March 26, 1946

Mr. Ralph M. Black Black and West Kennedy Building Tulsa 3, Oklahoma

Re: Senate Bill 191 - Hospitals

Dear Ralph:

I have your letter of March 23rd and have carefully noted what you have to say. However, it is impossible at this time for me to give you much more information that I did in my letter of the 18th instant.

You are aware of the fact that the Senate has already passed the bill and it was referred to the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, and the Sub-Committee on Public Health has conducted hearings. The hearings are now being printed but are not yet ready for distribution. I shall try to remember to send you copies of these hearings when they are off the press; but if I do not send them to you within the next ten days, I wish you would be good enough to remind me and I shall be glad to send them to you.

After the hearings are printed, the matter is heard before the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. But such executive session has not yet been scheduled.

You should be able to get from the hearings a great deal of the practical application of the bill, much more than I could give you at this time, and I believe it would be advisable to wait until you can get the hearings before depending on any guesses on my part.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

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March 23rd, 1946.

George B. Schwabe, M.C. House Building Washington D.C.

Re; Senate Bill 191, Hospitals.

Dear George;

Received your wire, also letter regarding above subject, which are duly appreciated.

Answering your question, regarding "where such help is desired"

The Mayor of Perry and members of their hospital committee have a copy of Senate Bill 191 which they have read carefully and they believe Perry to be eligible for participation in the program if or when possible.

I have read the bill and the help mentioned in same, may run as high as 75% of the total cost of the improvements, including equipment. Improvements may include main Hospital Building and all related facilities.

Perry will build a Hospital with or without any outside help but they will have to vote bonds in either event. If outside aid is made available the bonds will pass more readily for a smaller amount and facilities may be more complete.

Will appreciate your advising us regarding developments in this matter and with regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

BLACK & WEST, ARCHITECTS

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March 18, 1946

Mr. Ralph M. Black, Architect
Kennedy Building
Tulsa, Oklanoma

Dear Ralph:

I have your wire stating that Senate Bill 191 has passed the Senate and will be up for consideration in the House March 23rd, and asking me if I expect to be here then and what the prospects are for favorable action.

In the first place, I have not had an opportunity to study this bill thoroughly. It is one of some seven thousand that have been introduced in the past fourteen and a half months since I came here. I am not on any committee to which this bill will be referred. However, when it does come to the floor of the House for consideration, I shall be most interested in making an unbiased and conscientious study of its provisions, interested in making an unbiased and conscientious study of its provisions, and vote for what I think is calculated to be to the best interests of all affected persons, and the country as a whole.

You speak of the bill coming up March 23rd, which is Saturday.

Usually we do not have sessions on Saturday. However, whenever the matter is presented, I am almost sure that I shall be here, as I do not expect to leave Washington before the Easter Recess of Congress, which is approximately a month hence.

You wish to know what the prospects for favorable action on this bill appear to be. It is too soon to say yet. I cannot give you any intelligent estimate of the thinking of the Members on the subject at this time for the reason that it has not yet been generally discussed. However, time for the reason that it has not yet been generally discussed. However, I can say that the Members generally are in favor of doing everything necessary to afford adequate hospitalization for the veterans.

Your wire states that you have a municipal hospital for Perry, Oklahoma, "where such help is desired." Frankly, I don't know just what you have in mind by suggesting that "such help is desired." If you will write me fully what you have in mind, I shall be only too glad to render write me fully what you have in mind, I shall be only too glad to render every possible assistance and service in ascertaining facts and obtaining information for you.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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RETEL SENATE BILL 191 HOSPITALS. I EXPECT TO BE HERE MARCH 23 AND SHALL GIVE BILL THOROUGH CONSIDERATION WHEN PRESENTED TO HOUSE FOR ACTION. LETTER FOLLOWS.

GEORGE B. SCHWABE, M.C.

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