

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator DeCamp, Senator Haberman has a question.

SENATOR DE CAMP: Yes.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator DeCamp, to your knowledge, when it comes to an appointment to fill a vacancy in any of these positions that you have on their sheet, has there ever been a time that they have not had at least one candidate for the vacancy?

SENATOR DE CAMP: Well of course there are two different things...

SENATOR HABERMAN: Just yes or no, please.

SENATOR DE CAMP: What do you mean by candidate then? Somebody offering to do it, or somebody selected to do it? There are two....there is a different thing.

SENATOR HABERMAN: All right, have they ever had anyone.. have they ever failed to come up with a list to send to the Governor of names of people who will accept the position?

SENATOR DE CAMP: I think that the legal profession has been remarkably successful in finding people that were willing to serve. Hows that?

SENATOR HABERMAN: That is pretty good. Then really you can't say, well you can if you want to I suppose, Senator DeCamp, that the salaries keep good qualified men from asking to be appointed, as I feel we have a good bench. We have qualified men as judges and so what we are saying is that these men aren't qualified that we have to raise the salaries so that we can go out and get qualified people.

SENATOR DE CAMP: I think that may be the question is unanswered as to who might, who might have applied. What more qualified people, what a bigger base of selection we might have had. What a higher quality judiciary might have been possible had we had a more attractive salary, quite frankly.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Do you know what the qualifications are for people to be considered for these positions?

SENATOR DE CAMP: What the qualifications are I think each one of course has its own standards and you have selection committees. We have what is called the Missouri Plan that Senator Luedtke got effected some years ago. You have to