

if suddenly those people who have charge accounts or those people who still pay cash started calling them up and saying, you know, I didn't know that your insurance companies got special tax breaks? I didn't know about that retaliatory insurance or retaliatory premium. I didn't know that the State of Nebraska could assess you more taxes. I didn't know Montgomery Ward, Sears and Roebuck, J.C. Penney, I didn't know that your insurance companies in Nebraska have not had a tax rate increase in 45 years, but, by golly, I can't buy a refrigerator from any of you for what I paid 45 years ago and I have been paying your taxes all these years. Do you think it would bother those companies? It might. J.C. Penney and Sears, and them, they might come down here with the same idea these three annuity companies have and say, you know, let's make a deal. You can put a tax assessment on us for three years, that's what the annuity companies have finally agreed to, because they scared the devil out of all the senators saying, if you don't make our employees pay our taxes, we're moving out of the state. What a reverse psychology to tell those big department stores that own those big insurance companies, if you don't go to the Legislature next year and say, hey, we're willing to accept a tax assessment if you people don't quit buying from our stores, if you don't send in your charge plates. Now is a boycott fair or isn't it fair? That's all it would take is a boycott of all these big department stores that make multimillions of dollars off of the insurance companies. Remember, I told you earlier this morning, those of you who were listening, Sears and Roebuck has been in the red for five straight years but they make their money off of Allstate Insurance Company. And I just read you the list of the multimillion dollar oil companies that, rather than lose an insurance company, they would sell an oil company because there is more profit, because there is more money in it. That is a heck of an idea, in fact, I will tell you how good I think it is. I'm going to tell my husband, if he charges anything at Sears and Roebuck or Montgomery Ward or J.C. Penney, it's going to get mighty cold around our house. I am sending in my charge accounts, my credit cards to them, and I will send a letter of protest saying...

PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR HIGGINS: ...I appreciate the people you have here. I