

important and even more important is the concerns that I have for what happens next. Someone says, well we can sell to China, the People's Republic of China, but I have talked to people from the Republic of China and they say, we are concerned about the reliability of the United States as a supplier. What is even more amazing to me is that an administration, which said, we must all bear equally in this, chooses not to ask the major grain companies to bear their portion of the loss equally. I would like to give you a brief lesson in economics as to how the market system works. The market was limited...

PRESIDENT: One minute, Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...two days after the President's announcement, but the major grain companies were held whole. On Thursday they entered the market and purchased millions of bushels of grain. The market gradually rose Thursday and Friday about nine cents a bushel. This morning the market is off again and as Senator Kelly pointed out to me, of course the market had to come up. How can they go short again unless the market comes up for a while. So the money game is being played and individual citizens are being used as pawns. But make no mistake about it, ladies and gentlemen and members of this Legislature, the major grain companies are going to come out stronger and richer and as you will see from the handout I gave you will eventually be owning the farmland as they now own the largest feed lots in the United States, and they will own the packing houses and the commodity brokerage houses. The issue, Mr. President, is not the 5th and 8th articles of the resolution. The issue is whether the President is performing under the Constitution and therefore I support my friend Senator Lewis and his amendment and ask that we pass the body of the resolution which can demonstrate just as effectively how we really feel, because the record is clear on...

PRESIDENT: Time is up, Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...on the paragraph number 5 and number 8.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Hefner. The Chair recognizes Senator Merz. The Chair recognizes Senator DeCamp. Senator DeCamp calls the question. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? The question is, shall debate cease on the Lewis amendment to LR 183? Record the vote.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 1 nay to cease debate, Mr. President.