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If you do not intend to shoot the way you talk, don't talk war.

Our navy is strong on submersible marines but in urgent need of a few floatables.

It may be necessary to resort to conscription to secure enlisted men for our armies, but many are willing to volunteer as officers.

The low, vulgar, common people were justly rebuked for imagining they have a right to live, if an address against equal suffrage before the senate committee on privileges and elections the other day is correctly quoted in an Omaha paper. The remarks are attributed to one of two women, both of whom are the wives of directors and heavy stockholders in Omaha public service corporations and big business, and both of whom oppose suffrage for women. The woman in question is quoted as closing her address with the statement that "even men are voting because somebody graciously condescended to permit them so to do, not because they have any genuine right to a voice in their own government." This may be true in nations ruled by "divine right," and the big interests perhaps would like to have it so in this country, but fortunately it is not. There is no "gracious condescension" to the exercise of the franchise in this country. Some of our misguided ancestors, it may perhaps be remembered, whipped the tar out of Johnny Bull because they could not subscribe to this doctrine; and later, while still laboring under a misapprehension, drafted a declaration of independence and a constitution at no place in either of which "gracious condescension" is mentioned. Some years later in our history another bunch of mutts contracted rheumatism, and some death, in getting the South to "graciously condescend" that humans are not chattles, and also to extend the franchise. It would seem that woman who is just as amendable to the laws and taxes of the country as the imported laborer or the emancipated negro should have an equal voice with them in providing these regulations. But, however loath we are to admit it, the ancient doctrine that might makes right is the one that rules the world and women only are getting the franchise where they are strong enough to take it. There always will be a few sisters who will oppose woman suffrage, just as there were slaves, before the civil war, who conscientiously believed that they should not be freed or at least said that they did. However some may, some day, change their minds, just as a well-known twelve cylinder, limousine minister of Omaha did, except that he changed over night from being an ardent suffragist to an anti. This divine delivered a scholarly sermon one Sunday in behalf of suffrage. The next morning the sermon was given some publicity and all that morning the good man was kept busy listening to commendation of his utterances. Along about noon the telephone in his study rang, however, and the message over the wire spoiled his appetite for lunch. That afternoon he was afforded opportunity to closely inspect the carpet design in a magnificently furnished private office in one of the biggest banks of Omaha, while the stockholders of his church discussed among themselves in an offhand way the suffrage question. The sermon he delivered the next Sunday on why women should not vote still is being used as campaign literature by the anti-suffrage association.

Legislative Letter.

Lincoln, Feb. 13.—Six weeks having flown since the convening of the state legislature, the "Alphonse and Gaston" period may be considered to have passed away and the period of contention and wordy warfare is again upon us, as is always the case at this stage of the legislative game. Members have about reached the stage where they are anxious to see their favorite ideas of legislation advanced with certainty and readily become impatient of opposition, thus affording the galleries the entertainment which the causal visitor longs to see and hear.

During the week past the house has enjoyed several strenuous contests of oratorical warfare. Among these was the consideration of the bill by Bates of Lincoln county regulating "boxing" exhibitions and generally known as the "Melady" bill, its authorship being attributed to an Omaha man of that name. Just when all looked serene

for the Bill, Peterson of Lancaster took up the cudgels against it and fairly riddled the provisions and intent of the bill. Other members flocked to the attack and in short order practically the entire membership of the house was arrayed in fierce debate. The bill was only saved from defeat by the pleas of its sponsors to permit it to be again referred to a standing committee in the hope that amendments and changes might make it palatable to a majority. This was agreed to by a close vote, but all indications are that Nebraska will have to get along for another two years without legal sanctions for "boxing" exhibitions.

H. R. 262, creating a "school of irrigation" in Scotts Bluff county, also precipitated a lively scrimmage, its opponents labeling it "another mistake similar to the creation of the Curtis school," and claiming the state can not locate a school on government land. The bill was as stoutly defended and was saved for the time being by referring it back for another hearing which is scheduled for the present week.

H. R. 123, which modifies the present guarantee of deposits law by removing "time deposits" from the protection of the law and prohibiting a bank from advertising that its deposits are protected by state guarantee, also brought on a hot but one-sided contest in the house. By a vote of 81 to 10 the bill was indefinitely postponed.

