Now I doubt that in a state like Nebraska public radio would be the kind of thing that would drive anybody up the wall except perhaps me who I'm supporting it. might feel it ought to do certain things that it will not do. but we must crawl before we walk. And I think whenever a proposition comes before as whereby we can elevate the level of awareness of the citizens regarding the world around them, we ought to do that. I think even the discussion of creationism could occur on public radio. Why the support of that bill and myself would be very happy, I am sure, to kick off the first program with a discussion of that issue, and we could find similar matters which no commercial station, whether it is television or radio, would be willing to touch with a ten foot pole. There would not be money involved in it. There would be no sponsors. But on public radio, it's only reason for existing would be to serve the public good, and I think anything that improves the intelligence, that increases the awareness of the citizens, can only be considered a positive good. And for those who are conservative, think about what that word means, to save, to husband, to marshal, to conserve or preserve those ideas and principles that can help make a society great and strong. A people who are uninformed are people who can easily be duped and mislead. There is not much information going out to the public over commercial radio or television. The people in commercial news on television will say that news now is more like acting. They get people who have a pleasing appearance and then the stories that they give are just fluff. There is not enough time nor the inclination by any of the stations because they are seeking ratings to go into depth on issues that are of great concern to the people. So I think there are a lot of reasons why there ought to be public radio, but the greatest argument in behalf of it is the existence of commercial radio. the two. And if we are seeking that which is the more excellent, public radio will win hands down. And, Senator Hefner, I will not deny that at some point public money must be spent, and maybe a considerable amount. But it is something like the amounts that are spent to find a cure for cancer. There are cancers of the mind. There are cancers of the spirit.

SPEAKER MARVEL: You have 30 seconds.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: They are not being adequately addressed in schools or any of the other places. So any tool that offers a possibility realistically of doing that, we ought to make use of that tool and I think public radio is such a thing. So I hope you will not support the kill motion.