

## COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE SENATE

Ollie of Clinton moved that a committee of three be appointed to notify the Senate that the House was ready to receive it in joint convention.

The motion prevailed and the Speaker appointed as such committee Ollie of Clinton, chair; Poncy of Wapello and Pellett of Cass.

Ollie of Clinton, chair of the committee appointed to notify the Senate that the House was ready to receive it in joint convention reported the committee had performed its duty. The report was received and the committee discharged.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the arrival of the President of the Senate, the Secretary of the Senate and the honorable body of the Senate.

The President was escorted to the Speaker's station, the Secretary to the Chief Clerk's desk and the members of the Senate were seated in the House chamber.

### JOINT CONVENTION PIONEER LAWMAKERS (House Chamber — 1:30 p.m.)

In accordance with House Concurrent Resolution 6, duly adopted, the joint convention was called to order, President Zimmerman presiding.

President Zimmerman announced a quorum present and the joint convention duly organized.

Senator Hutchins of Audubon moved that a committee of four be appointed to escort the Pioneer Lawmakers into the House chamber.

The motion prevailed and the President appointed as such committee Senators Coleman of Webster and Holt of Clay and Representatives Pavich of Pottawattamie and Halvorson of Clayton.

The committee escorted the Pioneer Lawmakers into the House chamber.

President Zimmerman presented Senator George R. Kinley of Polk, President pro tempore of the Senate, who welcomed the Pioneer Lawmakers on behalf of the Senate.

President Zimmerman presented Representative John Connors, Speaker pro tempore of the House of Representatives, who welcomed the Pioneer Lawmakers on behalf of the House of Representatives.

President Zimmerman presented the Honorable Eugene Hill who responded to the welcome. Senator Hill presented honorary membership in the Pioneer Lawmakers Association to George A. Wilson, lobbyist from Des Moines and Kenneth Sullivan, reporter for The Cedar Rapids Gazette, Cedar Rapids.

President Zimmerman then presented the Honorable Edward A. Wearin from Red Oak, former member of the Senate, who addressed the joint convention as follows:

Madam President, my esteemed colleagues, distinguished members, friends and guests.

I'm most pleased to be here. I would like to identify myself a little bit.

I was a Mills County boy for thirty years and I've been a Montgomery County man for thirty-nine years. I represented those two counties in the Iowa Senate for four years. I am now represented by two rather substantial people. The ex-speaker, ex-speaker, ex-speaker Harbor. I heard that down home one time, Bill asked one of his friends if he was stuttering. He said, "No, I thought you'd hold up your hand and stop me when I found out how many times you'd been Speaker". Bill Harbor represents Mills and Montgomery County in this body and Cal Hultman represents those two counties plus others in the Senate. They certainly are, indeed, the perennial leader type, as you well know, so we are most well represented.

I would like to state the intent of this visit with you today. In the first place, as former legislators, we come with pride in Iowa's political system and full appreciation of the General Assembly, and a devotion to Iowa and I'm sure to the United States and I guess that all of us have a devotion to the entire world. We're here to support and affirm your work, those of you who are current legislators, and we are here to share some of that glad, good humor. I told my colleagues among the distinguished group whenever I pause — laugh or clap — whatever fits, and we do hope that you will understand the difference between the humor and when we're trying to be reasonably serious. There's one thing for certain, please remember, loud and clear, we did not come to advise the current General Assembly. Again, we did not come to advise. We are pleased to be here, I'm sure that all of us, without regard to station, age, position, share the hope of making Iowa the best place possible for those who live here.

Madam President, I'm a bit confused and concerned. I understood we were meeting in the other chamber so I sent my set speech over to the Secretary of the Senate. I thought it would be put on the teleprompter over there and I would get along much better. Apparently, that sixty minute formal talk is lost and I have only informal remarks here to offer you, and I apologize for being so brief.

