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## BURN UP CITY

Meant to Blow Up Water Works Leaving  
Los Angeles at Mercy of Fire.

## PROPOSE AWFUL CRIME

McManigal, as a Part of the Plan,  
Was Sent Back to Dynamite the  
Auxiliary Plant of the Times, But  
He Balked at the Murder it Would  
Involve.

"If another dose of dynamite  
doesn't unloose Los Angeles we'll  
blow up the waterworks and explode  
enough mines to burn the city! We  
can give them till their proposed  
Panama Exposition in 1915, and if  
they haven't mended their ways by  
then we'll make that place an exam-  
ple the world will always remem-  
ber."

This, according to a heretofore un-  
published portion of Orlie McManigal's  
confession, was the substance of  
a threat made by the McNamara  
after they had blown up the Los  
Angeles Times and murdered twenty-  
one of its employees. The plan was  
discussed, McManigal said, in con-  
nection with his trip to Los Angeles last  
Christmas, when he dynamited the  
Llewellyn Iron Works—the crime to  
which John J. McNamara pleaded  
guilty of being the instigator.

McManigal, who was James B.  
McNamara's chief assistant in more  
than a score of dynamite outrages,  
was sent here to "give the Times a  
second dose." Undeterred by the ap-  
palling loss of life the Times disaster,  
the McNamaras determined to break  
the defiant spirit of General Harrison  
Gray Otis, owner of the paper, by  
placing a bomb against the auxiliary  
plant in which the paper was publish-  
ed after its main building was de-  
stroyed. McManigal confessed that  
he came fully intending to blow up  
the auxiliary plant.

"But when I got here," explained  
McManigal when retelling his story  
Tuesday. "I found the place so  
closely guarded that I couldn't do  
anything without taking some lives.  
So far as I am aware, my stuff never  
killed anybody; I was always careful  
to set my clocks to go off when there  
would be nobody on the job. And  
I wasn't going to be a murderer even  
to 'get the Times,' so I took the suit-  
case bomb which I had brought on  
a passenger train from Chicago and  
left it at the Llewellyn Iron Works."

## SEVERAL PEOPLE BURNED.

As a Result of Trying to Start Fire  
With Kerosene Oil.

At New Albany, Ind., Mrs. Ed-  
ward Case is dead, her daughter,  
Mrs. Nora Lynch, and her son, Ray-  
mond Case, aged 10, are said to be  
dying, and a second son, John Case,  
aged 17, is severely burned as a re-  
sult of the mother attempting to  
start a fire with coal oil at her home.  
The oil can exploded in the mother's  
hand and in an instant she was  
wrapped in flames. The children  
rushed to her aid. Mrs. Lynch and  
the younger son inhaled the flames.  
Will Tracey, a railroad watchman,  
stationed near the house, attracted  
by the screams, smothered the flames  
and extinguished the fire which  
threatened to destroy the house.

## FELL DEAD IN CHURCH.

Stricken While Conducting Thanks-  
giving Services.

A dispatch to The State says Jas.  
O. Winburn, of Patrick, died sudden-  
ly Thanksgiving Day. Nearly all  
Patrick gathered at the Baptist  
church to attend services, and as Mr.  
Sullivan, the pastor, had failed to  
come, Mr. Winburn was conducting a  
short service. He had just read a  
psalm and made a very appropriate  
address, when, without the slightest  
warning, he fell forward and  
breathed his last in a very few min-  
utes. Mr. Winburn has for years  
been a faithful and consistent worker  
in the Baptist church and will be sad-  
ly missed by all who knew him.

## A DISTRESSING ACCIDENT.

Burned to Death by Dropping an Oil  
Lamp Before Fire.

