

Deadlock Over the Dakota Thistle.

There bids fair to be a deadlock between the conferees on the agricultural appropriation bill over the Senate amendment carrying \$1,000,000 for the extermination of the Russian thistle in the Dakotas. Senator Hansbrough won a long legislative fight and one which looked at times like a hopeless one, when he succeeded in getting his plan tacked on as an amendment at the twelfth hour and carried by a narrow majority. Both committees and Secretary Morton opposed the plan, but Senator George changed his position, making its passage possible. The thistle appropriation is the largest addition made to any of the regular House bills and the Committee on Agriculture is talking defiance to the Senatorial raise.