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Dear Sirs,

This letter is in regards to your program - Molly Ivins - columnist from the Fort Worth Star Telegram - speaking at the University of California, Davis, Ca - 2-23-95 on "Politics in America".

It is 3:43 p.m., Sunday afternoon, 2-26-95. I am right now watching this program that I just tuned in and I believe there are many children across the U.S. watching it right along with me.

(Ms. Molly Ivins)

First, I am offended, personally, for her/taking the Lords name in vain several times and by her reference to Christians as "Blue bellied nincompoops".

Second, I am disappointed in C-Span for their bad timing of this program, (Sunday afternoon), because there are children watching - people who have not matured enough to be able to sift the garbage from the truth.

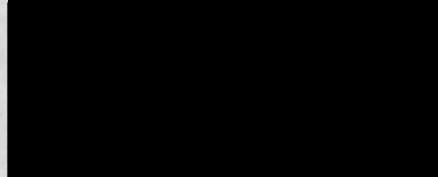
Third, I am offended for myself and for the children because of the vulgarity of her speech. Here is a sample of her dialogue: "Dog shit", "Free love, easy lay...", "wrong hole" (while speaking of sodomy), "Dumb Son-of-a-Bitches". "Seen any good dicks lately?", "Crotch rockets", and "Jug watching". Ms. Ivins spoke of a gap between intellectuals and

fundamentalists. However, I think the gap exists between intellectuals and those with a profound poverty of language, (demonstrated by herself in the above examples).

I am a Christian fundamentalist. I also believe in freedom of speech. I believe that there is a certain amount of responsibility that goes along with that freedom. I question the wisdom of C-Span in spending precious time and money on programming of this poor calibur.

I will not send this letter to the Fort Worth Star Telegram. (you can if you wish). I do not want to encourage that publication with any response to their columnists opinions.

Thank you,

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P.S. Sorry, I forgot to say that I think most of your programming is excellent and I enjoy watching it very much. I appreciate your attempts to keep it as balanced as possible.