At Darlington Mrs. Lella Withers-  
poon, of Sumter, who was on a visit  
to the family of her father, D. M.  
Smoot, for Thanksgiving, met a hor-  
rible death Friday morning about 7  
o'clock, following burns received  
Thursday night about 10 o'clock.  
Mrs. Witherspoon had retired for the  
night, but had gotten up and was in  
the act of lighting a lamp and plac-  
ing it back on the mantel where it  
stood when it fell in front of the open  
fire, and her clothing was ignited.  
Before help could be obtained she  
was horribly burned. She was a wid-  
ow and leaves three children.

## Murderers Publicly Hanged.

At Palatka, Fla., Mill McCoy and  
Edgar Youmans, negroes, were hanged  
in the jail yard at noon Friday,  
having been convicted of the murder  
of a man and women of their own  
race some time ago. Fully 2,500  
people gathered to witness the ex-  
ecution, which was in the open jail  
yard.

## WORKED FOR MORGAN

HONDURAS OFFICIAL ACCUSES  
THE UNITED STATES OF

Forcing Morgan Loan on Southern  
Republic Under Threat of Causing  
Rebellion.

In a 200-page book published at  
trial American republic will mean  
rades, former minister of finance of  
Honduras, declares the state depart-  
ment at Washington encouraged the  
Bonilla revolution in Honduras last  
winter in an attempt to force the  
Honduran government to sign the  
Morgan loan agreement. Parades as-  
serts the Washington state depart-  
ment virtually submitted to Presi-  
dent Davila of Honduras this state-  
ment:

"The protectorate and the Morgan  
loan, or the revolution."  
President Davila, Parades declares  
in his book, was forced to agree to  
the loan proposition and ordered the  
armistice signed.

Correspondence that passed among  
the governments of Great Britain,  
Honduras and the United States is  
published in Parades' book and in  
this connection he asks:

"Is it the intention of President  
Taft to subjugate Honduras, and turn  
the country over to the dominance  
of Wall Street? Will dollar diploma-  
cy go this far?"

"The subjugation of the little Cen-  
tral American Republic on Monday, Juan E. Pa-  
rades, the abandonment of the Monroe doc-  
trine, the destruction of the Pan-  
American union, a reproach to the  
United States—which has so long  
championed the rights of independ-  
ence, freedom and democracy—and a  
source of bitter feeling and hatred  
between the races on this hemis-  
phere."

Parades was opposed to ratifica-  
tion by the United States senate of  
the Morgan loan treaty and his book  
is intended for presentation to sena-  
tors and congressmen at Washington.

## FOUND DEAD IN WATER.

Mystery Surrounds Death of Stran-  
ger at Beaufort.

Friday morning a man's body was  
found face down in the water near  
the western shore of North river,  
about three miles from Beaufort, N.  
C. The man had evidently taken off  
his outer clothes, as they were piled  
on the bank, and waded into the  
river clad in underwear, hose and  
shoes and fallen on his knees in the  
shallow water.

The clothes contained only a watch,  
pocket drinking cup and 20 cents in  
silver. The dead man arrived in  
Beaufort on the 11 o'clock train  
Thanksgiving Day. He went to the  
Innlet Inn, where he registered as C.  
Hauber, Washington, D. C., had din-  
ner and was shown to a room.

His body was found next morning  
at the above place by a Mr. Fulcher.  
No letter or papers were found to  
the clothes an nothing but toilet ar-  
ticles in his bag at the hotel. The  
man was evidently a German of good  
appearance and well dressed. He  
was about 50 years of age.

## TRYING TO GET RICH QUICK.

Some of the Foolish Things People  
Lose Money In.

Money must be easy when such a  
crude scheme as the United Wireless  
could sell \$2,000,000 of worthless  
stock to a confiding public, when the  
Radio Telephone could sell \$1,000,-  
000, and the Columbia-Sterling and  
Hampton's magazines \$2,000,000  
more. The postoffice department did  
no better work than when it got af-  
ter the dealers in gold-brick securi-  
ties. It is said that the Wireless  
crowd have \$700,000 hidden away to  
make them happy when they get out  
of the penitentiary. The Govern-  
ment might well get after this money  
and distribute it among the duped.

