

MR. HEARST ASTOUNDED  
COURT DECISION CAUSE.

Platform Collapses at Troy, But  
None Badly Hurt.

Albany, Oct. 26.—William R. Hearst, Democratic and Independence League candidate for Governor, had an enthusiastic welcome here to-night. His evening began with an old-fashioned torchlight parade, with red fire and bombs. Through crowded streets the line led to Harmanus Bleeker Hall, which was filled, with an overflow outside.

From here Mr. Hearst and his party were taken in a special trolley car to Troy, where another large gathering awaited them in the Lyceum Theatre. What might have been a tragedy occurred just as Mr. Hearst arrived in front of the theatre at Troy. He came from the car in an automobile, which with difficulty cleared a way through the crowd. A temporary platform had been erected in front of the theatre, from which it was intended that Mr. Hearst should address the people unable to get into the building.

Approached the crowd on the platform, consisting mostly of boys, surged to one side of the structure to see him, and the whole end of the platform collapsed. There were many people under the platform, but so far as is known none were seriously hurt.

After the Troy meeting the special car took Mr. Hearst and his party to Cohoes, where he received a warm welcome. One of the most effective things said by Mr. Hearst, which aroused all of the audience to enthusiasm, was this:

"Mr. Hughes asks if Lincoln were here, would he be for Hearst? I say to Mr. Hughes, that is not the question. If Lincoln were here, whether or not Lincoln was for Hearst, Hearst would be for Lincoln."

Mr. Hearst returned after the Cohoes meeting to Albany and started late in the night for New York.

Mr. Hearst's speeches at Albany, Troy and Cohoes to-night were substantially alike and for the most part new. Speaking first of the meetings he had addressed during the last four days in New York City and of the demonstrations at these meetings, he declared there had never been any like them in New York.

I feel confident that two-thirds of the people of greater New York are in favor of this movement to wrest the control of government from the trusts and the great public service corporations which control it in their own hands, and restore it to the hands of the people to be conducted for the greatest good of the greatest number.

The question merely, whether two-thirds of the people of New York will be able to accomplish what we are asking for, is a question of the will of the people, not only the machinery of parties, but the machinery of government in nearly every department. The machinery of government is in the hands of those who hold the power of office were put there by the trusts, and stand ready to serve the trusts to the last desperate extremity.

We do not know what particular outrage, what final blow to popular institutions, to American rights and liberties may be dealt us by the trusts, but we do know that every trust owned officer in every branch of government is bent on doing to the will of the people, and to continue the trusts that suckle him in power.

It is inconceivable in such officials, that allows Wall Street to scorn these demonstrations of popular feeling, and to laughingly let to the masses the immense majority of the people of New York will not be able to prevail against the power of corruption.

I think the election in New York City last year was won by not less than thirty thousand. I think the election in greater New York this year will be won by from one hundred and fifty thousand to two hundred and fifty thousand if the people are wakened. I believe that the majority will be somewhere about the majority in the whole state, as I do not think the Republican party will be able to bear the load of popular condemnation and stagger to the Harlem with any majority at all.

I warned the people last year that immense sums would be used to defeat them, that the great trusts and corporations would go to any length to defeat them. The people listened, but doubtless hardly believed that so serious a situation menaced them. The result established the truth of every warning I had given them. To-night I solemnly warn the people of this state that even more desperate measures will be taken by the corrupt corporations at this election.

All that Belmont and Ryan and Morgan and Rockefeller and Rogers spent to buy or bribe or steal the Mayor's chair for their puppet, McCall, and the last if a Governor and Legislature are elected who will see to it that the votes that we have fought to preserve are honestly counted as they are.

When the trusts and corporations are driven out of office or removed from criminal complicity, and all the greedy, dishonest, and unscrupulous trusts are destroyed.

The Elections Board in New York City is composed of the same men who last year obstructed the efforts to get a fair count. One member of this Elections Board, Daddy, has been indicted several times, and has been subsequently in a disreputable position. Another is a creature of McCall, who has been indicted several times for the same offenses, and now is protected by his master for further knavery. Another is the creature of McCall, who has been indicted several times for the same offenses, and now is protected by his master for further knavery.

