

Weather.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 11—Forecast for North Carolina for tonight and Tuesday: Partly cloudy and colder tonight and Tuesday.

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SENATOR TILLMAN SAYS PRESIDENT IS COWARD

Crowded Galleries Listen to Scathing Arraignment of the President By Senator Tillman in the Senate as He Replied Today to the President's Accusations Against Him.

PRESIDENT IS GUILTY OF PERSONAL MALICE IN SPRINGING THE CHARGES

Senator Says the President is Guilty of "Bold and Outrageous Falsehood," "Cunning," "Advertising" and Various Other Things—Senator Says He is Guilty of Violating No Law

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Washington, Jan. 11—Crowds filled the galleries of the senate today for the purpose of hearing Senator Tillman's reply to the accusations contained in President Roosevelt's communication to Senator Hale, chairman of the appropriations committee, published last Saturday, but which will not officially reach the senate until today, in which he accused Tillman of improper conduct in the matter of obtaining public lands in Oregon. No more serious arraignment of a government official has ever been heard in the senate than that delivered by Senator Tillman today. It was listened to with the deepest interest by senators and visitors alike. He accused the president of "cunning," "advertising," "cowardice," "bold and outrageous falsehood," "personal malice," "hatred," of purposely withholding facts in his possession and of deliberately misrepresenting conditions for the purpose of placing the senator in a bad light before the world, while at the same time having gross disrespect to Senator Hale's committee as well as extreme discourtesy by having made his letter to the senate public through the press on Saturday before it could be received by Senator Hale today and by his committee in turn reported to the senate.

Before the senator began Senator Culberson moved the suspension of the reading of the journal, so that Senator Tillman might not be delayed in commencing.

Noisy expressions came from the galleries when the speaker reached the first of his personal remarks about the president.

To such an extent did this continue that Vice-President Fairbanks asked Senator Tillman to suspend his remarks for a few moments and then admonished those in the galleries that it is against the rules of the senate to permit any demonstrations of approval or disapproval of remarks made by speakers, and added that unless these rules were observed the galleries would be cleared.

Senator Tillman spoke in part as follows:

"For the first time in the history of this government, as far as I have been able to learn, a member of this body has been brought to the bar of public opinion before the senate itself to be judged under indictment by no less a person than the president of the United States. The manner of doing it and the animus and zeal displayed by the chief executive are worthy of consideration.

"The papers in the case were sent to Senator Hale as acting chairman of the committee on appropriations late on Tuesday last. I had no intimation in regard to it until after the senate met on Thursday. By that time the air was thick with rumors, evidently coming from the white house directly or indirectly, that a southern senator was in the toils of the secret service and soon it was understood that Senator Tillman was the man.

"Having been informed by Senator Hale of the character of the charges Thursday afternoon, and that he would call a meeting of the appropriations committee on Saturday to consider the papers relating to the secret service sent him by the president, I expected to have opportunity to examine fully into the case and make such defense or explanation to the senate itself as I thought proper. I understand the president had no doubt Senator Hale that there was no

why, if his zeal were honest, he did not make them known then.

"The Oregon real estate swindlers had secured a good many thousand of dollars before the exposure in the senate stopped people from being duped, and yet Theodore Roosevelt, who poses as the only remaining honest man in public life, in the face of these facts has felt called upon to attack the character of a man whose integrity has never before been questioned and whose official position is second only to his own. In doing this he made a false declaration, for the government inspectors nowhere say any such thing as the president quotes, which can be proven by an examination of their report.

"Just what law did I break? What wrong did I do or contemplate?"

"According to the report of the attorney-general in answer to the resolution which I introduced and passed the senate, Harriman, the president's dear friend, still holds in defiance of law, upward of 2,000,000 acres of the best lands of Oregon and California and refuses to sell them at any price. I never expected and could not under the terms of the law, as I construed it, get more than seven quarter sections for myself and family, one for my private secretary, and one for Mr. Lee, making nine in all. This, in the aggregate, would mean that I would obtain through my activity here, as the president's charge is, nine quarter sections, or 1,440 acres, at a cost of \$4,500. Will the president undertake to say that I have lost my right to buy land because I am a senator? Can the president deny that my activity secured the passage of the resolution instructing the attorney-general to bring suit for the recovery of this land for the use of actual settlers? If Harriman and others like him are made to disgorge by reason of these suits shall the fact that I was endeavoring to buy a little pittance of the land be used as the basis of a charge of being a liar and a corrupt senator—to be disgraced?

