

organization. He was there twenty years and for fifteen years he paid a monthly premium. One day he got a notice in the mail saying, we have dissolved this insurance company because we don't have enough members. He was fifty some years old. Where was he going to go then to buy more life insurance? It was a fraternal organization he supported and it was a fraternal organization that just pulled the rug right out from under him. I know it isn't popular to say, tax any fraternal organizations, but I am amazed at those conservatives in the Legislature who will stand here and pound their fist and scream and shout about private enterprise and economic development. And under the guise of doing good in your community, you will be able to operate a business and not be taxed. I would like to open up a business tomorrow somewhat like Ak-Sar-Ben and do some good works and then because I do some good works I can say, don't tax me, I am a good gal. Do you realize how much I do for this community? I know just as a State Senator I do a lot more than I get paid for. But is it fair, what do they form a fraternal organization for? Do they form it for the purpose of starting an insurance company that will be not taxed? Or do they form it so a bunch of the boys can whoop it up in their own hall every Friday night? Sure they do some good community acts. You know, Marge Higgins does a lot of good community acts. If I was of that ilk, I could probably bring a line of people down here that would tell you how good Marge Higgins has been in the past to them. Don't you think Marge Higgins ought to be exempt from income tax just because I do a lot of good community work? And if I choose to start a business and once in a while that business of mine does a nice charitable thing for the people in this state, don't you think I ought to be excused from paying my fair share of taxes? Or do you think I ought to be able to operate in competition with those people that are paying their taxes, that are paying their way? I want to watch the vote on this very closely. I want to see how those people who are constantly harping about private enterprise vote, because this bill gives to only one special interest group the right to be in competition with legitimate businesses and pay no tax simply because they say they do good works. I don't know, they may. I am not even going to argue the point. I am sure they do. Some fraternal organizations I know get together every month and they help needy children. Some get together every month and get drunk, but that is fraternal organizations. The point is you keep talking about bringing new business to Nebraska,