TILLMAN INSISTS DEAL WAS MADE

Defends Chandler and Attacks **Roosevelt on Rate Bill** Conferences.

ISSUE OF FACT WITH MOODY

Says Absolute Agreement Was Made on Form and Substance of Court Review Amendment - He Charges Bad Faith.

WASHINGTON, May 15 .- While the debate on the personnel of the Interstate Commerce Commission was in progress in the Senate today, Tillman took the floor to make a statement on behalf of ex-Senator Chandler, which has been momentarliv expected since Senator Lodge's statement last Saturday to the Senate of the emphatic denial of some statements at-tributed to Mr. Chandler by the South Carolina Senator.

Tiliman read a portion of Mr. Chundler's memorandum of his conferences with the President, which has heretofore been given to the public, prefacing it with a brief statement of his own, saying that on Saturday the Senate had been startled and mortified to hear the utterances of an ex-member denounced on behalf of the President as a "deliberate and unqualified falsehood." As he had been responsible for introducing the subject which bad caused the attack on Mr. Chandler, hefeit under obligations to place him right on the record. To that end he read the "x-Senator's statement, which was published last Sunday. The reading of that statement was followed by the following from Tillman:

#### Issue of Fact With Roosevelt.

There are only two points in the Presi-dent's letter which I deem worthy of notice. His attempted explanation is ingenious, but not ingenuous. He calls in question the integrity of purpose and utterance of Mr. Chandler by declaring: "He was asked to use at Sensior Chandler

Chandler by declaring: "He was asked to use ex-Senator Chaudler, as representing Mr. Tiliman, who was in charge of the bill. He stated to me the views of Mr. Tiliman with seeming authority." Mr. Chandler has declared most positively in a written statement that the President sent for him for the purpose of getting into communication with Senator Belley and my-self, and he has produced the letter of Mr. toob

I now declare most supplatically that to no human being have I ever given authority or even expressed a wish to have any con-ference with Theodore Roosevelt in regard frence with theodors house it in training to the bill now under consideration. On the contrary, I have expressed the opinion in more than one public interview that he had working to do with it, and that it was the business of the Senate, and while I did, at business of the Senate, and while I did. at his request, enter into negotiations with the Attorney-General, if is woll known to every Senator on this floor what my attitude and realings have been, and it is most remark-able that, while the President sent for Dem-nerat after Demograt to confer with him about this measure, he should undertake nu-der the circumstances to assert that I sent As agent to him to begin negotiations. The statement is absurd on its face.

#### Made Agreement With Moody.

The other point to which I shall refer is the carillous way in which Mr. Moody dis-quess the idea of the President not being bound. While contradicting in no instance, however alight, my statement of what oc-curred, the Attorney General seems to think

THE MORNING OREGONIAN, WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 1906.

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# will be able to care completely didy for one regiment of infantry, one troop of cavalry and one battery of artillery from each state, providing these with subelst-ence, transportation and pay. If the Governors desire to send more troops than these, the Government can provide only for their transportation. SOUTHWEST UNDER WATER As there appears to be a misunder-standing as to the cost of rations, the Governors have been informed that the field ration is limited to 22 and the travel ration to 40 active

TERRIBLE FLOODS WASTE OK-LAHOMA AND TEXAS.

### Severe Celtic of Insurance Law.

two hours' hot debate. Having reached the section of the naval bill dealing with increase in the Navy and, realizing that

increase in the Navy and, realizing that considerable debate mus. ensue, the House adjourned until moon tomorrow. Two amendments were offered by Taw-ney, having for their purpose the aboli-tion of the present policy of the Navy Department in respect of repairs to ships and machinery. These amendments pro-vide that hereafter no repairs shall be maile in excess of 10 per cent of the esti-mated cost of like new ships or machin-ery, unless previously authorized by Con-grees.

