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STATE LEGISLATURE

WORK ACCOMPLISHED IN THE CLOSING HOURS

A Condensed and Concise Non-Partisan
Report of the Labors of the Nebraska
Legislature the Past Week—Action Tak-
en on the Various Measures.

Tuesday, March 30.

Several bills were advanced to third
reading in the senate this morning.
Bills passed were: H. R. 209, appro-
priating Morrill fund for use of indus-
trial school of State university; H. R.
267, to prohibit corporations from con-
tributing money or means to influence
or control elections; S. F. 208, relating
to exclusion of school bond taxes in
compilation of aggregate school taxes.

The anti-pass bill was considered in
committee of the whole. It was
amended so as to prevent the giving of
passes for any purpose, not excluding
charitable purposes, and recommended
for passage.

Considerable merriment was occasioned
by an amendment offered by
Senator Talbot in the form of an
emergency clause, which makes the
bill effective as soon as it receives the
governor's approval.

"I hope that will not prevent us
from getting back home?" said Senator
Howell of Douglas, with pretended
anxiety.

A very pleasant incident was the pre-
sentation of a large crayon portrait of
Lieutenant-Governor Harris to Mrs.
Harris. Senator Beal of Custer arose
just before adjournment and announced
that the senate, officers, and employes
had joined together, and that Senator
Murphy of Gage would speak for them.
Mrs. Harris occupied a chair near her
husband, behind the president's desk.

Senator Murphy, on behalf of the don-
ors, and in his most eloquent and earn-
est manner, told of the respect and
love borne by all the senators for the
Lieutenant governor, and how his con-
duct as presiding officer had endeared
him to all.

Wednesday, March 31.

The senate today took up the Penn
normal bill, a measure appropriating
\$20,000 for the rebuilding of a dormi-
tory. Numerous amendments to cut
down the appropriation were offered,
but not agreed to, and after a debate
of some length the bill was recom-
mended for passage.

The bill appropriating \$30,000 for a
building on the the university campus
was by agreement made the special
order for Thursday.

The senate recommended the passage
of the fellow servant bill, to make em-
ployers liable for injuries to employes
when such injuries are caused by the
negligence of another employe. An-
other object of the bill is to legislate
out of existence the B. & M. relief de-
partment. The bill makes the em-
ployer liable and provides that any con-
tract, rule or regulation between such
employe and employer shall in no wise
impeir or diminish such liability.

The bill taking the Milford indus-
trial home from under control of the
woman's associate charities and placing
it in charge of the governor and the
board of public lands and buildings,
was also recommended for passage.

The debate in committee of the whole
on this bill was very long, several of
the senators going into the merits of
the bill, and making a plea to let the
home remain in the hands of the
woman's associate charities. Senator
Conway especially entered into de-
tails and gave the history of the home,
but the senate refused to indefinitely
postpone.

Governor Holcomb today approved
S. F. 41, by Senator Ransom, requir-
ing street car companies to vestibule
their cars for the protection of em-
ployees.

H. R. 117, the state script bill was
advanced to head of general file.

The senate then passed the three
senate files which gives the governor
power to appoint officers of the Kearney
and Geneva industrial schools and
the institute for feeble minded at
Beatrice.

Adjourned.

Thursday, April 1.

Friends of the state university fought
a battle in the senate today and won.
The house bill appropriating \$30,000
for a building for the school of me-
chanical arts was recommended for
passage.

Bills passed were: S. F. 371, to tax
express companies; 375, to tax gross
earnings of telephone companies 1/4
of 1 per cent; 378, to tax gross earnings
of telegraph companies 1 per cent; H.
R. 198, Peru dormitory bill; 140, to
permit humane societies to adopt neg-
lected children.

The senate by a vote of 16 to 15 re-
fused to concur in the house amend-
ment to S. F. 8, Senator Beal's defi-
ciency judgment bill. The house had
amended the bill excepting existing
contracts.

The senate then went into commit-
tee of the whole to consider the bill
appropriating \$30,000 for a building for
mechanical arts. After repeated at-
tempts to cut down the appropriation
had failed the bill was favorably recom-
mended.

The legislative committee appointed
to investigate the charge that hoodie
was used by gamblers to secure the
passage of a bill completed its work
yesterday and reported to the senate
that the charges were not sustained. A
resolution was passed censuring the
Omaha Bee, and its editor, who caused
the charges to be made.

Friday, April 2.

Advancement of individual or pet
measures caused the usual wrangle in
the senate this morning.

The scrip warrant bill, H. R. 117,
was added to bills under head of special
order.

The fellow servants bill was defeat-
ed.

