

SENATOR STAHLER: Mr. President, members of the body, I'll try to be very brief. I think that we would be moving in the wrong direction and I would like to say that when Senator Carpenter initially suggested that we have these TV cameras I didn't think that it was a good idea and I will admit my mistake. I didn't think that anyone would watch these programs and I'll tell you that I have gotten a lot of letters from people who do watch these programs. I think that if there is a mistake that it isn't that we have this half hour program perhaps it should be an hour every night and then had it been an hour every night perhaps then Senator Carsten's bill could have been heard, and perhaps it should have been heard. I personally was somewhat disappointed that they had such a few minutes on the bill that I tried to revive 973 which was probably the most important education bill this committee or this floor has heard in three or four years, but again the chief problems in communications today is not channel 12, it is the poor job that the commercial stations are doing and I hope that the commercial people will get the message for what little coverage that they give to state government news you could put in one eye-ball and still have room for your eye. Look at what the three TV stations up in Omaha are doing. Look how often they have representatives of state government. You can't tell me that what is going on on this floor isn't more important than what is going on in the City-Council or the mayor running around in a bunny suit. We have one committee hearing in one day that does more than the city council will do in a month. You never see these people down here. Senator Carsten's I don't blame you for being unhappy, I agree that that bill should have been on their but I think you are moving in the wrong direction and the real problem is not channel 12, but the problem is our Mickey Mouse commercial stations that are so damned interested in selling commercials so they can put on Captain Mid-Night and a bunch of that crap and instead of putting on state government so that the people could know for once and a for all what is going on in the state.

PRESIDENT: Next to speak is Senator F. Carstens.

SENATOR F. CARSTENS. Mr. President, members of the legislature, I can understand how Senator C. Carsten feels about the TV program once in a while, but when I was sitting here yesterday listening to the debate going on about 1028, I have got so far field and promised so much that I realized that and I am convinced that I am kind of glad that they didn't put anything on TV because it would have completely mislead the cattle feeders of this state, because we got out into far out green gardens where if we had a trespassing attorney general for some how or other and it would rescue all the cattle feeders and the whole cattle industry. It ignored the fact that the problems involved also sometimes involve bad judgment. I couldn't help but think when I was listening to it when Senator Burbach mentioned about the empty silo's and no cattle around the silo's in Iowa. I wondered myself if those people had gotten smart and got out of the business and a...a..in time and had gone to Florida or whether they had gone broke from bad judgment. There are all of these elements involved. I just...was appalled at the acceptance of the idea that if we had an anti-trust division in the Attorney General's office, that these problems would all be solve instantly, everybody that had a complaint, a gripe or problem could then rush up to the Attorney General's Office and the bad villains would immediately be subdued and everybody else would be prosperous, now this is just not going