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PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers. We're still speaking on the Clark amendment to LR 21.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'm in support of Senator Cavanaugh's resolution as drawn and opposed to the amendment. When I came here to the Legislature initially I was concerned about Senators holding leases to State school lands and this question has never been resolved. Now I don't, I don't think that the real issue is that the State would be leasing space to private enterprise, it's an opposition I think to certain things being done in Omaha. There's been discussions again ever since I got here and probably before I got here about a state office building which will be located in Lincoln so if there are a multitude of state offices in Omaha and I wasn't aware that there were as many departments represented there as there are, there should be a central location and a building to house these various offices and departments. Everybody knows that the needs of departments and agencies change from time to time so it would be difficult to say exactly what decision how much space would be needed to accommodate these various agencies at all times. So I do think, with all due respect to Senator Clark, that his amendment would tend to cloud the issue and get us away from what the point is, namely, that there should be a consolidation of these offices in Omaha. I agree with that. I'm as opposed to some of the things he mentioned as anybody in this body is, but as long as you deal with human beings you have to take the bitter with the sweet, the crooked with the straight and Watergate with the water well. But the real point I'm making is that I think Senator Clark's amendment ought to be defeated and we ought to adopt the resolution as proposed.

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp, do you want to debate the Clark amendment? Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DE CAMP: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, being from the country I need to ask some questions to understand this thing a little more so I wonder if Senator Cavanaugh would respond to a couple of questions?

PRESIDENT: Senator Cavanaugh, will you yield to a couple of questions?

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Certainly.

SENATOR DE CAMP: Okay, now, as I understand it just from reading this resolution, I must apologize, this was the first day I read it. Could the Governor acquire by lease or purchase let's say the First National Bank building without this resolution?

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Yes, I previously responded to that. It would be my opinion that he could.

SENATOR DE CAMP: But with this resolution he definitely could?

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: I think he could regardless of the resolution. My purpose in...

SENATOR DE CAMP: Well, with the resolution he could though, is that right?

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: He could without it. He could with it.

SENATOR DE CAMP: With it he definitely can, is that correct?

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Yes.