I would like to do something here that is sort of fun. I would invite the current legislators of both chambers to look around among yourselves. Take a good look. Each General Assembly produces some very special people. For example, these are the examples in my four years here of special members. We started out with a young man then, who is a distinguished judge now, William C. Stuart. My friend and four-year Senate colleague, and the man who told Dubuque they couldn't play bingo in church, Richard C. Turner, and we miss him deeply. He is one of our examples of special people from my generation. Bob Rigler, member of the Senate for sixteen years, and a leader or the boss, for sixteen years, of whatever we call highways here in Iowa, came from this

generation. In 1961 when I got here, there was a young man in this chamber who was twenty-seven and is now in the United States Senate, Chuck Grassley, who started here. He'd been here two years before that.

These are just a few that I can name and I'm embarrassed that I can't pull all of the names out of the net — there are seventy-three of you. We are, in our own minds, most valid people. These are some of the examples. I will name one other Senator, Eugene Hill. Until I got here in 1961, his left shoulder was low from bearing the medals he got as a Marine major in the Pacific. He straightened up and he was the conscience of the Senate in my four years. He reminded us very much of a mother taking you by the scruff of the neck, and saying, look here, Eddie boy, shape up, for which we were most appreciative. ♣

I encourage all of you to know that this is the breeding and preparation ground for a great deal of a fine future. Some of you were not boys or girls when you got here and most of us later become full-time citizens again, which is not a bad circumstance either. Others of you go on to more service, and we must have some of each of us in these categories.

During my service here, I was most interested in education. I've always been interested in it, I've had quite a bit of it. I worked in higher education as a trustee for some twenty years after leaving here. I chaired the Senate education committee, during my service here, in 1963 and 1964 which was a great joy to me. That was everything from kindergarten through the Regents in one committee. We had the most bills in the committee in each of the two years we had it. We had the most bills, I believe, of any committee in the Senate at that time. It was an exhilarating experience.

In this short time I want to talk about the continuing adult education, because I was forty-two when I came here as a member of the Iowa Senate. My major was in psychology. I've had almost everything else, but nothing in psychology until I got to the General Assembly. In 1961 I was outpsyched on everything that was done here. I was a standard freshman, an enthusiast and sometimes I spoke a bit too often, perhaps out of turn. I didn't know that I was anything but a confirmed conservative until I got here and I found out that I was at least a moderate, about which I am not the least abashed.

My dear friend of 1961, Senator J. Kendall Lynes, better known to all of us as "Buster" was a consummate teacher. He ground my nose, and most all of the other freshmen noses, into the ground regularly and he taught us a great many things. Unfortunately, "Buster" didn't return for the second half of my period here. "Buster" died with me owing him a vote. There was nothing improper about it. He simply bailed me out of an embarrassing circumstance. I had voted on some totally illogical thing. I was the only one who did but when the record was printed the next day, the President pro tempore, "Buster" as the majority leader and a former majority leader, and I, full Republicans, staunch and true, had voted wrong. I thought it was a pretty good kick. I got the hint. "Buster" didn't say anything about that vote, but wherever he is, if we go the same way, I'll be there and I know that he'll be waiting and expecting that vote. He taught all of us a great deal about psychology.

It was interesting then. Of the fifty senators, there were twenty-four regulars, eleven independents, and the minority party had fifteen members. So we had three groups. The twenty-four nominated and elected "Buster". There were one hundred eight representatives and we always had fifty-five votes over here. Because I was a freshman, I sat down in the corner. When I saw him charging out across and to this chamber, I knew there was something that "Buster" was going over to spread the word that shouldn't pass over here. Nothing happened in 1961 that "Buster" didn't know about.

We had a lot of other things about which psychology came up and we learned a great deal. The Reapportionment Plan which we first passed in 1961. I was told by a very old hand that it may be like a runaway freight train, don't get in its way. That was the Shaff plan. I read all the bills and that didn't pay. I got in its way and I spent four years in the Iowa Senate. I learned a great deal and I met Dave Shaff. I still disagree with him but he was a superb man and I was on the wrong side of the bill.

We had another bit of fun with liquor by the drink in 1963. I got my cue on psychology about liquor by the drink. I was one of the twenty-six votes. I was a very moderate man. When I retired a member of the Methodist Church, who was a retired schoolteacher, wrote me and said, "Senator, the present law is no good, you vote for that change".

