

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 momentarily expected since Senator Lodge's statement last Saturday to the Senate of the emphatic denial of some statements attributed to Mr. Chandler by the South Carolina Senator.

Issue of Fact With Roosevelt.

There are only two points in the President's letter which I desire to mention. His attempted explanation is ingenious, but not ingenious. He calls in question the integrity of purpose and utterance of Mr. Chandler by declaring:

"He was asked to see ex-Senator Chandler, as representing Mr. Tillman, who was in charge of the bill. He stated to me the views of Mr. Tillman with seeming authority. Mr. Chandler has declared most positively in a written statement that the statement for him for the purpose of setting into communication with Senator Bailey and myself, and he has produced the letter of Mr. Lodge."

Made Agreement With Moody.

The other point in which I shall refer to the cavilousness of Mr. Moody is his discussion of the idea of the President not being bound. While contradicting in no instance, however slight, my statement of what occurred, the Attorney-General seems to think that the code of honor among gentlemen is not binding upon the executive and his cabinet.

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two hours hot debate. Having reached the section of the naval bill dealing with increase in the Navy and, realizing that considerable debate must ensue, the House adjourned until noon tomorrow.

Two amendments were offered by Tawney, having for their purpose the abolition of the present policy of the Navy Department in respect of repairs to ships and machinery. These amendments provide that hereafter no repairs shall be made in excess of 10 per cent of the estimated cost of like new ships or machinery, unless previously authorized by Congress.

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 \$20,000 in the case of a single ship, and it might go so far as to spend \$500,000. He thought Congress should curtail and direct the reconstruction, as well as provide for the original construction.

ALL WANT TO GO INTO CAMP

Acceptance by Militia of Government's Invitation is General.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—Letters received by Assistant Secretary Oliver from the Governors of states in answer to his recent invitations to designate the military organizations and whether they desire to encamp with the regular troops, indicate that the proposition is popular among the National Guardsmen beyond cavil and one battery of artillery from each state, providing these with subsistence, transportation and pay. If the Governors desire to send more troops than these the Government can provide only for their transportation.

Severe Celtic of Insurance Law.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—Miles Dawson, attorney of the Armstrong committee, of New York, who is studying insurance legislation before the House judiciary committee today, stated that there is not an insurance company in America which does not know the adjustment of its California losses will leave it solvent or not. Nearly every American company was forced out of business by the Chicago fire, he said, while the British companies paid their losses and continued to do an increasing business. This was because British companies need only a reserve of 50 per cent of the loss, while the Americans are compelled to have 50 per cent.

New Officials in the West.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—The President today sent the following nominations to the Senate: United States District Judge, district of Porto Rico, Bernard S. Rodney, New Mexico; United States Attorney, western district of Washington, Foster Charles Sullivan, Receiver of Public Money, Patrick H. Mullen, at Juneau, Alaska; Registers of Land Offices, John W. Dudley, at Juneau, Alaska, and John V. Stocking, at Olympia, Wash.; Postmaster at Oakland, Cal., Thomas Dargie.

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CLOSING-OUT SALE

Do you believe this is simply an advertising humbug, or do you think we are really retiring from the retail business?

The reputation of the store best answers the question. Present prices answer the question. A personal visit to the store and investigation of the reductions will answer the question. The immense number of fine Pianos and Pianolas, etc., being sold each day answers the question. You can save at least from one-fourth to one-third the retail price if you want to buy a fine instrument now, and then you may take virtually your own time to pay for it. We are positively retiring from the retail business.

Eilers Piano House

351 Washington St. Largest and Most Responsible Dealers.

SOUTHWEST UNDER WATER

TERRIBLE FLOODS WASTE OKLAHOMA AND TEXAS.

Number of Persons Drowned, Farms Washed Away and People Fleeing in Panic to Hills.

DALLAS, Tex., May 15.—(Special.)—Rains and floods are again causing enormous damage in Texas, Oklahoma and Indian Territory. The Red, Wichita, Brazos, Trinity and other streams are out of their banks and flooding the lowlands. Reports from Denton, Garfield, Fort Worth and other places indicate heavy losses to farmers by crops being washed away.

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 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. Washouts are reported at numerous places along railroads.

A large part of Oklahoma is a vast sheet of water. The Rock Island Railroad has a big washout at Hastings.

DEATH CAUSED BY STORM

Woman Killed, Three Persons Fatally Hurt in Oklahoma.

ERICK, Okla., May 15.—(Special.)—A storm swept over Greer County this afternoon, destroying six farmhouses, killing one woman, fatally injuring three persons and slightly hurting five others. The dead: Mrs. J. B. Haskow, A. J. Vines, Mrs. A. J. Vines. Many barns were demolished 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 southwestern Oklahoma indicate that the fury of the floods caused by last night's phenomenal rainfall, 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 to the mountains, and say that they have warning that the country is to experience the most destructive flood in its history. This has already scared many settlers, who are preparing to abandon their homes and seek safety elsewhere.

Reports from Southern Colorado and Western New Mexico state that floods prevail throughout. A number of persons are reported drowned trying to save their livestock.

THE DAY'S DEATH RECORD

First Governor of Alaska.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Brigadier-General John Cadwell Tidwell, U. S. A., retired, first Governor of Alaska, and for many years Commandant at West Point, died at his home in Mont Clair, N. J., today, aged 81 years. He wrote a number of books, among them a manual on artillery tactics and a history of the artillery in the Civil War. He served with distinction during the Civil War and was a graduate of the West Point class of 1848.

