voters give us a salary increase, they are going to be a little less than anxious to go back and deal with the expense question. Let me ask Senator Nichol and Senator Kahle and some other rural legislators just to quickly address that. Senator Nichol first and then Senator Kahle.

PRESIDENT: Do you yield, Senator Nichol? Okay.

SENATOR NICHOL: Yes, Mr. Chairman. Of course, living 400 miles, the expense is more important than the salary to me.

SENATOR NEWELL: Senator Kahle, do you feel that we ought to be addressing this in the area of expenses?

SENATOR KAHLE: Senator Newell, I think that any salary increase that we have should include the differential in expenses that those of us that have to live farther away from the Capitol incur. And you were correct, I have stated many times I would much rather work for a dollar a year and expenses than what I am getting now. I am not sure we can get it in this amendment and get it passed. That's the hard thing and I don't know who is going to make the guidelines. I don't think I should be allowed to go home every week as I do now. I think there should be some limit on the travel that I make, but I think it should be included. Thank you.

SENATOR NEWELL: Well, here is the problem I see, is we have a constitutional prohibition against that, maybe...maybe. The key thing is maybe. I don't know whether we do or not. We will find out as soon as Senator Chambers' bill is litigated and so forth. But, frankly, at this point in time we have, to somebody's way of thinking, a prohibition against expenses. I am wondering if we ought not amend this bill. I am going to talk to some more people, Senator Johnson, to find out if there is support for amending this bill and offering the expense...taking out the prohibition for expenses. And I will get back to you and others in terms of what I might find out from that.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair would remind the legislators that we are speaking to the amendment that Senator Wesely proposed that has to do with the general and the primary elections and the designation of which is attached to that with this particular bill. Is Senator Lamb there? No, Senator Lamb is up there. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: (Microphone not on)....rise in opposition