

games that UN-L gets involved in, various state officials, Board of Regents members, their family, coaches wives get cars given to them by the University Foundation out of money that is collected supposedly to help with tuition remissions. We know all these things and that is happening at UN-L and you pretend that you don't know but you do know. But who cares? Nobody, because Big Red cannot be touched. We have reporters who sit up here, either they can't write stories, they are afraid to write them, or what is written is cut out. I have seen them hear things about UN-L on this floor that would not be touched that are far more significant than the drivel that often appears in their articles and their columns. So everybody seems to be paralyzed when it comes to dealing with that monster over there where the stadium is located and they all know it, the editors, the reporters, all of them. You read the sports columns. You have got grown men assuming the role of a star struck little tyke coming up to his hero, a grown man doing that. So when you have that attitude among these reporters, the editors, and those who are supposed to be hardheaded people dealing with reality, what do you expect when you get down to ordinary people in the street and their legislators who accept the largess and handouts from the Big Red operation? What we need to do, despite what Senator Warner said in speaking for himself, is to look at the effect and the impact of what the Budget Committee has done. They have killed intercollegiate athletics at UN-O and the state colleges. If the Budget Committee felt that what they did was such a hard job, and Senator Warner said they volunteered to do it, then who can they point to, who can they even try to get sympathy from? You destroyed things that I thought were very important this morning. And there are other things that are being destroyed that some of you think are important but there has been more discussion on concern about football teams than there was on destroying the commissions involving the Mexican-Americans and the Indians because racism was at work there. Oh, and I found out there are people who watch what we do here. My phone didn't stop ringing this afternoon and people were shocked that there was so much racism in this Legislature and I was shocked to get those kind of calls. They were astonished that this Legislature would destroy those commissions and I thought nobody cared. So I have to correct that, there are people who care but they are not on the floor of this Legislature other than the ones who by their votes showed that they cared. The rest of them think the piece of paper