The bill to appropriate \$30,000 for a
state university building for school of
mechanical arts, was passed.

H. R. 234, appropriating matricula-
tion fees of state normal for use of li-
braries, passed.

A list of bills were recommended for
special order, among them being the
referendum bill and all the guarantee
bond bills. The will be considered
Monday night.

S. F. 61, taking the management of
the industrial home at Milford out of
the hands of the woman's associate
charities, passed, as also did the bill

for organization of mutual hail insur-
ance companies.
S. F. 186, to abolish capital punish-
ment, was defeated.

The general appropriation bill was
considered in committee of the whole.
There were many committee amend-
ments adding to appropriations, the
most notable one being \$10,000 to the
\$30,000 for support of the national
guard.

The bill appropriating \$25,000 for an
addition to the Norfolk asylum was
advanced to third reading and the senate
adjourned.

Saturday, April 3.

A motion to advance the bill appro-
priating \$30,000 for a new wing at the
Hastings asylum prevailed and the bill
was ordered to a third reading.

A few bills were passed, among the
number being: S. F. 350, allowing
school boards to levy taxes; S. F. 203,
providing for the establishment of pub-
lic libraries in school districts; H. R.
224, for a new wing to Norfolk asylum
and appropriating \$25,000 therefor,
passed with emergency clause.

The senate in committee of the whole
considered the general appropriation
bills, and after making a few changes
therein arose and reported progress.

The senate then adjourned.

Monday, April 5.

The senate this afternoon was con-
fronted by a resolution calling for the
appointment of a joint committee to
investigate charges of fraud in the
matter of the York county ballots,
which charges were the result of the
disclosures of the recount. One or two
amendments were offered, but were
not adopted. The original resolution
was, after much debate, tabled.

In committee of the whole the senate
again considered the general appropria-
tion bills, made a few changes and
adjourned without completing action
thereon.

IN THE HOUSE

Tuesday, March 30.

This morning after listening to nu-
merous reports of standing committees,
the house went into committee of the
whole and took up the revenue bill.
A few sections only were read and in
the afternoon bills on third reading oc-
cupied the attention of the house.

H. R. 611 was read for the third
time. It is a concurrent resolution
introduced by the railroad committee,
providing for a commission of three
competent persons to ask the assistance
of the interstate commerce commission
and the board of railroad commis-
sioners in securing just and equitable
freight rates to the gulf and to con-
sider the propriety of building an in-
terstate railroad to the Gulf of Mex-
ico. The bill passed by a vote of 65
to 5.

H. R. 532, appropriating \$10,000 for
the purpose of investigating the ac-
counts of the various executive offices
of the state and for the purpose of
prosecuting any officials who may be
found to have defrauded the state,
passed with the emergency clause, the
vote standing 76 to 0.

H. R. 6, Mr. Hull's bill providing for
the extinguishment of all deficiency
judgments and providing that when a
mortgagee sues on his note, he aban-
dons his mortgage security, was passed
with the exact constitutional majority
of 51 votes.

At the night session the house went
into the committee of the whole and
passed favorably upon the blanket
ballot bill which almost received a
black eye on Monday through the op-
position of Messrs. Zimmerman and
Hull. Mr. Hull experienced a change
of heart and moved to recommend the
bill favorably, which was done.

An exciting little encounter occurred
over the revenue bill, which Mr. Hull
moved to postpone. His motion was
like touching fire to gunpowder, and
when he saw how sentiment was run-
ning he said he really favored the bill.
The bill is long and the members re-
alize that it will consume considerable
time, but are quite generally in favor
of taking it up. Nothing was done with
it tonight, however.

Adjourned.

Wednesday, March 31.

The house today put in another
very busy day. The morning was
occupied almost entirely with reports
of standing committees. The mem-
bers made strenuous efforts to advance
individual bills, but the house sat
down on nearly every one that was
pushed. The Douglas county delega-
tion sought to advance to the head of
the general file the bill permitting the
bonding of Douglas county for the ex-
position, but the opposition was too
strong.

Later on the two bills appropriating
\$30,000 and \$25,000 for permanent im-
provements at the Hastings and Nor-
folk asylums respectively, were ad-
vanced for final consideration at an
early date.

Among the most important bills
passed by the house in the afternoon
was the senate deficiency judgment
bill and the bill enlarging the powers
of the board of transportation.

The most important action during
the day was taken at the evening ses-
sion in committee of the whole, when
the general revenue bill was post-
poned. This bill was drawn up on the
plan that assessments should hereaft-
er be made at the cash value of prop-
erty, with the intent to lower the levy.
Provision was also made for county
assessors and the validity of tax title
deeds was recognized. The list of as-
sessable property was raised from 36
items to nearly a hundred.