## RATS DESTROY HIS FORTUNE.

President's Aid Sought in Redem-  
ption of Bank Notes.

The life savings of Jack Simpson,  
of Aitken, Minn., amounting to \$2-  
565, securely hidden from burglars,  
were reduced to pulp by hungry rats  
and mice, and in a letter received by  
President Taft he appealed for the  
redemption of the pulverized frag-  
ments by the Federal treasury. His  
wealth accumulated to buy a farm.  
Simpson explains, was placed in a  
box and deposited between the up-  
stairs floor and ceiling. No human  
being disturbed it, but when he took  
it from its hiding place he found it  
had been reduced to dust by the rav-  
ages of rodents.

## Hong Kong is Chaotic.

A cable message from Hong Kong,  
China, says although the reign of  
piracy on the West river has been  
checked by the vigilance of the  
guards on board the river steamers,  
the situation on shore is utterly  
chaotic. The Hong Kong government  
has adopted the sternest measures to  
repress all outbreaks of rioting.

## Bleese Turns Him Loose.

Governor Bleese Monday paroled  
Lonnie Hall, convicted at Columbia  
during the September term of the  
Court, 1909, of manslaughter and  
sentenced by Judge Memminger to  
fifteen years in the penitentiary.

## FIELD OF LABOR

Where the Methodist Preachers Were  
Sent for the Coming Year.

## A NUMBER OF CHANGES

There Are Several Changes Among  
the Presiding Elders, Many of the  
Preachers Go to New Charges,  
While Others Are Returned to Old  
Ones.

The Methodist Conference of South  
Carolina, which met last week at  
Bennettsville, adjourned on Monday  
evening. Just before adjourning  
Bishop John C. Kilgo, after a mag-  
nificent address, read out the ap-  
pointment of preachers for next year  
as follows:

### Anderson District.

Anderson District—C. B. Smith,  
presiding elder; Anderson, St. John's.  
S. A. Donahoe; Orrville and Tokaway,  
A. Sasser; Bethel, J. W. Neely; Au-  
treyville, P. K. Rhoad; Calhoun Falls,  
J. E. Taylor; Clemson and Seneca,  
P. A. Murray; Honea Path, G. W.  
Davis; Lowndesville, J. C. Chandler;  
McCormick, N. G. Bailegger; Palzer,  
W. S. Myers; Pendleton, A. V. Har-  
bin; Starr, J. L. Singleton; Townville,  
J. E. Cook; Walhalla, G. C. Leonard;  
Walhalla circuit, W. B. Patrick;  
Westminster, M. G. Latnam; Wil-  
liamston and Belfort, J. L. Stokes, and  
G. T. Harmon, supernumerary; Wil-  
liamston circuit, M. M. Brooks.

### Charleston District.

Charleston District—J. W. Daniels,  
presiding elder; Allendale, J. W. Wal-  
ling; Appleton, E. Z. James; Beau-  
fort and Port Royal, J. H. Noland;  
Bethel circuit, R. C. Boulware; Black  
Swamp, W. W. Williams; City of  
Charleston, Bethel, W. B. Duncan;  
Trinity, R. S. Truesdale; Spring  
Street, G. T. Harmon, Jr.; Cumber-  
land, J. T. Peeler; Mount Pleasant  
and Young's Island, W. V. Dibble;  
Cottagesville, J. P. Inabnet; Cypress,  
J. R. Copeland; Ehrhardt, H. W.  
Whitaker; Estill, F. E. Hodges;  
Hampton, O. M. Abney; Henderson-  
ville, W. C. Kelly; Lodge, W. P.  
Meadows, Jr.; Ridgeland, W. S. Hen-  
ry; Ridgely, J. W. Elkins; South  
Hampton, J. E. Carter; Summerville,  
E. A. Wayne; Walterboro, H. J.  
Cauthen.

