property owner in Baltimore City is paying twice as much state taxes as a property owner in the counties of the state on a piece of property of equal value.

PROGRESS OF THE CITY.

"Since I became Mayor in May, 1911, we have constructed nearly 100 miles of modern up-to-date smooth paving, and we have devised, the legislature has passed, and the courts have sustained, a just and equitable special tax upon abutting property which will provide the additional five million dollars needed to pave every street in the city. By a successful fight through the courts we have freed the city from the Warren deal which had held up our improved water supply for nearly three years; we have the new dam nearly completed and the work well under way on the filtration plant, expending in this movement for a plentiful and purer supply of water, \$5,000,000. We are rapidly nearing the completion of a sewerage system upon which we have spent twenty millions of dollars, and which will not only improve the health and cleanliness of our city but will purify the harbor and prevent the contamination of the waters of the Chesapeake. We have spent since the great fire in the burnt district and harbor improvements approximately ten millions of dollars, and in recent years nearly ten millions more on modern up-to-date schools, including a Polytechnic school which is one of the finest in the country. We have covered over Jones Falls, making a splendid highway in place of a foul and unhealthy stream. We have established in the central part of the city the finest high-pressure fire service in the world, and also a brilliant White-Way lighting system, which is not surpassed anywhere. In every department improvement and progress, economy and efficiency are the order of the day, notwithstanding the malicious statements that you may see to the contrary in the Baltimore Sun. This great newspaper, once owned and conducted by a distinguished Maryland family, is now controlled by Charles H. Grasty, who left an unsavory reputation in the West to come to Baltimore as the editor of the Baltimore News. In his career in the control of the News for twenty years, he opposed the Democracy, National, State and city, in almost every campaign. No words were too foul for him to use in vilification of the late Senator Gorman, and of Governor Smith, and of Governor Warfield and Governor Crothers when they were candidates before the people. No word was too bitter to be used in his denunciation of the Wilson law which was framed for the protection of the people of Southern Maryland and of the Eastern Shore. He spent his time then largely in trying to array the city against Southern Maryland and the Eastern Shore, and is now engaged by every artful device and misrepresentation in trying to array the counties against the city. He is an enemy of both counties and city, and his sole purpose is to try to raise himself to a position of leadership by pulling down the present Democratic leaders who stand in his way.

"I warn you against his misrepresentations. When the Sun was owned by the Abells, the motto was: 'If you see it in the Sun, it's so,' but now, under the control of Grasty, it is usually a safe guess if it is about the Democratic city administration that 'if you see it in the Sun it is not so.'

CITY HEAVILY BURDENED.

"We are heavily burdened in Baltimore City. Our people are struggling bravely to put our city and your city to the front, so that it will be a credit to you and to us. We want you to help us. I am not going to ask that every inequality be righted at once, but I am going to ask you for a few definite things in the interest of fairness to Baltimore City, and I am going to leave it to your judgment as fairminded men, whether or not you ought to do them.

"We ask you to let Baltimore City have all the revenue from liquor licenses in the city. The State received from Baltimore City in 1912 in traders and other licenses, \$206,612.60; in inheritance taxes, tax on commissions of executors and administrators, and fees from the Register of Wills, \$273,341.01, besides large amounts from the Sheriff, Clerk of the Superior Court and State's Attorney. Don't you think this is enough without taking any of the High License money.

"We ask for the repeal of the State Tax on Baltimore City stock, which amounted in 1912 to \$68,781.82; in 1913 to over \$96,000.00, and will increase as the city's debt increases. The State receives taxes on all the property, real and personal, in the city, assessed at full value, it ought not to tax the city's debts.

FAIR REPRESENTATION.

"We are going to ask you for a fair representation in the legislature. I know you will not say that it is fair for the city of Baltimore, which contributes nearly three-fourths of the money which is appropriated by the legislature, to have less than one-fourth of the members of the legislature which says how this money shall be appropriated.

"We are going to appeal, also, to your fair-mindedness and to the fair-mindedness of the Democrats of the State to give Baltimore City a fair representation in the executive and judicial branches of the State government.

"There is also another matter upon which I desire to appeal to you and upon which I wish to dwell for a moment. A recent amendment to the Constitution of the United States provides that the United States senators shall be elected by a direct vote of the people; therefore in the selection of the United States Senators, every voter in the state—white and black—has an equal voice, and I ask you if the spirit of that amendment does not require that, in the nomination of a candidate for the United States Senate by the Democratic party, every Democrat in the state should have an equal voice. Will you deny to the white Democrats of Baltimore City the right to have an equal vote in the choice of the Democratic nominee for the United States Senate, with the Democrats in Kent county, or Wicomico, or Alleghany, or any other county, when, in the general election, every voter in the state—white and black—is obliged to have an equal voice? It is a violation of the spirit of the amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide a method of nominating a United States Senator by which a Democrat in the counties shall have two, or three, or four votes, while a Democrat in Baltimore city shall only have one.

(POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT.)

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An Interesting Fact

When we state that last Saturday was the biggest day we have ever had in the history of our business, we do not say it boastfully.

We merely make such a statement to prove that unless we had the goods, ready to deliver, we could never have done the business.

To-day there hangs on our clothing racks over \$8,000.00 worth of Suits and Overcoats that range in price from \$10.00 to \$25.00. We have never carried such a complete and varied and costly an assortment since we have been in business, and we would never have put this line in this year if we didn't believe in the famous "Adler-Rochester" Clothes—the ready-to-wear kind.

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