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C-Span,

Exquisite programming, efficient, dedicated hosts and personnel, fine disseminator of information--C-Span is a marvel.

Comments and suggestions:

Health Reform--Insurance Companies need to be at the table

Hatti--Caught just a brief refrance to Latin Am. and a word from the President of Argentina, on your channel I believe--would like to have seen them brought into the dialogue.

GATT--Business large and small need to be at the table

Elections--Enjoyed Ben Jones as a politician with a little better slant.

I'm developing the impression that what Congress does is spend money, while we live in the litigious world they have already created. It would seem to follow that the more a candidate spends on his election, the more likely he will also spend more in Congress.

If media advertising were not a part of the equation, how much would a campaign cost?

It's embarassing that recent aid of \$50 million to South Africa for something like housing projects or electric service, which I know will go a long way there, is so close to what many elections here are costing.

Press--Lapham, Harper's Editor on N.Y. Times. Due to your coverage, something the viewer could practically guess at; even more incredible was the press audience's reaction, practically non compos mentis.

Misc. Other--Enjoy your coverage of State Dinners, a positive side to Nationalism, the diversity of recent subjects: Airlines, Military, and New History Guidelines.

Fiasco--Lewis Lapham, Harper's editor and I believe a

reporter from Washington Times. The disparity between the two was too, too great, even though that is something C-Span handles so gracefully all the time with viewer responses.

Booknotes--I will honestly admit that I don't run out to buy the book (even though I don't live near a bookstore, I receive various catalogues, in which, by the way, I hardly ever see any of the books reviewed listed). Brian Lamb just about creates the same catharsis one gets in reading a really good book.

In reality I might not actually get the same effect from reading it, since it probably isn't that well-written. An appeal to book buyers ran a survey asking what subject I liked, it's not the subject, a good writer can make almost anything sound interesting.

This is a note of encouragement to say that information and a good argument doesn't really separate people as much as lack of imagination and honesty in conceding the merits of a different point of view.

Thanks Again

