More Than 12 Per Cent., at Time of Receivership, Stood in the Name of Thomas W. Joyce.

NO STANDARD OIL INTEREST

Three-Cornered Fight Over Payment on Defaulted Bonds to Come Up in U. S. Court Today.

With a deadlock reached between the preferred and the common stock holders' committees of International Mercantile Marine, with the common stock holders revealing results reached by their accountants and tending to show the solvency of the company when it was put into receivership, and at all times since, and with charges made of connivance between the management and the bondholders to precipitate the receivership, facts were brought to light yesterday which the directors and officers of the company may set up in defense if the legality of the receivership is determined in court.

The facts are embodied in extracts from the list of stockholders at a date after the final default of interest on August 1, 1915. They show that while at that time J. P. Morgan & Co., as fiscal agents, did not come to the relief of the company, and while J. P. Morgan and a majority of the directors formally admitted the allegations of insolvency in a foreclosure suit brought by the Fidelity Trust Company of Philadelphia, approximately 93,000 shares of stock, of a par value of \$9,300,000, or about 11 per cent. of the total of \$101 .-598,000, were held in the name of

Thomas W. Joyce.

Mr. Joyce is head of the securities department of J. P. Morgan & Co. While it was not stated for whose account Mr. Joyce held this stock, it is accepted as a fact in Wall Street that it was owned by those closely associated with the management of the company.

Common Widely Distributed.

Mr. Joyce was the holder of record of 28.212 - shares of common and 64.725 shares of preferred out of an outstanding total of 498.724 shares of common and 517,236 shares of preferred. His representation in the preferred stock was more than 12 per cent, of the total of that issue.

As of record the officers and directors do not appear as holders of preferred. but have only qualifying shares of common, five shares each standing in the names of J. P. Morgan, Charles Steele, and George W. Perkins, and ten shares each in the names of Lord Pirie. E. C. Grenfell, P. A. S. Franklin, and the other directors.

The records also show that the common stock was much more widely distributed in this country than was the preferred. The number of common stock holders is greater, approximately 859, as compared with 775 of the preferred, but large holdings of the preferred are more numerous than holdings of 1.000 shares or upward of the common. Also Stock Exchange houses carried approximately 140,000 shares of preferred, as compared with less than 40 .-000 shares of common. Upward of 30.000 shares of the preferred were held in Great Britain, while British holdings

of the common were negligible.

Next to Mr. Joyce's holdings, the largest representation was that of the Stock Exchange house of W. R. Craig & Co., with 14,000 shares of common and 23,000 shares of preferred. Post & Flagg came next, with 15,000 common and 23,000 preferred. Boissevain & Co. appeared as holders of 9,000 common and 16,000 preferred. This firm represents Dutch holders of bonds as well as stock, and A. J. Miller, a partner in this firm, is Vice Chairman of the joint committee of bondholders which has pressed the foreclosure proceedings.

The Big British Holders.

Conspicuous among the British holders is N. M. Rothschild & Sons. London, with 1000 shares of preferred. Other British holders, all of preferred stock, were R Raphael & Sons, London, 500 shares; Heseltine, Powell & Co., London, 3,400 shares; International Finance Society, Ltd., 500 shares; English Society of American Bond and Shareholders. Ltd., 700 shares: Percy Alexis Lederer, London, 750 shares; Laura M. Kyle, Fife, 700 shares; T. and T. Gi Irwine, Liverpool, 1,000 shares; Henry Jackson, Perrith, 600 shares; the Rev. Charles Myers, London, 4,250 shares; John Marshall Dugdale, Manchester, 500 shares.

John D. Archbold appeared as the holder of 1,700 shares of common and 1,200 of preferred. Apart from this there was not a trace of Standard Oil representation except for the record of one share of the preferred in the name of "Karl W. Foerster, care of J. D. Rockefeller, Lakewood, N. J."

The Larger Holders.