"To sum up, this is the brief resume of the entire transaction:

"While in Spokane, Wash., in October, 1907, I first heard that there were timber lands in Oregon which were being bought through Reeder & Watkins, of Marshfield. On October 5 I wrote to Reeder & Watkins asking for information, telling them of my desire to purchase some of the land if possible. Desiring to find out if the conditions of the grant to the state of Oregon made it possible for 'purchasers' and not 'actual settlers' to buy at \$2.50 per acre, I wired the librarian of the senate for a copy of the act. Finding that that part of the statement received from a gentleman in Spokane was correct I informed Reeder & Watkins on October 20, that Mr. Lee, whom I had seen at Moscow, Idaho, in the meantime and talked to on the subject, would go to Marshfield and investigate in person. I authorized Lee to draw on me if he found that the lands were what they were represented to be. He wired me not to be in a hurry, as there were obstacles in the way. In the meantime I had talked with lawyers who were familiar with the military road land grants and they informed me that under a decision of the circuit court private parties were not permitted to sue for these lands. Still doubting whether I could purchase the lands with any hope of successful litigation, I wrote to Senator George Turner, of Washington, to get his opinion and incidentally to make inquiries about lands on the Columbia River, in that state. He gave me the same opinion that I had already received from the other lawyers.

"Realizing after I got to Washington, D. C., in December, that it was a very doubtful proposition, I let the matter drop until Mr. Lee showed me a letter from Reeder & Watkins which has been stolen from my desk in my committee-room, along with other papers in this case, probably by some of the secret service sleuths, and when they indicated their desire that I should exert my influence in the senate I wrote the letter of February 15, of which the president obtained a photographic copy. In the meantime and before the letter was written, from my investigations and after a conference with the attorney-general I introduced the two resolutions of January 31, one calling on the attorney-general for information and the other (the joint resolution), which became a law, instructing him to institute suits.

"The president's sleuths, set to do the dirty work of spying on a senator when that senator has exposed a fraud which was being perpetrated

NO INCREASE IN GOVERNOR'S SALARY ALLOWED

Rev. W. C. Tyree Conducts in the House Services Today

RESOLUTIONS HEARD

Resolutions and Memorials Were Called For and a Number of Petitions Were Sent Up and Read—Petition from Columbus County Asking That Rev. A. H. Porter be Appointed to County Board of Education—Petition from Beaufort as to Fishing in Certain Creeks—Communication as to Liquor Traffic.

The fifth days' session of the house of representatives of the North Carolina legislature was called to order today at noon by Speaker Graham, and the Rev. W. C. Tyree, of the First Baptist church, conducted the usual religious exercises of the hour.

The journal of Saturday was read in part, and on motion of Koonce, was dispensed with.

Resolutions, memorials, and such, called for, and a number of petitions were sent up and read:

From Beaufort from Rev. B. H. county, asking that Rev. A. H. Porter be appointed to board of education of this county.

Petition from Beaufort citizens as to fishing in certain creek.

Petition from Columbus county citizens against the abolishment of tax collector.

Communication from Mrs. S. J. Johnston as to liquor traffic.

Petition from citizens of Stem, Granville county, as to depot in that town of Macon county.

Kontaine, which went to propositions and grievances.

Communication from H. C. Barrow as to manufacturing and mining.

Invitations from the University, the A. & M. and Blind School, to attend exercises there were read.

Bills.

Under call for bills the following were introduced:

By Morton: To appoint certain justices of New Hanover, which went to calendar.

By Shepherd: To appoint trustees for town of Lumberton.

By Godwin: To appoint justices for Duplin county.

By Higdon: For preventing sawdust in streams of Macon.

By Higdon: To improve road system of Macon county.

By Haymore: To put W. A. Jester, of Surry, on pension list number one.

By Dr. Pitt, by request: For relief Jno. Hyatt, of Johnston.

By Harshaw: To amend chapter 612, laws 1903, pertaining to Caldwell county.

