

tip, they would not have been at the airport, so that's a case that would not have been solved. The other article talks about arrests made in one of these open air areas about which the community had complained time, after time, after time, the drug selling out in the open where any and everybody can see it. In the article the police acknowledged that there had been numerous complaints from the community, but you'll notice that there was no action taken until our very critical, analytical discussion on General File of LB 592. When the heat was brought to bear the police began to do some of the things that were available for them to do and that they had knowledge about long before our discussion. I'm opposed to this bill because, again, it's not going to touch the problem. It will create the impression that the Legislature has made a bold and meaningful move in the direction of dealing with drugs in Omaha. Drugs are not used and sold only in my community. But that's where I live. Larger amounts are sold in other parts of Omaha where they will not be touched. We shall see if, when the woman who had the day care center where they found guns and dogs and dope, will face a white judge who will say to this white woman, the people in Omaha are fed up with drugs and you go to jail. There are crazy things that these judges in Omaha will do. There were arrests made of some young black men for quoting words from a rap record. One of the intelligent judges, Judge Troya (phonetic), dismissed the charge. You cannot convict somebody for the use of words. An ignorant judge, called Deacon Jones, convicted the young man, even though there is an Eighth Circuit decision, from 1979, where words of a profane nature were directed at the police officer, and the Eighth Circuit, of which Omaha is a part, said that you cannot convict somebody for these kind of words. This kind of speech is protected by the First Amendment to the Constitution. And, despite the existence of that case, an Omaha judge convicted somebody of speech which was lifted from a record. And in addition to that, the equally ignorant, and I would say bigoted, editorial writer of the Sunday World-Herald praised the judge who convicted and criticized the judge who acquitted. Yet this same editorial writer, the same World-Herald would scream bloody murder if anybody tried to regulate what the World-Herald or any other newspaper printed, hiding, as they often do, behind the First Amendment. We, in my community, are seeing a pattern developing whereby words uttered by a black person become the basis of an arrest, a charge, a conviction and jail time, where being in concert with others, or gathered with others, engaging in conduct that is not criminal will justify you in being harassed. Run off the corner while