The master psychologist of them all, and there's no one that I know like him, is Senator Joe Coleman. If you can get statewide coverage, all of which is free, on the front page of the biggest newspaper this state has, and almost anytime you want it, you have to have at least a Master's in psychology. All that Joe has to do is say something about speeding, belts, or smoking, anything that simple. Don't undersell this man. Has anybody else been here thirty-two years? In the mid-60's the two of us had coffee with Rich Turner one night. It was the first night of the state convention. We suggested that he run for attorney general. He said okay, signed the papers that night, got them signed the next day at the state convention, and filed them on Monday and he won. Pretty simple. You have to be at the right spot at the right time.

The last things in this psychology discussion, "Buster" had a very bright Senator friend, who happened to have a bill that "Buster" wanted passed. "Buster" put it on the calendar. I don't know about the rules now, but that bill just hung there day after day after day. "Buster" never called it up. One night he called the Senate File up, his pal got up, gave no explanation, just said one sentence, "We have given this bill all the time it deserves." We moved it be read for the third and last time and placed on its passage, and it passed on a voice vote.

To paraphrase what Winston Churchill said, in his lucid, flowing British English, "Democracy is a rather ridiculous system, until compared to any other form of government".

I would suggest to those of you who may have missed or not yet seen on public TV, the Bill Moyers series on the Constitution about what happened two hundred years ago in Philadelphia. Every one of you here will learn and appreciate and know that they were talking about that fascinating thing which is a system called governing. It's not always what we're taught in civics. It's a problem of getting what needs to be done handled and taken care of. As you recall, the Confederacy called the Constitutional Convention, and they far exceeded their power. They did many things that weren't called for and thank heaven they did. I recommend this program to you very much.

I want to close with just one thing. I came home after eleven years in the service and at school. I was either in or near San Francisco, Boston, San Juan and New Orleans for eleven years in the service and the various schools that I attended before I came home to Iowa. I'm most grateful that I found out what a tremendous place Iowa is, by comparison to other fine places. We have no monopoly, but we have an exceptional place — we're clean, we're bright, we're honest. We're here to do all that's necessary for Iowa. We support and respect and know that you gentlemen and ladies in these two chambers are doing the same thing.

I thank you for your time. You have given us plenty of time. Thank you.

Connors of Polk moved that the joint convention be now dissolved at 2:16 p.m., which motion prevailed.

The House reconvened at 2:37 p.m., Speaker Avenson in the chair.

### BUSINESS PENDING AT RECESS Ways and Means Calendar

The House resumed consideration of **House File 468**, a bill for an act authorizing limited gambling on excursion gambling boats, by specifying additional powers and duties of the state racing and gaming commission, by imposing a tax on adjusted gross receipts from gambling, by authorizing and imposing taxes on admissions, by requiring licenses and imposing fees, by allocating revenue received, by making corresponding amendments to the Code, and by providing penalties for violations, pending at recess.

Arnould of Scott asked and received unanimous consent that House File 468 be deferred and that the bill retain its place on the unfinished business calendar.

### Unfinished Business Calendar

The House resumed consideration of **Senate File 201**, a bill for an act related to the senate's review and confirmation of gubernatorial appointments, and providing an effective date, deferred and placed on the unfinished business calendar April 14, 1987.

Running of Linn offered the following amendment H-3686 filed by the committee on state government:

H-3686

- 1 Amend Senate File 201 as amended, passed and
- 2 reprinted by the Senate, as follows:
- 3 1. Page 1, line 11, by striking the word
- 4 "records" and inserting the following: "complaints
- 5 and statements of charges, settlement agreements,
- 6 findings of fact, orders, exhibits, and transcripts".
- 7 2. Page 1, line 13, by inserting after the word
- 8 "body" the following: "in a contested case".
- 9 3. Page 1, by striking lines 20 through 22 and
- 10 inserting the following: "committee which relate to
- 11 appointee tax filings or complaints and statements of
- 12 charges, settlement agreements, findings of fact,
- 13 orders, exhibits, and transcripts from any past
- 14 disciplinary action in a contested case against the
- 15 appointee are privileged and confidential and they are
- 16 not subject to discovery."