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to discommode the standards of the universe. Another one, and probably my young friend Senator Smith, equally young friend Senator Bourne have said...has said this, and I know some of the older people have--you can't have your cake and eat it too. How else are you going to eat your cake except that you have it? You must have your cake to eat it. What they need to say is you cannot not have your cake and eat it. I don't know about America where they're always talking about...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...other people don't know how to...they don't talk English good, therefore, English ought to be what everybody's got to talk, so you can talk English good. And this here ain't no joke (laugh), Senator Smith. But look, should they say you cannot eat your cake and have it to? Well, if you eat it, you have it to a greater extent than if you got it in your hand, because now your cake is inside of you and it's going to become a part of you, so that statement makes no sense. But that's America and that's how things are done and now, Senator Smith, you know the rest of that story.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Chambers, recognized to continue.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I know my colleagues want to vote on something and some of these motions that I offer do give them that opportunity to express how they feel or what their inclination is by way of voting, so this is one of those motions that may allow you to come to a vote. However, we may not do it just yet. Since nobody else is talking, good or bad English, it's up to me. So I've got to prolong the discussion, and I think it's clear that I'm up to mischief, because I don't have those long pauses unless I'm doing something that my foes would consider to be mischievous. And they would be right, because I don't want things to come to a screeching halt nor do I want them to end with a whimper. I want to deliver on my promise and if it were only Senator Hilgert, myself and Senator Bourne perhaps I would make a concession. Senator Hilgert, yesterday I was on the verge of total physical and psychological and emotional collapse. And I cannot get a bit of sympathy from anybody? I am mocked. People scoff. They laugh. You cannot feel your brother's pain? If