Like master, like man. The trusts and corporations are driven out of office or removed from criminal complicity, and all the greedy, dishonest, and unscrupulous trusts are destroyed.

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order directing a peremptory writ of mandamus to issue, requiring the board to designate four daily papers. On October 8 the board revoked its previous action and made a contract with "The Daily News." The American and the Morning Telegraph to publish the election notices.

THE MEN WITH SPADES.  
Democrats Ready to Bury Hearst in  
Political Grave.

Many persons have responded to the call of the Independent Democratic League to unite in burying William Randolph Hearst on Election Day. A great many men are unable to take an active part in the burial, but have informed the league that they are going to throw at least a show of dirt into Hearst's political grave. Among these persons is Walter L. McCorkle, member of the bar and of the Southern Society. In a letter to the league he says:

I am heartily in sympathy with your movement and believe no greater credit could come to the elected Governor thereof. As you know, I am a Democrat and have always been and never voted the Republican ticket, but I certainly cannot vote for Mr. Hearst.

George H. Bruce, a lawyer, of No. 230 Broadway, who last year was chairman of the speakers' committee of the Hearst campaign in Kings County, and himself made sixty-eight speeches, in a letter dated October 23 states, with reference to his services for Hearst:

I had no other interest in the matter than to do my small part in bringing about a regeneration, which was promised by Mr. Hearst, who posed as the savior of the people. I was interested in the movement until my close association with the party and the men who were in charge of it, who deceived or can imagine that he is sincere or that he has any other purpose than the advancement of his own personal interest, and as far as possible, to place himself in line as the Democratic candidate for President two years hence.

The following is a copy of a letter received from a farmer up the Mohawk valley:

I am a farmer living in Mohawk Valley, an old line Democrat. I cannot go Hearst and Hearst issues. I think there are thousands of honest, decent men among the farmers of this state who will repudiate the going of the Buffalo convention. Please send me literature to place in the hands of my Democratic neighbors and friends, also some of those cockroach and crook bills, and I want to do my share to help defeat that scamp Hearst.

CONNERS RAISES LIMIT.  
Hearst's Majority Takes Daily  
Jump—Now 300,000.

William J. Conners, Democratic state chairman, says that Hearst will win by 200,000. On Wednesday it was 150,000, and on Thursday Mr. Conners felt so sure that he raised it to 200,000. Seeing his name in print, he stated the state chairman that he raised it another notch yesterday, making it a round 300,000.

Mr. Conners heard yesterday that Thomas M. Osborne, who successfully raided and captured the Democratic State Committee headquarters in Albany, was going to send out a militant blast against Mr. Hearst. In order to soften the blow as much as practicable, Mr. Conners yesterday issued a statement which was in part as follows:

The Democratic State Committee had no headquarters in Albany to seize in the spring of 1904 a house, and to maintain it for a time as a political headquarters by the personal contributions of prominent Democrats. The state committee had nothing to do with the lease and had no official connection with the headquarters. These headquarters, such as they were, were abandoned many months ago.

Mr. Osborne has a perfect right to lease any premises in Albany or elsewhere for which he is willing to pay the rent. Mr. Osborne is not a Democrat. For one who claims to be the keeper and custodian of the Democratic faith, he has a unique political record. In twelve years he has bolted five state and national tickets, besides being once elected Governor on a "bolter's" ticket, when he polled something like two thousand votes in the state. When asked to contribute to the Democratic campaign fund of 1900, Mr. Osborne sent a reply by letter over his own signature, which I have before me, saying he could not contribute in any way to the Democratic party, because he had parted from it.

One of the principal speakers at the ratification meeting, under the auspices of the Independence League in the 27th Assembly District, last night was William F. Clark, who represents the Murphy, or regular, faction of Tammany Hall in that district. Mr. Clark, who came to the meeting with "Jack" Follansbee, treasurer of the Independence League, and the latter in the 27th District, told his hearers that his presence at the meeting was due to the fact that he wished to emphasize as strongly as possible the loyalty on the part of the adherents of Mr. Murphy to the entire Democratic ticket.

