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Mr. Saml,

I am interested in Torquerville, but I do wonder why for two mornings now, we haven't seen the Washington Journal segment wherein newspaper headlines are discussed?

The format of presenting two persons, one from the right and one from the left, is extremely important, I believe, to many C-Span viewers because we do think that our so-called 'mainstream' media does NOT give us the OBJECTIVE coverage that C-Span strives every day, to present.

I feel, in fact, as many American Indians do, that the minority (and often ignored) status accorded them has been the status accorded the Republican Party for years, and even now, CBS, NBC, CBS, CNN and PBS do not treat the two major political parties in an equally-fair way.

Not so with C-Span which is remarkably fair, and scrupulously maintains an even-handed policy. So.. you can perhaps understand my great disappointment when the opportunity to hear the Republican side of the equation is denied me.

I realize that the Congress is in recess, but I was looking forward to seeing, and hearing from, some Republicans ~~that~~ <sup>who</sup> are rarely, if ever, seen on television. Thomas Sowell, for instance, has as far as I can

ascertain NEVER appeared on any television network except C-Span's which when one looks at his resumé of achievements seems incredible. I mean, Jesse Jackson is all over the networks!

Republicans have for the first time in America's history a Clerk of the House of Representatives, ~~a~~ who is a woman. I don't know her name, I don't know what she looks like and unless C-Span invites her to appear as a guest, I probably never will. (I cannot believe that a Democrat woman would, in this post, be anonymous.)

Please, if at all possible, in the future as C-Span continues its coverage of Tocqueville's "Democracy" do not remove the one-hour show that means so much to me. I am painfully aware of the scandalous treatment of American Indians, and I want lots of coverage of their sovereign governments, but I am selfish enough to want, no matter what C-Span is covering on its Tocqueville tour, my tiny one-hour segment in the mornings.

Thank you, Brian Lamb, and your bright, wonderful staff of Joe, and Susan, and Connie, and many whose names I don't know who don't even appear on camera. Your service to America, and your commitment to try and slow down the dumb, dumber, dumbest syndrome which finds American citizens more concerned about Larry King's opinion of anything than about alleged violations of federal law is marvellously refreshing and gives hope to those of us who didn't watch the OJ Simpson trial, and could care less about the next John Grisham book. Actually, I make a practice of not reading Mr. Grisham's books, nor do I watch the movies made from his books. I loathe cults of any kind! C-Span Viewer

P.S. You have asked callers, Brian, to give specific examples of lies in the media. I watched an LA Law episode in which a New York State Republican legislator was described as a "right-wing, bigoted, homophobic". Another episode portrayed a religious leader as a "right-wing zealot". The language used, Brian, was in the script and is not my interpretation.

It might be interesting to have someone, or more than one actually, watch certain shows on television, and write down the incidences of "right-wing" followed by negative adjectives, adverbs, nouns, etc.

Shows on the "entertainment" schedule are more often than we care to admit, propaganda vehicles for the writers, producers and directors of the left who populate Hollywood, Los Angeles, and New York, etc.