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this much. Let me read you one of the amendments, and this is for the "General." "General." He doesn't have to answer, but I want the "General" to pay ... I've got five stars. He's got four. I'll take one of them if he doesn't pay attention. this is one of the things we will continue to debate if the bill Add a new section: stays out here. In the interest of production agriculture, meetings shall be held only on rainy days or at night, since hay must be made while the sun shines. I'm interested in the welfare of production agriculture. don't want them having meetings in the middle of the day, when those who work in agriculture have to be out there trying to earn a living. And we ought to set certain times by the clock, because these other entities, their representatives, might have things to do. I'm now going to start offering amendments that might seem absurd, for the purpose of showing the absurdity of what is being presented by this bill. We can go on and on and on. Now I'm offering the opportunity for the Legislature to escape my wrath. Now that makes people angry and gets their back up, and makes them sure that they're going to vote against my motion. But I have other amendments prepared, and I'm not going to stop talking about this bill. going to stop talking about the uselessness of it and the futility. If Senator Redfield is correct in her assessment that there are people who know where everything is that needs to be known, appoint her as a committee of one to get a few of her friends together in her living room, and...

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...while they drink tea and eat crumpets they can put together something that will be good enough for us to base a policy on. If everything is known, what is the purpose of having this miscellaneous assemblage put together? So what I'm going to do--because this is like when the roll is called up yonder, Senator Bourne, and some say they'll be there, but really they won't--I'm going to ask, when I finish, for a call of the house and a roll call vote. And remember, the hottest place in Hades is reserved for those who are neither hot nor cold. I'm going to see how many no voting..."not votings" there are today, how many are going to slither away, how many are going to weasel out, how many are not going to do what they're