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WASHINGTON LETTER

From our Regular Correspondent.

A report is current in Washington, and has been sent out by a number of correspondents, that an agreement has been reached among the members of the Senate committee on Interstate Commerce regarding the form of railroad legislation which shall be enacted at the next session of Congress and it is added that the President has given his sanction to the program. It is claimed that a bill to be framed which shall merely extend the provisions of the Elkins anti-rebate law, prevent discrimination of every character as between shippers and even remedy the grave inequalities now arrived at by the use of private cars, that is. cars owned by special companies like the Armor refrigerating company, et al.

No confirmation of this report can be obtained and as a whole it appears to be without foundation. That the members of the Senate committee, the Republican members, at least, may have reached such an agreement is entirely probable. The railroads are insistent that the only legislation which effects their industry shall be confined to the further prevention of rebates, in whatever rebates, in whatever forms they are now given. That is natural as rebates mean a diminution of railway profits. This explains, too, why Senator Elkins fathered the rebate law which bears his name, no line of which he ever drew. It is probably treasonable to say it, but the fact is that Philander Knox, then Attorney General, now Senator from Pennsylvania, drew the Elkins anti-rebate law as it stands on the statutes, and Senator Elkins' only connection in it lay in the fact that he was chairman of the committee which reported it to the Senate.

The improbable part of the current report is that the President has given his sanction to the programme outlined. Is it likely that the committee, assuming that it has determined upon a programme, has been able to submit it to the President, who, ever since the committee held its first meeting, has been industriously engaged in chasing bears and bobcats through the rocky fastnessesses of Colorado? Or is it probable that the President, even had the committee succeeded in trespassing in his vacation to the extent of sending its plan to him, would have considered it between hunts, so to speak, and forward his approval to Washington by wireless telegraphy, or telepathy, without even consulting his Attorney General or other members of his cabinet? It must be remembered that the President, in his last message to Congress, specifically recommended that the power to adjudge the equity of railroads rates complained of and the further power to fix an assumed just way rate be conferred on the Interstate Commerce Commission, Certainly there is no good grounds for the assumption that Mr. Roosevelt has already determined to swallow his specific recommendation and accept the suggestions of Senator Elkins' committee.

There is no doubt that an extention of the principle of the anti-rebate law would accomplish great good. It would go a long way toward destroying the power of the trusts, etc. One of the most prominent railway men in the country recently assured your correspondent that every dollar invested in private cars paid the companies so investing a profit of not less than 87½ per cent. He said that the railway companies were powerless to resist the demands of the owners of private cars. They are always immense concerns which contribute so largely to the traffic of any line on which they were located that a complete withdrawal of their shipment would seriously affect the profits of the railway. They demand that the railways pay them for the use of their cars and the railway which pays the highest price gets the business. This, of course, serves the owners of the cars just as well as would a rebate on the freight rate. It gives them a lower net rate than any of their competitors and enables them to drive all competitors from the field. And yet the existing law does not touch this form of discrimination because it cannot be legally construed as a rebate. In so far as the proposed law would go, it would do good, but it would not go near so far as President Roosevlt has insisted that it shall go. And while it is entirely possible that the President may be induced to accept this as all he can obtain. there is not the slightest reason for believing that he has already agreed to do so.

A group of Republican statesman were talking politics on a street corner in Washington today. "What are the chances of your sending us a tariff bill? asked one Senator. "Very poor," replied one of the Representatives present. "Why." said the Senator, "If we don't do something for the people who are demanding tariff readjustment it will mean a Democratic majority in the next house as sure as sin." "I know that" replied the representative, "but what are we going to do about it? New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio command the first three seats on the Ways and Means committee. Those three states derive more profit from the tariff than all the western states put together, and nothing short of a cyclone would make Payne, Dalzell and Grosvenor move a step in a direction which might lead to a reduction of the profits of their constituents."

"Senator, what are the schedules which call for a reduction?" asked your correspondent. "Steel", replied all three men in one breath. Then one of them told how the steel trust was selling steel plates to foreign shipbuilders, "delivered on the Clyde" for $24 a ton, while the American ship builders had to pay in the city of Cleveland thirtty two dollars ton. "You can't build a merchant marine with subsidies in the face of such conditions as that," he added. Then another spoke up and related that American railroads were laboring at a similar disadvantage because of the Steel trust. "Our American roads, he said, "have to pay between $6 and $7 more for every ton of steel rails they lay than their Canadian Competitors, just north of the line. The Canadian roads are charging lower freight rates and making more profit and are spending thousands of dollars every year to induce American farmers to take up land along their lines."

STRICTLY GENUINE.

Most of the patent medicine testimonials are probably genuine. The following notice recently appeared in the Atchison, Kansas, Globe: "Joe Tack, a well known engineer running on the Missouri Pacific between Wichita and Kiowa, lately appeared in a big one, with a picture, and when he was in his office today, we asked him about it. He said he had a terriffic pain in his stomach. and thought he had cancer. His druggist recommended Kodol and he says it cured him. He recommended it to others who were also cured," Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat and cures all stomach troubles. Just as surely as the sun shines your stomach can be brought back to its originally pure condition and life sweetened by this lasting and truly the greatest digestant ever known. Sold by M. B. Blackurn.

