MOVED FOR CAUSE

CHIEF OF WHEATHER BUREAU MOORE IS OUSTED

REASON NOT YET KNOWN

But the Facts to Date, It is Said, Justifies the President in Summarily Dismissing Him For His Action in Seeking the Office of Secretary of Agriculture.

Prof. Willis L. Moore, chief of the weather bureau since 1895, and an appointee of the Cleveland administration, Wednesday was summarily removed from office by President Wilson. His resignation recently had been accepted to take effect July 31, but after an investigation of his alleged efforts to become Secretary of Agriculture in the present Cabinet grave charges of irregularity were preferred and the President Wednesday withdrew his acceptance of the resignation, dismissing Prof. Moore. Later he referred the subject to the department of justice for inquiry.

Secretary Houston, of the agricul-ral department, conferred with the sident before the removal of Mr. re was announced. The Secre- then issued the following state- : "Immediately after the res- ion of Prof. Moore, of the er bureau, was submitted to the ent and accepted by him, s were filed with the Secretary griculture by responsible men the service. These charges of such a grave nature that the tary of Agriculture called upon the department of justice for an investigation.

"The investigation is still under way, but the fact so far secured and laid before the President Thursday were sufficient to warrant him in declining to withdraw his acceptance of Prof. Moore's resignation and remove him summarily, which has been done today. The President has also directed the Secretary of Agriculture to suspend Mr. Charles T. Burns, an employee of the weather bureau, pending a further investigation of his case, take such disciplinary measures as he may deem necessary with such other employees the weather bureau as may be and to have been unduly active in using the public service for private and personal ends."

The President's letter to Secretary Houston directing Mr. Moore's removal was not made public. Unofficially it was said at the White House that the campaign to make Mr. Moore Secretary of Agriculture had been extensive; that members of Congress in various parts of the country had been canvassed, and that a letter-writing campaign had been conducted among weather bureau employees.

Prof. Moore has been a target for attack in Congress. Representative Fowler, of Illinois, introduced a resolution a few days ago, calling on the Secretary of Agriculture to advise Congress regarding the appropriations for official traveling expenses for the weather bureau, what amount of the lump of salaries in the weather bureau was expended for promotions of weather bureau employees during last January and February and the comparative figures for the preceding four years.

The resolution asked for information as to what journeys were performed by Charles T. Burns, under official orders and under what instructions between July 1, 1912, and February 28 last, and also called for data regarding circulars and other matter printed at Government expense and "used by the chief of the weather bureau in his campaign for Secretary of Agriculture during the last fiscal year".

The House committee on expenditures in the agricultural department had planned last year an exhaustive investigation into the weather bureau but was prevailed from making it on account of the Wiley inquiry, the Florida Everglades case and other special matters. Representative Moss, of Indiana, and Democratic members of the committee, take up special charges filed against Prof. Moore by James Berry, a former employee of the weather bureau, which related to misuse of the contingent fund. The committee, Mr. Moss said, never found enough in these charges to press them for further inquiry. It is proposed, however, to conduct a thorough investigation of the bureau as soon as the committee is organized, which probably will not be until the regular session next winter.

Double Hanging in Florida.

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NOTED CASE RECALLED

NEAL M. HAYES SEEKS DIVORCE FROM HIS WIFE.

Couple Formerly Acquitted at Whiteville, N. C., of the Murder of Robert Floyd Some Years Ago.

A dispatch from Wilmington, N. C., says Neal M. Hayes, formerly of Columbus County, but for some months a resident of Wilmington, has instituted in Superior Court there for divorce from his wife, Rosa D. Hayes. The complaint has not yet been filed, but the notice by publication sets out Biblical grounds for the divorce.

Two or three years ago Hayes and his wife gained considerable notoriety, following the killing by Mrs Hayes of Mr. Robert Floyd, of Horry County, South Carolina. She claimed that she slew Floyd in defence of her honor. She fired several shots into his body after he fell mortally wounded from the first bullet.

The people of Columbus were not satisfied with her explanation of the shooting with the result that the coroner conducted a rigid investigation. The woman was arrested on the charge of murder and her husband and her fifteen-year-old brother were arrested and charged with complicity in the killing.