### Cokesbury District.

Cokesbury District—W. P. Mead-  
ows, presiding elder; Abbeville, J. M.  
T. Duncan; Abbeville circuit, J. M.  
Lawson; Butler, F. G. Whitlock;  
Cokesbury, G. F. Clarkson; Green-  
wood, Main Street, J. W. Kilgo;  
Greenwood Mills, J. B. Connelly;  
Greenwood circuit, M. T. Wharton;  
Kinards, W. R. Bouknight; New  
berry, Central, J. B. Caliste; Oak-  
land and Jaks, to be supplied;  
O'Neale Street and Mollohan, A. M.  
Gardner; Newberry circuit, J. M.  
Friday; Ninety Six, F. E. Dibble;  
Parkville, B. H. Covington; Phoe-  
nix, Foster Speer; Prosperity, S. C.  
Morris; Princeton, R. M. Duboise;  
Saluda, E. P. Taylor; Waterloo, J.  
T. Miller; Whitmire, O. A. Jeffcoat;  
and R. E. Mood; Lander College, J.  
O. Wilson, president; R. A. Childs,  
financial agent.

### Columbia District.

Columbia District—W. M. Duncan,  
presiding elder; Aiken, J. E. Tray-  
wick; Aiken circuit, D. E. Jeffcoat;  
Dandaburg, S. O. Cantey; Beth and  
Langley, A. R. Phillips; Columbia,  
Washington street, E. O. Watson;  
Main street, T. G. Herbert; Green  
street, A. E. Holler; Granby, E. A.  
Wilkes; Brookland, W. C. Winn;  
Edgewood, W. M. McLendon; Shan-  
don, Hamlin Etheridge; Waverly and  
Bethel, J. A. Campbell; Edgefield,  
J. R. Walker; Fairfield, C. M. Peeler  
and E. W. Mason, supernumerary;  
Gilbert, C. S. Felder; Graniteville  
and Vaucluse, J. H. Thacker; John-  
ston, E. H. Beckham; Leesville, A.  
E. Driggers; Leesville circuit, G. K.  
Way; Lexington, J. E. Rushton; Lex-  
ington Fork, C. W. Burgess; North  
Augusta, C. E. Peele; Ridgeway, J.  
P. Winghamam; Springfield, S. H.  
Booth; Swansea, J. U. Inabnet;  
Wagner, W. D. Quirk; Columbia  
College, W. W. Daniels, president;  
Epworth Orphanage, W. B. Wharton,  
superintendent; student to Vander-  
bilt University, J. W. Lewis.

### Florence District.

Florence District—W. A. Massa-  
beau, presiding elder; Bennettsville,  
Peter Stokes; Bennettsville circuit,  
M. W. Hook; Brightsville, M. F.  
Dukes; Bethlehem, J. G. Farr; Cher-  
law, M. Auld; Chesterfield, L. L.  
Ebenhaugh; Darlington, Trinity,  
R. B. Turnipseed; Epworth, F. S.  
Hook; Darlington circuit, E. R. Ma-  
son; East Chesterfield, T. B. Owens;  
Florence, R. E. Turnipseed; Harts-  
ville, R. C. Murphy; Jefferson, J. A.  
Graham; Lamar, B. M. Robertson;  
Liberty, J. H. Moore; Marlboro, J.  
B. Weldon; McBee, J. L. Tyler; Mc-  
Coll, J. T. Fowler; Middendorf, W.  
C. Bowden; Pageland, J. A. McGraw;  
Timmonsville and Pishah, W. E. Wig-  
gins; Timmonsville circuit, W. B.  
Baker; assistant Sunday-school edi-  
tor, L. L. Beatty.

### Greenville District.

Greenville District—P. F. Kilgo,  
presiding elder; Clinton, J. E. Ma-  
haffy; Easley, P. B. Ingraham; Foun-  
tain Inn, S. T. Blackman; Gray  
Court, J. P. Attaway; Greenville:  
Buncombe street, M. L. Carlisle; St.  
Paul's, E. S. Jones; Hampton ave-  
nue, J. M. Rogers; West Greenville,  
L. L. Inabnet; South Greenville, J.  
T. McFarlane; Bethel and Poe, D. W.

