

back there, ambulances, emergencies, we'll get back to the fires a little bit later on. But a drill tongue drops down on the drill. You meet an oncoming train. What do you suppose is going to happen? A 2, to a 5, to an 8 million dollar accident right there. A load of lumber shifts. Those little cars...those little instruments along the way that are put...supposed to pick that up, they don't pick those shifting cars up. Hazardous materials, an accident happens going through town and the town has to be evacuated and so on. So the safety issue, it really is minimal when they are saying that the same states it doesn't make any difference. Of course, it doesn't because of all these unrecorded things, the times that are saved. They have the boxes along the side that are de...hot boxes. I can give you instance after instance those boxes do not work.

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR NELSON: On the back, the batteries go dead in the winter time. And right quick, there's been a question on the collective bargaining. Let me bring that up to you in 1982. We farmers can appreciate this and most of you. It went to the presidential emergency board, and in this collective bargaining the UTU was told you must give something and you can't get around it. So within about 10 or 12 minutes the message was loud and clear you give up something, and that was a way so that they did not have to go on strike, and the public to think in disfavor of the union. Then at that time they did give up their cabooses. More and more states, as I pointed out to you, are seeing that that was a big mistake, a severe mistake.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Time.

SENATOR NELSON: And I look at it like the farm law, just push a little bit harder and demand that you are going to do something, and you either cave in or else. I look at it in that respect.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Time.

SENATOR NELSON: Just last Monday, I think my time is about up, there was a train went for 5 miles, this was on national TV, in Louisiana, and started a length of fire for that length of time, from the sparks from the engine. I'll speak on that later.