The boy was discharged without his case going to the jury. Hayes and his wife were tried at the same time and a verdict of not guilty as to both were returned. The trial attracted nation-wide interest and a number of newspapers and news agencies had representatives at Whiteville to "cover" the trial.

The couple came to Wilmington soon after their acquittal and Hayes secured a position as barber, which trade he had followed for some years. They lived there several months and then moved away. It is reported that while Hayes was down with an attack of sickness Mrs. Hayes left him with the care of the two children.

The children are said to be in an orphanage in South Carolina. The present whereabouts of Mrs. Hayes is unknown. After leaving Columbia she is said to have returned to Wilmington for a short time, and then to have gone to Philadelphia, where she may be living now. Hayes is now living in Wilmington.

HOLDS ALIENS TO RANSOM

Mexican Terrorizing Chihuahua by His Lawless Course.

A dispatch from Chihuahua, Mexco, says Vacovio Herrera, with 400 followers, is terrorizing the country near there by demanding ransom from foreign residents. He declares he is opposed especially to Americans.

According to advices Herrera's band on Sunday entered the town of Naica and sacked stores and residences, taking prisoner Jose Boxio, an Italian subject, Boxio was released only after the payment of $2,400.

Later the bandits entered the camp of workingmen building the Conchos river dam, demanding $25,000 under threat of killing the English heads of the construction works. J. W. Fuller the manner, refused and was tied to a brace, which Herrera threatened to send down the mountain. He was offered $5,000, but the bandit insisted that the sum be doubled, which was done after much parleying.

Then the bandits looted the homes of the foreign and American workmen, robbing the company stores of $7,000 in merchandise.

STANDS BY PARTY PLEDGES.

Senator Tillman Bids Protected Interests to Beware.

Senator Tillman told The State's correspondent at Washington Monday that although he had received many requests from various sources to have the duty on different articles in the tariff bill restored to their former rates that he proposed to stand by the bill.

"This is Wilson's bill," he said, "futhermore it is a Democratic bill through and through and I mean to abide by it.

"I would like very much to be able to accommodate those who are trying to have former rates restored, but as I have just said, I mean to stand by the bill that the senate and the finance committee agree upon. That is the Democratic way and the right way as I see it, to look on the matter and that is the course I shall follow."

The White Slave Law.

At Augusta Walter Pounds and Clarence Rhodes, prosperous farmers, were found guilty of violating the federal white slave law. Pounds was sentenced to 2 years in the Atlanta prison and Rhodes to 3 months in the Augusta jail and $500 fine. The men were charged with taking three girls from Bath, S. C., to their plantations and detaining them forcibly.

Mistook Acid for Whiskey.

Mistaking a jug of carbolic acid for whiskey, J. W. Aldridge, foreman of a woods camp at Fargo, Ga., took a big drink of the poison Monday night and died a few minutes later in great agony. He is said to have been drinking.

WOOL ON FREE LIST

DEMOCRATS REFUSE TO PUT ANY TAX ON IT

THEY STAND BY WILSON

Congressman Underwood, the Democratic House Leader, in Defence of the Bill, Says the President Made Only Two Suggestions Out of Four Thousand Items.

The Democratic caucus voted decisively late Wednesday to support the wool schedule of the Underwood tariff bill, placing raw wool on the free list, after Representative Underwood had made a stirring appeal for the support of the caucus. By a vote of 190 to 42 an amendment offered by Representative Dies, of Texas, to place raw wool on the dutiable list, was rejected.

Representative Dies' amendment proposed to place a duty of 15 per cent ad valorem on raw wool, he and other champions of dutiable wool asserting that this was the judgment of the ways and means committee before President Wilson saw the bill and suggested a change.

Majority Leader Underwood, in winding up the discussion, warmly defended bot the committee and the President. He declared the President had a right to make suggestions to Congress relating to the tariff, but that the bill as a whole met with the Chief Executive's approval when he first read it as it came from the committee.

"Out of four thousand and more items in the bill," said Mr. Underwood, "the President only made two suggestions, those affecting the sugar and wool schedules. It seems to me that we should accept those suggestions from the President of the United States."

Representative Rainey of Illinois, and Harrison, of New York, also spoke on behalf of the committee, defending its action and the attitude of the President. The attack upon the committee and President began as soon as the insurgent Democrats began consideration of the bill. Representative Alexander, of Missouri, declared the committee overstepped all proper bounds in holding up President Wilson as a club over the heads of the members and that the President had exerted "undue influence" in having wool placed on the free list in the bill.

