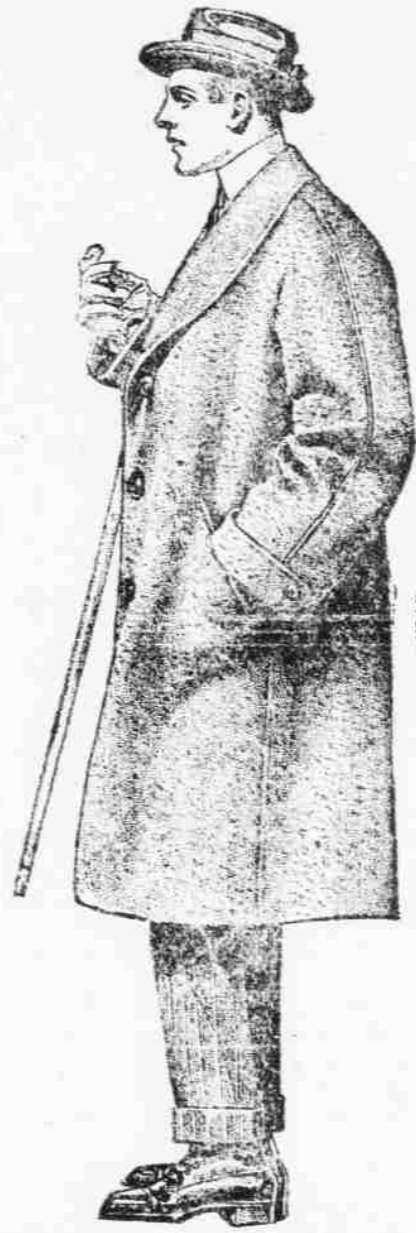


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GOV. C. L. BLEASE'S MESSAGE WAS RED HOT STUFF

Colum. S. C., Jan. 13.—Governor Cole L. Blease paid his respects in characteristic language to various persons against whom he cherishes animosity in his annual message to the South Carolina legislature, which he delivered today.

Of William E. Gonzales, formerly editor of The Columbia State, now United States minister to Cuba, Governor Blease said he is "where he belongs." The governor also took a fling at Mr. Gonzales by including Cubans in the following:

"I respectfully recommend that you pass a law prohibiting the board of trustees of any state college in this state for white pupils, or any public school for white children which receives any of the tax money of the people of the state, or any faculty of any such institution from admitting any negro, Chiuaman, Japanese, Cuban, or other disagreeable and incompatible race, into said college or school with white pupils."

Of Josephus Daniels, formerly editor of The Raleigh News and Observer, now secretary of the navy, Blease said (repeating an assertion made in a newspaper interview last year): "Josephus Daniels is a very small man and is not of the mental caliber to fill the position to which he has been appointed."

The governor is incensed against Secretary Daniels because the secretary declared in a newspaper interview that he would not make the contemplated improvements at the naval station at Port Royal unless the sale of "blind tiger" liquor to the men at the barracks was stopped. Governor Blease took this as a reflection on the manner in which he was enforcing the liquor laws and said to newspaper reporters at the time and repeated his remarks verbatim in his formal message to the legislature today:

"I want him (Daniels) distinctly to understand that I am not asking for any of his Yankee money, never have pandered for it, and would not bow to him or any other man to get it, and if the condition of his giving it is for me to beg for it he can keep it in the United States treasury—and I believe this is the sentiment of the people of this state—either keep it in the treasury, or stick it in his ears, as may best suit him."

Governor Blease was especially vigorous in his denunciation of Judge H. A. M. Smith of the United States district court at Charleston, whom he called "a violator of the law" and "a little cheap partisan politician." The governor said he was no longer surprised at Judge Smith's accepting "a judgeship from a republican while claiming to be a democrat."

The governor's attack on Judge Smith was based on his retention of a position on the state historical commission, which the governor said was in violation of the provision of the state constitution that more than one position of public trust or honor shall not be held by the same man at the same time. Governor Blease said B. R. Tillman and several others were violating the law in a similar manner. Mr. Blease said in his message:

"Next time he (Judge Smith) sentences some one he should say, 'I am also a violator of the law; you can't sentence me, but I will sentence you; you are a common citizen, but I am a big (?) judge; I can violate the law and defy it, but you little shrimp, I will teach you a lesson.'"

Governor Blease not only attacked individual federal officeholders in his message but arraigned the whole United States government. He declared that "the United States government—not only under the republican administration, but now under the democratic administration—is daily encroaching upon the rights of the states, and taking from them the powers which have been theirs, and which of right belong to them under the constitution."

"One of the greatest and noblest battles ever waged," he continued, "was fought in the sixties for state's rights, and we are justly proud of the glorious history which the south made in that struggle."

"Now, we are to sit idly by and see these (the confederate soldiers) work undone, and the results achieved by them set at naught? It is time we should begin to ask ourselves the question, 'What are our rights?' and to arise in defense of them."

Mentioning laws recently passed by congress which he declared were an encroachment on state's rights, the

governor said: "I notice one fixing dates for hunting purposes within the borders of our state. This is only an effort to protect a certain set of north-erners, who come down here and buy up large tracts of land and then prohibit our home people from hunting on it. The United States government, because these people are rich, is attempting, in their interest, to deprive the people of our state of their God-given liberty and right to hunt and fish for the game and fish which an all-wise Providence has provided free for all mankind."

The governor's message was a printed book of sixty-eight pages and in it he recommended several unusual laws for passage. Among them were the following:

An act to require the editor or manager of a newspaper which publishes an injurious or erroneous statement concerning a person to publish a correction "in the same column of the same page, and with as large headlines, as the original article appeared, wherein the person was misquoted or misrepresented."

An act "prohibiting any white person from teaching in negro schools or from teaching negro children." The governor laid special emphasis on this recommendation.

An act "which would have the effect of disbanding negro lodges." Governor Blease devoted considerable space to the subject of smoking in dining rooms and recommended the passage of a law forbidding smoking in restaurants patronized by women. In this connection he said:

"Those of you who are as old as I will recall the time in South Carolina when if a gentleman smoked a pipe or cigar while walking along on the street by the side of a lady he was not regarded as well reared, and such a thing as smoking while riding in a buggy with a young lady would not have been tolerated. But today we have not only seen these things, but we have seen a great deal further, and too far. I regret exceedingly to know that people in South Carolina (I will not say gentlemen, nor will I say true men) sit in our public dining rooms, restaurants and cafes, and smoke cigars and foul little cigarettes, and whiff and puff and blow the smoke out through their nostrils, and this smoke is carried either by the natural breeze or the current of an electric fan into the eyes, mouths and nostrils of refined women. It makes me ashamed for my state."

The governor suggested the prohibition of football playing and incorporated in the message a newspaper article on the deaths in football accidents last autumn.

Discussing the charge that voters were corrupted when he was elected governor, Mr. Blease said:

"Now, gentlemen, what we want is honest elections. They speak of using money. God knows the present governor has never had any to use. He practiced law at the Newberry bar, and he is proud to say, had an exceptionally fine practice on both sides of the law. He made a good living and managed to save some money. But not one nickel of it has he ever used to corrupt a voter."

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