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THE TWO SENATORS SHARPLY CENSURED

This Probably Closes the Incident Officially.

TWO REPORTS ARE MADE

McComas, Beveridge, Pritchard Hold of the committee it should be condemned. Out For Suspension.

THE DEMOCRATS MAKE A STATEMENT

Agree to Resolution of Censure, Holding the Senate Cannot Deprive a State of Representation, Deem Offenses of Equal Gravity.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Feb. 28.-Senators McLaurin and Tillman, of South Carolina, were today severely censured by the United States Senate. The administration of the censure grew out of the sensational personal encounter between the two Senators on the floor of the Senate last Saturday during the consideration of the Philippine Tariff Bill. The adoption of the resolution of censure probably closes the incident, so far as official action of the Senate is concerned.

Immediately after the Senate convened today Mr. Burrows, chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, to which the McLaurin-Tillman controversy committee. Accompanying the resolution of censure framed by a majority of the committee. A ccompanying the resolution was a report narrating the events which led up to the fight between the two Senators and setting out the conclusions of the majority.

A brief statement was presented by Senators Bailey, Blackburn, Pettus, M. J. Foster and Dubois, Democratic members of the committee, dissenting from some of the conclusions of the majority. They agreed, however, to the resolution of-

A minority report was presented by Senators McComas, Beveridge and Pritch-Republicans, who maintained that the adoption of a resolution of censure was not sufficient punishment.

Practically there was no debate on the resolution, although Mr. Gallinger and Mr. Platt (Conn.), made it evident in brief statements that the resolution was not quite satisfactory to them. The resolution was adopted by a vote of 54 to 12. When Mr. Tillman's name was called

he added a new sensation to the proceedings by rising and saying with ill-concealed emotion:

"Among gentlemen an apology for an offense committed under heat of blood is usually considered sufficient."

At the request of Mr. Burrows the statement of Mr. Tillman was read by the clerk. Instantly the South Carolina Senator disclaimed any intention of being offensive to the Senate and said that if they were so considered he would withdraw them. The chair (Mr. Frye) said that by unanimous consent they might be withdrawn but Mr. Dietrich (Neb.), objected. The incident was closed without further comment.

When the Senate was called to order a notably large attendance of Senators was on the floor and the galleries were thronged. Both Senators McLaurin and seats. Great interest was manifested by in the galleries in the reading of the journal which contained the protest of Mr. Tillman against not being permitted to vote while under the ban of the Senate's order of contempt.

RESOLUTION OF CENSURE.

Mr. Burrows (Mich.), Chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, presented the following resolution which had been formulated by that commit-

"That it is the judgment of the Senate that the Senators from South Carolina, Benj. R. Tillman and John L. McLaurin, for disorderly behavior and flagrant violation of the rules of the Senate during the open session of the Senate on the 22nd day of February, deserve the censure of the Senate and they are hereby so censured for their breach of the privileges and dignity of this body; and from and after the adoption of this resolution the order adjudging them in contempt of the Senate shall be no longer in force and affect."

Mr. Burrows presented the report of the majority of the committee which was

The report cited the history of the al tercation in the Senate and quoted the language then used by the oftenders. Ali agreed to this statement.

The report then continued as follows: 'That the conduct of the two Senators was an infringement of the privileges of the Senate, a violation of its rules and derogatory to its high character, tending to bring the body itself into public contempt, cannot be questioned or denied. Indeed, the Senate by a unanimous vote has already placed on record its condemnation of the Senators by declaring both guilty of contempt. The majority of the committee are of the opinion that the legal effect of adjudging these Senators in contempt of the Senate was to suspend their functions as Senators and that such a punishment for disorderly bebavior is clearly within the power of the Senate, but the conclusion they have reached makes it unnecessary to discuss this question. The offenses committed by the two Senators were not, in the

opinion of a majority of the committe of equal gravity. The charge made by Mr. Tillman had been once before in the Senate specifically depied in parliamen Senate specifically denied in parliamentary language by Mr. McLaurin. The offense charged against Mr. McLaurin was among the most reprehensible a Senator could commit. He could not ignore it or fail to refute it and hope to be longer respected as either a man or a Senator.

