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of this body and that decision is made. We built that building and it is a beautiful building. Now the problem we have is simply this. The promises that were made at the time were that southeast Nebraska had made a tremendous commitment to this state college and they were willing to help raise dollars in this behalf. Now that commitment has not been kept. Then this reminds me of a book I am reading about a guy by the name of Robert Moses. The book is called the Power Broker and Robert Moses was one of the greatest builders this country had ever known. New York City and New York State was paved over by Robert Moses and one way he got a very hesitant Legislature in New York to continue to fund projects that he wanted them to fund was he took what money they did appropriate and he built what he could and he said, now, we invested a lot of money here and will this Legislature, the Legislature of New York, will they fail to make further commitments to continue to build this? And like every Legislature in the country, like the Nebraska Legislature, they said, no, we will put some more money into it and try to bail it out because we can't admit that we threw, we made a mistake in the first place and cut our losses. We are going to have to continue this commitment because that is the only politically wise thing to do and I think that is what Jerry Warner just said. I am going to break with Senator Johnson in this regards. I think we ought to spend \$300,000 to renovate a building that was built with revenue bonds, that was predicated on the belief that Peru was going to grow which it obviously wasn't and didn't and I am going to vote for that \$300,000 expenditure but I am going to ask Senator Merz if he would come back, take his chair and answer a question.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Merz, will you respond?

SENATOR NEWELL: I am going to ask Senator Merz if the people of southeast Nebraska which made a commitment to help pay for part of the cost of this HPER Building, if they are willing to raise \$22,000 a year, the amount of the lease, \$22,000 a year to pay off those revenue bonds on Majors Hall, the state throws in the \$300,000 and, Nelson, think about this for a minute. You know it is not a bad deal because after we throw in the \$300,000 we can't. We will have to come back and accept the \$22,000 if the people of southeast Nebraska do not raise the \$22,000 because we will have thrown another \$300,000 at it.

SENATOR CLARK: Are you going to ask him a question?

SENATOR NEWELL: The question is, do you think the people of southeast Nebraska could raise \$22,000 a year to pay off the bonded indebtedness that exists on Majors Hall?