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DEAR EDITOR:

Richard Reeves' column, "Kerrey wins debate and Brokaw loses," gave a clear picture of how television has distorted, confused and even corrupted our election process. TV political ads are the worst, both in content and high cost! But the last presidential television election programs were taken over by the networks and controlled by their commentators. The commentators were highlighted more than the candidates. NBC and Tom Brokaw have started the same method with 1992.

After seeing this program I, too, felt "the producer, director, and star" Tom Brokaw took over the show. How can the viewer judge the merits of the candidates just from Brokaw's line of questions?

I would like to suggest that C-SPAN take over CBS, NBC, ABC, CNN and Public TV networks solely to conduct a proper 1992 presidential program. For 10 years C-SPAN, the Cable Satellite Public Affairs Network, has conducted news and public affairs programs with questions and comments from the public also being broadcast. The moderators conduct an interesting program in an unbiased manner. C-SPAN transmits no ads!

Jerry Brown is on the right track: Our present television political programs are quietly controlled by corporate money contributors. We will not have free democratic elections in this country until television is put back under public control. Whatever happened to the Fairness Doctrine?

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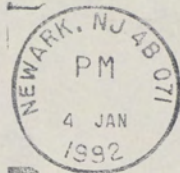
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Dear Mr. Lamb,

Thought you would be interested in my letter to The Star-Ledger.

Sincerely,
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