

TILLMAN AFTER CANAL COMMISSION

Criticized Methods of Business And Employment of a Press Agent.

VERY SEVERE ON PRESIDENT.

Accused Him of Being Tricky—Paid His Compliments to Taft and Called Him a King.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The Panama canal was again under consideration by the senate today, and Mr. Tillman occupied the executive time given to that subject, except that he gave way to questions from or interruptions by other senators. He did not indicate any intention of opposition to the passage of the appropriation bill, but he criticized the methods of the canal commission in many of its transactions.

He raised the question as to whether President Shonts is still in the employ of the Clover Leaf railroad, and said that the railway register still carried his name as the head of that road. He also sharply criticized the employment of Secy. Bishop as a press representative, and Mr. Hale, in this connection, saying that Mr. Bishop's employment in that capacity is a reflection not only on Congress, but on the president.

A part of Mr. Tillman's remarks were devoted to a criticism of the president's policy in Santo Domingo, and Mr. Spooner defended the president's course. When the senate adjourned the bill was still pending, but there was an agreement for a vote tomorrow.

The Panama canal bill was laid before the senate and Mr. Bacon presented an amendment requiring quarterly reports, giving lists of officers and employees of the canal commission above the grade of laborer and the salaries paid them. Mr. Tillman took the floor. Mr. Spooner declared that the president has not done anything to carry out the treaty into effect and insisted upon Mr. Tillman specifying. In reply Mr. Tillman reiterated that our fleet was kept in Dominican waters, and that Mr. Spooner was a "supple acrobat in the use of words." "Is not our present attitude the same as it would be if the treaty had been ratified?" asked Mr. Tillman, and Mr. Spooner replied:

"Not at all," adding that if the treaty had been ratified the United States would have its own revenue agents in Santo Domingo, whereas the present agents were there as the result of an appointment by President Morales.

"Who suggested their appointment?" Mr. Tillman asked, and Mr. Spooner replied that the president of the United States had done so. Mr. Tillman contended that this admitted, just as all that he said, "It is beating about the bush; the accomplishment of what is wanted by trickery. It is play on words to justify the usurpation," he said.

Mr. Spooner insisted that there had been no trickery and defended the action of the president. Trickery was not a thing to impute, he said, and Mr. Tillman interrupted to say that "When a man accomplished by unlawful methods what he cannot otherwise accomplish, I call it trickery."

Mr. Spooner responded that the term was "nasty and undignified and should not be used in speaking of the head of a co-ordinate branch of the government."

Mr. Tillman—Let the senator suggest a better term.

Mr. Spooner—The senator's whole idea is so wrong that it cannot be made right.

Mr. Tillman then asked what excuse the president had for not entirely withdrawing from Santo Domingo and leaving the situation alone, and Mr. Spooner replied that the senate should not have adjourned without acting on the treaty as to ratifying or rejecting it, as the failure had had the effect of leaving the president in a position of embarrassment.

It was the duty of Santo Domingo to maintain the status quo to the end of her revenues. This was not easy for that republic to do in view of the pressure from European nations emphasizing in one case by the presence of a warship. In the face of this condition President Morales had, he said, appealed to President Roosevelt and asked him in his own helplessness, requesting especially that he suggest some honest American for the collection of revenues. These agents, while Americans, had been appointed by the Santo Domingo government.

"They were appointed by President Morales and can be dismissed by him," he said, "and the president of the United States has done no more than it was his duty to do."

Mr. Money spoke disparagingly of the

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president's disposition to participate in the affairs of Santo Domingo without the consent of Congress. He expressed apprehension that the end of such a tendency might be disastrous in view of the president's threat to use the "big stick."

"Speak softly, carry a big stick, and you will go far," says the president," said Mr. Money, "and I interpret this expression to mean that the president means to speak softly in dealing with the big nations and to use a big stick in dealing with the weak, when he sets aside the law of the land and substitutes for it his own judgment."

Mr. Tillman reiterated his declaration that the presence of United States authorities in Santo Domingo was the result of a trick.

Speaking of Mr. Shonts, Mr. Tillman said he had understood that Mr. Shonts was to resign as president of the Clover Leaf road. Did any one know whether he had resigned? He appealed to Mr. Allison, but that senator said he did not know. Mr. Tillman said that he had found Mr. Shonts' name in the Railway Register as still president of the road.

Mr. Hale spoke in very complimentary terms of Mr. Shonts, expressing the opinion that his selection was a wise one. He was certain that, whether or not he had resigned from the railroad, he had given his entire time to the canal enterprise.

