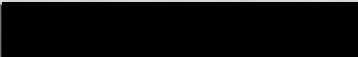


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Dear Mr. Lamb:

I read the article about you and C-SPAN in the September 29 Indianapolis Star. There are some personal impressions I've wanted to relate to you about your efforts.

I had two deployments in Vietnam with the Navy's Seabees. On my second deployment, I was officer-in-charge of a Seabee Team. Although I had an interpreter, I knew the language well enough to be polite in buying materials and in treating our clients and trainees respectfully. By the end of the deployment, I could eavesdrop a bit when Vietnamese was spoken around me.

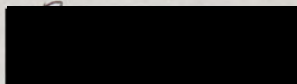
I was never on an infantry patrol. However, I was all up and down the country, from Cua Viet, Dong Ha and Phu Bai down to Ha Tien and Phu Quoc Island. We had projects which regularly took me across half the roads of Long An Province. In my opinion, I knew the people and the country better than most journalists.

I got out of the service in '71. While staying with my parents for a few months, and while visiting them over the next few years, I spent many an evening silently watching network news.

Instead of going into detail about the mental and physical feelings of revulsion I had watching such unassailable icons as John Chancellor and Walter Cronkite performing their editorial magic, let me just say that I have avoided watching network news since the mid-seventies.

I often enjoy watching C-SPAN. Your interviewing is very carefully done. Thank you.

Sincerely,




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