"Mr. McLaurin did not commence the encounter but only stood in his place at his desk, where he was speaking and resisted the attack that was made upon him. In other words his offense was confined to the use of unparliamentary language, for which he had unusual provocation. Nevertheless, his offense was a violation of the rules of the Senate of so serious a character that in the opinion "In the case of Mr. Tillman, the record shows that the altercation was commenced by the charge he made against Mr. McLaurin. Such a charge is inex cusable, except in connection with a reso lution to investigate. Mr. Tillman not only made the charge without any avowai of a purpose to investigate but also disclaiming knowledge of evidence to establish the offense and this he said after the charge had been specifically and unqualifiedly denied by Mr. McLaurin. "Such a charge, under any circumstances, would be resented by any man

if he took any thought, as he should, of the consequence of his statements. This (Continued on Second Page.)

worthy to be a Senator; but, made as

it was in this instance, its offensiveness

must have been foreseen by Mr. Tillman

was greatly intensified, and the result

Passenger Train Drops Into the Creek. Four People Are Killed.

(By the Associated Press.) Griffin, Ga., Feb. 28 .- A southbound

passenger train on the Columbus branch of the Southern Railway went through a trestle into a creek at midnight, near Zetella, Ga. The following were killed: A. F. MATTHEWS, engineer, Colum-J. L. HILL, baggage master, Colum-

LEO. G. MURRAY, mail clerk, At-

ISAAC M'DOWELL, fireman, Colum-

Several passengers were injured but

none fatally. The structure had been weakened by

the heavy rains and three bents of the bridge gave way. The train was running cautiously and was not making over eight miles an hour. The first class thirteen feet. It is over the water wall ceach was the only car that did not go into the washcut.

THE YEOMAN GROUNDS.

Later She is Floated Without Assistance and Anchors Inside the Capes.

(By the Associated Press.) Cape Henry, Va., Feb. 28.-The British steamer Yeoman, 4387 tons, Captain Long and crew of 45, from Galveston to Liverpool vi Lambert's Point, with a cargo of cotton, was grounded at Cape Henry at 1:10 a. m. today. The fog which enveloped the point and a rough sea made the efforts of the life saving crew to render assistance exceedingly difficult. Captain Holmes and a crew from the life saving station reached the distressed vessel at 2 a. m. and rendered all assistance possible. The captain and crew of the gounded steamer refused to desert the vessel Tillman, of South Carolina, were in their The fog lifted at 1:40 a. m. and the vessel was seen floating safe at anchor in-Senators on the floor and by spectators side the capes, apparently uninjured. She passed in at 1:30 p. m. and evidently was floated without assistance, as the wrecker Rescue was unable to locate her in the dense fog. The Yeoman towed the Spanish steamer Eneza to the Delaware Breakwater on the 25th instant.

PANAMA CANAL COMPANY.

A Decision That Will Affect Materially the Terms of Sale

(By the Associated Press.)

Paris, Feb. 28.-At an extraordinary meeting of the shareholders of the new Panama Cnaal Company today, the president read a message from the consul general of Colombia at Paris, setting forth that the company could not transfer its concession to another nation without, first, with the assent of Colombia, modifying the stipulations of articles 21 and 22 of the agreement. After a discussion, during which it was urged that efforts should be made to keep the concession for France, the meeting adopted a resolution expressing approval of the attitude of the board of directors and deciding in view of the message of the Colombian consul general to postpone entering into any engagement.

A New Indictment Returned.

(By the Associated Press.) Savannah, Ga., Feb. 28.-In the United States court today a new indictment was returned against Captain B. D. Greene and the Gaynors in connection with alleged Savannah harbor frauds. The new indictment covers the points on which the demurrer of the defendants was sustained by Judge Speer Monday.

