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and has led this Foundation well through a very eventful three years of revitalization. I proudly present the Foundation's outgoing president, John Kingsbury.

MR. KINGSBURY: I have just a few comments I'd like to make this morning to tell you why we're here again. I was going to tell you a little bit about the foundation but I don't have to do that now because Roland did it better than I could have but the Foundation basically is to promote the image and distinction of Nebraska and so we're sponsoring the three days of events that were held Saturday night when Tom Osborne was given the distinguished Nebraskalander award, not so much because he is the fantastic football coach but because he is a fantastic human being. We feel that his character as a person brings distinction to Nebraska as well as his football record and yesterday afternoon's ceremonies here in the Capitol, the rotunda was filled again with people celebrating the birthday of Nebraska and inducting people into the Hall of Fame. The Foundation has many purposes that go well beyond things here in the Capitol or recognizing citizens for the job that they do in Nebraska. So the only thing I want to say on that this morning is that we have basically three premises that we operate with. The first one is that we want people to know Nebraska. We are trying to get people to learn about their state, be more familiar with it so we're better salesmen for Nebraska. The second thing that we ask then is that Nebraskans discover Nebraska. Discover our own state. Go out there and see what it offers. Every one of you senators represents a different district and there is great things in your district, aren't there, things that you're proud of, things that you like to show when people visit and this sort of thing. We're encouraging Nebraskans to discover each one of your districts and discover what is great about each one of them. Finally, we ask Nebraskans to support our state, be proud of it. If you're aware of what we have, if you've seen what we offer, then you will be proud of Nebraska and that is our primary purpose. The next thing is the Capitol which Senator Marvel appropriately said has never been dedicated and that is very interesting. It is considered one of the architectural wonders of the world, perhaps the best building in America that ideals democracy and if you haven't studied about our Capitol, I urge each one of you to take some time sometime to do it because it is fantastic. And the history that is told in the pictures and art is unbelievable. I had the rare privilege of touring this building for almost two hours with Lowell Thomas who received the first Sower's award which is a rendition of the Sower on top of the Capitol and I did that about two and a half years ago before his unfortunate death and Lowell Thomas was one of the pioneer pillars of worldwide journalism and he had been in every major building in the world and had seen them and after two hours of