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the former Governor, but the ribbon was cut and the University and everybody else that says we need a nice blacktop road, we don't need no great big interstate road down there. So this gives us a classification that we can follow. Let's build the road. We have already lost four years on it, and I can tell you how that road got started four years ago if you really wanted to know.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. President, members, I had some red flags in my mind yet the other day when this came up the first time and I still have not had those satisfied. I think that we are creating a monster here that we really don't know what we are doing, especially since the Highway Department hasn't even been consulted apparently, but we already have enough classifications of roads. I think you can build anything from a cow trail up to an eight lanes or ten lanes wide in Nebraska by jurisdiction of the Highway Commission and the State Engineer. I don't believe that we have to have a hundred and fifty foot or a hundred and twenty-five foot roadway necessarily. It can be changed. This looks like a special interest bill which I am sure it is and I am not saying they are bad because I may want one, too, one of these days but I certainly can't imagine us going into this without having information from the Highway Department and the Highway Commission. We already have park roads which the counties are taking care of and that was my concern the other day. Are these going to be state maintained if they are in connection with a scenic road built by the Game and Parks Commission or through their funding or how are we going to do it? I don't think we know. So I am going to vote against it until I find out.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Wagner.

SENATOR WAGNER: I have a question of Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Yes, Senator Wagner.

SENATOR WAGNER: Senator Hoagland, do you envision this as just strictly going to parks or do you see it as a part of a major highway, some section that could be declared like a scenic area, and then they would have to reduce it down?

SENATOR HOAGLAND: We have gotten...we have been consulting with the Department of Roads all the way through this, Senator Wagner. As a matter of fact, the Department of Roads