H. R. 1 is the bill for a new state capitol building at Lincoln and was the subject of a public hearing before the house committee. The appropriation named is a one mill levy extending over a term of years and designed to produce in total about \$3,500,000, the building to be erected one wing at a time. Greenwalt of Custer and Charles Wooster of Silver Creek appeared as the leading opponents of the bill, with Richmond of Douglas leading the fight for the measure. A war of words was staged, the insinuation being made that the friends of a new capitol had connived at the "propping-up" of the present building with big timbers as an "object lesson" to scare members into voting for a new building. This was vehemently denied and architects and building engineers present challenged the objectors to make a personal examination and ascertain the truth of the claim that the east wing is not only dangerous but ready to fall down. Final decision was delayed to permit another hearing.

Hostetter's bill putting the use of "trading stamps" by merchants under a prohibitive license fee was productive of another lively two hours of contention, in which nearly all members joined and was finally killed by indefinite postponement by a vote of 48 to 30.

The "even-rate" or "anti-discrimination" fire insurance bill introduced by Ollis is a measure that has been fought over in previous sessions and has lost none of its capacity to produce, a first-class scrap. The bill was recommended for killing by the insurance committee of the house and a fight to save it was unavailing. It went to the bone-yard. However, the fight along this line is not over for the session, as the senate has a similar measure which still remains to be disposed of.

The senate has not escaped the peevishness in the atmosphere, and during the week offered to the public several occasions of hot contention. S. F. 78, by Sandall, giving partial suffrage to women (to vote on all public officers except those named in the constitution) was one of the incidents of this character. When the bill was reached in committee of the whole, senators protested that it had not been acted on in the standing committee and had not been officially placed on the general file. After two hours of debate, in which charges of "smothering the bill" was voiced by a member supporting it, on a vote of 22 to 8 the bill was referred back to the standing committee for further hearings. The twice-a-month pay-day for railroad employees was the subject of a red-hot hearing before a senate committee. A similar measure passed the house 90 to 3, and the issue now rests with the senate. No report has been made as yet by the senate committee.

New laws passed by the senate and sent to the house for concurrence during the week include the following: Howell—pension Omaha school janitors and engineers; McMullen—intoxicated drivers of autos subject to fine up to \$300 and six months in jail and damages in minimum of \$300, also same fine and jail sentence for stealing auto; Chappelle—suspended sentence in certain misdemeanor cases; Robertson—referee's sales held anywhere in county as designated by district judge; Neal—publication once each week in daily or semi-weekly newspaper sufficient for legal notice publications; Spirk—prohibits posting of advertising matter or posters on bridges.

Of a total of thirty bills passed by the house during the week, these are of more or less general interest: Minimum wage for female labor; provid-

ing a standard size grape basket, the pounds per bushel of farm products, measure for hay in the stack; permitting operation of trains on branch lines outside present railway commission rules; a landlord's first lien on all crops of a renter; limited female suffrage; bond issues for improvements in the smaller cities and villages; a deficiency appropriation of \$15,770 for back salaries of present supreme court commission; town boards in cities of second class may build sewers without vote of people; appropriating \$80,000 for new hog barn for state fair grounds; presidential elections eliminated from the ballot and appointed by the governor; amending bank guarantee law to prevent certain abuses by bank officers; judicial reapportionment affecting Brown, Logan and Arthur counties; prohibiting physicians "splitting fees" and curbing itinerant physicians; county clerk to register vital statistics births and deaths; prohibiting barbers from working on Sunday; providing certain lands may be designated "forest areas."

One bill defeated on final vote in the house was that providing for a continuation of the forestry commission serving without pay.

No report has as yet been made in either senate or house by the standing committees on enforcement of the prohibitory amendment of the bill to that effect which each has under consideration. It is predicted that the house committee will report the bill framed by the joint committee on prohibition within the coming week to the house for consideration and action.

HELVEY NEWS BUREAU.

MORE LOCAL MATTERS.

Gene Mayfield has booked a wrestling match to be held in the Star theatre, this city, between Clarence Ekland and Fred McNally, on Washington's birthday. Ekland is one of the acknowledged real wrestlers in the game and it should be worth the admission price to see him work.