By Harshaw, by request, a batch of bills pertaining to Durham county: To prevent salaried officers of that county from collecting witness fees; to fix salaries of officers of Durham county; to prevent fraud in hiring horses in Durham county; to regulate acts of board of education of that county.

By Green: To regulate pay of tug boat in home ports.

By Wallace: As to extending certain streets in town of Beaufort.

By Haymore: To put J. N. Slaughter on pension roll.

By Linny, of Alexander: To protect quail.

By McDewitt: To regulate fees in Macon county.

By Campbell: To pay C. C. Honeycutt for teaching in Stanly county.

By Price: To appoint justices in McDowell county.

By Jarrett: To authorize special tax bond issue in Jackson county.

By Williams: To change time of meeting of commissioners of Dare county.

By Graham: For relief of commissioners of town of Stovall, Granville county.

More Committees.

Privett was added to committee on fish and fisheries, and Latham on committee on oysters.

Deaf and Dumb.

Harrison, chairman; Smith of Harnett, Koonce, Buck, Price, Cook, Barnes of Hertford, Hageman, Lovelace, Kelly, Hafer, Williams of Dare, Sigmon, Warlick, Crawford, Rose, Higdon, Killian.

Manufactures and Labor.

Smith of Durham, chairman; Un-

Masonic Temple, Raleigh, N. C.



Mrs. Beasley Inflicts Fatal Wound on Herself Today

Brooding over the loss of her child, which died last year, Mrs. R. B. Beasley, a prominent woman of Apex, attempted to commit suicide early today.

Mrs. Beasley had been very low-spirited for several days, but nothing serious was thought of her condition. She arose at about 3 a. m. and went very quietly into the next room, not waking her husband. On entering the other room the demented woman slashed her throat several times with a razor. A little child saw what his mother was doing and began to cry. This awakened the husband, who, after calling to his wife and receiving no answer, went into the next room and there beheld the gruesome sight.

The grief-stricken husband hastily called for aid and physicians were immediately summoned. The physicians arrived and did everything possible to save the woman, but it is not thought she can survive. While they were administering to the wounded woman, exerting every effort to staunch the flow of blood, it became necessary to perform a more delicate service. The woman's condition was made known to the doctors and in a few moments she had given birth to a child. The child was a healthy one and will most probably live.

The circumstances surrounding this sad deed has cast a gloom over the whole community. The grief-stricken husband has the most heartfelt sympathy of the entire population.

LOCAL BILLS AGAIN HAVE THE RIGHT OF WAY

Senate Met at 12; O'clock, Senator Lee Leading Devotional Service

MANY BILLS INTRODUCED

Senator Klutz Introduced an Act to Create a Highway Commission and Designate the Scope of its Duties. Referred to Committee on Public Roads—Senator Britt Presents Bill to Facilitate the Settlements of Executors and Administrators—Referred to Judiciary Committee—An Act by Blair to Amend the Charter of Greenville.

The senate convened at 12 o'clock. Senator Lee led in a short and earnest prayer for divine guidance. The committee reported that there were no corrections to be made in the journal. Bills were introduced as follows:

S. B. 45. Senator Elliott. A joint resolution for the adjournment of the general assembly.

S. B. 46. Senator Klutz. An act to create a highway commission and designate the duties of its members. Committee on Public Roads.

S. B. 47. Senator Ray. An act to amend chapter 674 of the Public Laws of 1907, relating to pensions. Committee on Pensions.

S. B. 48. Senator Britt. An act to facilitate the settlements of executors and administrators. Judiciary Committee.

S. B. 49. Senator Blow. An act to amend charter of Greenville. Committee on Counties and Towns.

S. B. 50. Senator Shaw. An act to appoint T. J. Wooten a justice of the peace in Robeson county. Committee on Justices of the Peace.

S. B. 51. Senator Britt. An act to give an attorney a lien on his client's cause of action. Judiciary Committee.

S. B. 52. Senator Mills. A joint resolution reserving the east portico of the capitol for the use of the members of the general assembly during the inauguration ceremonies. Placed on calendar and passed its several readings.

Bills on Second Reading.

S. B. 43. Senator Klutz. A joint resolution in regard to the election of a United States senator. Passed second and third readings.

