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From our Regular Correspondent.

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Senator Tillman made a valiant fight in the Senate last week to secure the adoption of resolution calling on the Secretary of the Treasury for information regarding every loan made by the New York banks between June 1 and December 31, 1907. Mr. Tillman was opposed by Senators Aldrich, Depew and Hopkins, all of whom wanted it referred to the committee on Finance, of which Mr. Aldrich is the chairman, where it will be either permanently buried or emasculated so that when it returns to the Senate it will fail wholly of its purpose, an exposition of the extent to which the New York banks were aiding and abetting the stock gamblers.

The week in the House was characterized by a monumental piece of hypocrisy on the part of the Republicans. Representative Hefflin of Alabama offered an amendment to a street car bill for the District of Columbia, a "Jim Crow" provision. Most of the Democrats supported the amendment for the conduct of negroes on the street cars of the District constitutes perhaps the greatest nuisance with which its residents have to put up, but the motion afforded an opportunity to the Republicans to assert on the floor of the House their undying love for the negroes, an opportunity of which they were not slow to avail themselves. It is almost needless to say that the amendment was defeated.

Perhaps the most powerful speech made in the House last week was that of Representative Hitchcock of Nebraska who made an eloquent appeal to the Speaker and the other Republican leaders to take the tariff off of wood pulp in order that the current robbing of the newspaper publishers by the paper trust might be stopped. He also referred to the fact that such a step would go a long way toward saving the rapidly vanishing forests of the United States. Speaker Cannon is, however, violently opposed to this measure and there is not the slightest chance that any relief will be afforded to those who have to buy white paper, by the members of this Congress.

It is announced unofficially that the Finance committee of the Senate and the Ways and Means committee of the House will secure authority to sit during the recess of Congress and to take such steps as may seem wise with a view to revising the tariff next winter. It is, of course, unlikely that this work will be undertaken at the short session but it will probably occur at a special session to be called by the next President one year from now. The President will also cooperate with the leaders of his party in Congress by appointing a committee of Treasury experts to investigate and prepare a report on such administrative features of the law as should, in their judgment, be altered. Of course the sort of tariff revision the Republicans will make can be judged by every reader of your paper. The McKinley tariff law furnishes some clew to the sort of tariff tinkering they call "revision," when almost every schedule was materially advanced. Mr. Aldrich, as the head of the committee on Finance, he who has been termed "the High Priest of Protection," will be the final arbiter in all questions in dispute, and those who are familiar with Mr. Aldrich's record can well appreciate that his maxim

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is always "when in doubt raise the tariff."

Speaking of tariff revision by the Republicans, some indication of their probable course is afforded by a recent interview with Representative Tawney, chairman of the committee on Appropriations, who says that the deficit in the national Treasury next year will amount to \$150,000,000, and that any changes in the tariff schedules must be made with a view to producing more revenue. Despite the fact that there is this large deficit in sight, Speaker Cannon, who has cried economy every time he has been asked to permit the passage of a really meritorious measure, is engineering through the House a widow's pension bill which will give to every woman who married an old soldier, whether he served ninety days or three years, a pension of \$12 a month. This means an increase of the annual pension budget of \$12,000,000 or \$15,000,000 a year. And the worst of this legislation is that it will benefit chiefly women who married old soldiers to secure their pensions, many of them women of questionable repute. Most of what might be termed the deserving widows of the veterans are already receiving pensions under the existing law. As one Republican Senator expressed it, "I suppose that \$15,000,000 is the price the American people must pay to gratify Uncle Joe Cannon's presidential aspirations."

Mrs. Anna Houck of Catawissa, served ninety days in jail for keeping a bawdy house. Now she is in the toils again on the same charge. She and her husband were both arrested by officers of the state constabulary last week, Wednesday. They waived a hearing and gave bail for their appearance at court.

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Is There a Hole in the Act?

In the course of an inquiry into the expenditures of one of the Democratic candidates in last year's campaign in Schuylkill county, one of the judges of the court has held that where money is given out by a candidate through an agent the candidate cannot be held responsible if the agent disburses the money contrary to the candidate's instructions.

If this opinion is correct, says the Philadelphia Press, it knocks a hole in the corrupt practices act which weakens that measure very materially and opens the way to much mischief. It would practically destroy one of the most important purposes of the act. It was the clear intention of the law to make the candidate and committee treasurer responsible for the expenditure of all the money in a campaign, and to prevent them from using it except for certain enumerated purposes.

It is declared in the act that "no person who is not a candidate, or the treasurer of a political committee, shall pay, give or lend, or lend, any money or other valuable thing, whether contributed by himself or any other person, for any election expenses whatever, except to a candidate or to a political committee." If there is any meaning to this it is that there shall be no use of money by anybody but the candidate and the treasurer of a political committee. The intent is to put the entire responsibility upon them and leave no chance for corrupt use of money by unauthorized persons.

In the Schuylkill case the candidate put \$700 in the hands of a citizen, who disbursed it. It was strictly within the law for the candidate to put out his money for the legitimate purposes which the law specifies, but there is nothing in the act to empower him to put it in the hands of an unauthorized person for disbursement. On the contrary, the payment of money by such persons, except to candidates or treasurers, is prohibited. If the candidate could not attend to the expenditure in detail it was plainly his duty to put the matter and the money in the hands of the treasurer of his personal or party committee. That was required in order that the responsibility for the expenditure might be fixed and a proper accounting made.

All responsibility is destroyed in the view of the Schuylkill judge is correct. A candidate can give any one any amount of money he pleases and not be responsible for the use that is made of it. He may instruct his agent as to what he shall do with it, and the agent may know that such instructions are a mere matter of form by which he is not

intended to be bound. If that is permissible the act does not cover the ground that was intended; it does not prevent the corrupt use of money.

Undoubtedly, however, the agent, unless the treasurer of a political committee, could be held accountable for paying money to any one but a candidate or a committee treasurer, and if the law is enforced it is the agent in such cases who will have to look out.—E.A.

Increase in Traffic.

Philadelphia and Reading railway men who are in a position to quickly note a decrease or increase of railroad business announce good news when they state that over the Catawissa branch of the line there has been a picking-up tendency for several weeks, the change being gradual, until now the road's freight business has been about normal for the first week in March. It is very little, if any, behind the freight traffic here in the forepart of March, 1909.

On Wednesday, for example, the railroads state that many of the freights passing through Newberry Junction were scheduled for either two or three section trains. When they run in any more than a single section, the railroads consider the trains good ones and indicative of good travel. It is stated that there are more Reading freights and more cars to a train in numerous instances running now than there were a few weeks ago.

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