

There are urban senators all over the country now, who because of the huge budget deficits, what they call the unfavorable balance of trade, the fact that they say other government around the world are subsidizing their farmers, the fact that the Department of Agriculture in this state, in this country, is purchasing agricultural products from other countries, whose government will subsidize their farmers, have caused a reaction among many urban senators and representatives at the federal level, and deadly aim is being taken on agricultural subsidies. People have gotten tired, and agriculture is going to have to make it on its own which it cannot possibly do. It is an impossibility. That, by analogy, is what we are building Ak-Sar-Ben into, one of those constant sponges that draws and draws and drains and drains and never becomes stronger, never comes an inch closer to being able to make it on its own, asking for more and more in the way of governmental concessions. When the public becomes aware of the concessions being given, the subsidies being given to this operation, I don't think there will be happiness with it. I think there will be outrage, and maybe a greater amount of outrage among those who are losing \$2 a bet.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I received one of those clever notes. The reason I think this bill ought to be bracketed is because Ak-Sar-Ben may have gotten enough push behind the Hall amendment to have it adopted. Senator Moore is against that amendment but he is for the bill. There are others who I think are opposed to the amendment but are for the bill. Senator Will pointed out that there should be an indication at this time of how much support the bill has. Since there are people who think that the bill contains things of value, a vote on the bracket motion will not necessarily give us that indication, but if I withdraw the bracket motion, then we will get back to the Hall amendment, and see whether or not those who love other aspects of the bill are willing to try to salvage it, the whole bill with that amendment attached to it. So maybe the fight should continue to be on that amendment, itself, and not the entire bill. Because others may have a comment or two they want to make, I haven't decided just yet whether I ought to withdraw that.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Time. Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Labeledz. The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I see five hands. We will now vote on whether debate shall cease.