

will look beyond this phony issue of the need for having certified hospitals to care for people that simply need tender loving care once in awhile, have their nose wiped, be able to be taken to the bathroom and be fed. You don't need psychiatrists and psychologists and nurses 24 hours a day to do that. When you do that you justify an institution setting at the expense of the kids who maybe could be treated more humanely somewhere else, and maybe even be able to help themselves in a better setting. In some ways it is even very cruel. So as long as I am satisfied, and I think I am now, that some equity will be developed out of this interim study, and there will be some honest and fair comparisons based on real costs and need of the kids, staff ratios, local input and all the rest...

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR LYNCH: ...I would respectfully withdraw this amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Higgins, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HIGGINS: Mr. President, I would like a point of personal privilege.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, state your point, please.

SENATOR HIGGINS: We had a conversation just a few minutes ago about a couple of fellows down front who admitted saying...they admitted outright that they were trying to steal \$100,000. And Senator Warner and Senator Smith have been sitting here and as I reached into my purse for my appointment book, guess whose appointment book was in my purse?

SPEAKER NICHOL: Whose?

SENATOR HIGGINS: Senator Gerald Conway's.

SPEAKER NICHOL: No honor among thieves, is there?

SENATOR HIGGINS: Well, I don't want anybody to call me a thief, but what I said to Senator Smith and Warner...

SENATOR CONWAY: I must have left that at your place last