

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

[SPECIAL TO THE NEWS.]

WASHINGTON, D. C. May 14.—Another wonderful discovery is to be credited to American ingenuity. In experimenting at the U. S. proving grounds at Indian Head, a few miles below Washington, on the Potomac River, our Naval officers have discovered a composition for shells which will penetrate the heaviest armor plate made as easily as though it were made of wood. This discovery, which our government is trying to keep secret, will revolutionize naval warfare, as no warships afloat could stand before an enemy supplied with those shells; they could be riddled and sunk as easily as the old wood ships. The news of the discovery was made public through a resolution offered by Senator Tillman, asking the Navy Department for information concerning experiments in testing armor plates which had developed unexpected results. The Secretary of the Navy informed Mr. Tillman that it would not be wise to officially answer his resolution; at the same time making him acquainted with the result of the experiments. This information Mr. Tillman gave to the Senate in executive session, while the Naval Appropriation Bill was under discussion. The new shell is the invention of a Naval officer, and, if its component parts can be kept secret, it will give this government a power that will be even more feared by other nations than the fighting qualities of Americans.

Col. Burton of the army, who discovered the alleged defalcation in the accounts of C. W. F. Neeley, financial agent of the Cuban postal service, in the regular course of his duties as an officer of the Inspector General's Department, is now in Washington for the purpose of giving Secretary Root all the information in his possession. While the Post Office Department exercises a certain amount of supervision over the Cuban postal system, the system is actually under the War Department. The matter was considered at a Cabinet meeting, the general sentiment being that it should be probed to the bottom and the guilty punished; also that any shortage over what can be collected from Neeley's bondsman should be made good by this government. The latter would probably necessitate an act of Congress.

The Senate by the decisive vote of 40 to 12 defeated the attempt to provide for a reduction of the term of cadets at the Naval Academy from 6 to four years, which the house had agreed to. Under the present law the cadets have to spend four years at the academy and two at sea before being commissioned. Senator Tillman who opposed the resolution, made a characteristic speech, in reply to Senator Foraker's statement that the reduction was recommended by prominent officers, in which he said: "They recommend anything. I am going down to the academy myself, and if they give me punch enough, I suppose that I will recommend that the cadets go to sea as captains without preliminary training."

Although it was opposed by a majority of the Ways and Means committee the House adopted a resolution as to the amount and character of materials used by the manufacturers of oleomargarine. This is regarded a victory for the dairy interests.

The committee on labor has favorably reported to the House the bill making eight hours a days work on all contracts with the government, and will endeavor to get a vote on it before adjournment and will probably succeed.

The presence of Gov. Roosevelt

in Washington, hobnobbing with the leaders of his party has set all the political gossips to guessing. Col. Roosevelt may not intend to encourage the guessing, but the manner in which he says that he and Mrs. Roosevelt are in Washington merely to pay a long-promised visit to his sister, has had that result. Just now it is impossible for two or three public men of prominence to be seen together without starting a batch of political stories.

As was expected, the administration influence is being used to prevent action by the Senate at the present session of Congress on the Nicaragua Canal bill, and it looks as though it was going to succeed. The Senate Canal committee held two meetings this week to consider the bill passed by the House. Its members decline to be quoted, but enough has leaked out to make it reasonably certain that a majority of the committee have been almost, if not quite, persuaded to accept the administration view, that the bill should not be acted upon by the Senate until after the Canal Commission has submitted its report. It has been charged that a preliminary report expressing the commission's choice of route would have been submitted several weeks ago had not an official hint been given to withhold it.

Fears are expressed by those who wish Congress to adjourn early in June that the resolution declaring Senator Clark not entitled to his seat may upset that program, if action upon that resolution is insisted upon before adjournment. Senator Clark has some good friends in the Senate who think that no harm will be done by allowing that resolution to go over to the next session, and they may prolong the session if an attempt is made to force action.

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