Hearings on Public Buildings.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Feb. 28.-The President today nominated Joseph C. Garlington, of Georgia, assistant surgeon of volunteers with rank of captain.

UNDER RISING WATERS

People Along the French Broad Forced to Fly From Homes.

TRAFFIC AT A SIANDSTILL

No Trains Have Left the City Within the Last Twenty-Four Hours,

WRECK REPORTED AT ALEXANDER

Three Children Burned to Death While Seeking to Escape the Flood at Flat Creek. Marshall Said to be Under

Water-(Special to News and Observer.)

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 28 .- On account of heavy rains last night the French Broad River has risen far above high water mark, flooding the river district. The waters are higher than in years, two feet above the flood of last fall.

Business is practically suspended in the river sections of the city. The cotton mills have been forced to close down with much damage and loss. The Tannery is surrounded and there is serious loss to property.

Inmates of houses along the were forced to leave their homes. Some narrowly escaped drowning during the rescue of submerged home holders. The entire city force is at work help ing people from flooded houses.

Telephone and telegraph wires are are reported all along the line.

A big wreck is reported at Alexander, caused by a landslide in a cut. Western and Southern trains are water-bound. Bridges over small streams near Asheville are all down. It is reported that at Marshall the river has risen over and the town is flooded.

Three children were burned to death at Flat Creek, near Asheville, last night. The father of the children, J. W. Wallan, took them to the tobacco house for safety, fearing the house would be washed away by the freshet. He left the children with a torch and returned to the house to get his wife and other children. While he was gone the barn caught fire from the torch and was burned to the ground. The children's bodies have not yet been found.

Indications here are for more rain tonight.

THE STORM IN VIRGINIA.

Railroad Bridges and Telegraph Wires Suffer West of Roanoke

(By the Associated Press.) with railroad bridges and telegraph wires west of Roanoke. The Norfolk and these lines." Western wires are down and the officials

any degree of accuracy further than that and their management, and of the great on the Pocohontas division and the pleasure he had in the printing office Clinch Valley division there had been som slides and several bridges were washed out. Trains due in Roancke from Bristol and Bluefield at one o'clock dustrial schools and believes a great in the afternoon have not arrived at 10 future is ahead of it. o'clock tonight. The train over the Shenandoah Valley from Hagerstown, Md., COL A. W. SHAFFER WANTS which is due at 4 o'clock p. m., is pow

six hours late. A telegram from Buena Vista, Va., up the Shenandoah Valley, says that last night there was one of the most terrific wind and rain storms there for years, and that today the town is flooded with melting snow and ice from the nearby mountains. The Chesapeake and Ohio and Norfolk and Western railroads are overflowed at several points south of Buena Vista and traffic on both reads is delayed. The damage to property is not known. South River is higher than for years. The light and power plant and some other manufacturing plants at

pend operations until the water abates. CABIN BLOWN DOWN ON HER.

Buena Vista will be compelled to sus-

(By the Associated Press.) Sumter, S. C., Feb. 28.-Alice Rhame, negro woman, living six miles from this city, was instantly killed last night by her cabin being blown down on her during the storm. Three other negroes, who were in the house at the time, escaped uninjured. Several other small houses in that locality were blown down. In Sumter the storm seriously damaged telephone wires, all connections with other parts of the county being bro-

Hester's Cotton Statement.

(By the Associated Press.) New Orleans, La., Feb. 28 .- Secretary ible supply of cotton issued today shows night.

the total visible to be 4,437,989 against 4,493,841 last week, and 4,020,722 last year. Of this the total of American cotton 3,390,989 against 3,484,841 last week, and 3,039,722 last year, and of all other kinds including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 1,047,000 against 1,009,000 and 981,000.

Of the world's visible supply there is now afloat and held in Great Britain and continental Europe 2,322,000 against 1,789,000 last year; in Egypt, 252,000 against 186,000. In India, 542,000 against 502,000 and in the United States 1,322,000 against 1,541,000.

