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members, the Constitution gives me the privilege and high honor of reporting to you election returns that need to be canvassed by this body. This is an off year as far as the election cycle is concerned. Only one constitutional officer was up for election, that for the Second District, member of the Public Service Commission, involving only one county. I am pleased to give you the results. James F. Munnely, running on the Democratic ticket, 67,960 votes, Clare Lyle Rice, running on the Republican ticket, 51,061, write-in's 156. The Canvass Board has declared the winner to be James F. Munnely for the Public Service Commission, Second District, Constitutional Officer. Also, as required by law and the Constitution, I will hand to the Speaker the official election returns in and for Douglas County that have the results of that race. I will also hand to the Clerk a letter that is addressed to the Speaker of the Legislature of the Eighty-ninth Legislature, First Session (Regular), which sets forth the details that I have just reported to you. Best wishes and strength to all of you in your new endeavors. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Beermann. Would the committee please escort the Secretary of State out of the Chamber. Thank you for coming in to perform this duty. The Chair would like to announce that on behalf of Senator Shirley Marsh we are pleased to announce that she has, as guests, with her, from California, and new residents of Lincoln, Olga and Freeman Davis. If you would stand and be recognized, please. We welcome you to the Legislature. The Chair recognizes Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Mr. President, I move to approve the report of the Secretary of State and the candidate stated therein be declared duly elected.

PRESIDENT: You've heard the motion asking approval of the Secretary of State's report. All those in favor say aye. Opposed no. Motion carried. The Secretary of State's report is approved. The Chair recognizes Senator Vickers.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President, members, I move that a committee of five be appointed to call upon the Governor and advise him that the Legislature is organized and ready for the transaction of business, and to report back to the Legislature with any message he may have.