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our total ignorance of the basic laws of economics. Senator Kruse referred the other day to a study by a professor of economics at Creighton. Nothing is produced by these elements. But now we have the modified LR 11CA and now we have only eight, maybe, doesn't have to be eight, could only be one, maybe two, maybe three. But I'll tell you what. You put eight piles of corn on the floor here and turn out a bunch of hogs, they're not going to stop at one pile or two piles or three piles. The hogs will want it all. In the Lincoln Journal Star today there is an article: "Gambling legislation sparks more lobbying." If you add the numbers up, aside from a couple of people who are getting \$3,000 a month and \$10,000 a month, the expected revenue to the lobbyists is \$287,400. And I want you to know that not one penny of that money is spent for anything but for the good of Nebraska and the jobs, and all the wonderful benefits. If they name a casino in this state, I think they ought to call it the Dutch elm casino, because it's the Dutch elm disease of our economy. This thing produces nothing but entertainment and leisure, and leaves nothing behind. Every dollar spent is a dollar taken away from an existing restaurant, an existing part of entertainment, an existing way of passing your leisure time. This is a hole that we're in and we're just going to keep digging and digging and digging. Don't think for a moment that this is something that we can say, well, let's try it. Let's see if it works. My thanks to Senator Schimek for passing out Sunday, November 3,...

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR TYSON: ...2002 Daily Nonpareil of Council Bluffs urging people to vote because the casinos need to stay in business. Well, once they're in business, don't think they're going to go out of business. If we got them, we got them forever. They will point to the jobs that they are doing and they will say, do you want to give these jobs up? Where are they going to go? They're not going to go back to the restaurants they came from or the work that they came from because we've dried that spring up. Clinton, in the early nineties, wanted to tax gambling. Thirty-one or 32 governors went running to the White House telling him he couldn't do it, and they withdrew that tax plan, and they'll do that again. Once we have this, we've got it