Secretary Hester's monthly statement, ssued today, shows the total for February to be 732,456 against 670,748 last year and 847,180 year before last. The amount of the crop brought into sight for the six months from September to February inclusively is 433,000 bales over last year.

The movement from the first of September to February 28 inclusive shows receipts at all United States ports, 6,468, 516 against 5,865,063 last year. Overland, across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers to Northern mills and Canada 834, 744 against 892,928, Southern mill takings exclusive of quantity consumed at South. ern ports 992,000 against 872,619 and interior stocks in excess of those held at the commencement of the season 366,344 against 597,609.

The total amount of the crop brought into sight during six months ending with the close of February is 8,661,604 against

Northern spinners took during February 238,489 bales against 200,077 last year. Foreign exports for the six months of the season have been 5,119,771 bales, an increase over last season of 703,866. Stocks at the seaboard and the 29 lead ing Southern interior markets on February 28 were 1,291,880 against 1,523,134 the same date last year and 1,436,064 the

year before. Including port and interior towns stocks the number of bales of current crop 8,350,753 last year and 8,338,195 the year

THE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE SHOULD BEGOME A WHITE TUSKEEGEE.

President Geo T. Winston Sees a Great Future For the Institution Along Lines of Industrial Education.

"The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville," said 'President Geo. T. Winston down and there are few connections out- yesterday, on returning from a visit to crop was suffering, since it has lost its and that of Farrow and Chauncey's ship side the city. Railroad traffic is practi- that institution, "is destined to become cally at a standstill. No trains have one of our most useful educational insti- cereals, noted the chief advance of the gone out in twenty-four hours, and only tutions. Its location is ideal. Its founone has come in. Slides and washouts are reported all along the line.

dations are already laid with great wisare reported all along the line. all that could be desired. The only thing needed now is larger endowment and tinue active, particularly from jobbers expansion of work.

> with testers, separators, churns, butter- slowness of deliveries and the paucity workers etc. In time green houses should come, with practical work in floriculture and horticulture. Orchards, vineyards, nurseries, * truck gardens, all must be provided at the orphanage.

"The nice beginning already made in carpentry should grow into instruction along all lines of wood-working and iron working. A machine shop should be aimed at. In short, I see no reason why the Thomasville Orphanage cannot be made a great industrial school for the training of white boys and girls, similar to Booker Washington's school for negroes at Tuskeegee, Alabama.Nor need its instruction be confined to orphans. Let. others come and by their work help to support the orphans

"Bricklaying, painting, plastering, wagon-working, shoe making, upholstering are all profitable trades. The orphanage should teach them all.

"We need a score of industria schools in North Carolina. Let the orphanage Roanoke, Va., Feb. 28.-The big storm at Thomasville become one. I am sure oof yesterday and last night played havoc that the Baptist people, South and North, can and will endow it generally aong

President Winston spoke in most enstate that nothing can be given out with thusiastic terms of Mr. and Mrs. Boone with Editor Johnson and the boys who were typesetting. He is anxious to welcome the orphanage into the circle of in-

TO BE RALEIGH'S POSTMASTER.

Thinks That He Will Fit in With the Specifications as Set Forth by President Roosevelt.

A castor was shied into the ring yesterday and with it the announcement that Col. A. W. Shaffer, at one time postmaster of Raleigh, would make application for his former position here. Col. Shaffer bases his hopes for ap-

pointment upon an order of President Roosevelt in which the Departments are asked to observe the laws giving preference to veterans in appointment and retention, and in which the President states his desires that wherever the needs of the service will justify it, and the laws will permit, preference shall be given alike in appointment and retention to honorably discharged veterans of the Civil War, who are fit and well qualified to perform the duties of the places which they seek or are filling.