This is a list of large holders of the preferred and common, the figures in all cases except that of Mr. Joyce being given in round numbers:

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|--|------------|---------|
| Thomas W. Joyce28. | 212 | 64,723 |
| W. R. Craig & Co14. | 000 | 25,000 |
| Post & Flags | 000 | 23,000 |
| Boissevain & Co9, | 000 | 16,000 |
| Bulgarian Chalman & Ca | | 9,750 |
| Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co | ~~~ | |
| Hallgarten & Co 6,0 | JUJ - | 8,200 |
| Henry J. Pearson | | 6,600 |
| Carl G. Foshey 4, | 500 | 5,700 |
| Halle & Steiglitz | | 7.500 |
| Geo. A. Huhn & Sons 5.3 | 200 | 7.000 |
| Geo. A. Hunn & Bons o. | 100 | |
| Dominick Bros. & Co 3, | 100 | 9,500 |
| Bernhard Scholle & Co 2, | 100 | 7,200 |
| Prince & Whitley | | 6.000 } |
| Henry Claws & Co 2.6 | YYA | 8,000 |
| | | 2,500 |
| Zimmermann & Forshay | | |
| Clark, Dodge & Co 1, | 700 | 2,400 |
| J. S. Eache & Co | | 2,300 |
| Hirsch, Allienthal & Co | | 2,600 |
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| Fordinged Richter, Hartford. | | 8,600 |
| Daniel W. Burrows | | 2,000 |
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| H. H. Houston estate, Phila 1,300 | 2,400 |
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| Henry W. De Forest 400 | 2,700 |
| Henry W. De Forest 400 E. M. Erland | 2,200 |
| Heideibech, Ickiehaimer & Co. 1.800 | 1,700 |
| Redmond & Co | 1,600 |
| Asiel & Co | 1,600 |
| Asiai & Wissesser & Co | 1,600 |
| Pennington, Colket & Co F. O. Smith | 1,500 |
| P. U. Quilli | 1,560 |
| William Pleper | |
| Herzfeld & Stern 2,400 | 1,500 |
| Harris, Winthrop & Co 800 Vernon C. Brown & Co | 1,500 |
| Vernon C. Brown & Co 1,700 | 1,500 |
| Benedict, Drysdale & Co 1.700 | 1,700 |
| Stattery & Co | 1,900 |
| Raymond Pynchon & Co | 1,700 |
| P. J. Goodhart. Arthur Lipper & Co 900 | 1.300 |
| Arthur Lipper & Co 900 | 1,300 |
| Dominick & Dominick | 1,200 |
| John D. Archbold | 1,200 |
| Randal Morgan | 1,000 |
| Butler, Herrick & Kip 9,700 | 1,000 |
| S. Fred Telleen | 1,000 |
| Rizzel, Kinnicut & Co 8,100 | |
| Julius Schmidt & Co 3,000 | **** |
| 51 J. Berwind 2,000 | •••• |
| Richardson, Norton & Co 1,800 | •••• |
| Geo. Leask & Co | •••• |
| Babcock, Rushton & Co 1,600 | |
| Tevy Bros | |
| Changier Bros. & Co 1,300 Mery B. Jennings 1,300 | |
| Mary B. Jennings 1,300 | |
| M. Henry Gault, Montreal 1,300 | |
| Wilcox & Co 1.100 | 1 |
| A. M. Kidder & Co 1.200 | |
| Blake Bros. & Co 1,000 | |
| F. B. Kesch & Co 1,000 | •••• |
| Sarah J. Wyckoff 1,000 | |
| Anderson & Borntraeger 1,000 | |
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Many Recent Ownership Changes.

Since the compilation of this changes have been many. It is understood that most of the foreign holdings. particularly those in Great Britain, have been sold in this market in the course of that advance which carried the common from below 1 and the preferred from below 5 to prices above 23 and 85 respectively. It was also reported vesterday that the 93,000 shares in the name of Thomas W. Joyce had been greatly reduced in the past six months. The reduction of those holdings, it was pointed out, in no way diminished the force of the contention that at the time of and for some time after the receivership the controlling interests in the company were large holders of stock

The three-cornered fight of the joint committee of bondholders, the committee of preferred, and the committee of common stockholders is on the calendar to go on before Judge Hough in United States District Court today. Another adjournment is probable. The question directly at issue is whether or not the receiver shall make an immediate payment on the defaulted bonds. All committees and classes of

stockholders are willing that he pay the interest, but fear that if he pay on the principal of the bonds, the default on the principal may be legalized. It is feared by bondholders that if only the interest on the bonds is paid the receivership may be vacated. Representatives of all parties endeavored to agree on a stipulation excepting the legality of the receivership from consideration, but had not got together up to the close of business yesterday.

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