Opposition to the bill which was a
committee substitute for Mr. Pollard's
revenue bill, came from some of the
leaders on the floor, who wished
changes in the general revenue law
but did not want sweeping reforms.
Mr. Wooster moved to postpone and
after an attempt had failed to recom-
mit the bill, first striking out all after
the enacting clause so that a few
pressing changes might be made in
the present system in accordance with
the governor's recommendations, the
motion to postpone carried.

This motion brought forth a storm
of protests from the members which
proved useless. All the main revenue
bills have been postponed with the
understanding that they were included
in the general revenue bill, and now
that it has gone by the board, the only
hope for relief lies in the reconsid-
eration of the vote by which the bill
was postponed.

The house today passed a motion for
the appointment of a committee to con-
fer with the senate committee as to the
time for final adjournment. The com-
mittee was not appointed.

Thursday, April 1.

Preliminaries over, the house, after
refusing to advance quite a number of
bills, devoted the greater part of the
day to passage of measures. Among
the numerous ones passed the follow-
ing are the most important: S. F. 40,
providing for organization of mutual
hail insurance companies; H. R. 224,
appropriating \$25,000 for a new build-
ing at the Norfolk asylum; H. R. 18,
appropriating \$30,000 for permanent
improvements at the Hastings asylum.

H. R. 653, an act to validate renewal
bonds issued in Omaha, failed to pass
with the emergency clause and passed
without it, with 54 votes.

Mr. Yeiser succeeded in advancing
S. F. 157, prohibiting corporations or
business firms from furnishing officers
in cities or villages free any gas, elec-
tric light or other artificial light, water
or water service, transportation, etc.
The motion to advance to a third read-
ing prevailed by a vote of 41 to 19.

H. R. 345, preventing commission
merchants from depositing the pro-
ceeds of a consignment in their own
name in banks and making such an act
embezzlement, was recommended for
passage. A provision was added al-
lowing merchants to deduct from rem-
ittances, indebtedness of consignors to
them.

H. R. 282, providing for a state board
of engineers, was indefinitely post-
poned.

H. R. 529, authorizes the board of
public lands and buildings to purchase
a quarter section of land near the
Hastings asylum for the purpose of
taking care of the sewage coming from
the asylum. The bill was recommend-
ed for passage.

The committee rose and its report
was adopted.

A motion to adjourn carried, taking
precedence over a motion to take a
recess till 7:30 o'clock.

Friday, April 2.

Several bills were advanced in the
house, after which the regular order
prevailed.

A motion to recede from the house
amendment to S. F. 108, the deficiency
judgment bill, carried. As passed the
bill effects existing contracts.

Bills passed were: H. R. 67, making
chicken stealing a burglary; 283, plac-
ing institute for blind at Nebraska
City and deaf and dumb institute at
Omaha under control of state board of
trustees instead of the board of public
lands and buildings.

Mr. Snyder of Sherman was excused
for the balance of the session.

After recess the claims bill passed
with emergency clause.

H. R. 463, the blanket ballot bill,
passed with emergency clause.

S. F. 157, to prevent persons, part-
nerships, and corporations from fur-
nishing to officers any gas lights, etc.,
at a price less than is charged other
customers for such.

H. R. 342, the penitentiary bill, was
passed, as were also S. F. 207, defining
beneficiary societies, H. R. 334 and H.
R. 351.

H. R. 175, amending the state and
county depository law passed with
emergency clause.

At the evening session reports of
standing committees were received.

S. F. 2, to prevent insurance com-
panies, was advanced and ordered en-
grossed for third reading after quite a
debate.

The senate judiciary apportionment
bill was indefinitely postponed.

A motion to adjourn Wednesday af-
ternoon next was defeated, as the joint
committee had not yet reported.

In committee of the whole H. R. 241,
defining a legal newspaper and provid-
ing that it must have been published
three months to be such, was recom-
mended for passage.

H. R. 403, appropriating \$10,000 for
the Nebraska fair association at North
Platte in behalf of irrigation interests,
was postponed.

H. R. 441 provides that where a
change of venue in a law suit is taken,
the costs shall be taxed back to the
county from which suit was brought.
It was recommended for passage.

H. R. 456, to prevent combinations
of elevator men, was recommended for
passage.

The committee then rose and the
house adjourned.

Saturday, April 3.

Barely a constitutional majority at-
tended the session of the house Sat-
urday and the passage of bills was de-
ferred, the entire day being given over
to consideration of bills in committee
of the whole.