Keller; Greenville circuit, J. G. Hug-  
gins; Greer's, E. T. Hodges; Lau-  
rens, First Church, L. P. McGhee;  
Laurens circuit, J. C. Davis; Liberty,  
D. R. Ruff; North Pickens, E. L.  
Thomason; Pickens, G. F. Kirby;  
Piedmont, W. L. Wait; South Greer's,  
W. M. Owens; Travellers Rest, Joe  
D. Bell; West Easley, A. A. Merritt;  
Kingstree District.

Kingstree District—R. L. Holroyd,  
presiding elder; Andrews, W. O. Hen-  
derson; Cades, J. L. Mullinax;  
Cordesville, J. B. Prosser; George-  
town, Duncan, Henry Stokes; West  
End, L. E. Peeler; Greeleyville, W.  
H. Murray; Honey Hill, J. C. Taylor;  
Johnsonville and Prospect, E. P. Hut-  
son; Jordan, W. T. Patrick; Kings-  
tree, W. A. Fairie; Lake City, C. C.  
Derrick and W. S. Stokes, super-  
numary; McClellenville, W. P.  
Way; New Zion, J. R. Sothner;  
Pee-Dee, J. O. Carraway; Pinopolis,  
W. C. Gleaton; Rome, T. J. Clyde;  
Salters, W. T. Bedenbaugh; Sampt,  
W. H. Perry; Scranton, J. W. Bailey;  
South Florence, J. M. Gasque; Sum-  
merton and St. Paul, J. R. T. Major.  
Marion District.

Marion District—R. H. Jones, pre-  
siding elder; Blenheim, S. J. Bethea;  
Britton's Neck, W. A. Youngblood;  
Brownsville, J. I. Spinks; Buckville,  
W. R. Barnes; Centenary, R. R.  
Doyle; Conway, A. D. Betts; Conway  
circuit, E. F. Scoggins; Clio, C. C.  
Herbert; Dillon, A. N. Brunson; Gal-  
livants, D. H. Everett; Latta, A. T.  
Dunlap; Latta circuit, J. H. Graves;  
Little River, R. F. Bryant; Little  
Rock, M. Dargan; Loris, T. Creech,  
and H. L. Singleton, supernumerary;  
Marion, S. P. Harper; Marion cir-  
cuit, J. M. Meetez; Mullins, W. C.  
Kirkland; Mullins circuit, W. A.  
Beckham; North Mullins, W. C. Ow-  
ens; Waccamaw, W. M. Hardin.

Orangeburg District.  
Orangeburg District—M. L. Banks,  
presiding elder; Bamberg and Bam-  
berg Mills, W. H. Hodges; Barnwell,  
W. J. Snyder; Branchville, W. S.  
Martin; Cameron, J. P. Simpson;  
Denmark, T. E. Morris; Edisto, T.  
W. Godbold; Eutawville, S. D.  
Vaughan; Grover, S. W. Danner;  
Harleyville, A. S. Lesley; Norway,  
W. S. Goodwin; Olar, to be supplied;  
Orangeburg, St. Paul's, H. W. Bays;  
Orangeburg circuit, S. W. Henry; Or-  
ange, T. L. Bilvin; Providence, J. J.  
Stevenson, and J. F. Way, supernum-  
ery; Rowesville, J. K. Holman, and  
G. W. Dukes, supernumerary;  
Smoaks, J. C. Counts; St. George, J.  
W. Arall; student of Vanderbilt Uni-  
versity, L. E. Wiggins.

