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Brian,

I believe the time has come when reporters appearing on C-Span's Washington Journal need to be asked to which political party they belong AND they need to answer the question.

There was a time when it simply did not matter because reporters were, more, or less, evenly split between the Republican and Democrat Parties.

Today, that isn't true, and the overwhelmingly large numbers of reporters who vote for the Democrat Party makes our media not representative of the population of the USA.

Reporters are much too ideologically-involved, and their reporting reflects their ideological bias which is, usually, left-of-center.

What is of great concern to me, Brian, is that our media which is NOT elected has great power to ~~influence~~ influence the readers of newspapers.

Articles can be written, or not written, published, or not published, and negative, or positive, language can be employed to present a particular point of view.

Because so many of America's reporters have a left-of-center bias, my research has shown that Democrat persons, groups and initiatives are rarely, if ever, criticized. Republican persons, groups and initiatives are, on the other hand, ~~are~~ constantly criticized. That is NOT balanced reporting, Brian.

If reporters are ASKED their political affiliation when they appear on C-Span it will let C-Span viewers know where they are "coming from" plus it will make the reporter aware that this, or her, politically-biased (if ~~they are at the interaction between reporter and C-Span callers continues~~) comments will be noted.

I think that reporters are given a "free pass" too often in America when they make some blatantly political statement, but then as they are "independent". It's insulting to those of us who are very well-informed (many C-Span viewers) about politics to have some reporter go totally unchanged when she, or he, makes some ~~air~~ nine, and EXTREMELY dishonest statement.

C-Span Viewer

Examples of media bias

1. Rep. Barney Frank who is a left-wing Democrat is never written about as a "left-wing extremist". Why?
2. Pres. Clinton, VP Gore and the Democrats were blamed by the media when a massive tax-increase was passed. Why?
3. Republicans were blamed by Democrats, echoed by the media when they worked to reform welfare. Dire predictions were made that welfare mothers and children would "die on the streets." Why?
4. Language such as, "reckless, dangerous, homophobic, racist, sexist, religious zealot, fascist, immigrant-basher, anti-abortionist", etc., are used routinely in our media. Why? for Republicans.
5. David Duke is portrayed in the media as a "racist", which he is - why isn't Al Sharpton portrayed as a "liar"? (and ignored?)
6. Black Americans vote Black Democrats into national office with few votes from white Americans. J.C. Watts is voted into national office by a white majority proving that white folks aren't as "racist" as we are led to believe in the Republican Party. Why isn't this fact broadcast?
7. Many Democrats are pro-life. Why do we never hear about them?
8. Many Democrats do not like the homosexual lifestyle. Why do we never hear about them?
9. Many Democrats want illegal immigration stopped. Why do we never hear about them?