

# HEARST PARTY'S BADLY INVOLVED

### Creditors of the Independence League Threaten to Apply for a Receiver.

### ONE SUIT FOR DEBT FILED

### Organization Is New Jersey Corpora- tion and Proceedings Talked Of Are Quite Possible—Side Split- ting Possibilities of Move.

BY LLOYD F. LANSBERG.  
NEW YORK, April 23.—(Special.)—The Independence League enters upon the national campaign with a new and proud distinction. It has been sued for debt, and the creditors, disgusted at the slow progress of the suit, are talking of throwing the organization into bankruptcy. This is not a joke, it is a fact and adds materially to the safety of the campaign.

The Trow Directory Company is the concern that is acting as the head and front of the movement designed to aid "in the sorrow of the down-trodden masses and the glorification of plunder-bund practices."

### Wants \$800 Real Money.

In other words the Trow Directory Company want \$800 in real money. During the campaign a year ago the Independence League got out a series of circulars, calling attention to the merits of its candidate. These were distributed by the directory corporation, but since then they have received no reward except the proud consciousness of work well done. Of course the Independence League is different from other parties and the lawyers for the creditors have discovered how they can create more excitement than would be possible were the debtor a mere vulgar regular party. For the Independence League is a corporation, organized under the laws of New Jersey. This has been of advantage in bygone days, when it was necessary to suppress a revolt among the members, but at present it is a drawback.

### Creditors Are Many.

A corporation can be sued, and a corporation that does not pay its bills can be thrown into bankruptcy. All that is necessary is for three creditors to join the application and make proper representation to the courts. It is said that any number of creditors are floating about and that it will be an easy matter to arouse them to the proper spirit of enthusiasm. And the Trow people are understood to be ready to lead the procession.

Now York politicians are interested in the matter, and are wondering who will be appointed receivers. A number of well-known men, it is understood, are perfectly willing to serve without pay. Charles F. Murphy and Pat McCarran are suggested as an ideal combination. It is intimated that they might be willing to temporarily drop their warfare, which is rapidly ruining the Democratic party, and join hands to put the boots to Hearst.

### Would Relish the Job.

Mayor McClellan would relish the job. He could have an able colleague in Congressman W. Burke Cockran, frequently alluded to in the Hearst papers as "The Hon. Brought Cockran." Alton B. Parker might not regard such a pleasant assignment as beneath his dignity. He would undoubtedly enjoy poring over the political assasins of his war-time enemies. Thomas F. Ryan's name may be suggested by some of his friends, although he has given no indications of his feelings in the matter. Besides, he is a busy man. So is August Belmont another candidate.

Other names that have been discussed are those of James J. Stuyvesant, Lieutenant-Governor Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler, Borough President Coler, of Brooklyn, and controller Metz, all of whom, on divers occasions have talked more or less enthusiastically and unhesitatingly about the League and its management.

### One Puzzling Question.

A question that is puzzling lawyers and laymen alike is this: What effect would a receivership have upon the policies of the League?

When an ordinary business concern is declared bankrupt, the receivers are usually empowered to carry on the business for the benefit of creditors. The horrible thought has struck several independentists that perhaps receivers of their corporation might exercise the same privilege. Instead of Receiver Chanler, F. Murphy, for instance, issuing an order something like this:

"The receiver hereby orders that the names of all thirty-nine candidates for the Independence League column under the emblem of that corporation."

### An Awful Possibility.

"Mass meetings to denounce so-called Third party ticket will be held in the clubhouse of the Independence League. Receiver Charles F. Murphy will preside; Sheriff Tom Foley, secretary."

Suppose a mass meeting of the league was held without the consent of the receiver? Would not the defiant ones be liable to a summons and punishment for contempt of court?

Seriously, though, a receivership might trouble the independentists in all sorts of trouble, and it would probably take various legal tribunals the rest of the Spring and Summer to unravel the tangle. Officials of the Independence League will not discuss the matter for publication, but they say privately that they will probably be compelled to settle all claims.