Rock Hill District.  
Rock Hill District—T. C. Odell,  
presiding elder; Blackstock, J. P.  
Patton; Blackstock, H. B. Hardy;  
Chester, J. C. Roper; Chester circuit,  
J. H. Montgomery; Clover circuit, H.  
G. Hardin; East Chester, R. A.  
Yongue; East Lancaster, G. H.  
Rhoad; Fort Mill, T. J. White; Hick-  
ory Grove, W. B. Justus; Lancaster,  
M. M. Brabham; Lancaster circuit,  
C. P. Carter; North Rock Hill, J. A.  
White, Richburg, D. A. Phillips;  
Rock Hill, St. John's, E. K. Hardin;  
Rock Hill circuit, L. T. Phillips; Van  
Wyck, F. L. Glennan; Winnsboro, G.  
C. Hutchinson; Yorkville, J. F. An-  
derson.

Spartanburg District—A. J. Cauthen,  
presiding elder; Belmont, L. W.  
Johnson; Campobello, R. L. Keaton;  
Carlisle, O. N. Rountree; Cherokee,  
R. A. Brock; Clifton and Cowpens,  
J. N. Ivins; Enoree, Elzie Myers;  
Gaffney, Buford street, G. P. Wat-  
son; Limestone street, B. G. Vaugh-  
an; Gaffney circuit, J. A. Bleasoe;  
Inman, J. A. Cook; Jonesville, W. H.  
Arlair; Kelson, J. H. Manley; Pa-  
colet, A. H. Best and R. O. Lawton;  
Pacolet Mills, C. B. Dawsey; Reid-  
ville, E. L. McCoy; Spartanburg;  
Bethel, J. W. Speake; Central, R. E.  
Stachhouse; Duncan and Glendale,  
B. J. Guess; North Spartanburg, W.  
H. Polk; West Spartanburg, J. W.  
Shell; Union-Buffalo and Green  
street, B. D. Jones; Grace, J. L. Dan-  
iels; South Union, J. H. Danner;  
Woodruff, J. H. Brown; Conference  
secretary of missions, M. B. Kelley.

Southern Christian Advocate, S. A.  
Nettles, editor; J. L. Ray, assistant  
publisher; superintendent Anti-Sal-  
oon League, J. L. Harley; mission-  
ary in Cuba, H. L. Powell; Industrial  
Institute, D. E. Camak.

Sumter District—W. I. Herbert,  
presiding elder; Bethany, T. F. Gib-  
son; Bishopville, G. E. Edwards;  
Camden, H. B. Brown; Elmore, J. E.  
Strickland; Fort Motte, J. V. Davis;  
Heath Springs H. C. Mouzon; Ker-  
shaw, S. D. Bailey; Lynchburg, J. S.  
Beasley; Manning, F. H. Shuler;  
Oswego, T. W. Munnerly; Pinewood,  
J. B. Wilson; Providence, J. N.  
Wright; Richland, George Lee; St.  
John's and Rembert's, R. E. Sharpe;  
St. Matthew's, J. M. Steadman; Sum-  
ter; First Church, D. M. McLeod;  
Broad street, R. W. Humphreys;  
Waterree, Oscar Spires; transferred,  
C. A. Norton, to North Georgia Con-  
ference.

Sumter District.

HORSES BURNED TO DEATH.

Four Hundred Head Perish in Fire  
at Jersey City.

The principal plant of the United  
States Express Company for the ser-  
vice of New York City and the vi-  
cinity was swept by fire early Mon-  
day at Jersey City and practically  
the whole delivery equipment, con-  
sisting of 400 horses and several hun-  
dred wagons was destroyed. The loss  
is estimated at \$1,000,000. Fred  
Okay, the night watchman, who gave  
the alarm, is believed to have lost  
his life trying to rescue some of  
the horses. The company lost all of  
its books and records kept since the  
business was established.

## WILL DO GOOD

Congressman Lever Will Try to Amend  
the Law on Reports of the

## GROWING COTTON CROP

His Object is to Make the Census  
Reports on the Growing and Mc-  
tured Cotton Crops of Real Bene-  
fit to the Cotton Growers of the  
South.

