

it inside the can. That is the way I always do it, instead of throwing them out you just drop them in the can. A little while later Robin swallowed the darn thing and ended up in the hospital under all kinds of difficult conditions, having to get the darn thing removed and out of whatever it goes into. I think that it is dangerous. It is a little bill that will clear it up in a little over a year. I urge you to support the bill. As I said there is no opposition from the people that you would think would normally be opposing it and it is a good step forward in cleaning up litter, which we are all concerned about.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: (no response).

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Vard Johnson.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: I, too, Mr. Speaker, want to rise in support of this bill. I think it is, as Senator Von Minden points out, a very minor mini litter bill, but it is one of those pieces of litter that simply could be eliminated by requiring the can manufacturers to use the non-removable tops. I should point out however that I personally have had a considerable amount of difficulty with the non-removable tops. I have found them far more difficult to use than those that you can rip off the can. Now I don't put my tops in the can and then swallow them but rather I find that I cut my fingers and the like on the non-removable top. Notwithstanding my "klutziness" and my inability to get the job done correctly, I think that this is a good measure.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is to advance the bill. Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. Speaker and members, just a question of Senator Von Minden or whoever might be able to answer it. I guess I am surprised that there is no opposition because I would guess that that type of can top that you are talking about is patented and there will have to be some changes made in some of the plants that make aluminum cans. Can anybody give me some information on this? Is that a patented top and will there be some difficulty in getting every can sales outfit, people that sell cans from all over the United States to comply? Has there been any. . . Senator Von Minden do you know of any problem?

SENATOR VON MINDEN: Senator Kahle, I met previously, earlier on the bill and the different can companies will go along