Lincoln Letter

Current Gossip from the STATE CAPITAL Legislative and Otherwise

The thirtieth session of the Nebraska legislature has practically gone into history, as at this writing the hour of final adjournment is near at hand. The last day was spent in listening to the reports of conference committees and a general jollification and goodbye service which began and ended as the mood of any certain member dictated. A great many of the members of both houses left Thursday evening, but a quorum was present all day Friday and faithfully voted on the conference committee reports, and toward evening it was only a waiting game—waiting for the enrolling clerks to get bills enrolled. Late in the evening it became apparent the enrolling clerks could not finish their work before morning, and as there was no business to transact until their labors were completed, both houses took a recess until Saturday morning. Friday was spent mostly on the appropriation bills and the conference committee reports which were adopted cut out the $20,000 appropriation for the new orthopedic hospital at Lincoln, cut out the salary for a chief clerk in the office of the labor commissioner and added and subtracted some minor amounts, leaving a grand total of all appropriations against the general fund of $3,589,217, not counting the 1 mill levy for the university. This amount caps the appropriations of past legislatures, but members of the finance committee of both houses justify the increase by the increased needs of the state. The 1 mill levy for the university, of which $100,000 goes to the state farm for new buildings, will add not less than $617,613 to the amount the taxpayers will have to contribute during the next two years, providing, of course, Governor Sheldon does not get busy with his pruning knife, which it is freely predicted he will do. The total of all appropriations two years ago, including the university appropriation, amounted to $3,621,604.05, adding the estimated amount which will go to the university will make the increase this biennium approximately $617,613. The Lancaster delegation made a hard fight to save the new building for the orthopedic hospital, but the legislature could not see the need of it just at this time.

A feature of the legislature in its closing hours was the presentation by the members of the senate to Lieutenant Governor Hopewell of a beautiful gold-headed cane. In accepting the same he said: "I shall not endeavor to express my feelings at this time, because I could not if I should try. I can only say I sincerely thank you from the bottom of my heart, not for the cane, but for the sentiments that the speaker has expressed in presenting it. This session has been very pleasant. We have made many acquaintances and friends that we will remember as long as we live. I think I can say this is a memorable body, a good deal above the average, if we take the word of those who have been acquainted with legislatures for years past. I believe this is the finest body of men I have come in contact with. There may be a better body somewhere, but if so I have never seen nor heard of it."

The state university won $50,000 from the Nebraska legislature in the closing hours. However, this will afford little relief, according to the report of the university authorities. The conference agreement commands that $100,000 be diverted from the 1 mill levy proceeds and be expended on the state farm. In return the general fund of the state is to furnish $50,000 to be expended as the regents direct. This sum is insufficient, it is stated, to make any progress on the civil engineering building so badly needed by the university. On the other hand, it is feared that the expenditures at the state farm will necessitate the use of the $50,000 for the maintenance of the university proper.

House roll 269 was indefinitely postponed in committee of the whole. The bill sought to penalize teachers when they broke their contracts. Senator King opposed the bill. He declared that the school teachers of the state were honorable and honest. They deserved the utmost consideration. If they damaged a school board, there was an action at law.

Don C. Despain, clerk in the labor bureau and letter writer of much renown, has been worsted in his campaign for the perpetuation of his pay check. The conference committee on the general salaries bill eliminated his salary of $1,200 a year from the list of perquisites. In the house representative McMullen had the item struck out, alleging that Despain returned no service therefor.

A romance was one of the features of the closing day of the senate. It leaked out that Senator H. B. Glover, one of the bachelor members of the senate, and Miss Cordelia Johnson of Lincoln were to be married in the evening. Their acquaintance began at one of the receptions held by Governor Sheldon. They met frequently at the same function and were together much of the time during the session. The nuptials were tipped off and Senator Glover was the subject of considerable "joshing."

Passage of the Gibson anti-brewer bill was stubbornly fought, not only by members of the house from Douglas county, but by a powerful lobby, but the sentiment always favored the bill, and there had never been a questionion of its final approval by the legislature. The final vote was 67 for the bill and 21 against it. After Gibson introduced the measure such a protest came up from South Omaha that he never pushed it, but it was forced ahead by friends in both houses and readily went through.

