

KENYON PROMISES TO DIG TO BOTTOM OF LORIMER CASE

Newly Elected Senator From Iowa Writes Statement of Principles—"Human Rights First," His Idea.

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Des Moines, Iowa, April 13.—"Human rights first," and a determination to dig to the bottom of the Lorimer case are two of the cardinal principles which will govern the political life of William S. Kenyon, former assistant to the United States attorney general, who is the newly elected United States senator from Iowa.

Full expression of his political faith and of what he purposes to do was made today to the United Press by Senator Kenyon, who wrote the following expression of his creed as regards his new position:

"All my life I have turned to the teachings of Lincoln for inspiration. I shall continue to do so, and as United States senator I shall work to the best of my ability for the greatest good the government can do for the elevation of man.

Will Lift Burdens.
"I shall strive to lift from the shoulders of humanity all the unnatural burdens that good legislation can remove. Thus I shall favor, in a general way, an income tax, workmen's compensation, a most stringent corrupt practices act and such measures along these lines as will be for the benefit of the people. I am for human rights as well as for property rights—and I am for human rights first.

"We believe as a people in the conservation of natural resources, but we believe equally in the conservation of national ideas. The people view with alarm those schemes of fraud and corruption whereby a man may have been elected United States senator in a neighboring state, and I propose to unite with others in an effort to probe this election to the bottom. We have had a loss of population in Iowa, but we have not lost sight of our high ideals, and I thank God that it needs no grand jury or no committee of congress to investigate the election of a United States senator from this state.

Bound to None.
"I say that while my friends had a long struggle in this contest which has resulted in my election, I shall take my seat in the senate bound by no pledge or promises. I want to make just this pledge to the people of Iowa and of the country. And it is the only pledge I have made in the campaign. It is that I shall give the people the best service of which I am capable, with all the energy I possess and that I shall represent Iowa in the United States senate, regardless of political faction."

LORIMER "SLUSH" FUND

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"slush fund," gave the lie to Hines and brought in the name of Edward Tilden, president of the National Packing company, as the man to whom the "slush fund" money was to have been sent.

Funk Tells Under Pressure.
Funk's statement implicating Tilden was probably the most unexpected of all the disclosures. When asked point blank for the name of the man to whom Hines had told him to send the "boodle" money, he was stammering and refused almost to reveal his identity. He pleaded that the man who had been referred to was a man of high standing, a man whose integrity had never been impeached and that he had no proof that the charges implied were true. The committee insisted on an answer.

Funk straightened in his chair as if to answer, but his courage failed him. "The committee is unanimous," said Chairman Helm. It was probably the most dramatic moment since the investigation opened. Funk hesitated again and then blurted out:

"Well, I will answer under protest. He told me to send the money to Ed Tilden."

It was shortly after that that the committee went into executive session and then adjourned until today, with its work well under way.

History of the Case.
It was just 17 days less than a year ago when the first public intimation of corruption in connection with the election of Lorimer was made. Until a dozen days ago, however, practically no evidence had been brought out in any of the investigations that pertained to the source of the money which was used in the alleged bribing of the Democratic members of the Illinois legislature.

For 11 months after his election, Senator Lorimer's sailing was about as smooth as that of any member of the upper house of congress. His tranquility was not disturbed by any hint of graft until the morning of April 30, last year, when a Chicago newspaper printed an affidavit signed by State Representative Charles A. White, saying that he had been given \$1900 by Representative Robert E. Wilson to vote for Lorimer for senator.

Grand Jury Investigates.
Two days later, May 2, a special grand jury was empaneled in Chicago under State's Attorney Wayman to go into the charges. Representative White informed Wayman that he was ready to go before the grand jury and tell all.

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LEADING FIGURES IN LORIMER BRIBERY CASE

May 5 Representative H. J. Beckemeyer made a confession similar to that of White, and Brown was indicted the following day. He was tried three times. The first resulted in a mistrial, the second in disagreement and the third in acquittal. In the course of his trial, Representative Michael S. Link and State Senator D. W. Holtzlaw also confessed to receiving bribes, but none of these men could name the original source of money that was given them.

The United States senate first took cognizance of the Lorimer charges in June, 1910, when an investigation was ordered by the senate. The subcommittee of the committee on privileges and elections began its inquiry in Chicago September 22. Sessions were held almost daily until October 8. The committee's evidence was all in and it reported to the senate December 21, the day before the Christmas recess of congress, that the charges had not been proven.

Senate Whitewashes Lorimer.
Senator Beveridge of Indiana and Senator Owen of Oklahoma, however, prepared minority reports disagreeing with the findings of the committee and January 9 they presented them in the form of motions, that Senator Lorimer's seat in the senate be declared vacant. Argument on the motions began on January 18 and continued to be one of the sensational features of the daily program in the senate until the first of March, when a vote was taken. Lorimer retained his seat by a majority of six.

The publication by Kohlmaat in his Chicago paper of the statement made to him by Funk that \$100,000 had been used to bring about the election of Lorimer caused the reopening of the case in congress by Senator La Follette of Wisconsin, who moved to have the investigation resumed on the ground of the discovery of additional evidence.

On the left, above, is Herman H. Kohlmaat, Chicago publisher, whose publishing of a story that a \$100,000 "slush fund" was used to buy Lorimer's election to the senate was the beginning of the latest series of sensations in the famous case; next to him, "Billy" Lorimer, the most talked-of man in the United States senate today. Below, from left to right, Edward Tilden, president of the National Packing company, who has been named as the collector of the \$100,000 fund; Clarence Funk, general manager of the International Harvester company, who gave Tilden's name to the Helm investigating committee of the Illinois state legislature and also told Kohlmaat the story published in his paper, and Edward Hines, millionaire Chicago lumberman, who is said to have admitted that it cost \$100,000 to "put Lorimer over."

KEITH, LANDSCAPE ARTIST, IS DEAD

Famous Figure in Art World Dies in Berkeley at Age of 72.

Oakland, Cal., April 12.—William Keith, the famous landscape artist, died this morning at his home in Berkeley. Keith was 72 years old and had suffered from sciatica for several years. Keith had been a notable figure in the art world for more than 25 years. He was born in Aberdeenshire, Scotland, in 1839 and received his art education in Munich in the noted portrait schools there. Coming to New York in 1851, he followed the profession of engraving for nine years. Keith came to California in 1859.

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