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I watch C-SPAN to combat the spell of powerlessness that overcomes me when I experience the influence of commercial news/information programming on television. On C-SPAN the scope of politics and power in this country is revealed to be beyond the pablum of prepared shots and edited reports, anonymous versions of public events, entertainment against rating drops that the networks offer. Reality is mostly painfully non-dramatic, that is if one is a responsible being. And responsibility in society is political responsiveness. Models of village government worldwide are infinitely variegated and colored with the human qualities of the characters who take part. What then is the model for world community, well let us take national community for a start? If these people are our representatives, let us see them, non dramatically in the objective light of C-SPAN camera. More important even than the content of their deliberations: let us see these people. And let them be aware of us observing them.