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The real hero in Mexico seems to be Ambassador Henry Lane Wilson.

Mr. Wilson is keeping his administrative plans mighty close to himself—a pretty good thing to do.

A lot of bravery and heroism has been sacrificed in polar expeditions that have added little or nothing to the welfare of man.

Thirty-six thousand Americans settled in western Canada last year. Seventy-five per cent of these came from Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa and the Dakotas.

It is pretty well understood that W. J. B. is to be secretary of state. It is better understood that Nebraska democrats still remember his betrayal of them at Baltimore.

An authority that claims to know says not to call him Hu-er-ta. According to Spanish usage it is pronounced Wear-ta. Whatever the spelling, it would be more appropriate to call him a butcher.

One branch of the legislature in both Kansas and Nebraska have gone on record in favor of the sterilization of confirmed criminals. As these fellows are usually in custody of a prison guard the adoption of this measure seems superfluous.

An extra session of congress is scheduled for April 1. Mr. Wilson proposes to effect some tariff legislation and will call congress together for that purpose. It will be remembered that Mr. McKinley called congress together in extra session for tariff legislation which raised the tariff and eliminated the need of further bond issues.

Senator Root of New York is quoted in a Washington interview as favoring the convening of a special national convention of the republican party at Chicago this year for the purpose of changing the rules in two important respects, as follows: First, to make representation in national conventions proportionate to the republican vote and thus abolish the system of Southern state delegations; and, second, to permit each state to decide for itself the manner of selecting delegates to national conventions.

The immigration bill with the literacy test, urged in the interest of organized labor, which was vetoed by President Taft after passing both branches of Congress, was repassed by the Senate on Tuesday by the overwhelming vote of 72 to 18 and its friends fully expected that the House also would overcome the veto of the president by more than the required two-thirds majority. But such was not the result. When the measure came up in the House Wednesday, the vote for the bill was 213 to 114, not enough to overcome the veto.

The brutal assassination of the two late executive officials of Mexico adds another tragic chapter to a continual stream of disquieting reports from that turbulent country. Not satisfied with the overthrow of the Madero administration the deposed ruler with the vice president have been ruthlessly slain in a way that indicates that the affair had been planned by the fellows for the time being in command. When old General Diaz was deposed after maintaining a peaceful and stable government for many years it looked like the Mexicans had been seeking needed reforms, but one revolution has followed another so fast that it looks now that they are nothing less than manifestations of a lust for blood. The duty of the United States as a next door neighbor is not exactly clear. The invasion by American troops would probably be the signal for a wholesale massacre of Americans in Mexico. President Taft evidently does not want to start a foreign war in the closing hours of

his administration to hand over to his soon coming successor.

The Columbus Telegram presents an able and more or less eloquent editorial on the white slave business in which it denounces one or two prominent churchmen for holding to the "proscribed district" view. Prostitution is as old as human history and no satisfactory regulation has ever been nor probably ever will be found. One theory is as good or as bad as another. The Telegram offers no remedy or means of eliminating a thing it harshly condemns. Perhaps it would favor lining up the scarlet clad women and turning a machine gun loose at them. They could be killed off, but that looks brutal in a civilized age. The "proscribed district" is perhaps the best thing at hand just at present.

## THE LEGISLATURE.

### What's Being Done by the State Law Making Body at the Capital.

Lincoln, Feb. 25.—The house apparently dissatisfied with some of the past record of the State railway commission appointed a committee of three to investigate the work of the commission particularly as regards mergers and the issue of stocks and bonds by corporations. The committee is holding sessions and examining members and employees of the commission but is not yet ready to formulate a report.

The house approved the Corbin resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to examine into the legal and validity of the offer of \$200,000 by the Lincoln City Council to be used in the extension of the downtown University campus if removal was defeated in the legislature. The resolution also included similar action by the senate, but on the appearance of the resolution in the senate that body refused to concur by a vote of 21 to 9, thus killing the joint effort at inquiry along this line and reflecting the very apparent fact that so far as the senate is concerned its members by a very large majority favor removal of the State University from the Lincoln City Campus to the State farm two miles east of this city.

On Wednesday in committee of the whole the house dealt severely with S. W. 28, the Sunday base ball bill by Bartling, recently passed in the senate. The bill was amended in the house in a manner to directly reverse the responsibility for Sunday ball as it was received from the senate. The bill as passed by the senate permitted Sunday ball in all incorporated cities and villages and in the country districts unless forbidden by official action or a referendum vote. The house amendments turned the matter directly around and forbid Sunday base ball unless the issue had first been submitted to a referendum vote at the hands of the electors interested. This action means that Sunday ball as an issue will finally go into a conference committee of both houses and the result cannot at this time be even guessed.