He stated that at present construction of the new Navy is under the control of Congress; that reconstruction is within the discretion of the Navy Department. Under the guise of repairs, he said, ships had been reconstructed to the extent of \$20,600 in the case of a single ship, and it might go so far as to spend \$3,500,000. He thought Congress should curtail and direct the reconstruction, as well as pro-vide for the original construction. Both Foss of Illinois and Builer of Penneylvania took exception to the posi-tion of Tawney and hoped the amend-ments would be defeated, on the ground that Congress was not a board of maval exports, and that the adoption of Taw-

that Congress was not a board of naval experts, and that the adoption of Taw-ney's amendments would cripple the work of repairs and tend to shut down the re-pair shops at Government yards. Tawney was emphatic in declaring that it was both had policy and bad adminis-tration to give to the Navy Department the right of spending \$11,000,000 for re-pairs of vessels without so much as be-ing connelled to rive an account to say

pairs of vessels without so much as be-ing compelled to give an account to any one for the money expended. The vote on the first amendment, pro-viding that no more than 10 per cent shall

he applied to the repair of any ship un-less details be submitted to Congress, was defeated, yeas 36, nays 55. Tawney then withdrew his second amendment.

ALL WANT TO GO INTO CAMP

Acceptance by Militia of Govern-

ment's Invitation Is General.

WASHINGTON, May 15 .- Letters re-

delved by Assistant Secretary Oliver from

the Governors of states in answer to his

recent invitations to designate the mill-

tary organizations and whether they de-

indicate that the proposition is popular

among the National Guardsmen beyond

among the National enfanciation depoint expectation. In fact, it has become evi-dent that the limited appropriation of \$700,000 for this purpose will be entirely insufficient unless supplemented, as many of the Governors have replied

to the invitation that they would direct that all of their militia organiza-tions enter the combined camps. There-fore Mr. Oliver has been obliged to send

out another letter to the Governors stat-ing that for the present the department will be able to care completely only for

ration to 40 cents.

have 50 per cent.

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WASHINGTON, May 15.—Miles M. Dawson, actuary of the Armstrong com-mittee, of New York, in discussing model insurance legislation before the House judiclary committee today, stated that there is not an insurance company in Armstrea which knows whether the ad-Number of Persons Drowned, Farms Washed Away and People Fleeing in Panle to Hills. America which knows whether the ad-justment of its Chilfornia losses will leave it solvent or not. Nearly every American company was forced out of business by the Chicago fire, he said, while the Brit-DALLAS, Tex., May 15 .- (Special)-Rains and floods are again causing enorthe Chicago free he shid, while the Brit-jah companies paid their losses and con-tinued to do an increasing business. This was because Brillen companies need only a reserve of 30 per cent of their capital, while the Americans are compelled to

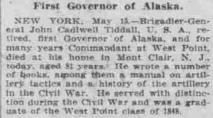
Rams and boods are again causing enor-mous damage in Texas, Oklahoma and indian Territory. The Red, Wichita, Bra-zos, Trinity and other streams are out of their banks and flooding the lowlands. Reports from Dennison, Gainsville, Fort Worth and other places indicate heavy losses to farmers by crops being washed away. a.way

Reports from Fort Worth state that damage to railroad and private property adjacent to the railroad terminal district will reach close to \$100,000. A cloudburst near Bachman's damaged

dent today sent the following nomina-tions to the Senate, United States Dis-A cloudburst near Bachman's damaged the main storage plant of the Dallas City water works, and it is feared that the largest dam will break. Forces of men are on duty to prevent a break. Wash buts are reported at numerous places along railroads. A large part of Oklaboma is a vast sheet of water. The Rock Island Railroad bas

to the mountains, and say that they have, to the mountains, and say that they have, warning that the country is to experience the most destructive flood in its history. This has-headly acared many settlers, who are preparing to abandon their homes and seek safety elsewhere. Reports from Southern Colorado and Western New Mexico state that floods prevsil throughout. A number of persons are reported drowned trying to save their livestock.

THE DAY'S DEATH RECORD



J. A. Coye, Grand Rapids, Mich. GRAND RAPIDS. Mich., May 15.-James A. Coys, one of the most promi-nent Republican politicians in Michigan and Collector of Customs at this port, ded suddenly from apoplexy at his home

Johnston Not for Harper's Shoes.

been oncrea the presidency of the Chi-versity of Chicago, to succeed the late Dr. W. R. Harper, were declared by Dr. Johnston today to be absolutely untrue. Dr. Johnston, of whose church the family of John D. Rockefeller are members, has resigned his pastorate to go abroad.