### Will Resist Claims.

"Many of them are unwarranted," declared one member of the executive committee, "and we will fight them in the courts, naturally. Where judgments are secured, however, the cash will be forthcoming. Our antagonists are fighting us in every possible way, and I believe these suits are backed by somebody high in authority in the Democratic party."

"Outside of the legal difficulties, we could not afford to have our party declared bankrupt. It would undoubtedly hurt us with the voters, and we are anxious to make an exceptionally good showing this year."

### Situation Is Unique.

It is admittedly one of the most peculiar situations in which a party ever found itself involved. The comic possibilities are numberless, and they are only just beginning to be realized.

What would happen if Hearst and his fellow trustees heard these cruel words from a source, far more like Murphy?

"In the name of the receiver of the Independence League, I command three cheers and a tiger for Tammany Hall."

Wouldn't it be lots of fun, oceans of fun, to be the receiver under these circumstances?

### Denver Mayor Renominated.

DENVER, April 23.—Mayor Robert W. Speer was re-nominated by the Democratic City Convention today. He had already been nominated for a second term of four years by the Business Men's League. His opponent in the race is Horace G. Phelps, the Republican nominee who has been endorsed by the Anti-Saloon League. The election will take place May 13.

### Hitchcock Gets Good News.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—A dispatch from Frank H. Hitchcock, manager of the Taft headquarters here, announces that the Eighth Congressional District Republican Convention today elected delegates to the National Convention instructed to vote for Taft.

### Instructed for Taft.

RALEIGH, N. C., April 23.—The Republican Convention of the Fourth District here today instructed delegates to the National Convention for Taft.

### Delegates Are Fancy Free.

HOLYOKE, Mass., April 23.—No resolutions were introduced at the First District Republican convention today and the delegates will go to the Republican National Convention unpledged.

### REPORTS DRAWN BY BENSON

### LANDGRABBER'S METHODS ARE CLEARLY SHOWN.

Fixed Boundaries of Forest Reserves to Suit Himself—Worked Through a Government Agent.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Frederick A. Hyde's influence over Government clerks in furtherance of the creation of forest reserves in California was sought to be established today in the Hyde-Diamond-Benson-Schaub fraud cases when District Attorney Baker called Benjamin E. Allen, former forest supervisor, to the stand and secured positive identification of Hyde's letters to Allen. Twenty letters, which gave an insight into the business relations between Hyde and Allen, were exhibited.

Other papers identified by Allen were Government reports on the proposed creation of forest reserves which it is alleged were drawn up in Hyde's office in his direction and forwarded to the General Land Office by Allen, who supposedly was acting in good faith in urging the opening of forest reserves. These documents constitute one of the links in the chain of evidence. Other papers similar in character will be produced by District Attorney Baker Monday.

Justice Stafford today ruled upon certain points, the argument upon which Monday caused a temporary halt in the taking of testimony. The court refused to allow the Government to introduce certain documents designed to show the evidence of James J. Barnes, formerly a clerk of the Land Office, to the effect that Hyde had been engaged in fraudulent practices, and upheld the Government's contention by admitting Schneider's statement that he participated in an alleged conspiracy within three years of the finding of the indictment.

### King's Praise of Dead Premier.

LONDON, April 23.—"He was a faithful servant of his country," is an expression King Edward used on hearing at Copenhagen of the death of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, and it well expressed the deep feeling of regret as for a personal loss underlying the tributes paid by public men and newspapers of all shades of opinion. That all are ready to admit that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman was neither a statesman of genius nor even a great administrator is not allowed to detract from the volume, the warmth or the sincerity of those tributes to his great force of character, his undeviating honesty of purpose and geniality of disposition, which enabled him to win all hearts, and his tact in dealing with men which brought him to the highest position of state.

### Joseph Letter to Marry.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The engagement of Joseph Letter, of Washington and Chicago, and Miss Juliette Williams, of this city, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. R. Williams, was announced today. Mr. Letter is expected to take place in Washington within a few weeks. Mr. Letter is the son of the late Levi Z. Letter and Mrs. Letter and is 40 years old.

