

Some hae meat and canna eat. And some would eat that want it. But we hae meat, and we can eat. See let the Lord be thankit.—Robert Burns.

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DEMOCRATS, AIDED BY INSURGENTS, KILL MELLON TAX PLAN LEVIKEISER, AGED ROMEO, MUST HAVE GUARDIAN, JUDGE SAYS LODGE BLOCKS SENATE ACTION TO INVESTIGATE DAUGHERTY

Defendant to Appeal His Case

Doctors Testify to Physical and Mental Fitness of Ashland Woman Attorney's Husband. Relatives Seem Pleased

By R. C. PETERS. Staff Correspondent The Omaha Bee. Wahoo, Neb., Feb. 19.—Levi Keiser, 79, must have a guardian. This was the decision tonight of County Judge G. N. Farmenter after listening to testimony on the aged man's mental competency for three days.

Hardly had the judge stated his findings, before Charles C. Conner, of the Defense Kelo Morgan of Omaha was on his feet, announcing that an appeal would be taken to the district court and asking the court to fix a bond.

Judge Parmenter's decision followed immediately after J. H. Barry had changed his argument and the rapidly with which it was announced showed that the judge had arrived at his conclusions some time before. He did not even wait to read a number of letters submitted by the plaintiff in support of his petition for a guardian.

Keiser and his 48-year-old bride, formerly Mrs. Irene C. Buell of Ashland, were not in the courtroom when the decision was announced, they having returned to Ashland by an early afternoon train.

Relatives Jubilant. The aged man's relatives apparently were jubilant at the finding and their attitude toward the whole situation was fairly well expressed by Keiser's brother, Eli, who said, "How could we have reached the source of referring obviously to the source Mrs. Levi Keiser) without doing it that way?" The case probably will be in district court here sometime in March, attorneys for the elder Keiser said. Judge George F. Corcoran will be the presiding judge.

The defense called but two witnesses, Drs. J. F. Luetzel and H. Way, this afternoon to prove the competency of Keiser. Both testified that they had examined Keiser physically and mentally and found him sound. "I tested his mental reflexes and found them good," Dr. Luetzel testified. "I also made an examination of his heart and lungs and found them normal. I would say that Keiser is physically and mentally competent."

He was followed by Dr. Way, who said he had been examiner for the Saunders county insanity commission for 21 years. "I found both his body and mind remarkably well preserved for a man of his age," Dr. Way declared, and followed his statement with testimony that Keiser was medically fit. The testimony of the expert witnesses was marked by bitter verbal clashes between opposing counsel, Barry objecting vigorously to permitting either doctor to state that it was his opinion that Keiser was mentally sound.

Senate Votes Inquiry Into Miller's Charge of Juggled Bonus Estimates

Senator Bruce Precipitates Battle With Phrase, "Proposal Is Squalid, Odious Gratuity."

Washington, Feb. 19.—The senate took a hand today in the revived bonus battle. After listening to a fight precipitated by a declaration of Senator Bruce, democrat, Maryland, "that the compensation proposal was a 'squalid and odious gratuity.'" it voted for an inquiry into charges attributed to Col. Thomas Miller, alien property custodian, that the treasury "had juggled" its estimates of the cost of a bonus.

The investigation was proposed in a resolution introduced yesterday by Senator Harrison, democrat, Mississippi, and which was adopted today without a recorded vote and after only a brief explanation by the Mississippi senator. It puts the investigation in the hands of the senate finance committee.

Before Senator Bruce had time for a breathing spell after his address on the bonus, Senator Caraway, democrat, Arkansas, had called him a champion of the "Jack Dempseys of the war," and a number of others were on their feet to take exception to some of his remarks. On top of this, Senator Robinson of Arkansas, the democratic leader, charged that Maj. Gen. John F. O'Ryan had violated the quasi-confidential relations of "lawyer and client" by trying to use in anti-bonus work the organization built during his service as special counsel with the senate committee which investigated the veterans' bureau.

