

Day's Book's prophecy was on the blink.

But now it is easy to see why the Tribune was for Frank Funk a week ago and is against him now.

The Tribune wanted to fool all the Progressives—and especially Roosevelt—until the national convention was over.

Now that the national convention is over, the Tribune doesn't give a whoop in hades for the local Progressives, and says so plainly.

The Tribune is against the Progressives locally for the same reason that Deneen is, for the same reason that Bill Flinn is in Pennsylvania.

Bill Flinn grabbed control of the Pennsylvania Republican organization from Boss Penrose.

If Flynn had gone the limit with Roosevelt he would have had to give up his control of that organization. So Flinn welched.

Deneen controls the state Republican organization. If he had kept his half promises and joined Roosevelt he would have had to give up that control. So Deneen welched.

The Tribune controls Deneen, and thus, left-handedly, the state Republican organization.

The Tribune controls a good part of the local county Republican organization.

If the Tribune had gone the limit with Roosevelt it would have had to give up that control. So the Tribune has welched.

But the Tribune wasn't so hon-

est in its welching as Deneen and Flinn.

Deneen, after long straddling of the fence, finally said definitely that he was a Republican and would support the Republican nominees.

Flinn said from the first that he would not support state or county tickets in Pennsylvania.

But the Tribune came out in support of Frank Funk, in support of a full state ticket put up by the Progressives.

It waited until the national convention was over before saying a word against Frank Funk or county Progressive tickets.

And even today it tries to cover its trail by hinting that the local Progressives are allying themselves with the worst part of the Republican party.

Shouting Progressivism and damning the bosses nationally, the Tribune is a standpatter and the ally of the bosses locally.

The local Progressives ought to be made to understand fully the game the Tribune is playing. It has double-crossed them.

The Tribune is an expert double-crosser. It hasn't done much else for years in politics, in its dealings with organized labor, in everything.

When Father O'Callaghan of St. Mary's denounced the Tribune from the platform as the most criminal organization in Chicago he made no mistake.

When Father O'Callaghan said he loved a murderer because the Master so had commanded, but that he despised the Tribune for