

If Football Were Canceled, Would America Go Insane?

The illusion is: the players are part of the college or university. They're not. They're budding professionals who, because of the rules, aren't paid salaries or bonuses. But the fans think of them as "their own." "The players on my team are mine. They're my school." No. Not really. But no one cares. Through a combination of idol worship and "school spirit," the illusion holds.