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salary and additionally does remove the privilege of setting the salaries from under the jurisdiction of the county board, but it establishes a \$12,000 salary.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Well, you do take away from the county board to increase the salaries.

SENATOR SNYDER: Yes.

SENATOR CARPENTER: That would make Douglas County unlike any other county which is not unusual. Now the thing that impresses me is that P.J. Morgan who used to be a member of this body came out as I read the paper, and said that he was very well pleased that the legislature took this action. He was the county commissioner who brought up the discussion in the first place. I would think that if he was pleased and the county commissioner pleased, and I presume that the public will be pleased, and I presume that they are going to reduce their salary to \$12,000. I don't know what the argument is to try and strike the amendment from us. I don't say this disrespectfully, I can understand what Senator Snyder's interest is. I understand that he is going to run for county commissioner, and I hope that he does, and I can understand that this is an issue that is no longer an issue. You have to find another one.

PRESIDENT: Senator Fellman.

SENATOR FELLMAN: Mr. President, members of the legislature, Senator Carpenter said what this is all about. I think that everybody in the legislature ought to realize that what Senator Snyder is doing is really bringing Omaha County Court House politics to or the Douglas County Court House Politics right into the middle of the legislature. It is a pity that he wasn't here the other day because we could have had the debate the other day. I don't think that anybody tried to slip anything over on him. We had gone through this in the judiciary committee and we are going through it again, Senator Snyder has tried this with the newspapers and he seems to get his picture in the World Herald which is the only place that it counts, any time that he beats on this measure and it seems as if he is beat and then he gets a nice story and he tries again and he is beat and he gets a nice story with a headline and he is beat and this time he gets his picture and now we are going into what is the third or fourth round of the same episode. I feel sorry for Senator Kime, who is not a controversial man in the legislature who is trying to get a bill through to help his constituents and all of a sudden his bill is getting bogged down in Douglas County politics in the court house and it is a shame. If Senator Snyder wants to run for the county board, God bless him. He has an issue. The county board in Omaha couldn't have had made a bigger mess out of the whole salary thing if they had thought of it. If the Republican minority on that board had outlined a program, they could have not done a better job to get the democrats on that board into a jam. At this point the harm is done and the matter ought to be laid to rest for a solid Republican like Senator Snyder, to oppose a decrease in salary to force the tax payers to pay more money seems to me the height of foolishness. We ought to let the bill go through and we ought to let Senator Snyder campaign. He has an issue and we ought to let the county board members campaign and they have a defense, we ought to stay out of it we ought to merely allow them because we have been tinkering with their salary and everything else for many many years.

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