The house has recommended for passage the bill regulating hotels, rooming houses, and restaurants, but refused to approve it until its most drastic provisions were eliminated.

The bill as it now stands is but little in advance of the present hotel laws and provides largely for a more comprehensive inspection than heretofore.

The standing committee on railroads has sent to the general file of the house, without recommendation, the bill by Keckley of York, which provides for a horizontal reduction of 20 per cent of freight tariff in Nebraska on coal, lumber, live stock, grain and most of the products of the form. The bill was stoutly contested in the committee by representatives of the railroads but was sent to the general file of the house without recommendation for full discussion.

The senate has recommended for passage a proposed law to abolish contract labor at the state penitentiary. The judiciary committee of the house has recommended for passage the bill by Regan which increased the penalty for selling cigarettes to minors, but permits the sale to persons over 21 years of age.

In the house the bill by Hasik, which was drawn, to prohibit electioneering by any body, any where, on election day was killed by indefinite postponement. The house bill permitting the reorganization of mutual insurance companies as stock companies precipitated a warm contest in committee of the whole. Nichols of Madison, led the attack on the bill pointed out that the bill did not carry adequate protection for the policy holder who at the time of the reorganization might from age or disability be an undesirable risk and thereby denied protection by the reorganized company. The issue was left hanging in the air when the house adjourned at the end of the week.

A standing committee of the senate has recommended for passage the house bill by Fuller giving counties the right to levy a general tax, to establish a county telephone system. The bill has already passed the house, and the indications seem to be in favor of its passage in the senate.

More than 30 bills received final approval of the senate during the week were passed and sent to the house for concurrence, among these that are of larger public interest are S. F. 118 by Spirk, prohibiting the sale of fire arms to minors under 18 years of age; 132 by Heasty, providing for the sterilization of confirmed criminals. This bill received 28 affirmative votes two in the negative; 232 by Hoagland of Lancaster prohibiting the use of arsenic and strychnine in embalming fluid. The senate saw fit to recommend for passage the bill to prohibit newspapers to charge a higher rate for political advertising than is charged for other current advertising, except certain proprietary articles named.

The senate surprised itself early in the week, by defeating the bill by Kemp S. F. 160 providing for a constitutional convention by a vote of 19 against to 13 for the bill, as the bill has gone to third reading without active opposition the result was somewhat of a surprise.

During the week the house killed a number of measures mostly by indefinite postponement at the hands of standing committees, among these were the bill to license non-medical healers; to provide annual conventions for county and city superintendents; changing time of holding county conventions; telephone poles to be set on property line; making county high schools compulsory in certain counties; to permit hunting and fishing in one's home county without license; requiring a man-lift in all elevators; annual assessment of real estate; increased salary for county judges and clerks; increased salary for county superintendents in small counties; preliminary educational requirements for students in law school.

H. R. 108 by Bolen, a bill providing for future constitutional amendments by a non-partisan, separate ballot requiring only a majority of votes cast on amendments to carry and providing for the publication of amendments in pamphlets instead of newspapers was once lost and again rescued during the week and again stands on the general file.

After the bill was defeated 52 to 38, a reconsideration was had and the bill recommitted to the committee of the whole for the specific amendment of eliminating the publication of amendments in pamphlet form. With this feature eliminated it will again come up for passage.

During the week the house put final seal of approval on the following bills presented for final passage: 109 by Gates permitting saloon license to be issued near Ft. Omaha. Such license is prohibited by present statute; 76 by Anderson of Kearney prohibits marriage between Whites, Japanese and Chinese; 17 by Busch declaring felony to destroy property over \$35.00; 20 by Richardson, permitting railroads and express companies to transport household goods of employees free of charge; 124 by Nichols, repeals law requiring printed abstract in supreme court, 122 by Buckner, prohibits drinking cups in public places; 42 by Hardin, provides a lien on dam as well as get for live stock services 494 Hubbard declares Lincoln's birthday a holiday; 210 by Palmer, constitutional amendment giving governor one term of four

# FISHER'S Big Closing Out Sale Furniture and Hardware

As my lease on the building we are now occupying will expire on May 1st of this year, and we have decided to change our location we are going to close out our immense stock at a great sacrifice to us. Our stock is too large to move and we could not afford to move it anyway. So we have concluded to give the people the benefit by slaughtering profits on the goods. These articles must be sold before May 1st, and we are going to make prices on them that will make it an object to the buying public to carry them away. Our stock is all up-to-date stuff and clean and each department carries a complete line. We are not quoting any prices as we want you to see the goods and examine the quality before we astonish you with the low prices we are putting on them.