The conference committee report on the pure food bill was adopted by the house and senate, making the bill quite as stringent as when it left the senate. The committee was at work over the measure a good portion of a whole day and the reports were submitted in each house just before adjournment, being accepted without discussion. Many of the provisions objected to by the druggists were placed in effect, but the provision which the jobbers objected to with regard to labels on canned goods were changed to meet their requirements in a business way. In brief, the conference committee cut out the provision for meat inspection and left this to state inspectors. The provision that packages must bear the net weight and measure of their contents was put back in the bill, as was also the provision that packages must bear the ingredients stamped on the outside under certain conditions. The dairy provisions of the bill were little changed as they were altered by the house, with the exception that instead of leaving the dairy commissioner to decide upon the proper test, the Babcock test was prescribed. The provision with regard to stamping packages with weight and measure was excepted in the case of persons in the canning business or jobbers putting up private brands.

The Gibson bill to prohibit breweries from engaging in the saloon business passed the house. Its passage was foreshadowed by the indorsement it received. Introduced by its author for the alleged purpose of revenge and, according to common report in the legislature, disowned and disapproved by him the bill was taken up by others and pushed with a vigor such as that given terminal taxation and some of the other big bills of the session. One feature of the bill which was approved of by many who voted against it is that which forbids breweries or their agents to own or aid in securing liquor licenses. The other feature which was denounced by a number who voted for it is the provision prohibiting breweries or their agents from renting property for saloon purposes.

The Hamer bill amending a bill which passed both houses early in the session and became a law, was passed by the senate after an ineffective fight to kill it by Epperson of Clay. The legislature passed H. R. 31 early in the session, taking away from cities, villages and precincts the power to vote bonds in aid of railroads. Until after it became a law very few persons knew the importance of it. At the request of members from the northwestern part of the state, another bill correcting the "joker" was introduced, the new bill allowing bonds to be voted for steam railroads only. Senator Epperson, who backed the first bill, fought the second one, but was unable to kill it.

Redmond of Nemaha got through a resolution in the house to clear the title to eight acres of land belonging to T. J. Majors, by allowing the colonel to sue the state. When the state bought sixty acres of land for the State Normal school at Peru it was in two tracts. By a mistake the eight-acre tract was not properly described and instead of getting what the state bought the deed reads eight acres belonging to Colonel Majors. However, the state has been using what it bought for forty years and the resolution is only for the purpose of allowing Colonel Majors to get his title cleared up.

Senators Ashton and Aldrich fought a two hours' oratorical battle in regard to the Milford and Grand Island homes for old soldiers. Ashton won his fight. He pulled house roll No. 491 through, this measure apropriating $25,000 in state funds for a building at Grand Island. Milford was allowed $15,000 and then Grand Island came in for $9,000 for repairs.

Through the provisions of a bill which was passed in the house, and which had already passed in the senate, the sheriff of Douglas county will receive a salary of $4,000 a year after January 1, 1908. Until that time he will draw his present salary and will receive 39 cents a day for feeding prisoners. After that date the feeding of county prisoners will be done by contract.

House roll No. 328, to allow bonds to be voted for railroads, slipped through the senate by a vote of 25 to 7. Hamer introduced the bill in the house. Senators Hanna and Phillips worked for the bill, claiming the North Platte country needed railroads. The legislature has repealed a similar law at the present session. The bill restores the statute as far as "steam railroads" are concerned.

Senator Randall made a fight to increase the $1,250 appropriation for a monument to General Thayer to $5,000. He declared the larger amount would be necessary to erect a shaft suitable to commemorate the memory of one of Nebraska's leading citizens. His amendment was voted down.

The governor signed S. F. No. 76, by Seantor Gibson, a bill to eliminate brewers from active or indirect participation in the retail liquor business. Delegation after delegation of brewers called on Governor Sheldon, but, despite their protests, he signed the bill.

