

which does revolve in this state around Ak-Sar-Ben, whether you like to admit it or not. That is what it deals with. I don't think you should reconsider and I don't think you should be intimidated by Ak-Sar-Ben or any other individuals.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Landis. Excuse me, Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DECAMP: Senator Chambers, you may remember, just for the record, Senator Chambers, my good friend, I say you may remember, Senator Chambers, when Senator Ernie Chambers first proposed his "pay the football players" and everybody said, that has got to be the craziest guy we ever heard of, John and Ernie went on television, remember, and John explained why it was going to come about and why it was a good idea and why what sounded silly today would some day be accepted as a rather reasonable proposal. So I am asking you to consider this on its merits. Ah, well, obviously I am not getting anywhere.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Landis, then Senator Wesely.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I accept the challenge of looking at this matter on its merits and you frankly can't show that the need is there at this time. You don't stand up and pass out a million bucks without a strong record and a clearly demonstrated need and it isn't there. We don't know the effects of competition we would have. We are dealing in pure speculation. This is what speculators call, by the way, blue sky. We are up into a million dollars of John DeCamp blue sky and I am not going along. Apparently the notion is that, my goodness, since there is some money for Lincoln, the Lincoln senators will snap-to and all give some attention and brisk, crisp salutes. Wrongo! Voting against the amendment, voting against the bill if it gets attached. I understood John to be saying that the implicit notion was, this amendment doesn't go on, you are destroying Ak-Sar-Ben. That was the word. You can't let the little tracks survive if you are going to destroy Ak-Sar-Ben. This does not destroy Ak-Sar-Ben. And while there is some favoritism for Lincoln in the amendment, I am not going to vote for the amendment or for the bill if it gets attached so long as what the engine of that amendment is is a speculative tax grab that reduces the revenue to this state. It doesn't make sense for us to be imprudent this way. We have enough problems