

## SAYS LEAGUE IS THE REAL CHAMPION ISSUE

PRESIDENT'S ADVISER SPEAKS  
AT DEMOCRATIC CLUB.

### RAPS REPUBLICAN LEADERS

A striking address on the league of nations by a man who took part in the formation of the league covenant was delivered by the political adviser to the president of the league of nations, Mr. Miller, at the Democratic Club last night by David Hunter Miller of New York.

In addition to an expert discussion of some of the sections of the league plan, which included Article 10, which he said was all for peace, Mr. Miller made some pertinent comments on the varying stand taken by leaders of the two political leaders as Senators Harding, Johnson and Borah, William J. Taft, Elihu Root and Herbert Hoover.

Mr. Miller said the league of nations is the one real issue of the campaign. "It is a clear cut issue," he said. "There is no opposition to qualifications he is in favor of going in; and Senator Harding, notwithstanding his position at the moment with his picture on it, decided to abandon 'wiggly and wobbly' and said at Des Moines that he was against the league, that it was a bad compromise with him of qualifications, but rejection.

#### Dangerous Position.

"Now, I am aware that there are some supporters of Senator Harding who are thinking what seems to me the rather dangerous position of attempting to persuade the people that Senator Harding is right. You heard a speech in your city a few days ago from Mr. Hoover. I have a great respect for the personality and abilities of Mr. Hoover, but I should much prefer to take the judgment of Mr. Hoover on any international matter than the opinion of Senator Johnson or of Senator Harding.

"But Mr. Hoover has been a Republican only a few months. Mr. Hoover's first lesson in responsibility was administered at the Chicago convention, whereas Senator Johnson and Senator Borah have been delegates in the public service party of Senator Harding for some years past. So it seems to me that we must adopt the view of Senator Johnson and of Senator Borah. Their colleague in the Republican candidate means, what he says, rather than to accept the extraordinary and unorthodox position of the complimentary view of Mr. Hoover, who seems to think, if I read him correctly, that to charge Senator Harding with having voted for the league would be to charge the senator with a breach of faith unwarranted by his past record.

**Existing League or None.**  
"And let no one deceive you by asking about some other league of nations. The issue is between the existing league of nations and none at all; that is the issue between Government and people, between the forty-five countries that are named in the treaty of Versailles as propulsive parties to the league, forty-one having signed, and those who are in process of taking the technical steps necessary for joining; forty-four of forty-five; thirteen other countries having signed and one yet to be admitted in November; and in November we shall see a league of nations comprising at least 177 members, and at least 1,125,000,000 people. And when Mexico joins, as she will under her new government, we shall find the only country in the world opposed to the league to be Trotsky and Lenin and a few others.

Mr. Miller said that when the league of nations was first presented to the American people, it was greeted with a hearty endorsement by the principal leaders of the Republican party, such men as former President Taft, former Attorney-General Wickes, Senator Lodge, Senator Mcumber, President Lowell, of Harvard, and many others. But these men are not in control of the Republican party today, but the new national clique has seized the power, after nominating one of itself, Chicago.

**Those in the Clique.**  
"And who are the men who make up this clique?" he asked. "Men without a common principle, without a common cause, except their common hatred for Senator Wilson, their common lust for public office. Kuhn, the corporation lawyer from Pennsylvania; Johnson, the corporation bailee from California; Brandegee, the reac-

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### Discretion and Valor

An opponent of the league of nations found no sympathy Wednesday evening in a crowd of persons listening to a political speech at Market and Illinois streets. Instead he found considerable opposition.

While the speaker was extolling the league, the man opposed to the covenant withdrew from the crowd, drew a revolver and shouted:

"Any one who would vote for the league of nations is an anarchist."

The crowd rushed toward him, and the man ran. The crowd followed and lost trace of him at Meridian and Washington streets.

States, for I do not include the senate in that classification.

There is no grave difficulty with the acceptance of Senator Root's plan and that is, that it is based on the league of nations. The court is a part of the league. Under the plan which would be accepted would be the Root plan for the court and that would be the only plan which would be accepted.

It is the Wilson plan for the league.

There were even some hints

of the commission that the real plan was going to be the plan for an international court, and that after the government of the United States had

been so easily taken over by the Republicans, the league of nations would not be able to exist without the league.

He said that the assembly of the United States would be committed exclusively to the consideration of the assembly, the assembly must act under the direction of the assembly.

He did not believe that the British colonies would always act with the mother country.

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In regard to the Irish, he said they should welcome the league for the United States would remember Ireland probably would be admitted as a member of the league, even though it was not a member of the British colonies. It was declared by Mr. Miller that there is nothing in the league plan which would give other powers the right to order United States troops to Europe without the

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