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The Cleveland letter endorsing W. H. Taft is now pronounced a fraud by Frank H. Hastings, the executor of the will of the late Grover Cleveland. The New York Times which purchased the stuff from an alleged magazine writer, now repudiates it also, Mrs. Cleveland having said in the first instance that it was a fraud.

Arthur I. Voreys, Taft's personal choice as campaign manager, and his right-hand man in Ohio, was disbarred by the Arthur administration for robbing a war widow of her pension. Twenty-six years later he paid the money back to the widow and was reinstated by the Roosevelt administration; this it will be noted was in 1907. W. H. Taft having been so close to the administration of course has never heard of this outrage.

The sins of Foraker can only emphasize the virtues of Taft. The sins of Haskell must become the sins of Bryan unless there is a radical change in the situation.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Of course, of course; if a Republican Senator, who, charged with accepting fees from a monopoly to influence national legislation, is taken to the bosom of the Republican national presidential candidate, in public reconciliation, that can only show how white the candidate is by the black mark that is left on his manly form as the result of the embrace. But if a Democrat, mixed in the same muck, though not in national public life, is employed in a personal capacity in the private organization of the Democratic party, why, his sin at once becomes the sin of the Democratic national candidate! Of course, of course! There are two standards of morals—one for the Republicans and another for the Democrats. And if you don't believe it, why, even a shorter word will describe what you are. In the names of the Prophet, figs!—Indianapolis News (Rep.)

**COST OF SPECIAL SESSION.**  
 Up to last Saturday night Governor Hanly's unnecessary and partisan special session of the legislature had cost \$22,500. The cost of the special elections to fill vacancies was about \$20,000 more. Total cost to taxpayers up to last Saturday, \$42,500. And that is only a part of it. All this expense was put upon the people by Republican politicians in an effort to get the Republican party out of a hole. But the effort failed. The Republican politicians only succeeded in digging the hole deeper. The people of Indiana are not in a humor to be either exploited or trifled with.

**THE ROOSEVELT-HEARST COMBINATION.**  
 President Roosevelt and W. R. Hearst seem to be on very friendly terms—so friendly, indeed, that no great stretch of the imagination is needed to make one think that they are working together for Taft in pursuance of a personal understanding. This shows to what extreme means, regardless of their character, Mr. Roosevelt is willing to go to help the man that he forced on the Republican party by using the power of his office. Two years ago, however, Mr. Roosevelt sent Elihu Root, a member of his cabinet, into New York state especially to attack Hearst. Among other things Secretary Root said in a public speech: "Mr. Hearst is guided by the turmoil of inflamed passions, selfish motives and is NOT GUILTYLESS OF McKINLEY'S DEATH. What public servant, honored by the people's trust, has he not assailed by vile and vulgar epithets? \* \* \* It is not the spirit of Washington and Lincoln; it is the spirit of malice for all and charity for none; it is the spirit of anarchy, of communism of Kishineff and Ballyshank." But now Mr. Roosevelt seems willing to accept Hearst's help in the campaign. Mr. Bryan is fortunate in having Hearst's opposition.

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## AN ASTOUNDING RECORD OF HIGH TAXES AND OFFICIAL EXTRAVAGANCE NOTED UNDER REPUBLICAN RULE

The following comparison shows the annual cost of the offices and departments mentioned for the year 1907 under the administration of Governor Hanly, Republican, and the year 1894, under the administration of Governor Matthews, a Democrat:

Republican. (See Acts 1907 p. 671.)	Democratic. (See Acts 1893 p. 361.)
Governor's Office.....\$ 58,550	Governor's Office.....\$ 12,020
Auditor's Office.....64,620	Auditor's Office.....12,800
Secretary of State.....15,390	Secretary of State.....8,250
Attorney General (Regular).....20,050	Attorney General.....4,800
Attorney General (Special).....20,000	
Treasurer of State.....12,880	Treasurer of State.....5,520
Supreme Court.....46,200	Supreme Court.....26,900
Appellate Court.....43,040	Appellate Court.....20,470
Reporter Supreme Court.....10,350	Reporter Supreme Court.....5,700
Supt. Public Instruction.....10,420	Supt. Public Instruction.....6,600
Circuit Judges.....218,700	Circuit Judges.....145,000
Superior Judges.....52,400	Superior Judges.....7,000
Prosecuting Attorneys.....30,500	Prosecuting Attorneys.....28,000
Bureau of Statistics.....15,160	Bureau of Statistics.....9,000
Adjutant General's Dept.....85,250	Adjutant General's Dept.....39,520
Bureau of Printing.....87,650	Bureau of Printing.....55,200
State Library.....15,220	State Library.....5,720
Department of Geology, etc.....21,040	Department of Geology, etc.....9,100
Fish Commissioner.....9,500	Fish Commissioner.....800
Deputies and Expenses.....20,710	
Board of Health.....28,500	Board of Health.....5,000
Board of Tax Commissioner.....12,000	Board of Tax Commissioners.....6,000
Care of State House.....27,340	Care of State House.....18,500
<b>Total.....\$925,470</b>	<b>Total.....\$431,900</b>
Cost under Republican administration.....\$925,470	
Cost under Democratic administration.....431,900	

**Increase under Republicans.....\$493,570**  
 Being an increase of more than 100 per cent under Republican administration.

