

is the first year we've been asked to vote on bonds and is it customary to...this is the only thing I have is one sheet here...is it customary to vote on bonds for \$4 million and I don't know where it is going. I hear on 81 but there is nothing in here that says where it is going. There is nothing that says any percent of what the bonds are going to be or there are nothing that says how many years or anything. Is this the way that Nebraska does business or ...I just want the information from somebody who can tell me. I don't know. Unless I've lost some of mine, I read this and I think to myself, am I expected to vote for \$4 million and I really don't even know what I'm doing except trying to get \$4 million for some roads some place?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Sieck, do you wish to answer the question?

SENATOR SIECK: Yes, Senator VonMinden, the money cannot be earmarked for specific highways. We were stressing the need of a certain area but the bill says it will go into the highway trust fund to be used by the Highway Department for the improvement of roads and I feel that it could happen, that they could get a stretch of highway done with maybe a lot better contract and maybe they only need \$4 million extra to get that job done. Let's let them do this and see if that would be helpful. This doesn't say that they've got to do it. This just allows them and asks them to consider using the \$4 million as far as bonding. This isn't an every day occasion as you were asking. It isn't an every day occasion.

SENATOR VONMINDEN: Thank you then.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Higgins, do you wish to speak to the bill?

SENATOR HIGGINS: Yes, Mr. President. I'm glad Senator Von Minden asked you that question, Senator Sieck because I thought it was going to be for Highway 81 and I was just about to say don't let's us Omaha people vote for anything like that. We never travel that road, but seriously, \$4 million for highways, I don't like the idea of that either. I would prefer inasmuch as the people that build highways work strictly for the government, either the state or the federal. They're not really working for private enterprise. Once in a while private enterprise will happen to build a driveway, a parking lot but they aren't in a business where you can go out and hustle a little more and sell. So think where the bottom line is on this, reminds us of Franklin Delano Roosevelt and the vast criticism he got for the WPA, the New Deal. He gave people money but he made them work