COLER MAY BE OUSTED.  
Palliser Says He Was Nominated  
on Multiple Petition.

Melvin G. Palliser, of the Independence League's law committee, said last night at the Gilsey House that if the Appellate Division decision ruling out the league's petitions was sustained by the Court on Monday, there was a strong probability that Borough President Coler of Brooklyn would be unseated.

"Coler was put in nomination in Brooklyn a year ago on a so-called multiple petition," said Mr. Palliser. "His nomination was regarded as a regular one, no one ever questioned his election. We followed the practice in two or three preceding campaigns in getting up the petitions. It strikes me that the Appellate Division's decision at the Appellate Division's decision to-day, an action could be brought that would result in declaring that Mr. Coler never was legally nominated for his office, and that therefore he had no right to continue as President of the Borough of Brooklyn."

COCKRAN ON JUDGES.  
Says Murphy-Hearst Deal Nominees  
Are All Good.

About 2,500 persons assembled last night in Murray Hill Lyceum to hear Tammany fire broadsides against the Judiciary Nominators' ticket. The principal speakers at the meeting were W. Bourke Cockran and Thomas F. Grady.

William Heburn Russell, who expressed pleasure because the Independence League had started an uprising among the Democratic masses. He said the issue this year was not whether Mr. Hearst ran a good newspaper or not, but it was a question of trust influences.

When Mr. Cockran came he was cheered. He said:

This has been a remarkable campaign. It is a case of one party taking the platform of the other. I have no one could comprehend him. No attempt has been made to deny one thing that Mr. Hearst has said. Epithets have been hurled at him, but his return has been made in answer to those who have advanced.

Mr. Hearst has visited thirty counties, but when he said no sensible, comprehensible thing on the whole trip, and he made the platform from his headquarters as long as his trip. His statements I will not try to read to you, for they are most platitudinous to the point of nonsense.

Mr. Cockran then read the first plank of the Republican platform, and he declared that the entire platform was so well behaved that Mr. Hearst would only be fitted for the lunatic asylum or penitentiary if he carried out the nonsensical nonentities, and the lunatic asylum if he believed them.

The speaker said the only planks that had any sense were taken from the Democrats. He then continued:

Mr. Cockran dilated on the alleged "rottenness" of the Stet Trust for raising prices, on the alleged frauds of the New York Central, on relations and on the killing of competition by the Standard Oil Company.

"The Democratic party," said he, "is against all rottenness, and Mr. Hearst embodies the spirit of that revolt. He then took up the Judiciary ticket. He said that eight years ago he was against the nomination of certain judges, but that was before that exist to-day. He said that the Judiciary ticket was on a party with the independent candidate of the district Jerome. Last year the trusts, he said, had named their own agents to sit in the courts."

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GET MARTYRDOM READY.  
Mar Ihmsen Says He Scents Fraud  
in Election.

State Chairman Ihmsen of the Independence League yesterday gave utterance to the customary cry of distress that comes from the fellow that is sure to be beaten. He said that Hearst would surely win if the Republicans could be kept from stealing the election.

David B. Hill regularly for ten years the week before election said something similar. Whenever he said it the Republican managers invariably took it as a good sign, and followed up their advantage by increasing the majority against the Democratic ticket.

Mr. Ihmsen was the man who put through the deal with Murphy at Buffalo resulting in throwing out honestly elected delegates opposed to Hearst and seating those friendly to Hearst. He and Charles P. Bacon and the Buffalo Independence League leaders saw the "goods" delivered.

With the exposure of that deal and with the exposure of other deals between the Hearst leaders and the leader of Tammany Hall things have been going wrong for the last week at the Gilsey House, and Mr. Ihmsen preparing his lieutenant for the Republican landslide on the night of November 6. His shout about Republican corruption is regarded, even in Tammany Hall, as a sign of distress. Mr. Ihmsen said:

I believe that the election is won to-day, and that the victory can only be taken from Mr. Hearst by the Republicans stealing it.

