

COMMENDATORY OF STONE & WEBSTER

Investigation Made by the Keokuk Industrial Association Reveals the Worthiness of Company Seeking Franchise.

EL PASO, TEXAS PLEAS

Attitude of Stone & Webster Toward That City Has Been Such as to Cause Community to Speak Well of It.

It is gratifying to learn from every point where the Stone & Webster company operate public utilities that their relationship with the cities has been harmonious and the conduct of their business such as to elicit the hearty commendation of the citizens.

EL PASO, Tex., June 1, 1911.—Mr. C. R. Joy, President Keokuk Industrial Association, Keokuk, Iowa.

My Dear Sir: I wish to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 26th regarding Stone & Webster who have asked for a franchise in your city.

1. Do you find them liberal in policy toward the community? I am pleased to be able to answer this in the affirmative.

For some years I have been connected with many enterprises of a more or less public nature in El Paso, and when we have had occasion to go to Stone & Webster for assistance have met with very fair and in some cases very liberal treatment.

2. Have their relations with the city government been harmonious? While not directly connected with the city government, I am familiar enough with its affairs to say that I am confident that the relations of the street railway company to the city have been reasonably harmonious.

3. Are their representatives counted among the public-spirited citizens of the community?

They certainly are and are always ready to give generously of their time to the work of the Chamber of Commerce, or any other pro bono public activities.

4. Have they shown a willingness to be helpful in the growth of the city and its best interests?

In my opinion they have. In so far as my observation goes, they have responded as readily as sound, conservative business principles will warrant whenever there have been demands for extensions and improvements.

I would not want you to infer from my letter that their wings are entirely ready to sprout, nor that you can afford to shut your eyes while the franchise is being drawn up, but I believe that if your city does business with them and tries to treat them fairly, you will find they will treat you fairly.

Yours very truly,
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Dan Tank, Patriot

By P. C. Macfarlane

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They were sitting in the dingy office of Dan Tank, which was upstairs over the car manufactory of Heck & Heck. This particular location was not a mere fancy with the Boss, for just here was the intersection of two streets where cornered the four wards on the control of which his political power had been builded.

Mr. Vining's face bore a high dome upon it, and his chin was of the sharp, Henry Clay type. Blue blood flowed in his veins. His grandfather had been a noted statesman. He was in society—wife, daughters and a son. Bradstreet's gave him rising half a million.

His son's name was Percy, an attractive youth, much idolized of his father, but alas, one who loitered long upon the primrose path. Besides, he had a reckless way of quite incidentally wooing and winning the hearts of trustful girls in all walks of life from the prettiest maid below the stairs in his father's house upward through the social strata into that set where the gilded aristocracy of ducats most obtained.

Mr. Tank, however, was a low-brow, while Mr. Vining was a high-brow. Mr. Vining's grandfather was a statesman, his voice thundering in the halls of Congress, when Mr. Tank's grandfather was cutting peat and belaboring the bony spots on a donkey in County Antrim.

There was talk around that The New Telephone Company, which had been establishing itself in numerous cities and furnishing better service at lower rates, was coming hither also, and would ask for and receive a franchise from the city council.

But it happened that Mr. Tank had a contempt for the prying ways and the velvet manner of Mr. Vining, so he promptly and rudely bumped into that gentleman with the stately profane assurance with which this story begins.

"I was wondering if there was anything in all this," he went on, questioningly. "This talk about the council giving a franchise to a new company." "Likely to be talk always, before anything is done," vouchsafed Tank by way of making conversation easy.

"Done?" he asked nervously. "Do you mean to say that something is going to be done?" "Look here, Mr. Vining," said Tank, severely serious in his tone and look.

"Now this was a disagreeable speech. It is a harsh man that will not let another state himself in his own way, or lead up to his own point after his own preferred method of time-killing and climax development.

"Why, just this, Mr. Tank," he burst out. "Our people don't want that franchise to go through." "Our people," scowled Tank. "Who the blazes are our people?" "The Old Telephone Company," explained Vining.

"Well, what you got to do with it?" Tank asked bluntly, through teeth that clenched the stub of his clear white beard. "Our people are feeling in corresponding pockets in quest of a match."

"Well, what of it? The city council ain't wanted to keep you fellows under the plum tree, is it?" "Your stock pays forty per cent. The New Telephone Company is going to get a franchise, and I reckon after it does your service won't be so rotten and your dividends won't be so big."

"You?" snorted Vining. "You? You the people's standpoint?" The representative of vested interests laughed, a harsh, discordant note, like the cackling of a sick hen.

"By hell!" Tank roared with rising wrath. "I'd like to know who would represent 'em if I didn't. Who else gives a damn for 'em? You don't? You fellows chew off their necks like a pack of wolves. If I didn't stand between you and them you and your kind would eat 'em up."

"You mean to say," he asked, "that if my purse is longer than the New Phone Company's, I can't get that franchise blocked right here before I leave this room?"

"Not if you was to offer me twice as much money and then double it and go around and give them their money back on the side," said Tank with slow, cumulative emphasis.

"Then," gasped Vining, "you're a new type of politician." "I'm the type that's runnin' this man's town, and the kind that's goin' to run it for a long time to come." "Now, Tank," declared Vining, returning to the charge with a kind of exasperated calmness, "you know you grant right and left."

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system," exclaimed Tank calmly, with an urbanity that was almost sweet. "They get better service and lower rates. It's what I'm tellin' you, Vining. I represent the people's viewpoint. You say, 'Let the people be blanked. Let them go to hell.' Tank, block this franchise, and here's a hundred thou." But I don't take your hundred thou. It ain't to the people's interest for me to take it, and it ain't to my interest. It ain't good politics.

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for doin' the town good. You can't never get me to take money for doin' it harm. I'm the original patriot, I reckon. You may be the grandson of your granddaddy, Vining, but I'm the father of my country all right," and he waved his hand toward "Th' Wards."

"Let me tell you, Vining," he continued, "my name may seem new to you, but it's right and it's square. I been workin' it from the beginning in this town. I always leave something for the other fellow. I done it in the precinct and I done it in the ward, and now I do it in the whole city. It's right. It works. Oh, I tell you I've watched 'em all. Broker and Fox and Cutler and Buif. They all got it in the neck from playin' both ends against the middle. Watch me play the middle and one end against your end, and see where you come out and where I come out. But not yet—nor soon. I'll be on to the game and right down on my toes when some of these fellers is doin' time and others is makin' faces at the sunshine in the incurable ward down to the funny house. I'm the boss and I graft, but it's honest graft. I graft right, but never left, and that's why you can't block The New Telephone franchise. So good afternoon, Mr. Vining. Glad to have seen you. Call again."

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