

support an \$8 a year or could I go for 10 a year, I agreed, yes, I could. I thought 10 was all right. I don't know where the 20 this year came in. I'm not going to support it. I'm not going to try to get urban against rural fight, but this business out in rural, outstate, greater, whatever, Nebraska, are really hurting. Believe you me, they are hurting, any added expense, and I don't think it would be that great on unemployment, but it is still an added expense. And after this worker's comp bill came up, I just, one Sunday, just drove through the main street of Tekamah and looked at the businesses that were still there, and that is a county seat town. I don't know if there is 12 businesses have went out of business because of finances the last three or four years, but a bunch of them. The businesses that are left, and it is sad, and these are businesses that hired, three, four or five people. They are on a shoestring. I think most of them couldn't even write a check for \$5,000. I think that the payroll is in jeopardy every week when the payroll comes up. So I'm only going to speak once on this. I'm not going to support the \$20. I was willing to support the 10, and I know big business probably could afford this and afford it very nicely and there is where the split comes in. And so probably now, and I won't speak again for the third time, I probably won't support the \$10 if we get down to the 10. I think I'll just say let's stay where we are and see what happens as the economy takes this big upturn in the next few years, upturn with the valley showing up. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Coordsen, followed by Senators Hall and Hefner.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body, this morning during the debate on another issue I made a comment that I was a farmer and it was in relationship to the session days, and that I had neither family involved nor any hired help. And the reason for having no hired help is not a personal choice of mine, but the business of agricultural, at least on the family farm side, and I'm sure the family business side too in the case of business, no longer allows you, and this might sound strange to many ears on the floor, but it no longer allows you the luxury of hired help or employees or whatever word that you want to use. I know there are employees in agriculture and I know there are employees in family businesses, large and small, large and small corporations, but at some point in time all of us, unless things change, get back to the wall. I would hate to see that happen to small businesses and I would hate to see