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SENATOR CLARK: Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President, members of the body, I rise to oppose introducing this bill and not only on what it says but because we have only twenty-eight days left, twenty-eight days to act on the many bills that we have on General File and also many of the bills that we have in the Revenue Committee. I will just talk about the Revenue Committee a little while. We have had so many bills in the Revenue Committee that we have not had a chance hardly at all to hold executive sessions and I just feel that by introducing one more bill will just take that much more time. I, therefore, would urge you to oppose this bill.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, I will be brief also. This bill, I think, would probably come before the Judiciary Committee. I am opposed to its introduction. I would refer to it as the World Herald bill and their hand is becoming unduly heavy in the operations of this Legislature. The bill is ridiculous. It was drafted by the Justice Department and in one of the articles Senator Venditte handed out it is designed to prohibit the sale of everything from hypodermic needles to plastic sandwich bags used to carry drugs. What this bill would do is make all kind of legal items that you can buy in the drug store, the grocery store or wherever, and make it illegal because some people use it in an improper fashion. The bill is poorly drafted. It was hastily considered and not really at all by the committee because it did not have the opportunity. I don't think there is any chance to go through it and do what ought to be done and if the only thing we are going to do with the bill is indefinitely postpone it which is what ought to happen, we should save time by not introducing it in the first place. So this gives me an opportunity not only to speak in behalf of our using the remaining time the best we can but to join Senator Hefner in enactment of his which shows as Dewey Nemitz once said, "Not anybody can be wrong all of the time."

SPEAKER MARVEL PRESIDING

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SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, twenty-eight days and four hundred bills and Senator Venditte wants another one. Shame on you, Pat, shame on you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kelly.