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of work that they felt needed to be done, and I applaud you, as I leave here, for the work that you've done. For the years that I've been here, I can't name all the senators that I served with because there were quite a few of them, as you all know, but I have never, in these years, met anybody that I didn't think was truly dedicated to do the job that they were sent up here to do, and I think the people in Nebraska can be especially proud that they were able to send the kind of people that they brought up here. We have a unique system in Nebraska, as you all know, and because we're such a dedicated few people, it is an extremely important job and I, like the other members who are here and who are leaving, have been proud to be a part of this system. So I want you to know that I appreciate all the help that the individuals that I worked with have given me, the time that they've spent trying to tutor me in the ways that, whether they were right or wrong. Some of the times friends like Senator Janssen have tried to take me off the path, but I've always managed to get back on. (Laughter) Those are the kind of things that we remember as we leave here, and I think all of us remember the good times and certainly some of the really tough times. It's sad to leave. I swore I could take this along with everything else because there always comes a time when things change and life moves on. One thing I have to leave you with, ever since I've been here I've been asked a question that I've always failed to answer because I didn't think it was anybody's business, but I've always been asked why I didn't go to college, because I didn't go to college, so I'm going to give you that answer today. I'm going to tell you why I never went to college. When I was a young man in high school, I started working for a mortician in our community and I worked at that for several years and after I graduated I continued to work, and then I come to the conclusion it was kind of a dead end. (Laughter) So I decided I would venture out and get me an education, because I'd saved up a little money, and so I applied in at college. And when I was going to try to get into college, many of you don't know this, but when I was tried to get into college you had to take an examination. That examination consisted of about 50 questions that you had to answer at least the majority in order to qualify to go to college. So I did and I answered those as best as I could until I got the last question and that question was, what's what? And as I pondered