

SENATOR SCOFIELD: No, I don't think that's probably necessary, although I had...I apologize to Senator Johnson. I had forgotten that he has an interest in this game being a Wesleyan graduate. But I am really pleased to have this kind of honor come to Nebraska. I've seen particularly the enthusiasm that it's met at Chadron State, and so I'm sure it's had the same impact at Wesleyan and Peru. So it's just fun to be able to bring a resolution in like this. My only regret is that I can't attend the game tomorrow. I wish them all good luck. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The question is the adoption of the resolution. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 34 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of LR 11.

PRESIDENT: The resolution is adopted. Move on to confirmation report of the Ag Committee.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Johnson, as Chair of the committee, would report on the appointment of George Beattie, Director, Department of Agriculture.

PRESIDENT: Senator Rod Johnson, please.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. President and members, the Agriculture Committee did meet, on Wednesday, to interview Mr. Beattie to ask him questions. He responded in a favorable way that appealed to the committee. And we are very happy to report on the confirmation of Mr. George Beattie as the new Director of Agriculture, replacing a very fine man in Roy Frederick, who has gone back to the university. But George takes over, I think, in a capacity that will serve the department very well. So I would recommend the confirmation of Mr. George Beattie as our Agriculture Director.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Rogers, please. Would you try a different microphone, please. Yours doesn't seem to work today.

SENATOR ROGERS: Mr. President and members, I would like to stand in support of the recommendation. I've known George Beattie I think probably ever since he was probably in kindergarten. I've known the family for years, and I think he'll make an excellent director for our department. So I'd