



Austin of the American Feed Manufacturers was going to be his new field manager.

About House and Senate he said major difference was that Andrews now has more committee assignments and is spread thinner and must rely more on staff. He has more subcommittees on Appro. than he had on the House Appropriations Committee--let alone having 3 other committees! (Budget, Agriculture, Indian Affairs)

Secondly, more lobbyists come to see them now. And that in turn gives them a feeling of greater importance. "You do feel more important as a Senate staffer than you do as a House staffer."

Also "I don't have anything to do with the House since we moved over here. I feel like we crossed the river. I see the House when I go home at night, because I live near the House. Otherwise, I don't think about it."

I asked about media; and most interesting thing was that no regular reporters cover the Office--none that he knew of. No ND papers have bureaus there. They must have great longevity. He's a congressman still, I'd say. They've had a little Senate-type attention from Time and Newsweek. But not much.

He works on Defense and Interior Subcommittees. Interior gave them some trouble when they announced something on Indian education "without letting us in on it beforehand." He said MA fought them and beat them. Defense touches bases better. But he saw subcommittee staff as key in both cases. Said MA checks with Stevens on defense matters.