Representative Montague, of Virginia, a new member, defended the President in a spirited speech, declaring that it was his "constitutional and inherent right", to suggest what should go in a tariff bill, and that neither he nor the committee were subject to criticism for their co-operation in framing the bill.

Representative Dies insisted that the Government was made up of three distinctive branches with separate duties to perform.

"It is not only the right of Congress," he said, "to originate revenue measures, but its exclusive right, and any attempt from another branch of the Government to dictate or interfere with that right should not be permitted by this body."

The debate on this phase of the tariff fight was heated and prolonged. Among the principal supporters of the Dies amendment for a 15 per cent. duty were Representatives Ashbrook, Post and Bathrick of Ohio; Ferguson of New Mexico; Adair and Cline of Indiana, and Stout of Montana.

The forty-two Democrats who voted for the 15 per cent. duty were: Adair, Barnhart and Cline of Indiana, Alexander of Missouri, Ashbrook, Bathrick, Claypool, Francis, Post, Sharp, Whiteacre and White of Ohio; Broussard, Dupre, Elder, Estopinal, Lazaro and Morgan of Louisiana; Bell of Georgia; Brown of West Virginia; Burgess, Calloway, Dies, Hayden, Slayden and Stephents of Texas; Dersham of Pennsylvania; Doughton, Gudger, Page and Small, of North Carolina; Evans and Stout of Montana; Ferguson of New Mexico; Fowler of Illinois; Lobeck of Nebraska; Metz and Underhill of New York; Murray of Oklahoma; O'Shaughnessey, of Rhode Island; Burke of Wisconsin; Kettner of California.

Before reaching wool the caucus disposed of the cotton and flax schedules, voting down all amendments to lower or increase the duties proposed in the committee bill. It is expected that more rapid progress will be made in caucus consideration of the bill from now on.

Representations concerning the bill filed with the State department by foreign diplomats have not been taken up by the ways and means committee, but may be condisered at meeting of the committee.

Show Woman Fatally Shot.

At Huntsville, Ala., Mrs. Cora B. Smith, an attachee of an amusement company, was fatally shot Wednesday night by the accidental discharge of a target rifle in the shooting gallery. The bullet was fired in the carnival crowd and she fell fainting. The bullet having entered her right side, penetrated a vital organ. Her home is in Cincinnati.

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Indian Runner Ducks White Eggs—Bargains. L. Pollock, Hohenwald, Tenn.

Hartford's Roupe Cure—Guaranteed 50c delivered. Poultry Remedy Co., Sneads, Fla.

Prize-Winning Rose Comb Reds, Indian Runner ducks. Mating list free. Powell's Valley Farm, Jonesville, Va.

Single Comb Rhode Island Reds, exclusively, eggs $2 for 15, $3 for 30, $8 for 100. Mrs. K. H. Hill, Washington, Ga.

For Sale—Pure Berkshire pigs 10 weeks old; fine specimen; perfect health; $5 each. H. F. Hendrix, Leesville, S. C.

For Sale—Pure white eggs from pure White Indian Runner Ducks. $3 per 12. Mrs. Sue B. Walker, Cass Station, Ga.

Indian Runner Duck Eggs—Exmor strain, white eggs, $1.00 per 13; $3.50 per 50; $6 per 100. Mrs. Virginia Ward, Belle Haven, Va.

White Leghorns—Large handsome birds; great layer winners at many shows. Eggs, $3, $2 per 15. White Runner Duck eggs $2.50, Fawn and White $1.50; Penciled $1. Mrs. Sarah Gray, Lebanon, Tenn.

For Sale—Sweet potato plants. Early Triumph, Nancy Hall, Porto Rico Yam and Norto Yam, at $1.75 per thousand. Give me your order for choice plants. J. W. Staf, Waldo, Fla.

Special Reduction on Barred Rocks Hamburgs, and Runner ducks. Eggs at half price as this ad will not appear again. Write for circular. Valley Head Poultry Farm, Big Rock, Tenn., Route 2 H.

In all laying contests at the top of the list. Try my fine and laying strain of Rose Comb Rhode Island Reds. Win whenever on exhibition. Eggs for hatching, and baby chicks at reasonable prices. J. Spencer, Blackstone, Va.

