

ownership, they would have members on the board of directors that would be of course subject to the control and regulation of the banking department. This bankers bank could then become the equivalent, let's say substitute for the correspondent system. Now whether they will ever form this, I don't know. This is "the enabling legislation". It was requested by the independent bankers, and surprisingly enough, for whatever reason traditional opposition to even the possibility of this that might have come from other sources, let's say big banks was dropped. So this is the bill. It enables this bankers bank to be formed, to be created, enables them to be members of it. So instead of let's say going to the big bank they could actually, they could actually overline that loan, let's say through the bankers bank, get the money so they could borrow the money themselves from this bankers bank, or they could keep their money on deposit there, excess funds they had, and they could provide these services. So it is a new system, a new entity that would be created. It is spawned, if you would, by the whole world, the new economic world we live in from deregulation, to competition, to interstate banking existence, to just a complete new world we are in. And I think it is a good tool for them to have. I do believe they will utilize it in the not too distant future. And there are other reasons for it. For example some of these banks do not want to be members of the federal reserve anymore because of the cumbersome of this or that regulation. They would rather have their own mini system here. This allows it to be created. It would have to be, of course, FDIC insured, all those things. But it would be exactly what it says, a bankers bank.

PRESIDENT: Are you finished with Senator Landis's time?

SENATOR DECAMP: I am. I feel kind of bitter that we finally had to explain the bill. I wanted to see if a precedent could be set, and Senator Landis ruined it.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schmit was up to speak. Do you want to have Senator Schmit speak on your motion?

SENATOR SCHMIT: I would just like to say, in one or two words, Mr. President, I discussed the idea of a bankers bank at a speech here in Lincoln last December. It was met with dismay and consternation by the banking industry. As usual Senator DeCamp, with his ability, his flare, and his flamboyance, was able to take the idea, convert it to a bill. My bill didn't get very far in committee, but Senator DeCamp's bill is now on the