In criticizing General O'Ryan, Senator Robinson, also mentioned activities of the former committee counsel which he said were in support of the Mellon plan. "There is a lot of nonsense uttered here," said Senator Reed, "about propaganda. Boiled down, it simply comes to the fact that one white man use his money as she likes, or must he act as his children see fit?"

Harry Keiser came in for a scoring at the hands of Attorney C. Z. Donato, associate of Morgan in the case, Donato declaring, "If anyone needs a guardian, it is Harry Keiser. If his father has senile dementia, then he has also," he continued. "If Keiser didn't know enough to bring this action, I wonder who inspired him to bring it?"

Personal criticism was continued when Barry concluded the argument, the chief counsel for the plaintiff directing his attack at Mrs. Irene Buell Keiser. He declared that Mrs. Keiser should have waited until after the hearing had been concluded before marrying the old man. "She has violated her duty as a sworn officer of this court by her action," he said, referring to the fact that she is a member of the Nebraska bar.

Judge Parmenter's decision was very brief. "I have no quarrel with the old gentleman," he declared, "but I think his case comes well within the law in these cases and a guardian should be appointed." Eager listeners jammed the courtroom throughout the afternoon session. The jury box was packed to three times its normal capacity. When the case was closed, the court and occupied by all who could find a place on them, and the judge's bench held more than a dozen, who could not find places elsewhere. Three persons stood directly in front of the bench with their arms resting on the judges table and five stood behind the judge.

Resolution Introduced by Senator Wheeler for Immediate Probe—Committee Named to Consider Measure

Charges Sale of Pardons

Washington, Feb. 19.—Immediate action on the Daugherty investigation resolution was blocked today in the senate by Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, the republican leader. The measure was sent to the committee. Senator Lodge objected to Senator Wheeler, democrat, Montana, author of the resolution, naming the special committee of five to conduct the investigation. He declared that never had he known "a reflection of this kind to be cast on the presiding officer of the senate."

Senator Wheeler said that Jesse Smith of Ohio, a friend of Daugherty, who killed himself in the attorney general's apartment here a year ago, had had an office in the Department of Justice and accepted money in connection with various cases pending before the department. When the oil scandal developed, Senator Wheeler declared, it appeared that Daugherty was "mixed in it."

Lincoln Executive Promises to Act if Hardware Men Fail to Regulate Sale of Fire Arms.

Lincoln, Feb. 19.—The killing of District Judge Morning was a "direct attack against the very foundation of the law," Mayor F. C. Zebnung said this afternoon and the mayor promised that if the Nebraska Hardware Dealers' association did not take action to regulate the sale of fire arms, he would force the passage of an ordinance for such action. The regulation should be statewide, he said, rather than by municipalities.

W. J. Bryan Said to Back Daniels' Boom

Washington Correspondent The Omaha Bee. Washington, Feb. 19.—Eastern papers today are full of stories linking the name of William Jennings Bryan with a boom for Joseph Daniels for the democratic nomination for president. The stories are to the effect that Bryan's backing of Professor Murphy of Florida for president is merely camouflage in an effort to elect himself to the democratic national convention and that there is no sincerity in it.

Officers by Friends Is Charge

Recalls Smith Suicide.

Washington, Feb. 19.—The tariff commission made public its estimate of the cost of milling and marketing hard spring wheat flour. The house approved the democratic income and surtax rates as a substitute for those proposed in the Mellon tax bill.

The day in Washington

Editors Gather for Grand Island Meeting

Wounded Eagle Fed on Jackrabbit Diet

Store Burglars Get \$1,000 Loot at Shelton

Box Butte Citizens Open Bank at Hemingford

A Harder Conundrum Than the Crime Wave

Melted Telephone Wire Gave Fire Alarm at Falls City Store

Central City Couple Married 50 Years

Kearney Woman to Run Chamber of Commerce

Explosion Victim Improved

Married in Council Bluffs

William Colton, York Files for Rail Commissioner

The Weather

Hourly Temperatures table with columns for time and temperature for various locations.