

Means Part in King Will Case Called Fraud

First Document, Leaving 3 Million for Home for Old Men, Sustained as Valid by Chicago Judge

No Blame for Lawyers

Sister of Slain Widow Also Denounced Over Papers Declared Spurious

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—Probate Judge Henry Horner to-day handed down a decision sustaining the validity of the first will of James C. King, wealthy lumberman, who died in 1905, leaving an estate of \$3,000,000, the bulk of which was bequeathed to the building and maintenance of the James C. King Home for Old Men in Chicago.

The second will, under which practically the entire estate would have gone to Mrs. Mary C. Melvin, a sister of his late wife, Mrs. Maude A. King, was declared spurious by Judge Horner, and the efforts of Mrs. Melvin and Gaston B. Means, who is alleged to have discovered the second will, to have the instrument declared valid, were denounced by the court as a fraud.

Attorneys Are Exonerated
Judge Horner exonerated Roy D. Keen and Edward G. Woods, attorneys for Mrs. Melvin and Means, from any attempt to impose on the court. Judge Horner rejected Means's story of the second will as a "fabrication."

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British Air Policy Defined

Annual Cost of \$75,000,000 Involved in Churchill Plan
LONDON, Dec. 13.—Winston Spencer Churchill, Secretary for War, has prepared a scheme for the Royal Air Force organization in peace time based on the expenditure of £15,000,000 (\$75,000,000) yearly. The main outlines provide for one flight squadron for each division of the army, to cooperate with the troops in all stages of their training, besides three general service squadrons, and also one or more squadrons for cooperation with the artillery.

The fleet will have permanently three airplane squadrons and two seaplane squadrons. India will have eight service squadrons, Mesopotamia three and Egypt seven, while the naval bases at Malta, in the eastern Mediterranean and probably Alexandria, will each have one small seaplane unit.

Education Urged By Kenyon as Cure For Bolshevism

Iowa Senator Tells Lawyers Club That Compulsory Instruction for Aliens Is Road to Americanization

"You may deport an individual, but you cannot deport an idea," Senator William S. Kenyon, of Iowa, told members of the Lawyers Club yesterday at the first of the season's Forum luncheons at the club, 115 Broadway.

"The cure for Bolshevism," he added, "is Americanization. The road to Americanization is education."

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Emma Goldman Too Rich To Be Welcome in Russia

"Soviet Government Has Trouble Enough With Anarchists and Is Not Looking for More," Ludwig A. K. Martens Says of "Reds" To Be Deported

There will be no flowers, music or oratory to welcome Emma Goldman and her eighty-one "Red" associates when they reach Russia after their final enforced departure from the United States.

Ludwig C. A. K. Martens, representative of the Soviet government here, is authority for this statement. He said yesterday that neither Goldman, Alexander Berkman nor any member of the "Red" party about to be deported would be welcomed in Russia, as Miss Goldman had thought they might. He asserted they would be tolerated but not welcomed in any part of Russia.

"If Miss Goldman said there would be bands of music and flowers to welcome her in Russia she is all wrong," said Martens. "The Russian Soviet government has had enough trouble with anarchists and is not looking for more."

It was pointed out by another advocate of the soviet form of government here that freedom of speech was permitted in Russia, but that plotting, as Miss Goldman and her associates have indulged in here, was with death there. Trials, according to all reports from the strongholds of the soviets, invariably are fair, impartial and a forerunner of a sentence to face firing squad.

Moreover, wealthy anarchists are not welcomed in the government of the soviets. The cash now in the possession of Berkman, Miss Goldman and any other members of the party probably will be appropriated immediately on their arrival in Russia. Excess funds also will be subjected to an official examination and appropriation, if the rules now obtaining in Russia are carried out.

Representative Isaac Siegel, chairman of the House Committee on Immigration, arrived in the city during the day, and discussed the plans for the deportation of the "Reds." He said several plans have been suggested, but that none of them has been officially decided upon as yet. One that seems most likely to be accepted, however, involves the use of a warship which, under a flag of truce, will sail into Kronstadt, a soviet stronghold, and there deposit her cargo of unwanted "Reds."

An earlier suggestion was that the undesirable be taken to a part of Russia now in the hands of General Kolchak, placed in the hands of the Kolchak forces and escorted to their front lines, to be turned over to Lenin's forces. But the "Reds" themselves fear this as leading to an almost too certain death. They prefer the other plan.

The head of the Congressional committee forecast another disclosure of conditions at Ellis Island under Frederick C. Howe, when he said the A. W. Parker report, which has been suppressed for various reasons, would be demanded by his committee at once. A subpoena would be sent to Secretary Wilson of the Department of Labor, asking for the report to-morrow, he said.

Incidentally, three more letters have been found by the Congressman which, he said, show the relations of Howe to members of the radical party. They were from Santani Niuotova, secretary of the Russian Embassy here, in which he is declared to have asked for the release of a Russian radical whom he pictured as "an excellent revolutionist."

What Mr. Howe did is not evident. It is known, however, that one of the three men with whom this particular one arrived, found his way to liberty and the other two disappeared.

Land Prize for American 1,000 Acres in Near East Offered for Instruction

Kurd, Turkish and Armenian farmers in the Euphrates Valley have pooled sections of their land and made up a 1,000-acre tract, which they will give to an American farmer who will instruct them by example in modern methods of agriculture, it was made known yesterday.

Miss Frances Smith, who worked with Arthur J. Cutler, director of Near East relief in the Marshes district of Turkey, brought news of the offer to the United States.

"To the Kurds, Tartars and Armenians in Marshes the United States is a farming utopia," Miss Smith asserted. "Virtually all of them have heard of the wonderful progress agriculture has made in America."

Referring to the numerous recent strikes, Senator Kenyon declared the steel strike was a deliberate attempt by radicals to obtain control of the American Federation of Labor. If the movement were allowed to go on unchecked, he said, we might witness a strike of farmers, which would starve the nation, or a "strike of clergymen, which would allow us all to go to hell."

Senator Kenyon made a strong plea for unity. "In the war period," he said, "we knew no racial, no religious lines. Jew and gentile, Catholic and Protestant, worked and fought together for the common cause. We need to-day to hold on to this unity of purpose. If we lose it the great lesson of the war will be lost to the American people."

Emphasizing the necessity for a common language, the Senator announced himself in favor of legislation which would compel all foreign language newspapers to print their editorials in English in parallel columns with those printed in their particular language.

The meeting adopted a resolution, proposed by Perley Morse, secretary of the luncheon committee, asking for the draft of an official resolution by the Board of Governors supporting the bill.

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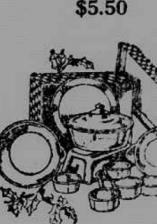
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Pastor Opposes Confetti Bombardment at Weddings
MAYPORT, Eng., Dec. 12.—The vicar of the parish here, the Rev. J. A. Richards, strongly disapproves of persons showering confetti on bridal parties when they are entering the church to be married. The vicar, in his parish magazine he says, "All right thinking people must realize how unseemly it is for a couple to stand before the altar on their wedding day literally dripping with confetti. The practice is also unchristian. The wedding day is a great event in a girl's life. Much time and money have been expended on costumes. The bride and bridesmaids take a pride in looking at their best, and it is also inhuman to shower vulgar, brainless people should be allowed to smother them with confetti. Strong measures," the vicar adds, "should be taken to put this down and