A dispatch from Washington to the  
Columbia Record says Representative  
Lever will introduce a bill, for the  
preparation of which he came to  
Washington in advance of the ses-  
sion, and whose purpose is to make  
more accurate the reports of the bu-  
reau of statistics of the department  
of agriculture, relating to cotton. The  
bill simplifies the present method of  
gathering the reports, and abolishes  
certain features of the system with a  
view to greater accuracy.

"It is not intended by this bill,"  
says Mr. Lever, "to create the im-  
pression that the integrity of these  
reports of the department, relative to  
cotton, is called into question. On  
the contrary, I am satisfied that the  
reports are fairly gotten up with no  
idea of giving special advantage to  
either the producer or manufacturer  
of cotton, but are predicted upon  
the idea that there shall be some dis-  
interested source from which shall  
issue reliable data upon which the  
cotton trade may act. Since the un-  
fortunate Hyde affair, no one has  
questioned the personal integrity of  
those whose duty it is to issue these  
reports."

"During the past 11 years the de-  
partment of agriculture has made 11  
crop estimates, five of which were  
slightly over-estimated, and six of  
them slightly under-estimated. In  
years of over-estimates, the average  
error was 2.1 per cent; in those of  
under-estimate the average error was  
3.1 per cent; for the entire 11 years  
the average error was 2.7 per cent  
and the balance of the over-estimate  
and the under-estimate shows for the  
entire 11 years a net under-estimate  
of .9 of 1 per cent. The producer in  
the 11 year period has had the bene-  
fit of .9 of 1 per cent. When it is  
remembered that the reports of the  
department of agriculture are es-  
timates and not enumerations the fig-  
ures here indicate as near an approx-  
imation of accuracy as the present  
system is capable. It is impossible to  
forecast with absolute accuracy the  
yield of any given crop; the best ex-  
pected is to continue to perfect the  
system with a view of reaching the  
nearest approach to accuracy."

"I am unwilling to abandon a sys-  
tem of some kind of crop reporting,  
after it was inaugurated and built up  
at the instance of the producers to  
protect them against the biased and  
unreliable reports of the cotton gam-  
bler. Such an abandonment at this  
time, or in the future, will place the  
producer again, as formerly, entirely  
at the mercy of the speculative ele-  
ment whose business it is to make  
his reports in accordance with the  
side of the market upon which he is  
gambling."

"I am interested, however, in im-  
proving the system and in making  
these reports represent as nearly as  
possible the exact conditions, both  
with reference to the growing cotton  
and final yield. This bill purposes to  
rid the system of some of its crudities  
and inconsistencies and to place it  
upon a more reasonable and sensible  
basis. Under the present system the  
acreage report is issued the first of  
June of each year, as the 25th of  
May. That the number of acres in  
cultivation on the 25th of May of a  
given crop year represents accurately  
the number of acres that will be con-  
tinued in cultivation is preposterous  
on its face; and yea, the report as to  
the acreage at this time has a senti-  
mental effect during the entire crop  
year and does, in a greater or less  
degree affect prices. Those familiar  
with the cotton business know that  
during the month of June for reasons  
innumerable hundreds of thousands  
of acres of cotton are abandoned.  
The present report does not account  
for this abandonment of acreage until  
the first of December, when the final  
estimate is made and when the re-  
port is too late to be of value to the  
producer. My bill makes the acreage  
report on the first of July when the  
acreage then in cotton will more  
nearly represent the acreage that will  
continue to be cultivated. This, I  
regard, as a substantial improvement."

"Again, the present system makes  
the report as to the condition of cot-  
ton on June 1st as of May 25th. This  
report I have always regarded as an  
absurdity, for I am too well acquaint-  
ed with the actual growing of cotton  
not to know that no matter what the  
conditions of the crop may be on May  
25th, it can be on the 25th of Sep-  
tember when the crop has ripened. I  
could never see any reason for this  
report, and yet it does have a senti-  
mental effect which is hard to over-  
come, because in the cotton trade, it  
is the first impression that is the most  
lasting. The same reasoning  
holds with reference to the July re-  
port of the present system and to  
remedy these defects, my bill pro-  
poses to abolish the condition re-  
ports of June and July and make  
the first condition report on August  
1st, when I think all will agree  
the condition of the crop at that time

## REBELS LYNCHED

GOMEZ AND EIGHT OTHER MEN  
PUT TO DEATH.

