

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

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Mr. KIRKWOOD, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill S. 1046.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (S. 1046) granting a pension to the widow of Maj. Thomas T. Thornburgh, late of the United States Army, have examined the same, and report:

Major Thornburgh was killed in a recent battle with the Ute Indians, in the State of Colorado, whilst gallantly leading the troops under his command.

The Pension Bureau has granted his widow the amount of pension prescribed by law for the widows of officers of the rank held by him at the time of his death, which is \$25 per month.

The bill proposes to increase this amount to \$100 per month.

The committee do not know any good reason why such increase shall be made in this particular case. There are to-day on the pension rolls many widows of officers of the same rank held by Major Thornburgh, and they cannot see why, if an increase of pension be granted in this case, it shall not be granted in all such cases. They therefore recommend that the bill be indefinitely postponed.