A comparison of the receipts and disbursements and taxes levied for the years 1907 and 1894 shows the following result, all figures being official:

Total taxable property in Indiana in 1894.....	\$1,295,106,415
Total taxable property in Indiana in 1907.....	1,767,815,487
Total state and local taxes in 1894.....	18,891,581
Total state and local taxes in 1907.....	36,050,275
Total state tax in 1894 (including sinking fund).....	4,463,899
Total state tax in 1907 (no sinking fund).....	6,174,413
State general fund disbursements 1894 (including \$647,088 on account of state debt).....	2,787,267
State general fund disbursements 1906 (no payment on state debt).....	5,093,255

The state auditor's report for 1905 sets out the total receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1905, as follows:

Receipts.....	\$9,260,827.07
Disbursements.....	9,127,868.36

The report of the state treasurer for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1906, sets out the total receipts and disbursements as follows:

Receipts.....	\$9,702,867.76
Disbursements.....	9,099,212.32

(The disbursements included nothing on the state debt.)

The report of the treasurer for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1907 (only eleven months, due to a change in the law as to the ending of the fiscal year), shows the following as to total receipts and disbursements:

Receipts.....	\$9,159,625.83
Disbursements.....	8,067,001.71

(The disbursements included nothing on the state debt.)

It will be remembered that the heavy receipts and disbursements for the month of October are not included in the 1907 statement because of the shortening of the fiscal year. No full comparison, therefore, can be made of 1907 with other years.

In marked contrast with the above reports of Republican management is the report of the fiscal year ending October 31, 1894, the last year the state offices were occupied by Democrats. The financial statement for the year 1894 is as follows:

Receipts.....	\$6,848,967.65
Disbursements (including \$647,088 on account of state debt).....	6,458,456.36
Excess of disbursements 1905 over 1894.....	2,669,412.00
Excess of disbursements 1906 over 1894.....	2,640,755.96

This enormous increase in annual expenditures is out of all proportion to the real increase in the cost of administering the state's affairs. The multiplication of needless offices, boards and commissions, the increase in official salaries and reckless appropriations of money in all directions are some of the reasons for the growing burdens that have been put upon the taxpayers.

Under the last Democratic administration of the state the tax levy for all state purposes was 32 cents on the \$100. This included 3 cents levied for the state debt sinking fund, which left the levy for all other purposes at 29 cents. The levy made by the last Republican legislature is 33.35 cents on the \$100. This includes nothing for the state debt sinking fund until 1908, and represents an increase of 4.35 cents on the \$100 for general state expenses. The assessment of property for taxation has been enormously increased. The 4.35 cents increase in rate and the increase in assessed value will show the taxpayer where some of the extra tax burden comes from. It is merely his contribution to the Republican variety of "business administration" in state affairs.

### NATIONAL EXTRAVAGANCE.

A comparison of the cost of the national government under the last Democratic administration and the present Republican administration, as shown by the Congressional Record, Vol. 42, No. 38, pp. 7613-19:

Total expenditures for four years ending 1897.....	\$1,758,902,462
Average per year.....	439,725,615
Total expenditures for four years ending 1909.....	3,428,809,371
Average per year.....	857,202,343
The appropriations made by the last session of congress for one year alone were.....	1,008,804,894

Total expenditures for army and navy, 1892-1897.....	484,299,699
Total expenditures for army and navy, 1903-1908.....	1,328,679,524
An increase for these two purposes in the last six-year period over the first.....	\$844,379,825

Number of new offices created in the six-year period, 1893-1898.....	10,279
Cost of these new offices.....	\$ 6,018,417
Number of new offices created in the six-year period, 1903-1908.....	99,319
Cost of these new offices.....	\$ 69,543,506
Total expenditures for last four years Roosevelt administration.....	3,428,809,371
Total expenditures Civil War, years 1862-1865.....	3,394,830,931
Excess of Roosevelt expenditures over Civil War period.....	33,978,440

### RUNNING WILD.

Speaking of the enormous expenditures of the Republican party, the Indianapolis News (Republican) at the close of the late session of congress, referring to the appropriation of more than a billion dollars for one year, said: "No congress which appropriates more than \$1,000,000,000 for a single year can hope to escape criticism on the score of extravagance. It has not been long since a billion-dollar congress was considered remarkable. Now we have a billion-dollar session, or a two billion-dollar congress. Surely it is time to display the danger signal."

"With expenditures far outrunning receipts, with these monstrous appropriations, with the cruelly high cost of living, with extravagant local governments and with a regime of generally high taxes, it seems to us that an economical public policy ought to be popular. The business depression is still with us, and there are many men out of employment. Yet the tax-gatherer is busier than ever. Local governments are heavily in debt and local tax rates are increasing, and the borrowing capacity of many of our counties and municipalities is exhausted. On top of it all we have this \$1,000,000,000 appropriation for the ensuing year. This disposition to run wild ought to be checked."

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