

know just exactly how to get Senator Schmit's goat. This is a potato bill for a potato specialist and that went into the mainline budget, so we'll now call this new proposal, Potato Hall. Actually, Kearney has been very innovative in what they've been doing to try to get some kind of space. They've converted a ladies restroom into offices, they've put three professors into one office. There is a cleaning closet that is now an office. They have turned the hallways into classrooms. They have offices in the basement and there is no ventilation at all, so if a student goes down there they have to limit the time that they can talk to their professor so they don't suffocate. Actually the space use is 98 percent at Kearney State College now, and we have been told that that isn't possible to actually schedule classroom use 98 percent of the time but it is being done. The Social Service classes are in, or the Social Science classes, excuse me, are in the Science labs at Bruner Hall. They have done everything they possibly can, early classes in the morning, late classes at night, and it has reached the place now where something has to be done. What they are...they have really been innovative out there, so now they are looking at a building that is...the K-Mart is building a new building and they are looking at renting the old K-Mart building to put classrooms in. I think this is pretty disgusting. They will have to run buses and it will be, in my opinion at least, a disgrace if this happens in one of our state institutions. The building that they are proposing is \$60 a square foot, and I certainly wouldn't insult the building at UN-O, but it is double that amount. I do hope that you will give consideration to this study. It is \$30,000 and it would cut a year off the time that would be required. These buildings don't pop up like Topsy, they have to be planned, so I would appreciate your vote. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Warner, please, followed by Senator Lynch and Senator Schmit.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, the...one thing I should say initially, one of the things that the Appropriations Committee did this year that was somewhat different than in the past, that other than what capital construction was in the deficit bill as it was introduced, anything that we have added in the way of capital construction of a major project we put it in a separate bill so that there would not be a problem of someone wishing to vote for one structure but not for another, and so in keeping with that, the