

of Satan in that fashion, then don't blame Satan, blame yourself, especially when it's laid out there. I think it's a mistake for anybody on this floor to withdraw from a position because somebody threatens a bill. The one who makes the threat reveals a good deal about himself or herself, and these things need to be said because others talk about it in the halls and corridors, but they're too afraid to discuss on this floor the things we ought to be talking about. But I'll discuss it. I'll discuss it in rhymes, I'll discuss it on the floor, because we have people lacking in ethics, lacking in moral principle, and lacking in political courage. But they'll run around to these rotary clubs and pontificate and talk to these people who have no knowledge of how they conduct themselves on the floor of this Legislature and project themselves as upholders of righteousness and principle. But you watch them on this floor, you listen to them on this floor, and it's hard not to stand up and express open, unmitigated contempt. I don't work for anybody on the floor of this Legislature, nobody or collection of bodies on this floor own me. And I would never allow myself to be put in a position as some of my colleagues who run around here scared because so and so supports a bill. What we need to do is reorganize the leadership of this Legislature next session,...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...as was done this session. The wrong people are holding positions of leadership. People will try to threaten and intimidate other senators, and are successful in doing it because the senators are not like me, who, if somebody comes to me with that, I'll tell them where to go. And, if they need a little assistance, I'm willing to provide that, too. Now there will be muttering around here, and buzzing, and hemming, and hawing, but the cowards remain cowards. The cowards remain cowards. The dishonest arguments will continue to be given. The attempts to threaten will continue to be engaged in. The pressure from the lobby and the judges will continue to be exerted, and they will continue to be effective. Watch people take powders in here. Watch them be frightened off bills.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Watch them make promises that they violate, and then cast the proper judgment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Does anyone else