

1 describing where it did lie. It was sort of evasive.
2 Would you care to comment briefly on where it does?

3 MR. KENTNER: I think I will be a bit evasive,
4 too. I think there are a number of similarities on a num-
5 ber of points which could be made about state legislatures
6 in general, which I think would be perhaps largely true
7 in Nebraska, which is to say that power depends upon the
8 individual and the powerful individual will exercise that
9 power, and I think this is simply true in Nebraska.

10 There are powerful individuals in the legisla-
11 ture who exercise a great deal of influence in the legis-
12 lature, just as there are in any legislature, and I would
13 have a very difficult time defending the proposition that
14 the power structure of the Nebraska legislature was sig-
15 nificantly different than that in any other legislature.

16 MR. ENEY: Mr. Kentner, I would like to ask a
17 question somewhat along the same lines, although the form
18 of the question at least is different. With nonpartisan-
19 ship, you lose the advantages, whatever they may be, of
20 the two-party system. Does this result in a proliferation
21 of parties or cliques in the legislature? Do you then end