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good friend, Bill Nichols, got and I figured that this was the year I was going to pass a couple of those. Well, I kind of look at the lay of the land over in that committee and I say, hey bill, you are dead we had better concentrate our efforts elsewhere. Now you are going to run into that at the beginning of every session, and my first inclination when they took a couple of my great insurance bills was to raise holy heck and raise the issue on the floor and say, no, those go to Banking, Commerce and Insurance because they are insurance bills. But this year day in and day out, morning, noon and night, we are all going to have to accept the fact that politics is an important part of everything that goes on here, whether that politics be the influence of special interests of one kind or another, power industry concerned about this and putting pressure on one person or another, and the facts of life are that if we challenge every single decision of that Exec Board, even the six wrong decisions they made on bills that should have come to Banking, we are going to spend the rest of the year here just worrying about this. If that bill, the vet school bill, has sufficient strength, the 25 or 30 votes, it may move a little faster getting out here with Ag Committee but it is still going to have the same hurdles to hop out here on the floor and if it has those votes, even if it were in Education and it were locked up there, if it has got the 25 or 30 votes it is going to be able to hop out here so it has to jump a couple hurdles more. So I guess I am going to take the attitude on this at least for the present time as I did on the five or six or eight bills that I think they have taken and given to the Judiciary Committee that should have gone to Banking and that is I will live with it a little while longer and hope they judge things a little more carefully, and I suspect yes, indeed, I kind of feel that if that bill goes to the Ag Committee it will come out on the floor and the fight will be here whether it is fought trying to take the bill out of committee from Education or fought once it gets here. But I am going to tell you all a secret. There is a separate argument for the Ag Committee. You see, there already is in existence by state law in this state a Veterinary College. The bill does not establish a veterinary college. We have had on the books for I think it is thirty or forty years a Veterinary College in the State of Nebraska. It's just that only about a dozen people know it. We did the same thing years and years ago on the Vet College that we did on so many other things that happened along. They passed the bill and then they forgot to fund it, or maybe they didn't forget. So the college is in existence. The