

able to work. They don't have the good sense to quit working when they become too old to work. So what do we say, we pass a law the whole class can't work. We will take it away from them. I talked to the older people in my district. They don't like mandatory retirement laws at all. But what is different in principle from what we are doing today, and that is what I mean, what goes around comes around.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. Chairman, Senator Koch mentioned he has had more experience with youngsters in school than anybody here on the floor, and I would like to call to Mr. Koch's attention...Senator Koch's attention, that in the last two and a half to three days I have received telegrams and nine phone calls from schoolboards and superintendents that unanimately endorse the 21 age of drinking. When I was home I had coaches that are now coaching and are now active want 21 years of drinking. Senator Dworak and Senator Hoagland, I believe we are down here to represent what the people of the State of Nebraska want, not what we individually want. And in my input and I believe the polls that have been taken and everything that has been said is the citizens of the State of Nebraska want the drinking age raised to 21. I am going to support Senator Kelly. And one other thing that I would like to bring to your attention that the present amendment, the present amendment does nothing. It eliminates the grandfather clause. How are you going to handle that problem for the next two years? That is something to think about.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, I will be brief. I am going to support this amendment. I would like to have my name taken off the list, however. The reason I will support this amendment is basically for the old reasons of compromise. I think LB 221 is a bad bill. It does what everybody knows it does. It just makes young people illegal drinkers as opposed to stopping drinking. It is not going to solve the problem. It is not a solution. It is just a piece of demagoguery. I think it is prohibition. The only difference is it is for a minority, and that is exactly the problem with LB 221, and the only unfortunate thing is it may have enough strength to pass this year, wrong as it may be. For that reason I will support this amendment, but I would like to have my name taken off. I am not all that proud of this amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Is there any objection to the unanimous consent to take Senator Newell's name off the amendment? If not,