"Special Egg Sale" from first prize Winners White Orpingtons Imported direct from Fischel [illegible] Black Orpingtons [illegible] White Wyandots [illegible] J. P. [illegible] Fountain Inn, S. C.

For Sale—Eggs for hatching from thoroughbred Fawn and White Indian Runner ducks, white egg strain, Imperial Pekin Ducks and White Leghorn Chickens at $[illegible] for 15, fertility guaranteed. Hillcrest Poultry Farm, Greenville, S. C., Route 3.

PLANTS.

Velvet Bean Seed—$1.75 per bushel. Box 5, Blanton, Fla.

Trio Beautiful White Runner Ducks, $5. Mrs. T. R. Griffin, Dallas, Ga.

Tomato Plants—In 1,000 lots, $1 per 1,000. C. F. Whitcomb, Umatilla, Fla.

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Batt's Four Eared Prolific Seed Corn—peck $1, bushel $3. Indian Runner Duck Eggs $1 per setting. O. P. Stallings, Enfield, N. C.

Sweet Potato Plants—Early Triumphs, Nancy Hall, Porto Rico, Norton, and Providence, $1.75 per 1,000. H. H. Thomas, Earleton, Fla.

For Sale—A few bushels of Russell's Improved Big Boll. Selected for ten years. Five bales to three acres. At $3 per bushel. M. L. Chandler, Scranton, S. C.

Mammoth Yellow Soy Beans—Recleaned, new seed, select, cowpeas. Any quantity. Buy now and save high prices. Burrus & Company, New Bern, N. C.

For Sale—Crystal White Indian Runner duck eggs; stocks direct from Fischel and Patton; the all white egg strain, $2 for 12. O. B. Hartzog, Greenville, S. C.

Velvet Beans—From grower to grower. Save the jobber's profit. $2.50 per bushel f. o. b. Quincy, Fla. One-half peck 90c delivered. Owl Commercial Co., Quincy, Fla.

Velvet Beans—2,000 bushels select home grown Velvet Bean seed at $2.50 the bushel f. o. b. Lowell; 50 head registered Mule Foot pigs, $10 each. Raysor Farms, Lowell, Fla.

Ohio Forty Car—powerful, sturdy, silent. Will demonstrate on hill or level. Factory overhauled. Exceptional bargain. Photos, particulars. Write L. A. Prince, Sumter, S. C.

Big Supply very best potato plants ready now. Prompt shipments. Porto Rico, Triumph, Red Providence, N. Hall, $1.75 per thousand. Cheaper in large lots. F. M. Morris & Sons, Ona, Fla.

For Sale—Nancy Hall and Dooly Yam Sweet Potato Slips. $1.50 per thousand. Missionary and Ecelsior Strawberry Plants $2 per thousand. Write or wire. Southern Plant Company., W. J. Hawkins, Mgr., Plant City, Fla.

Nancy Hall Potato Plants. Buy direct from grower and get fresh plants. Orders filled in any quanity. $175 per 1,000 10,000 or more. $1.50 per 1,000. A. G. Lancaster, Pine Castle, Fla.

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Sweet Potato Plants, Nancy Hall and Triumph, $1.75 per 1,000. I can fill your orders in any quanity. Give me your orders for prompt delivery and choice plants grown under irrigation. G. D. Moore, Hawthorn, Fla.

Sweet Potato Sprouts—Nancy Hall, Providence, Porto Rico and Triumph, ready for immediate shipment. Single thousands, $1.75; 5,000 and over $1.70; 10,000, $1.65. Tomato plants, $1.50 per thousand f. o. b. Florida. F. E. Hull, Rock Hill, S. C.

15 Eggs $1—Pure strain Barred Plymouth Rocks, Rhode Island Reds, Black Minorcas, and Fawn and White Runner Ducks. 12 eggs, $3—Prize-winner pure White Runner Ducks. 15 eggs, $1.50—Cook's Buff Orpingtons. Satisfaction guaranteed. Jasper Fletcher, McCall, S. C.

Potato Slips for Sale—Enormous Improved Golden Beauty and Nancy Hall; will begin shipping about April 1 or 15 to July 1; $1.60 per 1,000 for less than 100,000; $1.50 per 1,000 for lots of 100,000 or more. 25 per cent to accompany order, balance before the plants are shipped. C. M. McKinney, Graham.

