STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

February 6, 1963

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, who introduced Mr. Odd Williams to discuss his proposed H.B. 88. Other sponsors were also present. Mr. Williams stated that he had discussed this proposal with the Athletic Director at KU, and it was determined that the statutes do not presently cover the matter of bribes or attempted bribes in athletic events. He states that it is a "tight" law, covering those who attempet to bribe, or those who might accept a bribe, in any type of athletic event. After a considerable period of questions by members of the Committee, it was concluded that this proposal would cover almost any contingency.

Upon discussion, it was determined not to delay action on this proposal, and Mr. W. R. Brown moved, seconded by Miss Jacquart that the bill be recommended favorably. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ford discussed HCR 10, stating that it was a simple resolution, drawn and introduced for the specific purpose of eliminating the restriction on the sheriffs' terms of office. Mr. Wallace inquired why the Treasurer was not included in this resolution and Mr. Ford replied that it had been tried and defeated; that it was assumed that people wanted a tighter reign on the one who handled the money; that they would like to try a vote on the sheriff alone, and then if successful, could consider the matter of the treasurer. There were several questions concerning the wording of the resolution and Mr. Ford was requested to check with the Revisor and report back to the committee.

Mr. Behee was heard on NCR 9, stating that several years ago he became concerned about the number of constitutional amendments that might be voted upon at any given election; that people are better informed because of newspaper coverage, radio and television, and are qualified to vote on several issues at once; that it was his opinion that there should not be too many issues at one time, but thought it should be increased to six. That Chairman stated that the committee would vote at a later date after the matter had been under consideration.

MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.