Morgan J. Doyle, lawyer, and globe trotter, representing the Investors Syndicate handling investment bonds, is in the city on business. Mr. Doyle is a recent graduate of Creighton University and will be remembered by Creighton men as the founder of the Booster and Mixers clubs and one of the leaders in the civic and social spirit of the school.

This office recently received from Clarence Ekland the following challenge: "I hereby challenge any wrestler, weight not to exceed 180 pounds, with or without a \$50 side bet. Match to be held at O'Neill the last week of February or the forepart of March. Gate receipts to be divided to suit acceptor of this challenge." Clarence Ekland, Light Heavy Weight Champion of America.

True to the forecast published exclusively in The Frontier of last week, Jawn Quig entertained the young ladies at a "pig" dinner. He went even further than we predicted and sent them to the "movie" show afterwards where the young ladies accorded him cheer after cheer. He has

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PAY CASH AND PAY LESS

February 17th and 19th.

8 Pounds of No. 1 Fish—Better than Meat	\$.075
15c Can of Norwegian Sardines packed in absolutely Pure Olive Oil	.09
Oil Sardines	.05
Mustard Sardines	.10
30c One Pound flat can of Sockeye Salmon	.25
One-half Pound flat can of Sockeye Salmon	.15
30c flat can of Red Salmon steak	.25
25c tall can of Red Salmon	.20
18c Flat can of Medium Red Salmon Steak	.20
Large cans of Oysters	.18
Small cans of Oysters	.09
15c Durkee's Salad Dressing	.09
15c Everbest Pepper Sauce "very hot"	.09
35c Gold Buckel Oranges, not heated or colored	.24c
35c 1 Quart Bottle of Pure Maple and Cane Syrup	.25
Underwood Original Deviled Ham	.15
1 Can of Imported Georges Brand French Mushrooms	.39

DON'T BLAME ALICE—TRY PURITAN FLOUR

WHY don't you get that ROYAL Tailored look? We offer ROYAL made to measure suits at \$17.00, \$20, \$22.50 and \$25.00.

We sell Heinz's "57" Varieties.

Up Where the Prices are Down
JOHN MELVIN---57 STEPS

presented us with a list of those present which follows: Mae Hammond, Grace Hammond, Etta Froelich, Mabel Meredith, Mary Stannard, Ina Owens, Ida Chapman, Hazel Walker, Lillian Brooks, F. McCafferty, Hattie Krajuvski, Beatrice Cronin, I. Biglin, Mary Sullivan, Martina Golden, E. Donohoe, M. Donohoe, M. Doyle, G. Ward, Julia Biglin, G. O'Malley, V. Testman, A. McCafferty, Sue O'Donnell, Mary Gallagher, B. Ryan and Lottie McNichols.

IN THE OLDEN DAYS.

Ten Years Ago.

As compiled from the files of The Frontier of February 7, 1907:

Sam Howard has accepted a position with the Burlington railroad in Omaha in connection with their land seekers' bureau, the management of which D. Clem Deaver left the land office here to accept about a year ago.

Ralph Evans has patented a grain door fastener, which has been taken, for a test by the B. and M. railroad.

County Clerk Simar has installed the loose leaf system in his office which will mean a large annual saving. Miss Sadie Skirving has been engaged to operate the typewriter.

Mrs. Wm. Clevisch went to Omaha Saturday to enter a hospital for treatment.

Miss Addie Wrede and Mr. Clyde Murnan were united in marriage in St. Patrick's church, last Wednesday.

Twenty Years Ago.

As compiled from the files of The Frontier of February 4, 1897:

The bachelors of the whist club entertained their friends at the Evans last Saturday evening.

Miss Ona Skirving has accepted a position in J. P. Mann's store, Mrs. C. E. Hall having resigned.

Surveyor Berry has commenced work on the survey for the big ditch in the Golden Irrigation District. Mr. Berry is an engineer of much experience and his report is anxiously awaited by the people of that district.

Grimes, of Holt, has introduced a bill in the Nebraska legislature giving women the right to vote.

James Wilson, of Iowa, has accepted the position of Secretary of Agriculture under President McKinley.

Thirty Years Ago.

As compiled from the files of The Frontier of February 10, 1887:

Mr. Emil Sniggs, son-in-law of O. E. Davidsen, has purchased the Essex blacksmith shop, taking possession last week. He moved his family up from Grand Island two weeks since and is now permanently among us.

