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Gentlemen Etc.

I enjoy your network, although I am frustrated at the aparent inability of Congress to do much more than congratulate each other and occasionally raise their pay.

With regard to your programming, Too many authors, newsmen, speechmakers and foreigners. Why not much more administration officials, congressmen, senators, and people who can do something - They should face the Public

I am often chagrined when Susan tells a guest "we're out of time" in the

middle of an important comment,
and then we see two minutes of pictures
of the Jefferson memorial. Why do you
insist on programming by the clock
when you have no commercials that
must be aired on time.

Since many of us cannot receive
CSPAN II - occasionally show some
of the Senate deliberations instead of
multiple re-runs of Mandella or
"Lady Bird" Teacher.

You have to concentrate on avoiding
becoming Tute.

Even though it's possible to do two
things at once, it's hard to concentrate

on what a guest is saying while the moderator is waving a newspaper in front of us about a totally different subject. It seems the moderator is told "Show these articles, and they seem to do so without regard for continuity."

I am also appalled at the number of times the moderator "inadvertently" cuts off a caller. If they drove a car that badly they would never get to work.

also, many times the guest and the moderator "forget" what the caller's question was. The moderator should

do more writing and less smiling at the camera. when a caller spends time and money to ask a question; he or she deserves some kind of answer. Further, instead of letting the guest avoid answering a question, the moderator should repeat it until the guest gives an answer.

Please remain innovative, keep thinking and don't get locked into a rut.

Sincerely

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P.S. Watch tapes of your own shows.