Mr. Tillman said that he was not "gunning" for Mr. Shonts nor for any particular man. He had, as he understood, been on the isthmus but twice, and then only for a week at a time, since his appointment.

Mr. Tillman then took up the question of Secy. Bishop's connection with the commission. He said that Mr. Bishop had never gone to the isthmus and that any \$2,000 or \$3,000 clerk could perform his services; that would be ample pay even for a first-class newspaper man for such services. He characterized Mr. Bishop's work as "the process of hypnotizing public opinion," and expressed the opinion that "people entirely innocent would need no defense and would not be so worried as to employ a \$10,000 man to defend them."

The press representatives in Washington may be dirty and disposed to lie, he said, and it might be a fact that there had been an organized crusade against the canal; but, even if true, he did not believe that the method of defense adopted could be justified, and he expressed confidence that if other methods were adopted all the gnats and mosquitoes that beclouded the situation would disappear.

Mr. Hale took occasion to voice his own disapproval of the commission's employment of a press agent, and to say that he was confident that the entire committee on appropriations felt as he did on this subject. He believed that if Mr. Shonts or Secretary Taft had been responsible for Mr. Bishop's employment he had made a mistake.

"Journalism," he went on, "is a great estate. At times the press is cruelly unjust, but as a rule its purpose is high and its conduct noble. If the government or any part of it established a press agency, the result would be a prejudiced and a selected press, and in case of a corrupt administration, a hireling press."

Mr. Tillman agreed with Mr. Hale that the commission must rely on the purity of its administration. He said the good will of the public rather than upon paying \$10,000 for the luxury.

Mr. Culberson proposed an amendment to the bill providing that no part of the money appropriated shall be used to pay the expenses of a literary bureau, or for the salary of any person employed to create popular sentiment in favor of the canal.

Proceeding to discuss the adverse criticism of the Panama railroad management, Mr. Tillman provoked protests from Mr. Allison and Mr. Allison, the former calling attention to preparations to double track the railroad to relieve the blockade and the latter saying that more than half of the money to be appropriated in the pending bill is to be used for improvements to the railroad and wharves.

Mr. Tillman asserted that the issuance of bonds by the Panama railroad is illegal, declaring it amounted to an issue of bonds by the Panama canal commission. He declared that the whole thing was a "hoax-pot," and that the railroad and Panama canal commission are one and the same so far as the actual conditions are concerned.

Mr. Allison said the railroad claims the right to issue bonds by virtue of the fact that it is a separate corporation organized under the charter laws of New York.

"It would be easy enough for us to legislate so that this anomaly would end," said Mr. Hale, "but certainly we cannot blame the railroad directors for exercising the authority that is given them by their charter."

"But they are executive agents, mere instruments in the hands of the president and the commission. Who elected them?" shouted Mr. Tillman.

"The stockholders," said Mr. Allison. "But the United States is the only stockholder. The whole thing amounts to nothing more nor less than increasing the public debt of the United States in a way you all know."

Here Mr. Allison interrupted: "That may be, though technically—" "Technically," repeated Mr. Tillman. Oh, yes, technically I suppose they were all right. "Then," he said, "use a former phrase of mine, that kaiserlike methods have been imported from the Philippines. Of course Taft has been used to having his own way."

Mr. Tillman argued finally that Congress should say whether this debt should be created. He thought the money was needed, but said he did not like the way it was being obtained. He protested against what he called a Dominican or Morales way of doing business, declaring the whole procedure to have been an usurpation of power.

Mr. Tillman had read a newspaper publication alleging importation into the canal zone of women from Martinique for immoral purposes; that a government ship had been used, and that canal officials in the zone had sanctioned the transaction. Mr. Lodge interrupted to say that he had considered the charge that a government vessel had been used in a "matter so monstrous," that he had talked over the telephone with the secretary of war and that

official had authorized him to say that "the charge was a lie."

Mr. Tillman replied that he would be willing to accept the secretary's statement concerning a matter in regard to which he has personal information, but that as he has not such information in this case, he thought there should be an investigation.

The senate then agreed to a request preferred by Mr. Allison that the bill should be voted upon before adjournment tomorrow.

At 4:40 p. m. the senate went into executive session, adjourning at 5:05 p. m.

PIONEER SETTLER DEAD.

At Peterson, Morgan county, Jesse Haven, an old Utah pioneer, and one of the first missionaries sent by the Church to the Cape of Good Hope, died from old age on the 13th of December. Mr. Haven was well known to early settlers of Utah, among whom he had a great many friends, who will be pained to learn of his demise. The body will be brought to Salt Lake for burial.

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MAY WITHDRAW KIMBROUGH.

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