

supposed to be pregnant in the first place, have always been able to obtain abortions. So, that subject is dealt with in the real world the same as everything else we deal with in this legislative body. The elite control everything, they dictate what the Legislature is going to do, because most people in Legislatures perceive themselves as being of peasant origin, more or less, so they're always trying to cheese up to their betters. They think if they carry water they'll get invited to these parties and these lobbyists will put their arm around them and squeeze that ill-fitting shoulder pad and that ill-fitting coat and then the lobbyists go home and they laugh at the legislators, laugh, it's a joke. And if you all think this is not true, you try to get some of those lobbyists to take you all to some of their social affairs where they go with those on their own level, not when they're putting out the trough to bring in the cattle and the hogs to be fed. I'm talking about where they bring their special ladies or significant others, whoever or whatever they might be. You all aren't going to be there. They let you all press the floor boards of the Nebraska Club when they're going to treat you all like their hired servants. But, if they put on a genuinely significant elitist event, do they invite the legislators. If there is not something they want to get from the Legislature, are the senators invited? No, because senators don't have anything to talk about, they're not broad enough in their scope and they haven't conducted themselves in a way to merit genuine respect. And that's why legislators are the butts of jokes even in the corridors of this building. You all may not hear those jokes, but I do. Lobbyists can't give me anything. And there are some who can't receive enough from the lobbyists. They say, let's go eat, and you run and eat. So that's why I know that I'm talking to these walls when I discuss the kind of issues of equity and justice that I feel compelled to raise. We have poor little reporters trying to make a living. Once they learn something they take them out of the Legislature and send the rookies here, because legislators and what we do is not important. And legislators are what reporters portray legislators as being.

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But fortunately, I get to go other places and talk to people, not lobbyists, but students and others where I'm not fed. Senator Hall said he has a good amendment. And because I don't put myself in a corner from which I cannot emerge, I'm withdrawing my bracket motion.