

effect over key elements, you lay in process the seeds of destruction. The seeds of destruction for Nebraska's agricultural economy are laid in place.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR DECAMP: Unless you remove them, they will take their natural mortality over the next several years and there is something you must remember. Three complete agricultural seasons will pass before you ever have a chance to vote on Initiative 300 again. By you, I mean the people. You cannot change Initiative 300, up, down, sideways, anyway. You can't do a thing. It is in the Constitution only the people, and all my proposal does is put to the people another vote. And, as Senator Conway has suggested, and as others have said, there should be some middle ground we can reach, some middle ground we can reach in the next month before we get out of session so that we do not allow three years to pass and the destruction of the key piece of our agricultural economy, the entire beef cycle, so that that will not occur, because occur it will as certain as steel mills or a hundred other industries that have been destroyed throughout history...

PRESIDENT: Time has expired.

SENATOR DECAMP: ...destroyed by the people themselves, not by the outsiders that were being called the boogeyman.

PRESIDENT: Can we have order in the Chamber, please. (Gavel.) The Chair recognizes Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, just about the time I had reached the conclusion perhaps that maybe we ought to reconsider this, my good friend and colleague, Senator DeCamp, makes a statement with which I must disagree. Senator DeCamp said that the reason we are in such...I paraphrase this, in such disarray in agriculture today and that there is such a lack of profitability is because of the federal government attempts to guarantee profitability to agriculture. I hope I am fairly close, John. I want to correct that statement just a little bit. I think if you will go back in history, and I am not as good a student of history as Senator Vard Johnson and I am not a practitioner of the reading of the Bible like Senator Chambers, but you go back in history you are going to find