The people of Dorsey have formed a stock company and are making extensive preparations to determine whether or not there is coal in that vicinity. Each share is valued at \$10 and nearly 100 shares have been sold. They propose to sink a three inch hole to the depth of 1,000 feet, and give the question a thorough test.

Mr. Bross, a bachelor farmer living about two miles west of Dustin was found in his bed nearly frozen to death this morning by J. W. Hinton, who lives about a half a mile from Mr. Bross' place.

The Arcade hotel has a new barn for the free use of its customers. Call and be thus accommodated.

Wm. Lavolette's new residence is assuming stately proportions under the carpenterial skill of Messrs Foley and Davidson.

J. H. Davison

A Full Stock of Everything in

Harness and Horse Furnishings

SHOE REPAIRING

Guaranteed Goods and Satisfied

Customers. Highest Price Paid for Hides. Come and See Me.

O'NEILL, NEB.

Bulls For Sale

We have a number of Registered Hereford Bulls, from 10 to 30 months old. Come and see them before buying elsewhere. Prices reasonable.

M. A. BAIRD & SONS
Brunswick, Nebr.

34-4p

A. E. BOWEN
Sells High Grade Pianos at \$175 and up on Easy Terms.
O'Neill - Nebr.

Whist Expert Absent.

The Frontier's whist expert and story writer, L. C. Peters, is temporarily out of the city, as will be noted in another column, and we are compelled to withhold the account of last week's tournament until his return. Charges of fraud, frame and other mean words flew so fast, so were told, at the last session that it takes an expert, not only at whist, but also at manipulating the English language to properly describe and record this event. Mr. Peters is such a man, and

his story will be eagerly looked for by the whist fans.

The boys' basket ball team of the local high school received the proceeds from the picture show at the Star last evening which will be used to defray the team's expenses to Lincoln where they will represent O'Neill in the state tournament. The team has not received the encouragement that they are entitled to, the crowds at the games being very small.

To close out nearly 100 Gallons of High Grade Barn Paint to make room for our new spring stock of paint will sell at 85c per gallon with a guarantee that no paint is equal to this sold elsewhere for less than \$1.25 per gallon.

NEIL P. BRENNAN.

Hardware and Implements.

Just Arrived

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Buy now and save money. We can save you some money if you buy your furniture now. We meet everybody's prices and beat everybody in quality. We have the latest designs

Warner & Sons

PUBLIC SALE

Having rented my farm I will sell the following described property at my place, 2 miles east and ½ mile north of C. B. & Q. Round House, at O'Neill, starts at 10 o'clock, on

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1917

20—HEAD OF HORSES—20

One gray team, weight 3200, 9 and 10 years old; 1 bay mare, weight 1250, coming 5 years old; 1 black mare, weight 1200, coming 5 years old; team of gray geldings, matched, coming 4 years old; 2 mules, coming 2 and 3 years old; 1 sorrel mare, coming 4 years old; 1 sorrel driving horse, 7 years old; 1 blue mare in foal, weight 1400; 2 gray mares in foal, 6 and 7 years old, weight 2100; 5 mare colts and 2 saddle horses, coming 4 and 5 years old.

19—HEAD OF CATTLE—19

Eleven milch cows, 2 to 5 years old, some fresh, others will be soon; 5 steer calves; 1 heifer calf and 2 2-year-old steers.

8—HEAD OF SHOATS—8

FARM MACHINERY, ETC.

Two double box wagons; 1 4-inch tire wagon with rack; 1 top buggy; 1 6-foot McCormick mower; 1 14-foot harrow; 1 lister; 1 2-row eli, good as new; 2 riding cultivators; 1 walking cultivator; 1 8-foot disc; 1 stock saddle; 3 sets work harness; 1 set double driving harness; 1 set single harness; 300 bushels of corn; 3 dozen chickens; household furniture and other articles too numerous to mention.

PLENTY OF FREE LUNCH SERVED AT NOON

TERMS—One year's time will be given on all sums over \$10 with approved security and 10 per cent interest. Sums of \$10 and under cash. All property must be settled for before removal.

JAS. LOOB, Owner
Col. James Moore, Auct. Jas. F. O'Donnell, Clerk