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 **In recent days**, President Trump’s Senate impeachment trial [has been framed](#), in many quarters, as a programming clash with the 2020 election—a [distraction felt especially acutely](#) by the senators/jurors who would rather be out on the campaign trail. Yesterday, however, the election was front and center as top Democrats opened their formal case for Trump’s removal. Adam Schiff—who spoke on the Senate floor for nearly two and a half hours without a break—accused Trump of soliciting help from Ukraine in order to “cheat” in 2020. [Liberal pundits](#) were fulsome in their praise of Schiff’s performance. His “cheating” line echoed through subsequent headlines and coverage, including on [the front page of today’s New York Times](#).

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