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in the last few years in not seeing that something more productive was being done and try to turn around the situation. Talk about an educational experience, I think probably many of you had the opportunity to go to the State Fair, possibly give some demonstration, would show your livestock of some sort. It is a wonderful opportunity for young people today. In fact, it's the culmination of the county fairs, and I don't know about your area but our county fairs have been extremely popular the last few years, drawing hundreds of people, because they enjoy this activity which is a little bit different. I think also another one of the problems that we had...have had in the state is that we have not rallied around it. Communities in...of Omaha, Lincoln, I know that there is lots of competition. For example, I know that the Offutt Air Show is one of those things that competes and is held at the same time that the State Fair is. There are also some other activities; I know parades and such community activities in the Omaha area. Years ago we didn't have the football games. We have football games now almost every Saturday of the fair. People, we just...we simply have to look at this as a state activity and I think bring around support and we can change things around. And I know it's been mentioned what some of the other states, how they support their fair. Kansas, I've got figures that in the last 7 years they have supported by \$27 million. That is about \$4 million a year. We're talking about \$2 million. No, \$2 million isn't going to save the State Fair but it is going to help. I think a lot of things need to be done. We need to look at the dates. I think it needs to be earlier since school is being opened at a much earlier date, in the middle of August, and this presents some conflicts. I think there are things that we could do. One of the concerns I have, though, is that I'm not sure that this constitutional amendment is going to bring the results that we want as far as asking people for support. And that's why I do agree with Senator Erdman in the fact that I went...I had a luncheon several weeks ago in York, and I had about 30 people attending that luncheon. I asked people to raise their hand if they supported this amendment, and one person raised their hand. Then I said, how many people support the State Fair? Everyone raised their hand. They support the State Fair. They were uneasy about putting this provision in the constitution. So that's...