Citizens Take the Unfortunate Men  
Out of Jail, March Them Out and  
Shoot Them.

A dispatch from Mexico City says  
"Che" Gomez, whose rebellion at  
Juchitan resulted in a clash between  
President Madero and the governor  
of Oaxaca, was lynched Tuesday af-  
ternoon at Rincon Antonio. Eight of  
Gomez's partisans met a like fate.

Gomez, who was on his way to the  
capital accompanied by ten of his  
followers, was taken from the train  
at Rincon Antonio, Oaxaca, Monday  
afternoon and placed in jail by order  
of Gov. Juarez, in spite of the fact  
that he had been promised safe con-  
duct by the president and bore a  
passport signed by the executive. He  
and eight of his followers were taken  
from the jail by a mob of residents  
of the little town, augmented by  
hundreds from the neighboring re-  
gions, marched two miles from town  
and shot to death.

Noting the ugly temper of the peo-  
ple and anticipating trouble, the lo-  
cal authorities reported the situation  
to Gov. Benito Juarez, who was in  
San Geronimo, about 40 miles from  
Rincon Antonio. He secured the  
consent of Gen. Merodio to send  
troops to the village. Before the  
troops arrived, however, the guard of  
nine rurales constituting the entire  
military force of the town, which had  
battled with the mob of 1,000 or  
more, had been overpowered by the  
rabble, and the prisoners were car-  
ried off into the hills.

The mob had stopped with its pris-  
oners at a little station. As the  
train appeared it was recognized as  
a troop train, and without waiting  
longer the prisoners were riddled  
with bullets and the assassins fled  
into the hills. Only the bodies of  
their victims were encountered by the  
soldiers when they alighted from the  
cars.

Reports from San Geronimo to-  
night were that mobs of Oaxacans  
paraded the streets shouting "Viva  
Juarez," "Viva Oaxaca libre," "Inde-  
pendence" and "Death to Madero."

Among the lynchings were many of  
the former followers of Gomez who  
declared he had betrayed them. Nu-  
merous commissioners are reported  
to have called upon the governor and  
assured him of their loyalty and sup-  
port.

## THE SENATOR AT HIS POST.

He Was in His Seat When the Senate  
Opened Monday.

When seen at his hotel in Wash-  
ington Monday evening Senator B. R.  
Tillman appeared to have stood the  
trip to Washington very well and  
showed by his conversation that he  
had already begun to put himself in  
touch with government matters. He  
attended the session of the Senate,  
where he was warmly welcomed by  
his colleagues. The Senator says he  
will "go slow" for a while, under  
the advice of his doctors and friends,  
but that he will keep a watch on  
proceedings as well as he can with  
his limited ocular equipment. After  
a stay of about a week the Senator  
will return to his home in this State  
until after the holidays, as in his  
opinion there will be no serious work  
before the new year, when he will  
go back to Washington.

does give a fairly accurate forecast of  
what we may expect finally of it. The  
September and October reports of  
the present system are continued, be-  
cause I regard them as of great value  
in advising the public as to the ul-  
timate outcome of the crop. The far-  
mer should have this that he may the  
better sell his crop and if the govern-  
ment does not furnish it to him, in a  
thoroughly unbiased and unprejudi-  
cated way, the speculator will, in such  
manner as best serves his own pur-  
pose.

The final estimate of December is  
continued and this estimate has proven  
in the past to those who are well  
informed of great benefit to the  
trade. I am confident the changes  
suggested by my bill will make these  
reports more reliable and more sat-  
isfactory and I have hope of favorable  
action upon it.

"I am now preparing another bill  
through which it is intended that as  
we have given reports as to the pro-  
duction, it is a matter of justice to