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and I'm going to fight for what I think are prerogatives that I am going to exercise as a member of this Legislature. There are things I can do here not because of any respect or regard for me. They can't do things to me without hurting everybody else on this floor. They can't create a system that would banish me from the Legislature without banishing a lot of rural senators from the Legislature. And what Senator Matzke and I were talking about, by the time of the next census more people are going to go...have gone to the cities and there will be fewer rural representatives and they will then be hoping that I'm here to help them in their minority status. But they cannot grasp that now and they will not see the elitism that is being put in place in the rules because they perceive themselves as being part of that elite.

SENATOR CROSBY: Time. Senator Chambers, there are no further lights. Would you like to close?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, I would, Madam President. It shouldn't be necessary for us to have something bad befall us in order to make us aware of it being a bad thing. Again I say, and I use this phrase often, one of the main differences between me and the rest of you is that things don't have to happen to me or members of my family or of my race to cause me to try to be helpful. I don't know a black farmer, but I was the one that the farmers felt was their best friend and they said so. They brought petitions down here in support of me. They wanted to pay my way to go to Washington and represent their interests and not send any white person from this Legislature and they didn't think the white representatives from Nebraska represented their interests in Washington, and I have the petitions. I lived through that. A lot of you play on the surface and around the edges, but if you make it increasingly difficult for me to do my job here I'm going to say like the old sergeants did, you can't make it harder for me than I can make it for you. And I'm not going to let you create an intolerable situation without me making it reciprocal. If it's good enough for you to dump it on me, it's got to be good enough for me to scoop it up and dump it back on you 'cause you started it. As we used to say when we were children, I'm rubber and you're glue, anything you throw at me bounces off me and sticks on you. So when you throw it to me, I can also use the imagery of a mirror, it's going to reflect and come right back to you. You're going to see yourself in the mirror that I shall become. Anc, Senator