

SENATOR HALL: If I had a direct line to Abner Doubleday I might think about asking him that question.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now, who is he?

SENATOR HALL: Well he was the fellow that invented the game. That's my understanding, but...at least he gets credit for it, whether he did or not.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. I thought he might have been from Dogpatch. It shows how little I know about this game. Now I want to ask...

SENATOR HALL: But it does show you read the funny papers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, I do. Do you, Senator Hall, have an awareness of whether or not the Omaha team plays any games in the daytime?

SENATOR HALL: Yes, they do. As a matter of fact, I think they're playing one today at noon.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well how many people usually go to those games in the daytime?

SENATOR HALL: Oh, roughly around five to 7,000 people.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Why are not those people at work, Senator Hall?

SENATOR HALL: Because many of them are former legislators, barbers, people who have very flexible hours, have the ability to set their own schedule, extremely wealthy individuals who need not work, retirees, young kids who skip school.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I see. And all of that links to community betterment in your opinion?

SENATOR HALL: Some of my best moments were spent at the ballpark, Senator Chambers, when I was supposed to be in school.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: What do you call that person out in the middle of the field on a raised piece of ground, he throws an object toward or at somebody at the other end of the field?