

for rural Nebraska and, as you know, as a population moves from the north to the southeast and from the southern borders up towards the Platte River, we know it's going to be harder and harder for the rural people to be represented. But this map of Senator Owen Elmer's, as I look on that I see it saves the 21st District. It leaves the 21st District in Madison and I'm very interested in trying to keep as many senators as we can in northeast Nebraska and I believe this particular plan would be better for that. Okay, how's it going to affect me? Well, it changes my district. It splits two counties that I represent fully now, but I certainly think I can live with that. Also, it adds one new county and I don't have any problem with that. But I think we need to look and see how it's going to affect a territory ten years from, or up to ten years from now and so I would say that and I would

encourage you to support the Owen Elmer plan as presented to us this morning. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Hefner. Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Madam President, I'd call the question.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Are there five seconds? We will now vote on the motion to cease debate. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted on the motion to cease debate? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: We have ceased debate. Senator Elmer for closing.

SENATOR ELMER: Thank you, Madam President. I appreciate all the comments that have been made favorably upon this effort that I've made. I appreciate the arguments that have been made contrary to the plan. I think that the thing that we all have to do here is to very seriously consider the fact that this is not just you and I, here as constituents and colleagues on this floor, but for our future colleagues and for the community of interest that they must represent. Mention has been made that this should have been prepared, this should have been out there longer, and I think it's been well pointed out, and I believe that a number of members here will support me in this, that because of the massive data required for the Government