Jan. 14, 1905

Senator B. R. Tillman

Washington, D.U.

Dear Sir:-

In sending you my communication of several days since, I everlooked the postscript on your letter of the 11th. instant, asking information about the gymnasium floor. I will report now that the gymnasium has been put in condition for the reception of the floor, but this
work was delayed until Prof. Riggs was able to raise into nosition the ge
eye beams. The bad weather and the employment of the convict force on
the dyke has greatly retarded this work, but Prof. Riggs has about completed the raising of the beams. The first part of next week he will
take down the two columns and clear away the scaffolding. The excavation
is about made and everything ready for the woodwork as soon as the ironwork is completed. The flooring, joists and the other portions of this
woodwork are on hand, and Mr. Goodman is gready to do this work. I think
that as soon as Prof. Riggs gets out of the way, the flooring will be
completed within a week's time.

Very truly yours,

President.

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