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often than anything else, once I got into the Legislature years ago was, why in blazes did you ever...why in blazes did you ever run your campaign from Vietnam? You may remember I ran my campaign for state senator from Vietnam the first time I was an infantry captain over there, and I tell the same story, what prompted me to run a weird campaign. Though I was an infantry captain I also was a lawyer by education and I had agreed one day to defend a young man that had apparently gone berserk, grabbed an M-16 rifle and proceeded to shoot several of his comrades. I tried to get the young man to confide in me, tell me what went wrong, why he did this. For weeks I could get nothing from him at all, and finally on the night before his trial I went to him one final time and I said, you know there's doggone little I can do for you. I said, you won't cooperate at all and probably you'll get a death sentence, or at the best life imprisonment, and you won't even cooperate to help, and then he broke down, and he said, okay, okay, quit bugging me, I'll tell you what happened. He says, I don't even remember shooting those people. He said, I was high on drugs at the time. He said, I'm just like all the other young soldiers over here. He said, I don't care about this war. It's a political war. He said, we're crazy being over here. We're not allowed to win, but we've got to stay here, and he said, I don't even remember what went wrong and I don't really care, and it struck me that he did speak and represent....speak for and represent most of the young people over there. And he was right, it was a political war, and so I determined if it was a political war and I really was a sincere citizen, do something political about it. Get involved in the political system to turn it around. I found out I could run from there. I did. I came back and then senators like Senator Schmit, Senator Kennedy, Senator Clark, Senator Duis, remember what Johnny did when he first got back. Johnny walked into the Legislature and he filed a resolution in the Legislature denouncing the war and suggesting to Congress and the President that this was a bad war...a political war, and for the first time in this Legislature's history my good fellow friends remember who were there then, for the first time in this Legislature's history you refused, the Exec Board refused to allow a public hearing on the resolution, or even space within the Capitol confines for that resolution to be heard. And so there was a fellow around at that time named Don Walton, newspaper reporter for the Lincoln Star, and he casually walked by me one day and he says, why don't you hold your own hearing? I says, what do you mean hold my own hearing? He says, well they've got

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