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to try to make conditions better for the Indians. They helped construct the church for them. They build a building where they could go in. Put washing machines in there so they would have a place to do their laundry and I think now that most of the Indians live in houses. At one time, we would go down there and they would be people living in tents through the entire winter. Now, I think that we should defeat the Carpenter amendment. I support the Burbach amendment and I certainly would hope that we could do something to make the conditions better for the Indian people. I don't think that we should judge all of the Indians by a few of the bad ones. Thank you.

SPEAKER: Very good. The chair next recognizes Senator Nore, but Senator Nore, will you stand by for just a minute while I make some introductions. Seated in the north balcony today, we have the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Grade students from Norwood Park School here in Lincoln. There are over a hundred of them as a matter of fact and they are, of course, from Senator Barnett's district. The teachers are Mrs. Perry, Mrs. Munnis, Mrs. Vakiner or is there an "l" in there. Vakiner, it might be Valkiner and a Miss Dunham. Of particular notice, I think, to the Legislative body is the fact that our Sergeant at Arms, Walt Robinson, just by chance has a grandson up there. His name is David Helmcamp. Then, seated in the south balcony from Irving Wiltse's district this morning, we have 70 Junior High students. I believe from the Humboldt Public Schools and their instructor is Darrell Montgomery and, of course, I know that I speak on behalf of the entire body when I welcome you to the Unicameral Legislature today. We hope you enjoy your visit here to the Capitol and, of course, the chair would observe that this sure beats going to school. Now, Senator Nore, go ahead. We are still speaking on Senator Carpenter's amendments found on Page 421 of the Journal to Senator Burbach's LB 37.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President and fellow members, I'd like to have you know that I lived under the same roof with about 40 real fine Sioux Indians for two years in a dormitory. By the way, it was a coop dormitory and this was clear back in 1939, so this isn't new, a coop dormitory. It worked real well and I can tell you the results which were very good, but I am wondering in the making up of the commission are these members.. could I ask Senator Burbach a question if he'd yield.

SPEAKER: Senator Burbach, will you yield to a question?

SENATOR NORE: Are the members of the commission now, are they most of them represent the Tribal Council. Are they a member of the Tribal Council?

SENATOR BURBACH: This is true, Senator Nore, in the original bill and will remain that the majority of the members do come from the tribes themselves, yes.

SENATOR NORE: That is the Council. They have a Tribal Council which is their little...

SENATOR BURBACH: Well, now, Senator Nore, I don't know if they're members of the Council but they are certainly members of their reservation and of the tribe and I don't know if they're sit on the Council as such. I could not answer you that.

SENATOR NORE: Yes. I have a feeling that, probably, I don't think we probably should castigate the Governor. We have a lot of renegade white folks that are causing trouble and we will probably have some Indians, I don't know. But, I think the Indian population in the different tribes should be polled and find out just who..are they representing the Indians. I sometimes wonder. I don't think, probably, they are, and I hope this commission...let's give the..I think this commission