We are reliably informed that George B. Corley, Postmaster General of the United States, has been here to show Mr. Woodruff how to raise an enormous campaign fund from the corporations. They cannot this year appeal directly to the trusts, so they will seek aid from the individual officers of those corporations, but the people are so thoroughly aroused this year that the election cannot be bought.

Our organization and the voters up the state will see that the trusts and the leaders, discouraged by daily desertions from the ranks, are scrambling to save their local tickets in the different sections and part of the county ticket. Old-time Democratic workers who are inactive this year are predicting that this banner Democratic county will go for Hughes by a plurality of from seven hundred up to ten thousand.

The Hearst workers in many towns concede the county ticket to the Republican ticket. Hearst began laying plans to capture the county last May, when some labor agitators were sent here. All their efforts could not get the county delegation instructed for Hearst. The Rockland delegates went to Buffalo to vote for Sulzer, and as a consequence the Hearst-Murphy crowd tried to have the delegates thrown out.

Hot shot was immediately fired into the Hearst forces by Dr. G. A. Letner, of Piermont. Dr. Letner and several other leaders who had been the backbone of the county organization, absolutely refused to have anything to do with a Hearst campaign.

Meanwhile the old line Democrats all over the county were quietly deserting the Hearst standard. These men represented in large measure the voting strength of the party. Among those in Nyack who will vote for Hughes are John D. Blauvelt, druggist, former postmaster, recently a candidate for Congress, who has voted the Democratic ticket for forty-five years; A. M. Voorhis, an old time regular; Frederick Perry, formerly president of the Young Men's Democratic Club, and J. W. Dalley, a dry goods man.

At Haverstraw the sentiments of many of the Democratic business men, they say, are voiced by Robert A. Widenmann, who says in regard to the Hearst issue:

The better element say that when the party is in such a condition that it is ruled by the "Pinks" and the "Blacks," the party is sold out to socialism, populism and incipient anarchy, then it is time to vote and smash it. I am emphatically for Hughes.

Many old line Democrats were found in Haverstraw who felt the Hearst disgrace so strongly that they declare they will vote the straight Republican ticket, bitter as this action is to them. In other parts of the county one hears the same story. The Republican leaders who have been taking a careful canvass of the county have been astonished at the result. In one small poll they found twenty Democrats who would vote for Hughes, and in another twenty-eight. The 3d District, at Stony Point, is said to be the straightest Democratic district in the state. It normally gives 23 Republican and 140 Democratic votes, and it is the proud boast of the district that the Republican have been able to strengthen their position there by the use of money. This year Democrats who know the district declare that it will give fifty votes for Hughes. This will be a Republican record.

The Democratic county chairman is James Boyd, of Sparkhill. He has been unable to stem the anti-Hearst tide. He leaves Sparkhill every morning on an early train, and does not return until 9 o'clock at night. So he is not worrying the Republicans with his activity.

More significant is the abandonment of the campaign by the Independence League. The League was organized in the county by George Deere, of Fort Erie. He has quit and resigned. Philip Doersch, of Nyack, county chairman, and Patrick Burns, of Haverstraw, county treasurer, have also quit and are out for Hughes. Mr. Doersch was postmaster of Nyack under Cleveland.

At the start the organizers of the League came to the aid and urged to head the county organization. I was enthusiastic because I was an Independent Democrat and believed in Hearst. But his serious deals with Tammany and the way which Hughes has been showing him up have disgusted us all. The enthusiasm among the people has been dropped off. The people don't believe in him any more. He calls his platform Americanism, but I think it is fakism.

The brickyards at Haverstraw turn out from 600,000,000 to 800,000,000 worth of bricks a week. The brickyard is a socialist, and the big labor leader there, and if you ask one of the union workmen who the son of the yard is, he will say Paddy Burns. The bosses also have a good word to say for Burns. So it was rather a clever move for the Hearst forces to make Burns the county treasurer of the league. Burns was found in the yards propping up a brick kiln. He said:

The Independence League here is out of business. I have been able to find any continued sentiment for Hearst among the laboring men here, and that the laboring men are beginning to think he is a fake and that they have been fooled by him. I have been to the meetings, but couldn't get a crowd together. So I have simply given up.