Some of the Republicans are trying to make it appear that the Deal-Samuels assault case is a political issue. Not so, Deal published the current report on the revenue officers, as being told by both Democrats and Republicans, and Samuels, who is holding down a revenue job, took acceptions to it, and when Deal was ill and hardly able to walk Samuels assaulted him, assisted by Hasty, another officer. This is the eatent of the political issue. —North Wilkesboro Hustler.

SAVED BY DYNAMITE,

Sometimes a flaming city is saved by dynamiting a space that the fire can't cross. Sometimes a cough holds on so long you feel as if nothing but dynamite would cure it. Z. T. Gray, of Calhoun, Ga., writes: "My wife had a very aggravated cough; which kept her awake at night. Two physicians could not help her; so she took Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, which eased her cough, gave her sleep, and finally cured her." Strictly scientific cure for bronchitis and La-Grippe. At Blackburn's. Price 50 cts. and $1 guaranteed. Trial bottles free

Raising children is a great deal like making biscuit—it is nearly as easy to raise a big crop as one biscuit while your hands in the dough.

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Kodol Dyspepsia Cure
Digests what you eat.

Another Plunge Towards "Respectability.

All North Carolina news in the Republican camp comes via washington. The Southern Radicals pay no attention to any local political news unless it is sent out from Washington. If a North Carolina Republican should determine to run for Sanitary Inspector of Hanging Dog he would feel that he ought to have the announcement made from Washington City. So great is the federalistic tendency of the North Carolina Republicans that if they had their way they would abolish state and county lines and let all officers be appointed from Washington.

The latest from Washington is that Spencer Blackburn has obtained subscriptions amounting to twenty thousand dollars for the purpose of establishing a Republican daily newspaper. It is also "given out" at Washington that "the most of the subscribers are cotton mill men and that several of them have never identified themselves with the Republican organization." That sort of statement is supposed to give strength to the new enterprise: It will fool nobody. Not a dollar to any such fund has been given by any cotton mill men except Republican cotton mill men, and they are rather scarce in North Carolina, as dilligently as the Republicans and assistant Republican sympathizers have sought to seduce them from the true political faith.

Who would be influenced by a "cotton mill man" who is ashamed to admit that he puts up money to back the discredited old hulk of revenue officers and distillers who control the Republican party in North Carolina. There are some cotton mill men in N. C. who are Republicans, but they are few in number, and as the high tariff walls deprive them of needed foreign markets they are growing beautifully less.

Will the new attempt to make "a respectable party in North Carolina by means of a newspaper turn out to be as great a failure as the attempt to give it "respectability" by the Yerkes & Co, "ban ket?" Or will history repeat itself? Years and years ago, when the late Major William A. Smith was the leader of the Republican party in the Raleigh district, he came into possession of the Radical daily at Raleigh and essayed to run it in the interest of the party. Suddenly he shut up the paper and sold the material to job printers. Sometime after, when asked by a friend why he quit the publication of the paper, Major Smith said with emphasis: "O, you can't print a paper for a party that can't read."

Hackburn might print two editions—one in English for those who can read and one as a pictorial for those who cannot read if he wishes if he wishes it to avoid the fate of Major Smith's venture.—News and Observer.

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For Coughs, Colds and Croup.

BILIOUSNESS AND CONSTIPATION CURED BY THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

Because the liver is neglected people suffer with constipation, biliousness, headaches and fevers. Colds attack the lungs and contagious diseases take hold of the system. It is safe to say that if the liver were always kept in proper working order, illness would be almost unknown.

Thedford's Black-Draught is so successful in curing such sickness because it is without a rival as a liver regulator. This great family medicine is not a strong and drastic drug, but a mild and healthful laxative that cures constipation and may be taken by a mere child without possible harm.

The healthful action on the liver cures biliousness. It has an invigorating effect on the kidneys. Because the liver and kidneys do not work regularly, the poisonous acids along with the waste from the bowels get back into the blood and virulent contagion results.

Timely treatment with Thedford's Black-Draught removes the dangers which lurk in constipation, liver and kidney troubles, and will positively forestall the inroads of Bright's disease, for which disease in advanced stages there is no cure. Ask your dealer for a 25c. package of Thedford's Black-Draught.

The miller lowers his wheel to the current of the stream, fastens it there and God grinds the corn. So I put my anxious little life down into the current of divine life and movement and God takes up its burden and in the place of submission I have both rest and power.—Greene.

TERRIFIC RACE WITH DEATH.

"Death was fast approaching," writes R. F. Frenandez, of Tampa, Fla., describing his fearful race with death, "as a result of liver trouble and heart disease, which had robbed me of sleep and of all interest in life. I had tried many different doctors and several medicines, but got no benefit, until I began to use Electric Bitters. So wonderful was their effect that in three days I felt like a new man, and today I am cured of all my troubles." Guaranteed at M. B. Blackburn's. Price 50c.

When a girl marries, she is apt to have a rude awakening from her dream of love—but let her become a widow and she is invariably closing her eyes and dreams again.

Dawson City is said to be short of provisions again, but private advices say that the gamblers are recklessly feeding the "kitty."

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know it

How To Find Out.

Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

What to Do.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of **Swamp-Root** is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in 50c. and $1. sizes.

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