

this matter aside and go about our business, and when the point comes that we all collectively agree that it's the thrust and not the importance as to who is on it that counts. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Nelson, personal privilege. Try to confine your remarks to five minutes or less.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. President, I am sorry that Senator Chambers has left the floor. I am reminded of back about five years ago when David Stockman called we farmers nothing but a bunch of carpetbaggers and our one-horse plow. As yet I've never forgot that. I do hope that the ones that do go back to Washington do not go with any other purpose in mind, and that is one thing, to resolve our problem. Also I've been back there and I have experience. For just a few people to go is a waste of time and money. I am a freshman senator. I do not know whether I am included or not. I know I have a deep agricultural interest, but I'm not going to be pushy. Whether I go or someone else goes, I hope that the ones who do go will be good speakers and will speak out for the interest. Also I cannot exactly consider this strictly a farmer's problem or a banker's problem. It is just as much a problem of the local pharmacists, or the implement dealer, or any other person that is in business. I certainly do not call this bailing out the farmer or the bankers, either one. I do entertain that we may have some help from some of the commodity groups. Financially I know that this is a big undertaking. I am not down here to spend money that is not necessary but I think we are all in this together.

PRESIDENT: Senator Hefner, you're the last on the lights. Maybe then Senator Nichol can close. Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President, I would like to ask what is the motion before us?

PRESIDENT: We are not on any motion, Senator. The Speaker brought up this matter under his privilege. I felt that the members should be entitled to have their say.

SENATOR HEFNER: So this is a matter of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT: That's right.