The announcement of Col. Shaffer's candidacy is the first which Postmaster Bailey has to consider. His term does not expire till in May, and it is understood that he has the endorsement of Senator Pritchard. With this backing him Mr. Bailey feels secure, and Col. Shaffer recognizes that there is no smooth sailing ahead, but will send in his application and endorsements any-

There will be a meeting of the Hock Hester's statement of the world's vis- and Ladder Company at 8 o'clock to-

the Surface.

COKE IN SHORT SUPPLY

Cotton and Yarn Goods Cannot Meet the Demand.

OUTPUT OF PIG IRON FOR WEEK LARGE

Structural Iron and Steel Mills Filled With Orders, Most of Them Being Five Months Behind. Same True of Other Products.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Feb. 28.-Bradstreet's to-

morrow will say: "Current demand is of full volume for this season of the year, while business on spring account goes forward in large volume. This, too, in the face of unfavorable weather conditions, in large sec

tions of the country. "Iron and steel are quieter on the surface, but consumption remains undiminished. Short supplies of coke are still complained of in the West and furleft over from the previous season and naces are being banked for this reason, but the output of pig iron has been larger bought into sight during the six months this week than for some time past the supply has been 9,021,291 against Structural mills are filled with orders, most of them being five months behind, and the same is true of other products, orders for which extended to well toward the close of the year. Prices show very little change during the week. heavy break in wheat prices at the close of last week, contrary to expectations, did not bring to light the reported large waiting business on export account. Toward the close, short covering was forced | The stacks of the Pamlico Iron Works despite the heavy primary movement on

week. Hog products have been irregular away and lost. A lumber shed belonging in sympathy with grain. "In textiles, cotton and yarn goods anpear to be facing a crisis. Demands conin prints and ginghams, but staple cot-"A model dairy should be established tons also display exceptional strength. in conection with the farm, and equipped The chief complaint, in fact, is of the of supplies.

> "Business failures for the week number 204, as against 177 last year.

> "Canadian failures number 27, as against 28 a year ago." COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT.

New York, Feb. 28 .- For the week ending Friday, February 28th: Net receipts at all United States ports during week 159,404; net receipts at all United States ports during same week last year 125,927; total receipts to this date 6,460,148; total receipts to same date last year 5,849,421; exports for the week 144,128; exports for same week last year 125,042; total exports to this date 5,113,361; total exports to same date last year 4,401,475; stock at all United States ports 765,416; stock at all United States ports same time last year 845,238; stock at all interior towns 570,869; stock at all interior towns same time last year 670,299; stock at Liverpool 1,107,000; stock at Liverpool same time last year 726,000; stock of American afloat for Great Britain 171,000; stock of American afloat for Great Britain same time last year 146,000.

TOTAL NET RECEIPTS.

New York, Feb. 28 .- The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1, 1901: Galveston 1,795,545; New Orleans 1,863,

367; Mobile 145,941; Savannah 1,005,031; Charleston 246,764; Wilmington 259,560; Norfolk 390,216; Baltimore 68,931; New York 136,876; Boston 98,440; Newport News 13,064; Philadelphia 23,826; Vancouver 2,-554; Fernandina 4,950; Port Arthur 35. 476; Brunswick 104,437; Port Townsend 97,219; San Francisco 17,925; Pensacola 140,824; Portland, Ore., 9,203; total 6,460,-

TOTAL BANK CLEARINGS. New York, Feb. 28.-Total bank clearings week ended February 27, \$1,952,097,-670, increase 11.3 per cent; outside New

York \$679,153,981, increase 8.2 per cent.

THE NOMINATION OF SENATOR.

