

education. So the scholarship is a misnomer. Calling these individuals "student-athletes" is the biggest hoax of all. Look at David Rimington, a several time Academic All American. How does a football player become an All American academically? You get the grades that the professors give you, then sports publicists at the various schools select, among these players, who is going to be an Academic All American. An individual, not long ago, did a study and printed the results in the Lincoln Star, and the Lincoln Journal and demonstrated that the grades at UN-L are inflated. The academic part doesn't talk much about the Academic All Americans among football players, but the Athletic Department boasts about the number of Academic All Americans at Nebraska, and say they've got more than Harvard, got more than Texas, and they mentioned all of the schools that have a reputation for academics. Do you know why Nebraska has more football players on Academic All American? Because the academic standards are lower. That is not something to boast about. You don't want a player to be able to spend upwards of 40 hours outside the classroom, and yet the course work is so easy he can be Academic All American. There are some athletes who are good students, who make it despite the demands on their time. But for the run-of-the-mill person over there, wearing a football uniform, education is not the main thing.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Time is up. Okay. You've heard the closing.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, that's not a close. I get to talk twice, remember?

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay. Then you want to close now?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, I want my second time to talk. I get to open. I get to speak twice, and then I get to close, unless somebody will turn on a light and give me some time.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay. There are no other lights on. Senator Higgins' light is on. Just a minute, let me check to see if she wishes to talk. Senator Higgins, you would like to talk? Okay.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, thank you, Senator Higgins. I'm going to tell you all why I'm doing this. I'm putting this in the record. We had a representative from the Big 8 the