Arraigned for Iroquois Fire.

CHICAGO, May 15 .- Will J. Davis, who was manager of the Iroquois Theater at the time of the great fire in that build-

ing, was arraigned today on a charge of manalaughter, growing out of the fire. By

manelaughter, growing out of the firs. By agreement with the State's Attorney, a continuance was taken until tomorrow.

Standard Oil Dividend of \$9.

Major B. G. Thomas, Horseman



Not that the women are overlooked --or their interests neglected, my! no: on the contrary, extra efforts will be made in their behalf in order that their presence today may not be overshadowed by the crowds of men shoppers who will be present.

# BARGAINS FOR MEN

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Sixth-Street Annex First Floor. The fastest-growing end of our business is the men's end-"Reason why ?"-New styles come here first, lower prices always than the "other fellow" asksfor instancetoday-

Store Opens at

8 A. M.

The "Different" Store

MEN'S \$1.00 GOLF SHIRTS 83¢. A line of Men's Golf Shirts, in this season's newest designs, in stripes, plaids, etc., with one pair cuffs detached. Regular value \$1.00-special. each

....83¢ MEN'S 75c UNDERWEAR 47 1-2c. Men's Derby ribbed Balbriggan Underwear, extra

well made and finished; regular value 75c 

MEN'S 75c NEGLIGEE SHIRTS 55c. Men's Negligee Shirts, in fancy stripes, plaid,

madras and plain, soft collar attached; just the thing for comfort and outing; regular 75c value special, each ..... 

MEN'S \$1.50 VESTS \$1.05.

Fancy Summer Vests, in white-white with black figures and tan with black figures; washable, detachable buttons; our best \$1.50 value-spec each ...... .....\$1.05

MEN'S NECKWEAR 25¢.

line of Men's Four-in-Hands, in plain colors, Foulards, dots and figures, and plain with fleur 

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### SUMMER SILKS For Wednesday.

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Every yard bought by us direct from the maker and unequaled values at our regular prices. 69¢ 79¢

The Women's Hosiery Aisles



Store Closes at

6 P. M.

5th, 6th and Wash. Sta

times to women patrons. Dressy men of thrift will come today and be smartly shod at special sale prices. For example:

### MEN'S \$4.00 SHOES \$2.98.

A line of men's Shoes and Oxfords, in patent, gunmetal and tan leather, made on good lasts, lace or Blucher cut, six styles to select from. Reg value \$4.00-special, pair .... .....\$2.98 MEN'S \$5.00 SHOES \$3.49.

Men's high-grade patent gunmetal calf Shoes, in regular cuts and Oxfords, made by "Pingree" id several other well-known makers. Values to . \$3.49 \$7.00 Shoes ever shown in Portland.

WEDNESDAY SPECIALS IN

Women's Knit Underwear Shop

WOMEN'S 75c UNION SUITS 55¢.

WOMEN'S 25c VESTS 18¢.

White Swiss ribbed Sleeveless Vests, plain, nest trimming, regular value 25c-special ...... 18c

WOMEN'S 25c VESTS 19c.

Contribute to Wednesday's Attractions

WOMEN'S 35c HOSE 25c.

bound. While contradicting in no instance, however alight, my statement of what or oursel, the Attorney General assems to think inst the code of honor among gentlemen is not bidding upon the executive and his tabinet. The Freedent asked him to see Mr. Balley and myself. We met by appointment mais to Baltes attorney. Western district of States Attorney, western district of States Attorney, western district of Mullen, at Juneau, Alaska; Registers of Land Offices, John W. Dudley, at Ju-neau, Alaska; Fred W. Stocking, at Offices his understanding of our views and when we met subsequently we reached an abselute agreement, both as to the form and the substance of a propused amendment to which he said the Freedent would assent and help get voise for.

b) which he said that a sum is the same and help get votes for. Of course, the President was not bound not to change, but he was under such chroms stances to give notice and this was not done. Even the Attorney General himself was not notified. The charge I made and still make a the President le suite of had faith. notified. The charge I made and still make is that the President is guilty of had faith, and that the rate bill, which will be, when enanted into haw, a much better and stronger measure than we had hoped to get, has been smasculated of one of its most valuable and essential fastures by the President's action. I am ready to heave the whole question to the thoughtful and honorable men of the country.

