

SENATOR LANDIS: The testimony of Senator Lamb and Senator Schimek I think underscore the nature of Senator Maxey's personal qualities, ever a gentle soul and a very understanding person. She will be missed in this community and this state. I urge the adoption of the resolution.

SENATOR WARNER: The motion is the adoption of LR 1. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Clerk, record.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of LR 1.

SENATOR WARNER: The motion is carried and the resolution is adopted. LR 3, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 3 offered by Senators Cudaback and Schrock found on page 59 of the Journal. (Read brief explanation.)

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, the Pony Express Station and Gothenburg have long been synonymous in the State of Nebraska. Not only was the Gothenburg area along the trail of the Pony Express during its brief but significant existence, but also the relics and history of the Pony Express have long been kept alive by encouraging its tourism value for the past forty years at the station. Gothenburg is centrally located 250 miles west of Omaha and 250 miles east of Cheyenne, Wyoming. The Ehmen Park Station was opened in 1954, recording 8,000 visitors the first year. The station now has over 60,000 visitors a year. It is located in a convenient two minutes from I-80 in a beautiful park setting. As early as 1949, the Gothenburg Saddle Club reenacted the early Pony Express carrying mail from North Platte to Gothenburg from the west, and from Elm Creek to Gothenburg from the east. A special postage stamp was issued for this occasion. The reenactment of the Pony Express ride now takes place annually by the Gothenburg Pony Express Riders Club which participates in the National Pony Express rides between Sacramento, California and St. Joseph, Missouri. The station was located south of Gothenburg on the 96 Ranch and is opened regularly to the public during the commemorative occasions and for special requests by the public. I thank you for voting for this resolution, and the City of