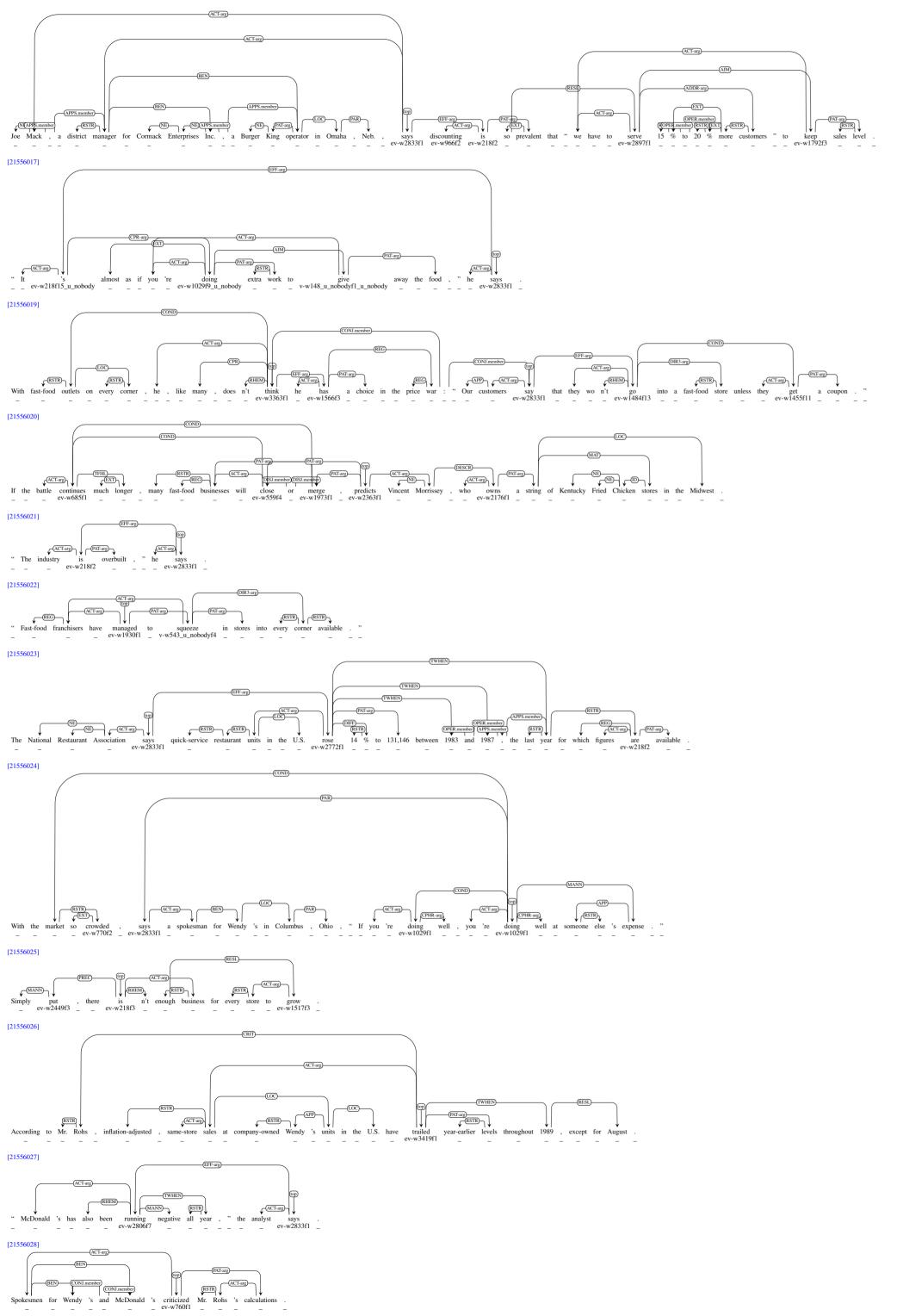
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profits of many , threatening to drive the smallest ones out of business and straining relations between the national fast-food chains and their franchisees .
   Of about $ 60.1 billion last year ,
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The result is that some franchisees are running hard just to stay even , laying off middle managers and working harder to make less .

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