#### Newspaper Meu in a Mass.

Soon after beginning his statement Tillman injected the words "This is Tillman talking now," which caused a titter in the Senate and considerable laughter in the galleries.

When Tillinan had concluded, Allison asked to have read the President's letter to him. He said that his only object was to have the letter permanently of record as Tillman's statement. Attorney-General Mondy's statement to the President also.

When the words "I saw the newspaper men in mass" were read there was a loud guffaw in the Senate and in the galleries. and the Vice-President rapped sharply with his gavel to restore order. Nelson interposed with a motion to lay

the pending amendment to the rate bill on the table, which closed the incident.

#### Tillman's Deal With Aldrich.

Soon after the opening of the semilor Tillman took the floor to correct a statement concerning his conferences with Alarich. He called attention to an article printed in a Washington paper yesterday the purport of which was that the South Carolina Senator had said that Aldrich had sought to make an alliance with him rather than with the President. Tillman maid:

"It is not my habit to give out for publication private conversations with other Sumators, but I talk very freely with newspaper men. In this statement there are errors of fact and I desire to say that I never gave out any such statement." Aldrich contented himself with express-ing his satisfaction over the fact that the correction had been made.

"I never saw so many misstatements gathered into one small paragraph as are made in this short article," he said.

AFFIRMS ITS CONFIDENCE.

WASHINGTON, May 15 -- The House by a decided vote todays reaffirmed its faith in the Navy Department, defeating an amendment of Tawney, chairman of the appropriations committee, to limit the ex-penditures on a ship to 10 per cent of the cost, a vote of confidence coming after druggista.

New Officials in the West.

WASHINGTON May 15-The Presi-

WASHINGTON, May 15.-The House committee on military affairs today au-thorized a favorable report on a bill which provides for the purchase of an addition to the Gettysburg battlefield reservation. The addition consists of 257 acress for which \$45,000 is to be paid. It will add the ground which was the scene of Pickett's charge.

#### Develop Philippine Coal Mine.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—The House committee on insular affairs today pre-sented a favorable report on a bill for the leasing of the military reservation on the Island of Bataan, one of the Philip-pine group, for coalmining purposes. The requirement is made that the Government shall have all the coul it desires at a shall have all the coal it desires at a price to be 10 per cent greater than the cost of mining.

May Bridge Pend d'Oreille.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 15.-The Senate today passed the bill authorizing the Pend d'Orellie elopment Company to bridge the Pend d'Orellie River

#### Make Porto Ricans Citizens.

WASHINGTON, May 18 .- The House ommittee on insular affairs today issued a favorable report on the bill extending United States citizenship to the inhabi-tants of Porto Rico.

# HEIR TO SWEDISH ESTATE

Widow Left Destitute by Disaster

Has Good News Coming.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15 .- Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars awaits Mrs. Andrew Neilson, a willow with nine children, who was burned out during the frightful holocaust and who is now believed to be in some refugee is now believed to be in some relaged camp about the city with her little ones. Her husband, a hard-working tainer in this city, though he was the sen of a wealthy father in Sweden, died in July, 1898, leaving the family destitute.

They lived on the South Side and the woman, too proud to appeal to her wealthy father-in-law, worked hard to support herself and little ones. They lost all when the fire swept this city. Now comes word that the father-in-law in Sweden is dead and his vast estates all go to the widow and children of his Jead boy.

#### DISEASES OF THE SKIN.

House Will Not Restrict Repairs to Vessels of Navy, Herpes, Barber's Itch, Itch or Scahles.

