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Mr. Brian Lamb
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Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Lamb,

Please permit me a few written remarks. (No fax and only a 1930's dial telephone at this old farm - 1793)

First, thanks to you, I am sure, C-SPAN leads the way - it truly shows the value of television in an otherwise "vast wasteland." Ninety-nine percent of call-in viewers praise C-SPAN; you graciously accept their appreciation, but I wish, in view of cable television's recent bad press, you would also explain to viewers that it is the cable companies that pay for ad-free and unbiased C-SPAN programming. I have no stock in any cable company; I simply do not believe they should be kicked around by the F.C.C. I am not sure we need the F.C.C., along with hundreds of other government agencies.

Your C-SPAN school bus tour has been very enjoyable, but it could have been more educational by emphasizing more historical landmarks, etcetera.

I would like to see you do a "school bus" tour with a particular theme; i.e. the American Revolution; the Civil War; the expansion westward (Lewis & Clark); the gold rush; etcetera.

"Reflections on Lincoln's House Divided speech" has just finished. Bravo!! I look forward to your coverage of the future debates. May I suggest a similar idea. Could you get the cities of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Washington to do several programs on the ratification of the U.S. Constitution with debates between Federalists and anti-Federalists. U.S. History is not well taught in most schools. Many citizens are not aware that there might not be a Bill of Rights if it were not for the minority anti-Federalists.

Thank you for your time, Brian. Keep up the good work. From a retired school teacher,

Yours truly,



