

is to cut funds and we are not going to worry about the results of those cuts, we are not going to worry about what happens because of those cuts, then it would be similar to me saying those damned old cows haven't been making any money the last few years so I am just going to quit feeding them. But would that be a smart thing to do if that is the business you are in? It would sure get some results, I will tell you that. Maybe that is what we had ought to do. Maybe we had ought to just say, okay, we are just not going to do anything for anybody in the State of Nebraska any more. State government is just going to stop, period. We are not going to provide any services at all. Is that what the folks want? Is that what we really want to do? Is that going to be helpful in getting us out of this situation? Now if anybody has got any better ideas, then come forth and say so. But I will tell you what, you can criticize me all you want to and everybody else can criticize me if this doesn't work, or any other effort that I might take doesn't work, but I would a whole lot rather be criticized for taking an effort that doesn't work than being criticized for standing here and doing nothing. And I, for one, cannot stand here and do nothing and watch us fall off the edge of that cliff, and I will tell you, Senator Schmit...

SPEAKER NICHOL: Time.

SENATOR VICKERS: ...mentioned it is going to be like walking through tulips now compared to what it is going to be like in January and that is true.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Time.

SENATOR VICKERS: And I think it is going to be true even the next year after that as well.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Higgins, then Senator Nelson.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President. None of you agriculture Senators need to listen to me. For that matter, none of you need to listen to me but I would address the urban Senators who are present. We need to cut the budget badly, a lot more than \$50,000, but we need to look at our priorities. I can't count the number of brochures I have received from Economic Development and from the Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce about all of the seminars that are going on constantly, 52 weeks out of the year, to help small