### Boycott Extends to Australia.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., April 23.—The boycott by Chinese of Japanese goods, which originated in China as an outcome of the Tatsu Maru incident of last February, has reached Sydney and is practically complete. The Japanese steamer Yawata Maru sailed yesterday for Japan without any Chinese passengers or cargo and without the usual gold shipments destined for China.

### Flood Costs Hill \$75,000.

HELENA, Mont., April 23.—General Manager Gruber, of the Great Northern Railway, arrived at Helena this morning, after having spent a week in the Helena region, where he was engaged in the bursting of the Houser Lake dam. The tracks have been repaired and traffic resumed. Mr. Gruber estimated the loss to the railroad at \$75,000.

### Tucker Indicted Again.

TOPEKA, Kan., April 23.—The Federal grand jury today returned another indictment against H. H. Tucker, Jr., secretary of the United States Oil Company, charging him with the use of the mails with the intent to defraud. It is drawn upon lines specifically to show the nature and time of the alleged fraud.

### Strikers Stone Carbons.

PENSACOLA, Fla., April 23.—Notwithstanding the injunction issued by the Federal Court to prevent lawlessness in the strike of street railway employes, the bars of the Pensacola Electric Company, where over a hundred strikebreakers are housed, were stoned early today. No one was injured. Several arrests were made.

### Take Orchard's Deposition.

GUNNISON, Colo., April 23.—District Judge Shackelford today granted authority to O. N. Elliott, attorney for Steve Adams, to take a deposition from Harry Orchard, to be presented when Adams is placed on trial for the killing of Arthur Collins at Telluride, Colo.

### Illinois Local Option Law Valid.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 23.—The Supreme Court today in a decision declared the new local option law, passed last year, constitutional.

### Motzger Sits Glasses for \$1.00.

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# LILLEY SEVERELY TAKEN TO TASK

### Members of the Investigating Committee Criticise Ac- tions of Congressman.

### INQUIRY GROWS PERSONAL

### Representative Shown to Have In- terceded With Secretary Metcalf for Lake Company—Close to Anonymous Letter-Writer.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Interesting developments followed each other in close succession today in the hearing being conducted by the special committee of the house on the charges preferred by Representative George L. Lilley, of Connecticut, against the Electric Boat Company. Representative Lilley was severely taken to task by members of the committee for allowing published criticisms of his actions over his signature to stand for a month without being contradicted.

### Personal Matters Come Up.

It was at the afternoon session that the personal matters came to the surface. The committee had in its possession clippings from the Bridgeport, Conn., Standard of March 25, saying that it was reported around the corridors of the Capitol that Messrs. Boutelle, Olmsted, Rothmel and Roderig had left Washington the day before for New London (Mr. Lilley being there at the time), for the purpose of bringing political influence to bear on Mr. Lilley to stop the submarine investigation.

During the day a letter from Mr. Lilley to Secretary Metcalf in the interest of the Lake Company was read. In this communication Mr. Lilley referred to Congressman Roberts, of Massachusetts, saying:

### Letter to Secretary.

"Among the well meaning members of Congress the Lake people have more friends because they never employed the methods of the Holland type people. It is well known that the company Mr. Roberts appears to represent is doing more today in the employment of questionable methods to intimidate members of Congress and the naval committee than all other corporations in the United States."

### More Railway Mail-Clerks.

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### No Call at Honolulu.

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Senate, the powers delegated by the Constitution of the United States must not be enlarged by implication or so construed as to conflict with or encroach upon the reserved rights of the states as guaranteed by the tenth amendment. He said:

"The trouble with the President is, and I always speak of him not only deferentially, but with great personal respect, that he regards himself as vested with unlimited executive power under the Constitution."

Some of our prominent leaders, with unrestricted exultation, have applauded the President to the echo and in unmeasured tones have commended his revised edition of the Constitution of the United States. A wild and frantic hosanna lately pealed forth in an adjoining chamber from Democratic bosoms as a message replete with the assumption of unwieldy legislative authority resounded through the halls. If the President should be nominated by the next Republican convention, what will our spokesmen and orators say who have become the disciples of his creed and in worshipful idolatry have bowed at his shrine?

Rayner favored a single Presidential term and declared that no President should have the right to determine the selection of his successor through the use of Federal patronage.

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