

TILLMAN FLAUNTS WRATH OF NEGROES

"Pitchfork" Senator Does Not Fear Lynching Threats of Chicago Blacks.

TO TACKLE RACE PROBLEM

"I'm Not Afraid of Any Colored Man Alive," He Says, "and Expect to Discuss Race Question in Speech."

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—(Special.)—Regardless of threats that he would be lynched if he touches on the race problem in his lecture here Tuesday for the benefit of the Chicago Union Hospital, Senator Tillman announces that he hopes treatment of the negro will be what he will talk about. He wants no police guard and says his life has been so often threatened that he has ceased to give the matter even a thought.

The Senator arrived today from St. Louis, held a conference with the society women, under whose auspices he will lecture, and left for South Haven, Mich. He will lecture in Plattville, Wis., Monday and return to Chicago.

Tillman Is Surprised.

"I am surprised that Chicago should be aroused by threats of a negro uprising," he said. "It's ridiculous. I shall talk directly on the race problem. My lecture on the question 'Should the United States Annex Cuba?' will bring the race issue at once into the limelight. The negroes say I have boasted of taking part in lynchings. This is untrue. Thirty years ago I was in one or two riots, but they were political and had nothing to do with lynchings. I have never been present at a lynching. But I have said that I will lead a mob to lynch any man who has attacked a woman, black or white. I hardly think I'll retract that statement."

BISHOP ROASTS ROOSEVELT

Afro-Methodist Church Dignitary Criticizes Dismissal of Troops.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Bishop O. F. Smith of the Afro-Methodist Church of Detroit, Mich., in an address before the confederation of the Bethel Church last night, criticized the President's action in dishonorably dismissing the three companies of the Twenty-fifth Infantry and denounced Senator Tillman for his recent utterances on the negro question. He said, in part:

"I have not the remotest idea that color entered into the order of dismissal of the members of these companies, nor do I wish to be regarded as harshly criticizing President Roosevelt, in whom I have the greatest confidence. The President's action, however, is contrary to the public sense of established justice. That 150 innocent men should be punished for the wrongdoing of eight is to say the least, contrary to the spirit of fair dealing."

Bishop Smith calls in a few days for Liberia. He said today:

"Wide in Liberia shall see if there can be found a way to found a colony for American negroes who are praying to God for some country where they can get away from the indignities, oppression and discrimination to which they are subjected here."

WILL APPEAL TO CONGRESS

National Legislators May Have to Wrestle With Negro Question.

EL RENO, O. T., Nov. 24.—(Special.)—Gilchrist Stewart, of New York, president of the Colored Republican Club of the Thirtieth Assembly District in that city, who is in El Reno, declares that the dismissal of negro troops from the army will be brought before Congress at the approaching session. A committee of New York County Republicans, composed of Messrs. Parsons, Olcott and Bennett, the last two Congressmen and the first named president of the Constitutional League will produce the matter before the President and if no action is taken will take it before Congress or probably the courts. If the last named is elected to Attorney General, "cheats" will have charge of the proceedings.

Troops to Replace Discharged Men.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Nov. 24.—A part of the strength of the Third Battalion, Twenty-fifth Infantry, colored, stationed at Fort McIntosh, Laredo, has been ordered to Fort Reno, Okla. The purpose of moving the troops to Fort Reno is to maintain a certain strength there upon which to build up a new battalion to take the place of the negro troops discharged because of the Brownsville trouble.

Negroes' Dismissal Indorsed.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—At a campfire here this evening by John Jacob Astor Camp of Spanish War Veterans, the action of the President in dismissing a battalion of negro troops of the Twenty-fifth Infantry was indorsed.

DINEEN MAY HAVE TO TELL

Illinois Assembly Interested in Governor's Deals With Illinois Central.

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.—(Special.)—The 4th General Assembly of Illinois may demand from Governor Dineen a report of the negotiations of the state with the Illinois Central Railroad Company. The General Assembly at the special session last Spring appropriated \$50,000 for the purpose of continuing the investigation into back taxes claimed to be due the state and unpaid.

