

which I will make the point on an issue. Now the issue before us deals with prostitution and a definition. In giving examples which has been used by Aesop, Christ, Mohammed, Buddha, and all of the great thinkers of the world, can certainly be used by a humble legislator. So if I'm going to use examples to demonstrate the nature of the problem that we're discussing, I think that is germane. Now if I was talking about police officers doing something else then that would not be germane, but among those who have been arrested for prostitution in Omaha, at least one high school principal from a small town not too far from Omaha, and others, so I don't think any category of persons who might be affected by the operation of law are exempt. I did not offer this amendment, but I intend to discuss it. Now sometimes, as I said earlier, law enforcement people and law enforcement types are shortsighted and they don't recognize, to use that expression, the can of worms which sometimes can be opened by broaching a subject in public. Now the way that I know that this was a problem is because the Chief, after a lot of people made denials, agreed to put into the folders of some of the involved officers a notation of the wrongful conduct and that was carried in the World Herald. So this is not a new thing. It simply is designed to show that with all of the pushing in Omaha for strong laws on prostitution they want to aim them at these unfortunate women, but nothing is done if a police officer happens to be involved. So you're dealing with the type of law which those who enforce may be the ones who violate it, and if the one whose job it is to uphold the law violates the law, that brings the entire law into contempt. Now as far as things being germane to discussion, I didn't jump up and call a point of order when earlier Senator Venditte said he had been in the barber-shop where I work. I don't think he even knows where the barbershop is, and there is no way Senator Venditte could walk in that barbershop and people not know who he is. So what he said I allowed to go past, because there is a certain amount of exaggeration that I tolerate in debate even when it's directed against me, because that's the nature of debate on the floor of this Legislature. But I say if our skin is too thin to take what we give, then we ought not give it, but I do believe that what I've said is germane, and the purpose of saying this is to point out that it may not be wise even in Senator Venditte's position to push for this kind of amendment, because I think the Legislature should insist that if these laws are placed on the books, they should be as two-edged swords, cutting both ways, coming and going, because there are those who watch and there are those who watch the watchers...