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Fifteen Eggs and one year's subscription to leading poultry journal for $2. Buff Leghorns, Anconas, the great egg machines. W. H. Williams, Durham, N. C.

White Leghorns, Buff Orpingtons, White Plymouth Rocks. Vigorous hardy stock. Eggs for hatching and baby chicks. Mating List Free. Bacon & Haywood, 205 Springfield Ave., Guyton, Ga.

Prize Winning White Indian Runner duck eggs, 11 for $3, 22 for $5. Bronze turkey eggs, 11 for $3, 22 for $5. 5 Toulouse goose eggs, $2.50. White Orpington eggs, [illegible] for 15 and up. Fawn and White Indian Runner duck eggs $1.00. M. R. Grant, Darlington, S. C.

MISCELLANEOUS.

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Sweet Potato Plants—Nancy Hall and Golden Beauty. We will deliver from March 15 until June 1. Book your orders now. Price $2 per thousand delivered express prepaid. Satisfaction guaranteed. Enterprise Plant Co., Meggetts, S. C.

MOORE GIVES HIS SIDE

CLAIMS THAT THE OLD GANG IS AFTER HIS HIDE

That Attempted to Disgrace and Remove Dr. Harvey W. Wiley From His Office.

Prof. Moore issued a statement Wednesday night declaring that the same influences that attempted to "disgrace and remove Dr. Harvey W. Wiley were responsible" for his removal and branding as "infamously false" any intimation that he had coerced employees of the weather bureau in supporting him for the secretaryship, or that public money had been expended in his candidacy. His statement follows:

"I am in receipt of a letter from the President saying that an investigation of my conduct of the business of the weather bureau discloses such irregularities on my part that the interests of the public service demand my immediate removal.

"In reply, I will say that it is the same old influences that attempted to disgrace and remove Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, without letting him see the charges against him or confront his accusers that is now driving me from the public service.

"As an aspirant for the secretaryship of agriculture I announced that I would, if appointed, revoke the benzoate of soda decision, abolish the Remsen board or any other extra judicial body in the department that I thought had been designed for the purpose of minimizing the effectiveness of the pure food and meat inspection laws rather than aiding in their efficient enforcement, and I would restrain the activities of the solicitor's office to reasonable prerogatives and reorganize the department.

"I was not selected, and, of course, have to contract on that [illegible] But Secretary Houston, almost immediately upon entering the office demanded that I forward to the President my resignation, without [illegible] having set foot in the office [illegible] with [illegible] my request [illegible] might have been filed against me or prompt me to [illegible] examine the witnesses [illegible] made to the President [illegible] is about the fairest one [illegible] from a service where [illegible] an honorable career for over a third of a century.

"I do not believe that the great commercial, agricultural, mercantile, educational and [illegible] that have known me for nearly [illegible] ty years as the chief of the weather bureau and who largely endorsed me for a Cabinet place will be satisfied that I have done anything [illegible] able until the fight of publicity is met and Secretary Houston's Russian Siberian methods given way to American fair play.

"I brand as infamously false the intimation that any man [illegible] weather bureau has been coerced into supporting me for the secretaryship, any man promoted for securing me or a dollar of public money expended in my candidacy. I [illegible] for the place and spent my own money, and so did many of my friends. Is this a crime under the new dispensation of Chinese?

"I shall gladly welcome any investigation to which the press is invited, and why limit the inquiry into the weather bureau? It has always had a clean bill of health from every investigating committee that has looked into its affairs, which is something which cannot be said of several bureaus in the department to which Secretary Houston's methods have not applied."

Serves Secretary Bryan.

It will be of interest to South Carolinians to know that Mr. Bryan's private stenographer at the department of State is John H. Prince, of the Spartanburg neighborhood, who was at one time stenographer to Governor John Gary Evans. Mr. Prince has recently secured a promotion in the Government service because of efficiency, and the advance has thrown him into very distinguished company.

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CHARLESTON, S. C

Drowned in Escaping.

At South Dayton, O., Chas. S. Porter, his wife and six children were drowned while attempting to escape from their wrecked home. The wagon in which they were being conveyed to a place of safety overturned and all lost their lives.