Chairman Simmons Says His Committee Has no Power to Decide on Plan.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 28.-Chairman Simmons expressed surprise that there should be any misunderstanding as to the meaning of the reference to the plan of nominating a Senator in the call for the meeting of the Executive Committee He said, of course, the committee had no power to decide how the candidate for Senator should be nominated, and whatever it did, if anything, in this regard would be merely recommendatory. Certainly it is the province of the committee to discuss all questions of party policy, and this question of nominating a candidate for Senator is a question of great importance as affecting the campaign of this year. It is impossible to over estimate the good effect upon the campaign of its wise settlement, and the had effect of its unwise settlement. If helpless, and one of them ill unto death the delegates to the convention are not besides. selected with a view to the possible; by the convention, then the convention, Wake county.

method of nominating would be elimin ated, although the convention, when it meets should be overwhelmingly in favor of this method, because it would not be fair either to the candidates or the people to nominate, if the delegates had not been elected with the view of possible action to this end by the convention. If it shall be the opinion of the committee that there are plausible reasons to Iron and Steel Quieter on believe the convention plan may be adopted by the convention, then some action should be taken by the committee to the end that the delegates may represent the will of the voters of the party in case the convention shall decide to make a nomination.

Representative Small has introduced a bill to increase the cost limit of the public building at Elizabeth City from \$100,000 to \$135,000, and to change the site of the building.

Land Bought by Light Company.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Washington, N. C., Feb. 28 .- The Washington Light and Water Company have purchased the Hand property on Bridge street to give them more room for their plant. This gives then; a large frontage on both Bridge and Third streets. A nice residence will also be built on this property for the head operative to occupy, so that he will be near his work at all times.

County Superintendent of Schools. Stephen C. Bragaw, has made application for 1,700 dollars to support the public schools of the town and county for the remaining months of the school year.

Struck on the Head and Killed by a Drunken Negro

(Special to News and Observer.) Washington, N. C., Feb. 28 .- A heavy wind and rain storm started early this morning. It reached a velocity of beand of the Freeman and Hodges mill reports that the growing winter wheat and the shed of the Myers ship yards, covering of snow. Corn, among the railway were blown down. All the fish

nets that were set in the river were torn

to the Eureka Lumber Company was taken up and carried into the log pond several hundred feet away. Capt. Leroy Williams some time ago had some trouble with three negroes at Swan Quarter, and growing out of this trcuble he again met them Tuesday night when they were drunk. One negro grabbing a heavy club struck the captain on the head, making a severe wound, from the effects of which he died that night. Two of the negroes are in jail now. There was at first some talk of lynching,

AN INCENDIARY AT WORK

but the sentiment has quieted down and

they are now safe.

His Efforts Seem Directed to Burning up the Town of Thomasville.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Thomasville, N. C., Feb. 28.-The elegant residence of Dr. Chas. R. Julian was destroyed by fire Wednesday night and the entire house and almost all of its furniture were burned. The fire originated on the second floor, origin unknown. The flames spread rapidly and other buildings were greatly endangered. Heroic efforts saved them. Loss \$4,000, insurance \$2,800.

Immediately after this the barn of Dan McCauley, colored, was destroyed with all its contents. Loss \$200; no insur-

Thursday night the barn of J. H. Lambeth was fired and totally destroyed. Quite a number of other buildings were in great danger. The rain and good work of citizens prevented great destruction. The rascal that fired this was seen and came near being shot, but escaped in the darkness. Great excitement prevails here tonight.

Night Mail Clerk Needed.

(Littleton News-Reporter.) For want of a mail clerk on the Atlanta Special we have had the morning papers from Raleigh about every other morning this week. When they do not get here on 32 to be delivered at 8 a.m. we do not get them until in the afternoon. The remedy is simple and we believe could be gotten by the asking. Let those interested in better mail facilities ask the department for a night clerk, and we have confidence in the department's desire to accommodate the public to believe it will be done.

In Sad Plight.

A story reached us last night of the pitable condition of two old men in Wake county, about six miles north of this city. They are E. K. Chappell and J. Y. Chappell, the former is eighty-five years old, and the latter seventy-six years old. The older of the two is very ill with pleurisy, and is not expected to live. On Tuesday morning, the old woman, who for thirty years has acted as housekeeper for the two old men, Mrs. Vaney Richardson, died of pneumonia. This leaves the poor old men practically

The Messrs Chappells are uncles of nomination of a candidate for Senator Representative E. C. Beddingfield, of