

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...to so many freebies may find it very easy to look down their noses at those people who are without but, remember, Job, that old fellow in the Old Testament who was undergoing all these trials, when his friends came and criticized him and said if you hadn't done wrong you wouldn't have this problem, he said it is very easy for one who is secure to mock the one whose foot is about to slip. \$138, is that the amount we are talking about, Senator Hefner? \$138 for somebody who has lost a job I don't think is an unreasonable amount to offer unless we look at it as being unreasonably low. I hope we will support Senator Hall's amendment and nobody who pays these premiums into the fund will be hurt at all. Nebraska shouldn't take pride in being the stingiest, Senator Hefner, shouldn't take pride in being the stingiest state when it comes to dealing with its citizens who have lost their means of making a living and I hope you and others who do have compassion, and it is not Christmas, so we won't be Scrooge. As a matter of fact, Good Friday is a few days away. That is when they nail Christ to the cross. We don't want to nail the workers to the cross today.

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Didn't William Jennings Bryan give a cross of gold speeches saying you will not nail labor to this cross of gold? That is what we should not do today. I hope you will support Senator Hall's amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Higgins, then Senator Rod Johnson.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President. You know one thing that has not been mentioned this morning by anybody, at least if it was I didn't hear it, but in the last couple of years business has come to labor and said will you take a cut in salary so we can survive, so we can keep the business going, and labor has done that. They have taken a one and two dollar an hour decreases in salary and I think the most shameful disgusting thing that happened in this country was when the automobile workers took huge cuts in hourly salaries and, whamo, the automobile manufacturers came back and had a profit. And what did they do with that profit? The Presidents of General Motors, and Chrysler, and Ford,