It has been rumored in political circles for several months that Governor Dineen proposes to effect a settlement in the nature of a compromise by which the state will receive \$2,000,000 or thereabouts in cash. The popular notion seems to be that the railroad company is owing the state \$50,000,000

EMERGENCY PIANO SALE

FINE NEW PIANOS INTENDED FOR OCTOBER REOPENING TO BE SACRIFICED DURING THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

The Very Finest of American Makes Included—Pianos Obtainable Simply for the Asking Now—Will Be Rented to Those Not Wishing to Buy. Talking Machine Selling to Recommence Earnestly Also.

We have been dormant all Summer. Practically out of business so far as retail was concerned. During September we were to have had possession of the new premises. Right after the 1st of October we had every right to expect to be thoroughly re-established in business, equipped with every facility and convenience that would make the new Eilers Piano House bigger, better and busier than ever.

In business life, as in private life, there seems to be times when in spite of careful planning almost everything goes wrong. There has certainly been the situation with us, though through no fault of ours. In the spring came our landlord, who demanded three or four times as much rent for a new lease as we could afford to pay. We finally got that fixed by arranging for these new and additional premises to be occupied in early fall. But it came about that the owners of the premises forgot to send the regular legal notice to the upstairs tenants in this building, and, although we paid rent commencing October 1, the tenants had a perfect legal right to remain until after November 1, and they did.

We had, however, ordered a big stock of fine pianos with a view of commencing active retail work in October, and we had contracted for a supply of pianos for every following month.

The October shipments of pianos are still at the warehouse. November shipments are here and more are coming. December shipments are due.

Building operations in the late Fall cannot be carried on as speedily and advantageously as they can earlier in the season. In spite of the most intelligent and determined efforts on the part of our contractors the new Eilers Piano House cannot be gotten ready completely for some time. But the pianos are here and we have got to sell them.

So, commencing tomorrow, work on the downstairs will be dropped for the present and the entire force of men will be put to work upstairs. The entire upstairs is to be finished first.

First Floor for Business.

In the meantime, while the first floor is in a very much unfinished condition, we have managed to arrange it so that business can be carried on comfortably. Tomorrow morning, therefore, we are going to sell pianos again, out of the new Eilers Piano House, 333-335 Washington street.

We realize that only by means of the most extraordinary inducements can we sell our pianos under such unfavorable conditions. It's an easy matter for us to sell our pianos when they are displayed in cozy and fitting surroundings. It's an altogether different thing to ask you to come into a great big barn-like place, with no other attraction probably than the great big new plate glass show windows. We know there is only one way for us to sell lots of pianos now. We have determined upon that way.

We present tomorrow morning the very finest of high-grade instruments. Beautiful Webers and Hazeltons, of New York. The now famous Kimball, Chicago's great piano, and then the finest and the most glorious of them all, the Chickering, of Boston, and there are also beautiful Hobart M. Cable and Crown Orchestral pianos and Marshall & Wendell and dozens of others, each make the very finest in its respective class. And all of these pianos were specially selected for display during the opening week of the bigger and the better and the busier Eilers Piano House.

We Out the Price.

But that is not all. We not only present the very choicest of instruments, but we are offering them at a price far below the usual retail selling price and at a figure that will barely cover the factory cost and freight. It is not a question of profit-making with us now. We must get rid of the goods. Then, again, we shall be glad to have you arrange the matter of payments to suit yourself. Everything will be marked at the actual cash cost. But any piano will be obtainable at the cash price plus simple interest on terms of payment to suit any reasonable buyer. If you cannot pay all cash, pay a little now and a few dollars every month. If you are not prepared to pay any money now, come in any way. We will sell you a piano and you can pay when ready.

Perhaps You'll Rent One.

If you are not in position to buy a piano at all, come in and rent one. We will charge no cartage tax any one renting a piano six months or longer. If you will rent a piano three months we will ask you to pay but one-half of the cartage charges. We must get rid of a lot of pianos quickly, and it is not going to be our fault if we don't. In spite of the wonderfully heavy sales in the interior of our big wholesale warehouse, corner Thirteenth and Northrup streets, it is full to overflowing, and more pianos are coming in almost every day. Of genuine Chickering pianos alone there are four monster carloads, over \$50,000 worth, to come within the week, and there are just as many Webers, and still more Weber Pianola Pianos, and carloads upon carloads of every other kind of high-class instruments on the way.

