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SENATOR KEYES: I'd like to ask what people in Sarpy county came to you. They have two Senators in Sarpy county and who are these people that represent the schools that don't realize who their Senators are.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Do you recognize the name of Jerry Cook.

SENATOR KEYES: I do. Jerry Cook isn't in my district. As a matter of fact, Jerry Cook is in Ralston and I don't know.. I believe that's in Senator Proud's district.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Isn't he the Suburban Schools which extend into your district.

SENATOR KEYES: They do. The area of Suburban Schools is not an elected office. It's an appointed office.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Well, what's the question. I suppose..

SENATOR KEYES: I just want to know who the Sarpy county people are? Who the people are from Sarpy county that are asking you to introduce a legislation to buy more than 25 acres of ground to operate their school.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Suburban Schools.

SENATOR KEYES: Suburban Schools. Then you say that. Say the Suburban Schools and don't say Sarpy County because I have no recollection of anybody in Sarpy County needing more ground. As a matter of fact, I can show you at Gretna, at Papillion, and Papillion is going to buy more site but it will be in the new development area, and they are not going to be buying 25 or 50 acres but they will by an adequate but we can buy, at present, up to 80 acres. I know because we have done so.

SENATOR GOODRICH: You can buy as many acres as you want, Senator Keyes. It's just that by virtue of the eminent domain feature you cannot acquire more than 25 acres currently through the eminent domain feature.

SPEAKER: The chair next recognizes Senator Chambers, then Senator Stahmer.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Goodrich, would you yield to a question or two.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Yes. Was that me that you were directing that to?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, Senator Goodrich.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Goodrich, what is the average size of school sites in Omaha now. Do you happen to know in terms of acres?

SENATOR GOODRICH: In terms of acres, no.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Why would there need to be 50 acres. It is hard for me to envision acquiring a school site in Omaha and you said you were willing to limit this bill to Omaha. I can't envision what would require fifty acres and if it is going to be taken by eminent domain that means that whatever is sitting on that property will not prevent it from being taken.

SENATOR GOODRICH: No, Senator Chambers, I believe you're mis-intrepreting what I said. I was saying that this had been requested by the Suburban Schools. The Omaha schools, for