

to be necessary because there are not going to be the bucks there. There are not going to be the bucks there unless manna falls from heaven and that hasn't happened for two thousand years and it is not going to happen in January. It is not going to happen in January. And so it will be most interesting, I think it is an interesting situation. I know...I have to tell this one little story. I love my University. I call it my University. I love it. But up in my legislative district at Mead there is an alcohol plant constructed by the University. You know what it uses as its basic feed stock? Sweet sorghum. Ladies and gentlemen, to my knowledge there is not a stalk of it grown in the State of Nebraska. I don't know if there is a stalk of it grown in the whole Middle West. Now I don't know why they built the plant except that perhaps to pacify some of us, but the plant processes sweet sorghum. Now if that is an example of a wise utilization of University funds, then I will buy the treats.

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Vickers, did you want to finish with your presentation?

SENATOR VICKERS: Thank you, Mr. President. Simply to point out one more time the inconsistency of our actions in this body in relationship to higher education and also to point out to you one more time that once we did for the University of Nebraska and the state college system what they thought they could live with the budget was set. We cannot change it. I understand that. I could see the steamroller coming and I think all the rest of us could too. Now I don't know whether that is a wise idea or not but I do think it is unfortunate that we treat two of our systems of higher education in a fashion different than we treat the poor cousin of higher education recognizing that those, many of those students in the technical community college areas are the ones that need that chance to get into higher education even greater than some of the others.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Time.

SENATOR VICKERS: I think that is unfortunate and with that, Mr. Chairman, I would ask to withdraw this amendment.