

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, this is a priority motion. My light will come on way down the list and I wanted to speak immediately. I just noticed one peculiar thing, Senator Jensen was against \$25,000 but his name is on this amendment to do whatever it is they are going to do, so I guess, as I stated earlier, when we deal with millions of dollars, or hundreds of thousands of dollars, or a hundred thousand dollars, it doesn't cause a ripple, but \$25,000 creates conniptions. Senator Hall referred to a letter that was sent by some business people to the university, and I would like to ask Senator Hall a question about that, if I may. Senator Hall, to whom was that letter addressed, if you know?

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Mr. President, and members, Senator Chambers, as I understand it, I believe it was sent to the President of the University, Mr. Smith, I believe.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Is Mr. Smith a Caucasian?

SENATOR HALL: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, the World-Herald and others refer to that enterprise as blackmail. I have to use opportunities when I can to try to bring some sensitivity. Anything negative is attributed to black. You've heard the black magic, Black Tuesday, blackballing, blackmail. Here we have a letter written by white men on white paper addressed to a white man to deal with a dispute between white people and it is called blackmail. It is "whitemail." Everything about it is white, everything. I want to try to sensitize you all to these things and I am going to bring them up every time one of these situations arises because I have let some things go by without calling attention to them, but not anymore, and the use that is put to black is totally repugnant to me and not acceptable. Usually when somebody is prohibited from joining an organization because of their race, white people are doing it, so it should definitely be called "whiteballing." When they talk about doing anything that requires power, white people have the power in this country. So every time you use the term "black" with reference to one of these things, I am