

new Tammany is to be one that can be depended upon to deliver according to Hoyle and the First ward.

Farther along in his speech Sweitzer threw more light on the kind of organization Sullivan's new Tammany is to be, one in fact that will make President Wilson sit up and take notice or go away back and sit down. Here it is:

"There is another matter of vital importance that should be impressed upon this organization and that is the election of delegates to the national convention. It is necessary, if we are going to justify our position, that we will have the stamp of the regular Democracy so plainly and indelibly impressed upon it that EVERYBODY FROM THE DISTINGUISHED OCCUPANT OF THE WHITE HOUSE DOWN WILL HAVE NO DIFFICULTY IN RECOGNIZING THE FACT THAT IT IS A SULLIVAN DELEGATION BEYOND ALL QUESTION OF DOUBT."

That's where Bob got down to brass tacks. Democracy in Chicago, Cook county and Illinois is to mean Sullivan, and that's the purpose of the imposing superstructure on the stable foundation.

And the President of the United States, who happens to be a Democrat, must be made to understand that when he looks to Chicago Democracy he looks to Roger Sullivan; that when he looks to Cook county and the state of Illinois, he looks to one man, and that man Roger Sullivan.

But Bob made it even clearer than that. He continued:

"You men know just as well as I do what are the reasons and the strength and justice of our claim that Roger C. Sullivan is the regular and recognized leader of the Democracy of the state of Illinois. (Cheers.) He received, one year ago last fall, the nomination of the Democratic party for United States senator of this state. He received it at a full and fair primary, with the patronage of both the city and the state administrations opposing him. Even in the face of that opposition he received the nomination in such decisive fashion as to place the portfolio of leadership of the Democracy in his hands.

We want, therefore, to send to St. Louis, behind Roger Sullivan, a DELEGATION THAT WILL BE A CONVINCING OBJECT LESSON TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN DISPOSED TO DISREGARD THE FACT THAT HE IS THE REAL LEADER OF THE DEMOCRACY OF THIS STATE." (Cheers.)

That's the end of Bob Sweitzer's speech so far as it helps us to get a line on the Cook County Tammany that is being so carefully organized for us. It indicates plainly enough that Sullivan is to be the organization, Sullivan is to be Tammany.

It shows us that the model from which the new political thing is to be built is to be the organization of the First Ward Democratic club; and that after it is built it will be Sullivan.

And it means jobs, of course. The reason President Wilson must be impressed that Roger is the whole thing in Illinois is that Roger's Tammany wants to tell the national administration exactly who must hold all federal jobs in Illinois—that every mother's son of 'em must have the O. K. of Sullivan plainly visible on the political collar around his neck.

And now we come to Roger Sullivan himself. Personally I have nothing against Roger. I never met him but once, although I have met some good fellows among his supporters. And as there is much good in all men there must be a lot of good in Roger. Nevertheless, I don't believe in his kind of politics any more than I believe in the political methods of Deneen, Roy West and Fred Upham or the feeble imitation.