

security. So it's not just a corporate takeover attempt in it's normal light. It has got many other ramifications because of this international impact. I could go on about that, but I think Senator DeCamp is wrong. I think this is a case that points out the problem in a very harsh light and I would suggest that we oppose this effort, as it has been opposed across the nation, and Congress I think is about to intercede next week when they hold a hearing on this matter. I would give whatever time...how much time do I have left?

SPEAKER NICHOL: About two and a half minutes.

SENATOR WESELY: I would give that time to Senator Schmit.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, it's his to start with anyway.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Thank you for your generous reallocation of time, Senator Wesely. I would have to stand here right now and say that I'm probably one of the least knowledgeable persons about this proposal. I think that Senator DeCamp did make a good point or two, but I think that to lump everything in one little simple statement would be a mistake. I think that we have pointed out here this morning that in the past several years there have been some attempts made by the Goodyear employees to forego immediate wage improvements in an attempt to plow the money back into the plant to make the plant more profitable and to guarantee the continuation of a certain number of jobs for this community. I think that we all recognize that this community needs jobs, as does the State of Nebraska. I am very desperately concerned and I understand what John talks about about the free enterprise system. But I am going to have to tell you that many times the so-called free enterprise system is weighted heavily on the part of the guy who has got the bucks. And I think that someone once said the Golden Rule means that the guy that's got the gold makes the rules and in this instance those rules are going to be made probably not necessarily for the benefit of the State of Nebraska. I am not saying that Goodyear is without blame. I don't know anything about it, and I would be the first to say so. I intend to find out more about the situation. But I well recall a few years ago when myself and Senator Goodrich introduced a bill to prevent the takeover of ConAgra and at that time there was a definite attempt being made and, of course, parts of that bill were ruled unconstitutional. But, nonetheless, I think there are some legitimate reasons why we need to do what we are trying to do here today. I think that we need to put our businesses on