

gambling bill? And he brought it before you and unceremoniously the quietus was applied. The World-Herald just doesn't know what is going on. But, anyway, I had to get that off of my chest. Now to come back to the issue before us. Senator Bromm, I know that sometimes I'm a thorn in the side of the Legislature but today I'm doing everybody a service. I'm like Horatius at the...Horatio at the bridge holding back the Barbarians. You ought to see what's in store for you all if I don't keep us on these amendments that we have before us right now, and I intend to delay. This is the first time I'm going to tell you all my intent is to filibuster, well, half fill the buster because we only have two hours, which is no time, can't even get warmed up. It's not late in the evening, nobody is angry. Everybody knew in advance what was going to happen so some of the fire has been removed from me. I function best when you all are gnashing your teeth, when you're squeezing the desk so tight that your knuckles turn a different color and you're wishing that the desk your squeezing was my throat. That's when I'm doing best, when you are so upset that those digestive juices begin to self-destruct you by providing an ulcer or the conditions for an ulcer. Senator Cudaback, that's when I'm happiest; that's when I thrive. I'm like a cactus on the desert, I don't need much water. In the conditions that are most detrimental to others, those are the conditions that are best for me. So this morning you all are going to have a chance to listen to me talk for most of the remaining time on this bill. Since we're not going to have an opportunity to discuss the Landis amendment by itself because some of those in our midst, such as Senator Witek and Senator Pirsch, may try to remove some parts of this omnibus amendment, and I can't allow that to happen. Senator Witek, I was thinking of something. Now I can't sing but there's a song that goes something like this. Ta da da da da da da, ta da da da, ta da da da da. Well, that's why I'm trying to hum. I think most people recognize the song. Sonny and Cher did that. That would be perfect for Senator Witek and I, wouldn't it? I got you babe, and you got me, and maybe...how...I don't know all the words but if I knew them, I would recite them. But I must defeat the efforts of Senator Witek and Senator Pirsch this morning and some of the others who have troglodytic ideas. Senator Pirsch, this bill is so draconian you ought to be clicking your heels and dancing in the aisle, even with this amendment. They are increasing penalties on everything they could think of. They have tried to create new offenses. What would be good, from my point of view, is when time comes to go to cloture, and that's where we're headed, you can either vote