Both senate and the house adopted the report of the conference committee on amendments to the pure food bill without serious opposition, the expected fight not materializing. The conference committee amended section 8, over which the big fight occurred, to make it practically the same as it was when the bill left the senate. It requires the names of ingredients, but not the quantities, to be placed on bottles, and requires the quantity to be placed on all bottled liquor except that used for medical purposes.

The state board of irrigation, as appointed by the governor, met and reelected Adna Dobson, secretary and H. Smith of Lexington and P. T. Francis, division secretaries. The office force will remain the same, George Bates, assistant, and Miss Gilmore, stenographer.

TIRED BACKS.

The kidneys have a great work to do in keeping the blood pure. When they get out of order it causes backache, headaches, dizziness, languor and distressing urinary troubles. Keep the kidneys well and all these sufferings will be saved you. Mrs. S. A. Moore, proprietor of a restaurant at Waterville, Mo., says: "Before using Doan's Kidney Pills I suffered everything from kidney troubles for a year and a half. I had pain in the back and head, and almost continuous in the loins and felt weary all the time. A few doses of Doan's Kidney Pills brought great relief, and I kept on taking them until in a short time I was cured. I think Doan's Kidney Pills are wonderful."

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Ranchman Rode Far After Most Serious Injury.

Jack Farland, a ranchman living at the base of Pike's Peak, and whose post office is Midland, in this county, yesterday suffered a broken leg by being caught between a horse which he was riding and a timber wagon which he was attempting to pass while on route to this city, says the Cripple Creek Times. Farland displayed the greatest of pluck by riding on to Victor after suffering the injury, although he said upon arriving here that he felt several times that he must give up. Knowing, however, what difficulty would attend any attempt to dismount, and how well nigh impossible it would be for him to remount in the event that he succeeded in getting safely off his horse, the ranchman gritted his teeth and kept on. After having his leg set by a surgeon of this city, Farland collapsed and it was late in the afternoon before he was able to proceed homeward in a carriage, the accident having happened early in the morning.

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Sheep Raising in Australia.

The greatest industry of Australia is sheep raising, mainly for the sake of the wool, but also in part, of course, for the meat. Australia now ranks second among the great sheep-raising countries, Argentina being first with 92,000,000 sheep, Australia second with 72,000,000, and Russia third with 70,000,000. Only a few years ago Australia was first, possessing no less than 106,260,000 head of sheep. That was in 1891. Prolonged droughts were the cause of the destruction of many millions of Australian sheep, but since 1902 there has been an annual gain. Yet these sheep were not indigenous to Australia. They were first introduced in 1797, being of the Spanish merino species.

Queer Idea of Chinese.

The following is a quite modern Chinese conception of the foreigners' treatment of infectious cases: "If an epidemic broke out two foreigners took the sick away and put them in a little room, washed them with lime water and then locked them up, so that no one could see them, on purpose that they might soon die and not propagate the disease. Wives and children might cry and weep, but the foreigner would but drive them away with sticks, for until dead no one must see those faces again. Better for all of us to jump into the sea than submit to this."—South China Post.

Read Slowly.

The New York Medical Journal wisely remarks: "The colon bacillus is usually ranked in the saprophytic group of bacteria rather than placed among the organisms distinctly pathogenic for man; but we know that it is far from being devoid of virulence, and that it is capable under certain conditions of gaining increased powers of invading the organism and of manifesting very definite pathogenic effects."

FIND OUT

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Judging People.

We are all inclined to judge of others as we find them. Our estimate of a character always depends much on the manner in which that character affects our own interests and passions. We find it difficult to think well of those by whom we are thwarted or depressed; and we are ready to admit every excuse for the vices of those who are useful or agreeable to us. That is, we believe, one of those illusions to which the whole human race is subject, and which experience and reflection can only partially remove.—McCaulay.

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The Paris Matin says, apropos of the proposal to abolish the British barmaid: "One must have lived through a dull winter's night on the shores of the Thames; one must have looked in the laughing eyes of some waitress for a reflection of the absent blue sky, in order to understand all the horror of the proposal to replace charming barmaids by men."

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