

You have had at least two Panels.

Mr. WOLFE. Sir?

Mr. KORNEGAY. You have already had the benefit of two Panels.

Mr. WOLFE. We had more than that.

Mr. KORNEGAY. Three of them.

Mr. WOLFE. Yes, three.

Mr. KORNEGAY. You had the Emergency Board, the Presidential Board, and the Special Panel, the Fahy Panel.

Mr. WOLFE. No. We have had the Mediation Board, the Emergency Board, and the Presidential Panel.

Mr. KORNEGAY. So there are three Boards. Maybe they have been of some help but certainly they haven't been instrumental in reaching a successful conclusion of this dispute. That is my point.

What hope is there that this Board that would be appointed under this piece of legislation would have any different result from those three that you have already had?

Mr. WOLFE. There is this psychological effect, whatever it may be worth: If this proposal is enacted into law, we not only have an opportunity to further consider our respective positions, but we also have the knowledge that if we don't do something we are going to have the dispute disposed of and both sides are going to have to live with it.

Mr. KORNEGAY. For 2 years. Then we are right back where we started.

Mr. WOLFE. Not necessarily for 2 years. That is the absolute maximum.

When you say we are right back where we started, I can't either agree or disagree whether we are back where we started. If the Panel should establish procedures that would dispose of the whole dispute, then I don't think it is reasonable to conjecture that we are back where we started.

Mr. ADAMS. Would the gentleman yield?

Mr. KORNEGAY. Yes; I yield.

Mr. ADAMS. Mr. Wolfe, and I hate to use homilies with Wolfe and Fox involved here, but if you want to have compulsory arbitration which you come out in favor of, aren't you like Brier Rabbit saying, "Don't throw me in the briar patch"?

Mr. WOLFE. I am not too well acquainted with either briar patches or rabbits.

Mr. ADAMS. You will remember Brier Rabbit kept saying "Don't throw me in the briar patch" and that is where he wanted to go all the time.

Mr. KORNEGAY. Brer Rabbit.

Mr. ADAMS. I am sorry.

Mr. KORNEGAY. Brer Rabbit in the briar patch.

Mr. ADAMS. My southern accent is too long gone, Mr. Kornegay, from being in the West too long.

But the precise point, which I think Mr. Kornegay is making so very well, is that if you want to have this settled by compulsory arbitration, which has been the announced position of the railroads, and the do this and set up another Board as the President's proposal does, what hope is there that there is going to be any settlement?

You have achieved what you want.