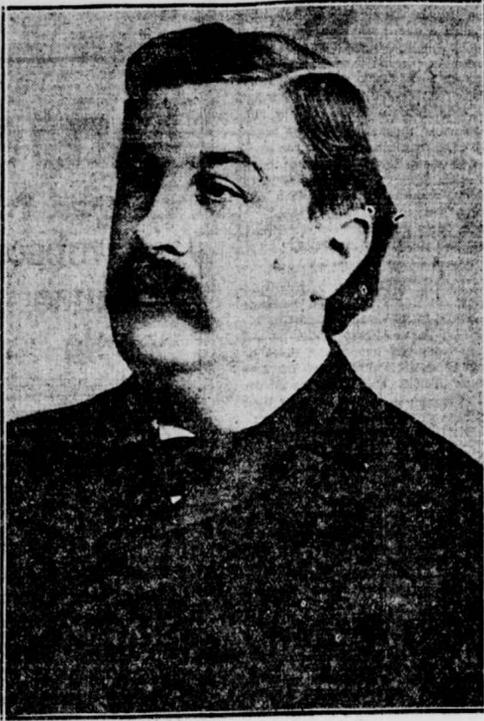


LORIMER DEFENDS HIS TITLE TO SENATE SEAT

Dramatic and Sensational Denial of All Charges Against Him. GREAT CROWD HEARS HIM

Says He Has No Knowledge That Bribery and Corruption Were Used to Promote His Election.



U. S. SENATOR WILLIAM LORIMER, OF ILLINOIS.

Washington, Feb. 22.—With a dramatic appeal, which will probably remain almost without parallel in the annals of Congress, Senator Lorimer of Illinois made his last stand to-day in the fight to retain the seat which he is alleged to have obtained through bribery and corruption.

It was, for the most part, the personal narrative of the evolution of the political boss as developed in Chicago, recounted with such skill, such apparent candor and simplicity and fidelity to detail that for nearly four hours he held the interest of the crowds in the galleries and corridors of the Senate chamber.

Senator Lorimer went far back into his own life to explain the friendships and influences to which, he asserted, he owed his election to the Senate.

The persistence and patience which characterized his earlier political activities, according to his own story, were carried to greater lengths in his campaign for a lake-to-Gulf deep waterway.

At the close of the intensely interesting narrative, he declared that he had had nothing to do with any plan of bribery or corruption, that he knew of no bribery.

Mr. Lorimer took up in turn the influences drawn from his intimacy with Speaker Shurtliff and Lee O'Neil Browne, his attendance on the sessions of the Illinois Legislature and his personal acquaintance with the various Senators, Messrs. Root and Deneen.

He said that he had made an effort to induce Governor Deneen to become a candidate to break the deadlock, and in effect, he declared that if Deneen had been so inclined he could have elected Hopkins by throwing his vote to him.

Lorimer and "Hinky Dink." Most dramatic was Senator Lorimer's recital of his first acquaintance with "Hinky Dink" Kenna, who, when Lorimer was a bootblack and newsboy, came to his rescue and saved him from the loss of a bundle of "Chicago Tribunes."

Senator Crawford rose to his feet. The interest was intense. Every person in the galleries leaned forward, and many rose.

"This is not a question of sympathy; it is a question of right and wrong. I am only wondering if some Senators understand how conditions like these can give rise to lifelong friendships."

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HOUSE CLEARING DECKS

Naval, Fortifications and Diplomatic Bills Passed.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The House made short work to-day of three appropriation bills, disposing of the naval, the diplomatic and consular and the fortification budgets.

Contrary to expectations, no attempt was made to obtain a rollcall vote on the many amendments put into the naval bill in committee of the whole yesterday.

Representative Padgett, of Tennessee, endeavored to have the bill re-committed, with instructions that it should provide for only one battleship, which, as he will be chairman of the Naval Committee next year, does not promise well for the naval programme in the next House.

A rollcall showed this House to be in favor of the regular programme of two Dreadnoughts a year, the Padgett motion being defeated 167 to 122.

The amendments inserted by the Democrats yesterday requiring that the naval increase shall be constructed under the eight-hour law, those aimed at the so-called Steel Trust, which permit the purchase of armor and steel plate abroad, and another which prohibits purchases from any corporation which exists in restraint of trade, stay in the bill.

The House should approve this latter section the Attorney General will have to render a decision as to the legality of the so-called Steel Trust before its products can be used for battleship construction.

The naval increase as approved by the House authorizes two new Dreadnoughts, as fast as any of the 27,000 tons, two fleet colliers, eight torpedo boat destroyers and four submarines.

There was no direct fight on the fortifications bill, which passed the House substantially as it came from the committee and with only two hours' debate.

Representative Harrison, of New York, made points of order against several provisions in the diplomatic and consular measure, including those authorizing the government to take in the International Railway Congress and to contribute toward the maintenance of the Bureau of the Interparliamentary Union.

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taking part in the permanent International Council for the Exploration of the Sea, the International Selenological Association, the International Conference to Promote Uniform Legislation Concerning Letters of Exchange and the International Prison Commission.

The House now has only three more supply bills to pass—the sundry civil, the general deficiency and the Military Academy. The latter probably will not occupy more than a few hours.

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