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Platte or do the bad guys live north of the Platte? You said something about you wanted to get as many north of the Platte as there were south of the Platte, or something. Didn't you say something like that?

SENATOR CONWAY: Is that a question?

SENATOR HEFNER: Yes.

SENATOR CONWAY: No, I said I'd like to maintain the balance. We already have about two-thirds of the 1st Congressional District south of the Platte and one-third above.

SENATOR HEFNER: Oh.

SENATOR CONWAY: As we move these plans, we're looking at close to three-quarters south of the Platte and only one-quarter north of the Platte, and yet they're both about the same geographical area.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay. Okay, and then one more question. That little splinter of Knox County, I see all the towns are in the 3rd District so there can't be too much population in that area. Do you know how many people are east of the line that you have drawn there?

SENATOR CONWAY: I have that written down and I can share that with you as soon as I dig it up. What I can tell you in terms of the towns, east of the Knox County line are the more populated towns of Crofton, Warsaw and Bloomfield are all on the east side of the line and they would maintain being in the 1st Congressional District.

SENATOR HEFNER: Oh, I see. The way I understood it, the way I understood it that...and that part of Knox County which includes a precinct...okay, they're in the 1st District then. Okay, then your line here isn't very accurate because Bloomfield's right in the center of the county. Bloomfield's right in the center.

SENATOR CONWAY: Whose side are you on? I guess...(laughter).

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay. And I know the reason that you're splitting Knox County up, because Knox County's 200 miles away from Lincoln. Gage County is 25, 30 miles? Forty? Okay. That's the reason, because the people from Knox County can't