

making distinctions. We leave out a lot of people who sacrificed and sacrifices in wartime are immense, but I don't see a plate in there for people who lost a loved one; I don't see a plate in there for people who suffered a psychic injury; I don't see a plate in there for people who had a divorce or who had to forego a college education but came back unscathed. I don't see one in there for the women and the families who bore the psychic pain or sacrifice of staying here. Those sacrifices are being distinguished away to recognize only a certain portion of the soldiers' sacrifice, and I say that that pain of wartime is borne by the society, everyone. And the public ceremony is the way you pay the debt for that societal sacrifice that everybody paid. I don't think anybody came through the war unscathed. The kinds of sacrifices varied. The special and particular private sacrifices of an injury or whatever I think is compensable in a private fashion by making the compensation of veterans' benefits, education, health care and the like. But beyond that, any other individual sacrifice I think should be borne with dignity, should be borne privately and should be examined for what an individual learns from it rather than to be recognized in some public fashion by a recognition in law that some kinds of sacrifices were different...

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: One minute.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...and I think we intrinsically recognize the superiority of certain kinds of sacrifices and that is my problem. This, to me, does not mean a reasoned examination of the kinds of sacrifices that are made to preserve society which is what should be at stake in wartime. I don't see a plate in there for families, for women, for people who went into the workforce, the people who lost people and our debt, our sacrifice is social. It runs from the breadth and width of our society, and for that reason, I think there is no particular justification to support a special recognition of sacrifice. I'm going to vote against the bill.

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Thank you, Senator Landis. Senator Lynch is recognized.

SENATOR LYNCH: Mr. President and members, this is one of those things you could argue either side, depending upon the mood you're in. I'm going to stand to support the kill motion. Just a minute on the previous bill, I should have stood up, I was curious about, for example, if someone is 100 percent disabled