

attitude and. I don't criticize that as long as it is not obsessive. But when your whole focus is on getting the materials out and you have absolutely no focus and put no resources into inventory control, like a businessman would, then the result is that you are going to lose a large amount of library materials. And the fact was that the Lincoln Library, and I think if you check your own libraries, I will bet you will find it is true that they put very little or no effort into sending out notices to collect these things or to give people calls to get the books and materials back in. They simply ignore that side of the business. And because they ignore that side of the business, it isn't a business. It tends to be one of the sloppily run public services that we have, and by making new laws and posting up on the side of the library that such and such is a crime, you are not going to solve the problem. Now you may think...not only are you not solving the problem but you are going to cause a lot of confusion in the law. What they are essentially coming in and doing here is what we sought to get rid of years ago in the criminal law. You may remember that in 1977 we had a general revision of the criminal code and where we had a law over here in the farm section that says you shall not steal pigs and another one over here in another section that says you shall not steal tools, we put those all together and said, thou shalt not steal. And we put values to the thefts and instead of having sixteen different laws that applied in different ways and ended up with great injustice to people...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...so somebody who stole a \$100 pig may be treated radically differently than a person who stole a \$100 worth of tools, we got rid of all that. But now we are going back to it again. We are going back to it again.

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: We are going back to saying if you steal library materials, that is something different than stealing something else. So the whole law is degenerating again when you allow this sort of thing to happen. I would like to give my last 30 seconds, Mr. President, if I may, to Senator Chambers.

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers.