

dealing with these children and the child spoke in a loud voice, that's just the way the children do. A white teacher takes it as disrespect, as a challenge to his or her authority, and that child gets an inschool suspension as happens at Bryan Junior High School in Omaha. And then they have teachers who will put posters up making fun of black children's names. For some reason, a child was victimized with the name Con Tiki, so the teacher, because the child was going to play in a basketball game had him coming out of a toilet and the name Con Stinky and it was posted on the walls in the junior high school and white people don't understand why we're offended at that, and I wish I had known at the time it happened. I would have taken down the sign and I would have dealt physically with anybody who tried to stop me.

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: In my office I have paddles that I have physically confiscated from black schools in Omaha. I took them from the principal, and I told the child in the office, the principal, he may do something to you, but let him try it with me right now, and I have the paddles that I took. And it shouldn't be my responsibility or anybody else to go into these schools to provide physical safety for our children. All you read about is that they are gangsters, they deal in drugs, but you don't have to worry about your child being sent to school and a teacher calling her or him a little honky, a little redneck, a little peckerwood, but our children are victimized by racial epithets, and when they react, then they are the bad children and you see these editorials, more black children are suspended because more of them are bad. More...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...of them are expelled because more of them are bad. It is hell for our children in these public schools and I just wish that there weren't so much of my time taken in this Legislature when school is in session because I would probably wind up being arrested at a school except that I'm always so right, when I go there and put my hands on some of these teachers, that they dare not challenge or accuse me in court.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time has expired. Senator Nelson.