

March 15, 1989

LB 81, 89A, 163, 228, 270, 325, 339
427, 438A, 521, 543, 580, 603, 764
LR 2, 54, 55

CLERK: 29 ayes, 5 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB...or LR 2, excuse me.

PRESIDENT: LR 2 is advanced. Do you have something for the record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, I do, thank you. New resolutions, LR 54, by Senator Bernard-Stevens. (Read brief description of LR 54 as found on pages 1153-54 of the Legislative Journal.) LR 55 by Senator Bernard-Stevens. (Read brief description of LR 55 as found on page 1154 of the Legislative Journal.)

Your Committee on Natural Resources reports LB 81 to General File with amendments; LB 163, General File with amendments; LB 270, General File with amendments; LB 325, General File with amendments; LB 764, General File with amendments. Those are signed by Senator Schmit as Chair. (See pages 1154-56 of the Legislative Journal.)

Education Committee reports LB 228 to General File; LB 543 to General File with amendments; LB 427, indefinitely postponed; LB 521, indefinitely postponed; LB 580, indefinitely postponed. (See pages 1156-57 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Senator Coordsen would like to print amendments to LB 339 and Senator Lynch to LB 89A. (See pages 1160-61 of the Legislative Journal.)

Judiciary reports LB 603 to General File with amendments. Signed by Senator Chizek. (See pages 1157-60 of the Legislative Journal.)

New A bill, LB 438A, by Senators Wehrbein and Hall. (Read by title for the first time. See page 1161 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, an announcement. The Appropriations Committee will meet in Executive Session on Thursday, March 16, and Friday, March 17, at eight o'clock in Room 1003. Appropriations, eight o'clock next Thursday and Friday. That's all that I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel.) Senator Dierks, for what purpose do you rise?

PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: (Microphone not activated.) ...George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. We have a very interesting young man with us this morning as our chaplain of the day, Reverend Fred Tedder of the Central Church of the Nazarene in Omaha, Nebraska. You may be interested to know that he's a native of South Africa and born in Durbin, South Africa, which happens to be the same city where Senator Lowell Johnson's daughter lives now. So, would you please rise for the invocation by Reverend Tedder.

REVEREND TEDDER: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Reverend Tedder, for your message this morning. Good luck to you in the future and please come back and see us again. Roll call, please.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Any corrections this morning?

CLERK: No corrections, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Any messages, reports or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, your....I have a report from the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards, minutes of their meeting of February 17. That will be on file in my office.

Mr. President, resolutions passed and considered by the Legislature yesterday are now ready for your signature. That's all that I have.

PRESIDENT: We're ready to move on to legislative resolutions, LR 55.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 55 is by Senator Bernard-Stevens, found on page 1154. It asks the Legislature to designate Miss Jody Miller, current reigning Miss Nebraska, as the official hostess for the state during her reign as Miss Nebraska.

PRESIDENT: Senator Bernard-Stevens, please.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. It's a well known fact that North Platte, Nebraska,

each year, puts their heart and soul into a production, and literally it is a production for those that haven't had a chance to stop by and see the Miss Nebraska crowning and competitive forum that they have in the gymnasium there at North Platte. One of the things that you find when you begin attending is that your image certainly changes of the types of contests, that the women that are involved in this, the young women that are involved are not only obviously beautiful and talented, but very intelligent and have laudable goals and things that they wish to accomplish with their lives. One of the things that we would like to do is to also elevate the status just a little bit, as other states have done, and not particularly because other states have done it, because the people are deserving of that. And though the Governors are very wise and the Governors we have are obviously the number one person that the people need to see as probably the official host, it is my feeling that a hostess would be very, very helpful indeed. And one of the things that Miss Nebraska would be able to do is to put a positive image, a positive foot forward for the State of Nebraska on major dignitaries or other people that would come, that the Miss Nebraska, among her many duties, would be also to serve as hostess whenever possible. On that point, I guess I ask adoption of the resolution.

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

ASSISTANT CLERK: 16 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the resolution, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The resolution is adopted. LR 61, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, LR 61 is offered by Senator Schmit. It is found in the Journal on page 1229. (Read brief explanation.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Schmit, please.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, I want to call attention to the fact that the Wahoo High School boys basketball team ended their season with a perfect 26 to nothing record and that this places them in the enviable position of having a 38 streak of victories which is a record for the state at the present time. We want to recognize the fact that the coach,

Military Affairs Committee met and reviewed thoroughly, as all committees do on appointments, and we felt after a bitter and intense discussion, unanimously, we felt that this appointment would be a very good one for the essence of the State of Nebraska. In case people were wondering what the Hall of Fame Commission does, I went to the Blue Book and copied it off so I could read it very briefly. The Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission is created to bring public attention to and recognition, officially, of people who have achieved prominence and who were outstanding Nebraskans. The Commission was empowered to name two persons to the Nebraska Hall of Fame during the two years of its existence and one person each two years afterwards and no person can be considered for recognition until at least 10 years after his or her death. And we have 16 prominent persons who have been named to the Nebraska Hall of Fame and I could go on and name them, but they are on page 599 of the Blue Book, for those that are interested in who those 16 are. The Commission then continues to move onward. We have a vacancy and the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee would be honored if the Legislature would approve the nomination and appointment of Ruth Ann Connell as the newest member of the Hall of Fame Commission. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? If not, the question is the acceptance of the committee report. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We are voting on the adoption of the committee report. Thank you. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the Government confirmation report.

PRESIDENT: The report is adopted. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 55, LR 61, and LR 62. Move on to the Select Committee Report, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, there was a proposed rules change offered by Senator Wesely to the body on February 23. Pursuant to our rules, that was referred to the Rules Committee for their consideration. The Rules Committee has reported back, Mr. President. That report is found on page 1145 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lynch, please.