All of these diseases are attended by in-tense litching, which is almost instantly relieved by applying Chamberiain's Salve and by its continued use a permanent curve may be effected. It has in fact, curved many cases that had resisted all other treatment. Price, S cents per box. Every box is warranted. For sale by all decogiate

A large part of Oklahoma is a vast sheet of water. The Rock Island Rallroad has a blg washout at Hastings. DEATH CAUSED BY STORM DEATH CAUSED BY STORM

### Woman Killed, Three Persons Fatally Hurt in Oklahoma. NEW YOLD, May 15.-Statements that the Rev. Dr. Rufus P. Johnston, pastor of the Fifth-Avenue Baptist Church, has been offered the presidency of the Uni-

ERICK, Okla., May 15.-(Special.)-A torm swept over Greer County this afternoon, destroying six farmohuses, killing

noon, destroying six farmonuses, sining one woman, fatally injuring three persons and slightly hurting five others. The dend: Mrs. J. B. Haskow, Fatally in-jured: J. B. Haskow, A. J. Vines, Mrs. A. J. Vines, Many barns were demol-ished and three families saved their lives by taking refuge in cyclone cellars.

FURY OF FLOOD INCREASES Indians Flee to Mountains and the

Whites Prepare to Follow.

LAWTON, Okla., May 15.-(Special)-Reports received late tonight from South-western Oklahoma indicate that the fury

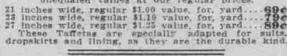
# of the floods caused by last night's phe-nomenal rainfall instead of decreasing as hid been hoped is on the increase. Railroad tracks are washed out for miles. nomenas raintai, instead of decreasing as had been hoped, is on the increase. Railroad tracks are washed out for miles, and every wrecking crew and section gang in the territory is on duty. Indians are fleeing from the lowlands quarter and one of \$9 a year ago.

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Regular 75c grade special, only, yard..... Regular \$1.39 grade special, only, yard..... Regular \$1.50 grade special, only, yard.... Regular \$1.55 grade special, only, yard..... Regular \$1.55 grade special, only, yard..... Regular \$2.00 grade special, only, yard..... 63510589 \$112469

Also a large assortment of French Novelty Dress Fabrics in the newest colors. These goods were late in delivery, or would have been sold. Udmatch-able \$2.96 values—special for two days only.

\$1.59 per yard .....

## Important Special Sale of Exquisite Lingerie Waists

You select here from the larg-est line shown in Portland-in fact, our stocks are larger and more varied than any other fact, our stocks are larger and more varied than any other three would be combined, were it possible to bring such to-gether in one lot from any other three Portland stores. The Waists are all in the very new-est styles, bewitchingly beauti-ful in the snowy, cobwebby ef-fects that delicate, dainty laces, embroiderles and expert needle-work lend. Waists beauty full of charm to the beholder, and yet the Waists are on special sale for no reason except to add sale for no reason except to add zest to the pre-exposition week sales. Waists reduced as print-

\$1.00 Waists for ..... 85¢ And so along up to the aristo-crats at \$55 that-go for



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CHILDREN'S 25c HOSE 18c. 

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We place on sale this morning a lot of handsome Silk Taffeta Skirts, new, fresh, rustling beauties, in plain and changeable effects of greens, blues, royals, lavenders, rose and plain black. These Petticoats have accordion - plaited flounce with 3-inch tucked ruffle and dust ruffle. Best regular \$8.50 special at.....\$4.98

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'Bijou Salons''-Second Floor-Annex Our wonderful display of charming and correct Millinery for the Summer months has brought forth enthusiastic praise from thousends of beholders. Patrons are pleased beyond expression at the unrivaled and extensive assortments of beautiful, tasty creations, all placed in a range of modest pricings. As a special preparatory event leading up to the big "MADE IN OREGON" FAIR, which opens on Saturday next, we are holding the greatest sale of fash-ionable Millinery, embracing the season's smartest styles, ever conducted at this season by any Portland house. One thousand New Hats comprise the offering, all new, chie tailored creations in the most approved models shown this season. Regular values ranging up from \$5.00 to \$25.00. For today, to allow of every woman in Portland wearing a new hat during the gala days of the 

