The opening line at the roast for Barrett held on a cold winter day was: "Someone said it would be a cold day when the Omaha Press Club honored Frank Barrett. And sure enough, it was." Barrett’s careers in insurance and law were inspiration for much of the mirth. Barrett is shown wearing a green tie and shamrock, surrounded by a biographical montage, including ramparts of the Castle Barrett and Barley Corn family establishments. Also shown are Frank as a University of Nebraska football player; an insurance law book for the man who became Nebraska insurance director at age 28 (the youngest person appointed to the position); a memo from Mutual of Omaha, where Barrett was executive vice president and chief counsel, and a letterhead from Central National Insurance Co. where he was chief executive. A Democratic donkey led by Governor Frank Morrison is ridden by Jim Exon, Bob Kerrey and Ben Nelson. At the time of his honor, Barrett was counsel at Lamson, Dugan and Murray and a consultant for Mutual of Omaha. He had retired in August 1989 as president and chief executive officer of The Central National Insurance Co.