J. A. Coye, Grand Rapids, Mich.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., May 15.—James A. Coye, one of the most prominent Republican politicians in Michigan and Collector of Customs at this port, died suddenly from apoplexy at his home here today.

Major B. G. Thomas, Horseman.

LEXINGTON, Ky., May 15.—Major Barak G. Thomas, the "Nestor" of Kentucky racing, breeder of Domino and Hymard and founder of the famous Dixiana stud, died today in his 80th year of senile debility.

Johnston Not for Harper's Shoes.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Statements that the Rev. Dr. Rufus P. Johnston, pastor of the Fifth-Avenue Baptist Church, has been offered the presidency of the University 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.

Arrested for Troquois Fire.

CHICAGO, May 15.—Will J. Davis, who was manager of the Troquois Theater at the time of the great fire in that building, was arrested today on a charge of manslaughter, growing out of the fire. By agreement with the State's Attorney, a continuance was taken until tomorrow.

Standard Oil Dividend of \$9.

NEW YORK, May 15.—The Standard Oil Company today declared a quarterly dividend of \$9 a share. This compares with a \$15 dividend in the last previous quarter and one of \$9 a year ago.

Does Your Heart Beat

Yes, 100,000 times each day. Does it send out good blood or bad blood? You know, for good blood is good health; bad blood, bad health. Ask your own doctor about taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla for thin, impure blood. He knows all about this medicine.

We have no secrets! We publish the formulas of all our medicines.

Made by the J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass. Also Manufacturers of AYER'S HAIR VIGOR—For the hair. AYER'S CATHARTIC—For constipation. AYER'S CHERRY CATORIAL—For coughs. AYER'S AGUE CURE—For malaria and ague.

Store Opens at 8 A. M. The "Different" Store OLDS, WORTMAN & KING Store Closes at 6 P. M. 5th, 6th and Wash. Sts.

First Day of the Oregon Industrial Exposition Wednesday Is "Men's Day" at the Store!

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

Special, Wednesday, in the "Toggerie" 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" asks—for instance—today—

MEN'S \$1.00 GOLF SHIRTS \$3. Men's Derby ribbed Balbriggan Underwear, extra well made and finished; regular value \$1.00—special, each... \$3. MEN'S 75c UNDERWEAR 47 1/2c. MEN'S 75c NEGLIGE SHIRTS 56c.

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—special, each... \$1.05. MEN'S NECKWEAR 25c. A line of Men's Four-in-Hands, in plain colors, Foullards, dots and figures, and plain with flour de s effects. Special at, each... 25c

A Record-Breaking Sale of 10,000 Yards of SUMMER SILKS

For Wednesday, Annex—Fifth Street—First Floor. Every yard bought by us direct from the maker and unequalled values at our regular prices.

21 inches wide, regular \$1.00 value, for yard... 69c. 27 inches wide, regular \$1.15 value, for yard... 88c. These Taffetas are specially adapted for suits, dropskirts and lining, as they are the durable kind.

A Remarkable Sale of the Wanted Summer Dress Goods

At Special Prices—Wednesday, Fifth-Street Annex—First Floor. 6500 yards of imported English Colored Mohairs, in brilliant and Sicilian weaves, at special prices for Wednesday and Thursday:

Regular 75c grade—special, only, yard... 63c. Regular 1.10 grade—special, only, yard... 85c. Regular 1.25 grade—special, only, yard... 95c. Regular 1.50 grade—special, only, yard... 1.18. Regular 2.00 grade—special, only, yard... 1.49. Also a large assortment of French Novelty Dress Fabrics in the newest colors. These goods were late in delivery, or would have been sold. Unmatchable \$1.50 values—special for two days only per yard... \$1.59

Important Special Sale of Exquisite Lingerie Waists

You select here from the largest line shown in Portland—in fact, our stocks are larger and more varied than any other three would be combined, were it possible to bring such together in one lot from any other three Portland stores. The Waists are all in the very newest styles, bewitchingly beautiful in the snowy, cobwebby effects that delicate, dainty laces, embroideries and expert needlework lend. Waist beauty full of charm to the beholder, and yet the Waists are on special sale for no reason except to add zest to the pre-exposition week sales. Waists reduced as printed—

\$1.00 Waists for... \$5c. \$2.00 Waists for... \$1.69. \$3.00 Waists for... \$2.64. \$5.00 Waists for... \$4.40. And so along up to the aristocratic... \$46.75

Opportunities to Save in Women's Summer Apparel

Grand Salons—2d Floor \$8.50 Silk Petticoats \$4.98

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 value in the city, special at... \$4.98

Today the Last Day of Portland's Greatest Millinery Sensation of the Season

A THOUSAND NEW HATS AT HALF PRICE

"Bijou Salons"—Second Floor—Annex. Our wonderful display of charming and correct Millinery for the Summer months has brought forth enthusiastic praise from thousands of beholders. Patrons are pleased beyond expression at the unrivaled and extensive assortments of beautiful, tasteful 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 fashionable 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, chic 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 coming great Industrial Exposition, you may choose at... EXACTLY HALF PRICE

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