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would not have a license if this bill had been in existence. It would seem only fair to go back and strike those licenses now in existence and I don't think anyone would be willing to do that. This is controlling business and putting a false value on a license. I think it's a bad bill and amendment and the bill should be defeated.

PRESIDENT: Senator Nore.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President and members. I think this is not good legislation. It won't work in Platte County, I know it won't because we have five towns there and I think all of them have at least two liquor licenses. And...but I think...let's see, the population of Columbus is 14,000 which is in Platte County. They're going to rule out about everybody. I think it's just, I think it's their own business out there whether they want to have a dozen or whether they want to have one. Let's let them do it. We have no business telling them how many liquor licenses they should have out there.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. Out in Grand Island we spent the winter on this question and our City Council, of restricting or not restricting liquor licenses. The Council ended up, I believe the count was 5-2 to do away with the limit on licenses. Now I'm not here to say whether Grand Island was right or wrong. But now they made a decision. Subsequently Broken Bow has made a similar decision. Now other counties or other cities are going to make a decision..to.....

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put limits on varying numbers. I recommend to you that when we do it in statute, we do it for every county and for every person in the State of Nebraska. Now maybe Grand Island was wrong but the whole state isn't wrong, just Grand Island. If we do it here, the whole state's going to be wrong. Let's leave it like it is.

CLERK: No response.

PRESIDENT: Senator R. Lewis.

SENATOR R. LEWIS: Mr. President, question of Senator Simpson please. Senator Simpson, in your definition of villages there now in my particular area we have quite a few unincorporated villages. There's no difference in the designation there, is there?

SENATOR SIMPSON: Under this, it just says village and I would think that would make no difference whether it's incorporated or unincorporated.

SENATOR R. LEWIS: Okay, thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Syas.