

immunity and will not relinquish any of it to anybody under any circumstances. I think if you are going to add these two politicians they should not be placed in a position to stop any claim from being accepted merely because they may have a bone to pick with whoever the Governor may happen to be. I can understand what the "repelicans" are looking at because there is an ironic situation in Nebraska where when it comes to sending representatives to Washington and somebody to the Governor's office, the "repelicans" lose their way and can't make political distinctions. So some in the Legislature are trying to build in guarantees now and I think they are doing it on the wrong board in the wrong fashion. But if there is a determination to put these two individuals on the board, and if Senator Lamb is acting in good faith and I have no reason based on what I have heard to say that he is not acting in good faith, although I may have deep down some suspicions of my own, we should still make the vehicle possible to work. Very poor syntax, I've been in the Legislature too long, but what I am saying, we should not cripple this board. You all will remember that just last session we had to remove an elected politician, a constitutional officer from the approval process. I'm talking about that discredited individual named Paul Douglas. It was necessary for the Attorney General to approve of these claims, but because politicians can have a part to play in the creation of the claim, they should not be in that process. I hope the public which usually is not informed can be made aware somehow of what the Legislature is talking about doing to it this morning. This is a terrible thing, terrible. I would rather see five districts, five legislative, 25 legislative districts erased than to take away the right of the citizens to file a claim against the state, and if you stack this Claims Board, in effect, you are taking away their right to have any realistic chance of a claim against the state succeeding. I said I am not going to talk about the political aspect of it so I won't but think for a moment how when that delegation goes to Washington they are going to go there pretending that they are concerned about the farmers, pretending they are concerned about the public. Then on other matters, and this is what I look for in the way of consistency, all of that goes out the window and the concern for the public is shown to have no standing whatsoever in this body. Politics prevails, but if politics is to be played, those who have the upper hand today should realize they may not have it tomorrow. There are farm Senators now, so-called farm