The fight of the day, however, oc-
curred over H. R. 578, permitting
Douglas county to bond itself for the
exposition. The opposition to the bill
was headed by the Lancaster county
delegation, with Mr. Wooster a close
second. It passed through the commit-
tee of the whole amended so as to per-
mit the issuance of bonds to the amount
of \$100,000 instead of \$250,000 as pro-
vided in the original draft of the bill.
A resolution to allow straight time
for all employes was tabled.

Monday, April 5.

Consideration of H. R. 578, to allow
Douglas county to bond itself in aid of
the exposition, was resumed in com-
mittee of the whole this morning, the
motion before the committee being to
indefinitely postpone. The motion
failed to carry and the bill was recom-
mended for passage.

H. R. 32, the anti-cigarette bill was
advanced to a third reading.

THE CHIEF ENGINEER

GEN. JOHN M. WILSON CHIEF OF ARMY CORPS.

His Appointment One of the Last Of-
ficial Acts of Ex-President Cleveland—
His Record in the Service of the
United States.



GENERAL JOHN M.
Wilson, chief of the
army engineer
corps, who has just
been promoted to
that position and
has been made a
brigadier-general,
is by no means un-
known to the mar-
iners of the great
lakes. The general
was for many years in charge of the
river and harbor improvements on
Lake Erie and had his headquarters at
Cleveland. He has been of no small
service in the light institution, and is
widely known to the lake interests.

General Wilson is a native of Wash-
ington and is 60 years old. In 1860 he
was graduated from the military ac-
ademy at West Point. His first service
was in the artillery, and he passed
through the civil war with great credit.
He was brevetted many times for his
gallant conduct during the war. For
four years—from 1871 to 1875—he was
in charge of the fortifications at Forts
Ontario and Niagara. In the last
named year he was transferred to
Washington territory and Oregon to
look after the works on the Columbia
river. In 1882 he was recalled to Wash-
ington, where he was made assistant
chief of engineers. Having held that
position until 1886, he was again sent
to California. When Mr. Cleveland was
elected president he made General Wil-
son superintendent of the public build-
ings and grounds in the District of Co-
lumbia. In 1889 he was made superin-
tendent of the academy at West Point,

and in 1893 he was recalled to Wash-
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A Story of Moltke.

The following anecdote is told of
Moltke, the German general: Travel-
ing in Switzerland, he came to Z—
and walked to the hotel. As the head
waiter of the stylish and well-known
establishment saw his gaunt figure
stalking in, wrapped in a worn-out,
dusty cloak, carrying an old leather
satchel, he measured his wealth by his
looks and ordered the assistant to show
him into a small room in the upper-
most story. Moltke followed without
remorse. As he was making him-
self comfortable in the attic another
assistant came, as is customary there,
to ask the silent stranger his name
and rank. This created no small con-
sternation in the office of the Hotel B.
The consequence was that a few min-
utes later mine host, with a retinue of
"Kellner," all in full dress, appeared
at the attic door to inform His Excel-
lency that a better room had just been
vacated in the "Belgate." "Give that
to my servant," replied Moltke, "when
he comes with our carriage. This is
good enough for me." And he re-
mained.

A New Story of the Kaiser.

A pretty story, savoring of the ro-
mantic, is told in the French press
about the Kaiser. Recently His Majes-
ty went to the Berlin barracks alone.
The corporal on guard recognized the
Kaiser immediately and saluted him.
The Kaiser was pleased, and approach-
ing the soldier, said: "Why do you
look so sad, corporal?" The corporal
did not reply. The emperor then asked
if he was disappointed in love. At
this the corporal found his tongue,
and replied that he wished to marry
Marguerite, the daughter of his ser-
geant-major, but that her father would
not give his consent until he became a
sergeant. "And do you love her very
much?" asked the Kaiser. "Oh, yes,"
was the reply. "Then," said the em-
peror, "go and tell your future father-
in-law that William II. makes you a
sergeant."

The Plague in India.

The bubonic plague is extending in
India. In Bombay, up to January 23,
the official returns showed 4,296 cases
and 3,275 deaths. At Karachi, another
important port, there had been about
700 cases, most of which were fatal.
There have been deaths also at Poona,
Bandra, and several smaller places
where fugitives from Bombay sought
refuge; and three deaths of such fugi-
tives have been reported at Goa in
Portuguese India. The missionaries in
Bombay have remained, and no cases
have occurred in the Christian orphans-
ages in Bombay and Bandra, though
they are surrounded by an infected
population.

THE FACTS IN THE MATTER.

Mr. Loomis of the Recount Committee Answers the Charges of Fraud.

Concerning