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Democratic mayoral candidate Christine Quinn got a couple big headlines this morning.

Michael Howard Saul of The Wall Street Journal **takes a look at Quinn's strategy of running on her record as City Council speaker:**

History shows that it can be a risky move to tie a run to a record of legislative achievement. The last legislative leader to become mayor was Vincent Impellitteri, the president of the City Council when William O'Dwyer stepped down in 1950 amid a corruption scandal to become ambassador to Mexico. Named acting mayor, Impelliteri ran in a special election and won.

Michael Grynbaum of The New York Times **looks back at Quinn's early career as an activist and how she honed her game as an insider:**

But a review of Ms. Quinn's early career in the city suggests that she has preferred the insiders' game from the start. During her first decade after college, when she worked as an advocate on housing and gay rights issues and as an aide to the city's first openly gay councilman, she honed the work-the-system strategy that has brought her both criticism and praise in more recent years.

Meanwhile, Erin Durkin of The Daily News reports that **Quinn's memoir has fallen on the best-seller list to 224,525 on Amazon.com.**

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The Daily News also reports that "there was a growing consensus" on Monday that Quinn rival and **former Comptroller Bill Thompson is expected to get the much-coveted**

endorsement of the United Federation of Teachers.