## These Goods Must go Regardless of Our Profits

Below we list some of the articles we are offering, but everything in the store is on the list. Read them over and see if there isn't some thing in the list you need, then come in and let us give you our price:

Stoves Ranges Heaters Oil Heaters Stove Pipe Tin Ware Granite Ware Aluminum Ware Wash Boilers Wash Tubs Oil Cans Mail Boxes Clothes Baskets Cutlery Tools Ammunition Guns Rope	Forks Spades Shovels Bolts Screws American Woven Wire Fence Steel Posts Farm Gates Barn Door Tracks Paints Varnishes White Lead Linseed Oil Machine Oil Washing Machines Clothes Wringers Window Glass	Tables Rockers Chairs Book Cases Buffets China Closets Library Tables Tabouretts Side Boards Dressers Commodes Hall Trees Hall Racks Music Racks Go Carts Chiffoniers Davenport Beds	Springs Mattresses Sanitary Couches Spring Cots Couches Window Shades Curtain Rods Wall Molding Plate Moulding Clothes Racks Ironing Boards Pictures Linoleum Matting Rugs Kitchen Cabinets Garden Seed
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**Until May 1** We feel that we are offering the public a great opportunity to save money as all our goods are reasonable. The goods must be sold by May 1st and it will be your fault if you do not get what you need

**Until May 1** By the first of May we shall have made arrangement for our new location and the rich bargains we are now offering will be a thing of the past. Call and investigate the purchasing power of your dollar

Never before have we offered such bargains as we are now offering. The short time we have to close this stock makes it necessary for sweeping reduction in prices. The opportunity is yours at our expense

# FISHER FURNITURE & HARDWARE CO.

years at \$5000 per year; 130 by Mockett, provides for the teaching of modern foreign languages in public schools where sufficient number of patrons requested.  
HELVEY NEWS BUREAU.

### Inman Items.

W. W. Watson is here from Lincoln transacting business.

C. H. A. Smith of Atkinson was in town on business Tuesday.

Ed. F. Gallagher of O'Neill was here on business last Monday.

John M. Gallagher went to Emmet to attend a sale which took place there Tuesday.

Geo. Davis who has been in Omaha and Missouri the past week returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Tavenor visited with their daughter Mrs. Lewis Downey of Page, on Monday.

John J. Hancock was here from Newman's Grove Saturday visiting relatives. He returned Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Thomas went to Page Monday to make a visit with Rev. and Mrs. Murton, of that place.

Mrs. C. J. Malone and daughter Mildred went to Plainview Saturday to visit with relatives, returning Tuesday.

A miscellaneous shower was given in honor of Miss Lena Fowler at her home Wednesday. A host of friends were present and she received many useful and beautiful gifts.

Methodist Minister Recommends Chamberlain's Cough Remedy  
Rev. James A. Lewis, Milaca, Minn., writes: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been a needed and welcome guest in our home for a number of years. I highly recommend it to my fellows as being a medicine worthy of trial in cases of colds, coughs and croup." Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a trial and we are convinced you will find it very effectual and continue to use it as occasion requires for years to come, as many others have done. For sale by all dealers. adv

# John Moler's Big Closing Out Sale!

16 miles north and 2 west of O'Neill, 3 1-2 miles west and 1-2 south of Meek, on

**Tues., March 11th**

12 head of Horses, 26 head of Cattle, 28 head of Hogs, farm machinery, 30 tons of hay in stack, 300 bu. corn, 300 bu. side oats everything will be sold, no by-biddidg.

# Stock Sale Postponed!

Will be held at farm 22 miles east of O'Neill, 10 miles north of Orchard, on

**Friday, March 7th**

30 head of Pure Bred Poland China Gilts.

This is an exceptionally fine lot and bred to Big Boy, a son of Long Boy, one of the best and largest boars ever bred by Peter Mouw.

2 Percheron Stallions, Registered.

20 head of Horses and Mules.

We invite you to come and inspect the offering and feel confident that you will not be disappointed.

Free conveyance from Orchard for parties arriving by train.

**LLOYD COATES**  
YOU CAN GET  
**CHATTEL MORTGAGE BLANKS**  
OF THE FRONTIER