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SENATOR JENSEN: I would assume.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So it's operating in the red also, probably?

SENATOR JENSEN: Probably.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, so we have the Orpheum Theater, the City Auditorium, Rosenblatt Stadium all of which are operating in the red. Now we're being told that if you build a \$210 million convention center without an arena attached that it is going to generate so much money that some is going to be able to go out there to the chickadees as they get their little crumb snatching bits. It sure doesn't take much to buy off western Neb...not just western Nebraska, this is all of the rest of Nebraska, 92 counties, and all of them are lined up at this trough which is going to be filled with so much money generated by a convention center operating in the red. But the scheme is supposed to be profitable because of this so-called kickback idea, whatever term they use, that multiplies the amount of money one of these people is supposed to spend while in Omaha at a convention. Senator Jensen, I would like to ask you a question to get an opinion.

SENATOR JENSEN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Jensen, if people come to Omaha for a convention,...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...do you think they might become aware of the fact that within driving distance, almost shouting distance, are casinos on the other side of the river?

SENATOR JENSEN: Oh, that's true. However, there are certain conventions that prefer not to go to a...prefer to go to a city without casinos because it, yes, it does draw some of those people away from what the activity at the convent...that the convention, whatever it is, is doing.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But in the scheme we have here, there will be