It is a significant fact that the Democratic County Convention did not endorse the state ticket this year. This is the first time in the memory of the oldest Rockland politician that the ticket did not receive the county endorsement. Hearst's name was not even mentioned at the convention. It is said that there is to-day only a single Hearst lithograph displayed in Rockland County. This is in a house window in Haverstraw, and politicians point it out as a curiosity.

NO CREDIT FOR HEARST.  
SAYS HEARST WASN'T ANXIOUS.  
Harburger Denies He Was Go-Between for  
Tammany and League.

Coroner Harburger was asked yesterday if he would make some statement concerning the speech which he was credited with having made at the meeting of the Tammany executive committee. He said:

The morning papers have quoted me as having made a visit to Mr. Hearst at his home. That is entirely correct. But the assertion that Mr. Hearst asked me if Tammany and Mr. Murphy would support him, and that I replied that they surely would, is not true, and I utter an absolute denial that I said any such thing.

Charles F. Murphy said that he was present at the executive committee meeting yesterday, but while he heard Coroner Harburger speak, he did not hear him say that Mr. Murphy and Mr. Hearst were really working in combination.

INCIDENTS OF THE CAMPAIGN.  
The election betting odds in favor of Mr. Hughes were 2 1/2 to 1 in the early transactions on the curb, lengthening to 3 to 1 toward the close of the day. From \$15,000 to \$20,000 was wagered on Hughes at 2 1/2 to 1, among the bets at these odds being one by Steve & the Kay of \$1,250 to \$500 with Percy Hughes, J. C. Buck & Co. bet \$10,000 to \$4,000 on Hughes, with Hayden Stone, and E. Miller also bet \$10,000 to \$4,000 on the Republican candidate, Dean Hale taking the Hearst and. The bulk of the betting on Hughes was done by the following: Maroco, who placed in all about \$20,000, the Hearst

Assembleman George B. Agnew, who was a member of the legislative gas investigating committee and who introduced the bill providing for 80-cent gas, spoke last night at a meeting of the 17th Senate District, at No. 322 West 65th street. He devoted almost his entire speech in reply to statements of Hearst regarding the latter's action in fighting for 80-cent gas. Mr. Agnew denied that Hearst deserved any credit for forcing the cheaper request and did nothing to help.

It became evident, Mr. Agnew continued, "that all Mr. Hearst was after was to obtain some cheap advertising for his newspapers, for, as a matter of fact, no assistance was ever rendered by him to the committee."

Finally, the division of the Republicans between the Senatorship candidates is likely to make some votes for the Democratic ticket. Senator Gates of Madison County, of the family which has made famous butter since 1791, to whom a renomination was refused because of some understanding that this year he should be Oswego, was all for the Democratic ticket with Independent Republican backing. Mr. Gates is another Republican likely to be a great deal of scratching.

Looking toward the election, there is a man remarked: "There's a ticket where no one of the candidates is going to vote for the other."

CAMPAIGN TOO MUCH FOR POLITICIAN.  
Madison, Wis., Oct. 26.—Frank L. Gilbert, Republican candidate for Attorney General, is in a sanatorium at Prairie du Chien, Ill., with nervous prostration, having broken down in his campaign.

ROCKLAND COUNTY LOST.  
League Machine Drops Hearst  
Fight—Leaders for Hughes.

Nyack, N. Y., Oct. 26 (Special).—The Hearst campaign in Rockland County has practically collapsed and from almost every town in the county a stampede from the head of the state ticket is reported. The county organization of the Independence League has given up the fight and gone out of business altogether, while its officers have come out for Hughes. The Democratic machine, which is still for Hearst, has practically collapsed and from almost every town in the county a stampede from the head of the state ticket is reported. The county organization of the Independence League has given up the fight and gone out of business altogether, while its officers have come out for Hughes. The Democratic machine, which is still for Hearst, has practically collapsed and from almost every town in the county a stampede from the head of the state ticket is reported. 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