S. B. 33. An act to regulate the holding of superior courts in Caldwell county. Passed its several readings. All of these bills were sent to the house without engrossment.

Enrolled Bills.

The Committee on enrolled bills reported the following bills properly enrolled:

S. R. 8, H. R. 6, a joint resolution in regard to the inaugural ceremonies. Senator Blow's bill amending the law as to jury tax in Pitt county.

Joint resolution in regard to paying Mr. J. A. Lisk for services as door-keeper.

A message from the governor was received, conveying the list of pardons and commutations granted during the last two years.

The president read an invitation asking the senate to attend the dress parade at A. & M. this afternoon.

On motion of Senator Klutz, the senate adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 10:30.

Interesting Ceremony.

Tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock the senate will meet for the purpose of witnessing the transfer of authority from the retiring president, the Hon. Francis D. Winston, to the incoming presiding officer, Mr. W. T. Newlands. There will be interesting exercises. Lieutenant-Governor Winston will deliver one of those speeches for which he is noted. Several gentlemen of oratorical fame will be on hand to lend interest to the occasion.

PROHIBITION IN MEXICO.

Ordinance to be Passed That Will Close Up About Half the Saloons.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Mexico City, Jan. 11—Governor Landu, of the federal district in which this city is situated, has prepared an ordinance which will be passed at an early meeting of the municipal council, limiting the number of saloons to one in every 600 feet.

This is equivalent to about two average city blocks. The passage of the ordinance will mean the closing of nearly one-half the saloons and pulque shops that are now in the city.

The Royal Arcanum Pays Promp-

Herman Heller Treasurer Raleigh Council No. 551, today paid to Mrs. Katie B. Harden and Mrs. Bonnie B. Horne, daughters of the late Mr. Chas. H. Belvin, \$2,000, the amount of his benefit certificate in the Royal Arcanum.

BIG NEW TRUST ENTERS LISTS

Independent Fertilizer Companies Combine and Form \$50,000,000 Organization

FINANCED BY MORGAN

LONNIE ALLEN PLEADS GUILTY

Gets Thirty Years in State Prison for Murder in Second Degree

SURRENDERED HIMSELF

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Baltimore, Jan. 11—A merger of independent fertilizer interests, under the name of the Independent Fertilizer Company, has been finally accomplished, according to semi-official statements just made, though not along the lines originally planned, owing to the refusal of a majority of the Baltimore companies to join on the terms offered.

The company is capitalized at \$50,000,000, equally divided between common and preferred stock. For the present the corporation will issue only \$30,000,000 of stock—\$15,000,000 common and \$15,000,000 preferred.

The Independent Fertilizer Company will have an annual output at the start of 1,000,000 tons of fertilizer against 2,000,000 expected when the deal was first considered.

J. P. Morgan & Company, of New York, have agreed to finance the combine. Of the stock to be issued, it is understood, that about \$10,000,000 of the common will be given in payments for plants to be taken over and an equal amount of the preferred will be bought by the present owners of the plants, payment for this stock to be in cash. The subscription prices will be paid.

About \$5,000,000 of the preferred will be underwritten by the Morgan syndicate. The money realized from this sale will be used to pay for sulphuric acid and phosphate beds in Tennessee, of the Tennessee Copper Company, which have been acquired by the new trust. The plants which will be in-

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Lonnie Allen, alias Buck Allen, the negro who killed John Pierce at Leesville last September, today through his counsel, Mr. Charles U. Harris, tendered his plea of murder in the second degree. On the recommendation of the solicitor and by consent of the counsel for the defense, Allen was given the limit, 30 years in the state prison. Allen is now 24 years of age.

The defendant is the negro who returned to the state a few weeks ago and surrendered to Coroner Separk. He had made his escape immediately after the homicide and had left the state. The negro said when he surrendered that he was tired of hiding and wanted to come back and take his punishment.

The following minor cases were disposed of in the superior court today:

John W. Olmstead plead guilty to the charge of abandonment. Prayer for judgment continued to March term.

Turner Powell, charged with an assault with deadly weapon; verdict not guilty.

Lucy Jones, for retelling; not guilty.

On the charge of carrying a concealed weapon, William Pretty was fined \$10 and costs.

Allen Jones plead guilty to an assault. Judgment suspended.