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Dear Bryan:

Just a note to let you know that I am pleased with C-SPAN. Your profiles of Sam Nunn and Colon Powell were excellent. It is important to know that Sam Nunn's uncle Carl did not give him a free ride to Washington. He checked him out in detail and let Sam know that he would have to pass the bar exam in order to get an appointment. That fact speaks for uncle Carl.

Although I suggested that C-SPAN devote increased coverage those aspects of the abortion debate that tend to heal rather than aggravate the bitterness, I don't assume that my request was the reason for Lew Ketchum's interview of Cynthia Gorney about legal history. I assume that C-SPAN undertook the interview because it is the type of incisive coverage it does naturally.

Nevertheless, Cynthia came across with the type of objective reporting we need on such a friend against friend or neighbor against neighbor destructive issue.

I marvel at and am so well pleased with the neutrality of the C-SPAN on-air staff during interviews. And the neutrality extends even to not making non consequential remarks. I complement C-SPAN on its choice of the on-air staff.

The sensational interviewers use lines of loaded questions and snide remarks that let the viewers know: why the guest was singled out for interview, why the selected questions were chosen, and what biases the interviewer wants to send out over the air. (I remember one time when Harry Reasoner was on CBS news showing a President's daughter dancing with a longhaired Steve McQueen in Hollywood. As the scene faded out he could not resist remarking "McQueen needs a haircut." No such remarks on C-SPAN.

The latest Readers Digest article gives C-SPAN another well earned plug.

As you can see, I have nothing say but I must tell C-SPAN to keep on doing what it is doing.

Sincerely,
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