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for them, so it's time we start looking at the terrible situations we have out in Central Nebraska, now I'll say the roads for instance from Cedar Rapids to Primrose and Belgrade and out that a way, it's just a wagon road, and it is heavily traveled. Now right today I don't think a heavy truck could make it through there, because the bottoms are going out, they aren't, they're graveled. West of Albion, Saturday a heavy truck could not go over an oiled road, we got one of these cheap over covered road there that heavy traffic cannot pass over it, so really it is time we start, we out in Central Nebraska start asking for some of this help which Omaha has been getting bountifully for years and years and years, that's why the interstate isn't completed across Nebraska, because we have spent too much money running right through the center of Omaha, which I particularly didn't think feasible.

SPEAKER: We are still discussing the Syas amendment, Senator Richendifer.

SENATOR RICHENDIFER: Mr. President I move the previous question.

SPEAKER: The previous question has been moved, does the Chair see five hands? Thank you. The question is shall the debate now close, all those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote no. The motion is to close debate, on the Syas amendment. The motion is to cease debate. Have you all voted? The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, no nays, to cease debate.

SPEAKER: The motion carries, Senator Syas is now closing and there will be no questions to ask afterwards.

SENATOR SYAS: Well the first place this debate did get off the track quite a bit, in fact of what I'm attempting to do and what I stated I was attempting to do, and what was interjected into it. I wish that people that oppose the things would stick to subjects of what I was doing, but I wish to correct a few things, initially for one, for Senator Nore, the Federal Requirement on Interstate Highway was what, to go to the Capitol Building and the largest city. You didn't mention Lincoln I notice, I, it seems to me the interstate goes around Grand, around Grand Island, and all those places out there, I don't know when I've taken them, why I thought it went awfully close to them if not through, or along the edges of em, why single out Omaha, that the, only interstate, by listening to the debate someone from Mars would think that we are the only one that has the interstate. I thought it went all across the highway and, all across the state, all across the Nation, and it goes in several directions, they're several interstates, they all go through the largest city, they all go to the Capitol, that's a Federal Requirement, they're national defense roads actually, they all, they go to little cities also, they go clear across the state, so let's, that's a lot of bunk, that argument. Now one person says that maybe we should have another look at the allocation of the highway funds in the state of Nebraska. I'll endorse that, introduce the bill buddy, I'll get it another look, because I think the big cities are getting the short end of the stick, now that, I didn't bring that up to you fellows, that was brought up on the floor by my opponents, I'm only using my opponents words today, I'm not, I didn't bring up these things that are controversial and cause the blood letting in this legislature, some of the rest of you did. I will say my two, some of my best friends are on the opposite side of this amendment and that I always hate to see, because naturally after this debate, it looks like