

night in the Brockton. Drunken men reeled about the hallway and danced on the lunch tables. Beer was free as water. Clerks, janitors, house and senate members were mixed up in one grand carnival of bacchanalian revelry.

At 2:30 Lieutenant Governor Moore telephoned to the press stating that the senate would adjourn at 3 o'clock. A squad of men were sent to clear the state house of the drunken mob. Twenty minutes later the mob left of its own volition. The beer had played out.

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One of the closing incidents of the session was the action of the senators in expurgating from the records the vote of censure passed upon Senator Stewart of Iowa for his conduct in the senate last Thursday evening. The senator withdrew the statement he made at the time referring upon the action of the sergeant-at-arms. The usual resolution thanking the pages, the presiding officers and the representatives of the press were adopted and the senate adjourned to await the final dissolution of the legislature.

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viding that Union college of Lincoln may issue diplomas. A motion was then made to take a recess until 2 o'clock, but the lieutenant governor suggested that in view of the fact that a resolution ending the session at 12 o'clock would be made, the motion was hardly a proper one to entertain.

Graham moved that the senate take a recess for one hour. Stewart offered an amendment to Graham's motion the following: The time having arrived which was fixed by the senate for the adjournment of the session, I move that the Twenty-fourth session of the Nebraska senate do now adjourn.

Graham raised the point of order that the joint resolution providing for an adjournment sine die at noon today had never been passed by the senate, and that the records would show. This statement was something of a surprise to many of the senators, who had believed that the joint resolution had promptly been adopted.

Stewart's motion to adjourn sine die was not agreed to, and the senate then took a recess for one hour. The house having refused to concur in the senate amendments to the general appropriation bill, the lieutenant governor appointed a conference committee.

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county in the chair. When McKesson made the motion to go into committee of the whole he simply made the motion cover house roll No. 612, one of the bills prepared by the claims committee of the house. But as soon as the senator from Lancaster had assumed control he directed the motion to cover house roll No. 569. This bill had no reference to a claim passed upon by the house, but the senate had at last arrived at that happy frame of mind when everything goes smoothly and cheerfully if not carefully considered.

It is particularly for the benefit of Atkinson, Holt and other pensioners that a claim may be divided upon a majority vote of the senators in the county voting upon the proposition, instead of requiring a two-thirds majority, as under the present law. The lieutenant governor commended that the bill do pass. Graham explained that the man who had been backing the bill had exercised a little free thought and had the amendment inserted in advance.

LEGISLATING IN LUMPS. The claims bill, No. 612, was agreed to without reading. Then the committee proceeded to pass upon bill after bill without giving the slightest consideration. They were considered by their numbers only and no one on the floor but the men backing them had any voice in the matter.

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and directs the State Board of Public Lands and Buildings within thirty days after the passage of the act to advertise for bids for the erection of a building for the penitentiary labor and for the payment of all penitentiary expenses, including officers' salaries, heating of the buildings, boarding and clothing convicts, etc. The house bill was passed on Tuesday, April 2, 1895.

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