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the law an exception to that law to fit what is being done by a brewery whose action has been considered illegal under the law by the State Attorney General's office. Now I think since the law is to be like a two-edged sword cutting coming and going, the symbol of justice is a blindfolded maiden holding scales which are to balance. We should consider the same boon for pimps, prostitutes, gamblers and everybody else whose conduct might put them outside the reach of the law. We should be willing to make exceptions so that the law fits what they are doing. I am observing the spectacle which is unfolding and imagining that Nebraska is the laughing stock of any state who sees what is being done. This state is being held hostage by a brewery. The Governor is in the act, the Mayor, Senators have trotted out to California to prostrate themselves before the owner of a brewery and I understand he is somewhat eccentric, but he has this state under his thumb. He has them jumping through hoops. Where is the pride, where is the dignity of the state? Falstaff is going to leave Omaha anyway, no matter what this Legislature does, but the damage that will result from this action is that it will show that a special interest group, one whose product is considered the most widely abused drug in society, how such a special interest group can bring the Legislature, the state government and the city government to their collective knees. I will not be a part of the crawling. I will read a verse for you which I think is apropos. It is found in the book of Genesis, the third chapter, the fourteenth verse. "And the Lord God said unto the serpent, because thou hast done this, thou are cursed above all cattle and above every beast of the field". The following words are addressed to the State of Nebraska, and others without pride. "Upon thy belly shalt thou go and dust shall thou eat all the days of thy life". I don't think I can improve upon that. I am opposed to the introduction of this bill. I will vote its introduction, but knowing how when the train is on the track and the whistle is blowing, there is nothing that can stop it, I will vote against the bill at every step along the way.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Mr. President and fellow members, we are not doing this, Senator Chambers, for any particular industry. We are doing it primarily for a lot of people that are going to be out of jobs at a time when Nebraska can't afford to have any more people on welfare, on unemployment. I don't think we are bawling on our bellies