LB 140-151

SPEAKER MARVEL: Item #5, resolutions.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 4 is found on page 127 of the Legislative Journal. (Read LR 4.)

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I will be very brief. This resolution is self-explanatory. Those of you who remember the recent election, the effect that it had was rather profound on certain local officials in terms of their re-election or defeat. At seven o'clock as you recall the newsmedia, television primarily, declared the winner to be President Reagan-elect and as a result it has been brought to my attention that not only on the west coast but even it affected our own state. Those who were going to the polls suddenly decided the election was resolved and why stand in lines. So what this resolution does is encourages Congress to seriously review the problems and try to correct them by the next presidential election so this does not reoccur. This resolution is being introduced by numbers of other states and the same resolution is being sent to Congress and hopefully they will act positively. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of LR 4 as explained by Senator Koch. Is there any other discussion? All those in favor of that resolution vote aye, opposed vote no. Record the vote.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 mays on adoption of the resolution, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The resolution is adopted. Do you want to go to the next one? Do you have another resolution? Okay, the next item is the introduction of new bills.

CLERK: (Read LB 140-142.) (See pages 144-145 of the Journal.)

SPEAKER MARVEL: ...(mike not turned on)...need to be processed so if you have some or anticipate some maybe we can get some more in today before we proceed with other business. The Clerk has some items on the desk that he may read in.

CLERK: (Read LB 143-151.)

Mr. President, Senator Koch would like to be excused on Wednesday, January 14 through Friday, January 16 and Senator Marsh would like to be excused all day January 15 and 16.

visited with you and set them up for debate.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Well we are only entitled to two so I...

SPEAKER MARVEL: I was using that as an example is all.

SENATOR CARSTEN: I don't think there is any question about the cooperation as cooperation with you, Mr. Speaker. Is is only what I didn't quite understand when you were saying you would cooperate under the circumstances as we now have them with the committee chairmen. I didn't quite understand what that meant and as I gather it just means that as soon as the committee chairman gives you those priorities then you will work from there with your list.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Yes, sir, and I would once again suggest and we will do this daily until that...the 13th is reached. Please note the deadline dates and please send your suggestions to our office. That is the only way this can avoid all kinds of problems as we have, or at least questions. Let's put it that way. Get the designations in even if you haven't heard the bills.

PRESIDENT: We have...Senator Beutler, I believe had asked to speak. That will then conclude the matter of the Speaker's announcement. We have some guests here. We have a guest of Senator Vickers, Louis Schaffert from Cambridge, Nebraska. Mr. Schaffert, you are under the South balcony, welcome to your Legislature. And we have under the South balcony Mrs. Bessie Kath mother of Page Cheryl Kath who is under the South balcony. Would you stand, Mrs. Kath? Welcome to the Legislature, from Senator Nichol's district. The Clerk will have some matters to read into the record and then we will be on Final Reading so everybody can get prepared for returning to your desks for Final Reading.

CLERK: Mr. President, Nebraska Retirement System whose chairman is Senator Fowler reports LB 145 as indefinitely postponed; 203 as indefinitely postponed, (Signed) Senator Fowler as Chair.

Your committee on Ag and Environment whose chairman is Senator Schmit reports LB 245 to General File with amendments. (See pages 821-822 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, a new resolution, LR 31 by Senator Beyer and Senator Fenger. (Read. See page 323 of the Journal.) That will be laid over pursuant to our rules, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: We are ready for agenda item #4, Final Reading. The Sergeant at Arms will see that all persons are off the floor except legislators. You legislators will be at your desks and as soon as that occurs we will commence with Final