You see the fix we are in. So, even though it will very much upset our conditions temporarily, we are going to simply slaughter our pianos until our store is definitely in shape and reopened. We hope it will be but a short time. We surely will terminate the sale the moment matters are arranged.

Just a Few Prices.

If you are thinking of getting a piano come in tomorrow or Tuesday. We had occasion once to sacrifice a lot of regular pianos at \$100. We said, "We thought they never could again be obtained at such a low figure. But in our present predicament we are going to sell forty-seven of these now for \$117 each, say \$17 or less down, and \$6, yes, even \$5 a month."

All of our standard \$25 and \$30 pianos are going to go for \$25 and \$24, and \$15. Same terms as the above if you like.

We will take actual factory cost and freight for some very fancy and most costly high-grade uprights that were ordered especially for the Portland trade. There are some choice pianos in mission design cases, among them. We don't want to take chances carrying any of these over the holidays into the next year. Terms of \$15 a month, yes, \$12 a month, or say \$40 or \$50 every three months, buy them.

Be it said that everything sold by Eilers Piano House is positively warranted, and what the price paid. The store will be kept open Tuesday night to accommodate those wishing to buy a piano for Thanksgiving. Remember the new number, 333-335 Washington street, corner Park.

and any settlement that the Governor may make will be in the nature of a compromise.

Governor Dineen will leave for New York Monday to attend a meeting of the Illinois Central. At this meeting the state's claim will be presented by General Counsel Dickinson.

Miss McCorkle Goes East.

Miss Constance McCorkle, secretary of the Portland branch of the Young Women's Christian Association, left Friday for an extended trip to New York and other Eastern cities. Miss McCorkle goes to the big Y. W. C. A. convention in New York to be held for the purpose of merging the two branches of the association, there having formerly been an evangelical and a non-evangelical branch. These

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BEN SELLING LEADING CLOTHIER

Loses Fingers in Mill.

While working at a sawmill yesterday afternoon, William Atterton's left hand was caught in the machinery and so badly crushed that at the Good Samaritan Hospital Dr. Samuel C. Slocum found it necessary to amputate all but the index finger. Atterton lives at 257 Front street.

People's Forum Tonight.

The People's Forum assist in the Hood River apples, which are famous the world over, are not too good for the people cared for by the charitable institutions of Portland, as a whole car load of the splendid fruit is to be distributed among them. Secretary J. R. Labor of the Board of Trade, yesterday received word that the Hood River Commercial Club had donated a carload of the apples to the charitable institutions of this city and the distribution will be made by the Board of Trade. The managers of the institutions, if they are desirous of sharing in the distribution, should communicate with Secretary Labor Monday. The apples are as fine as any raised in Hood River Valley. They are the kind that are shipped to the Eastern and European markets, where they take precedence over other apples and where they bring almost fabulous prices. The distribution will be made before Thanksgiving, so that they can be served on Thanksgiving day.

False Pretenses Charged.

John H. Cummings, a subcontractor in the employ of J. E. Bennett, was arrested by Acting Detectives Price and Inskeep late yesterday afternoon at the Vancouver ferry. He was escorted to police headquarters, where he was booked on a charge of obtaining goods by false pretenses. W. F. Dugan, a plumber, is the complainant and charges that Cummings secured goods valued at \$11 from M. L. Cline on an order which had been cancelled. Cummings was released on bail of \$50.

Selling-Hirsch building on Tenth and Washington streets tonight will be a Shakespearean meeting. "Bacon vs. Shakespeare" will be debated. J. D. Stephens, one of the greatest Shakespearean scholars on the Coast, will defend the immortal William. Mr. Stephens will recite two selections from Shakespeare.

He served some time as special envoy, as the "rat minister," an allusion to the rapidity and subtlety of his movements, both physically and intellectually. Baron Komura's father died deeply in debt and a very large part of the son's scanty salary had to be devoted to meeting the liabilities.

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