

factured news, not hard news, growing out of the fact that he was interviewed and he made some statements.

So I think there should be in campaigns these same opportunities and they, in a sense, would give more exposure to the major candidates for public office, because they have bigger audiences than would necessarily straight political broadcasts.

Dean BARROW. Mr. Stanton.

Dr. STANTON. There is no question that you are right that the appearance of candidates in a debate would be picked up in the news broadcasts. Go back to history in 1960 and that was exactly the case. But that is taking a brief mention out of the context of the full broadcast.

That isn't the way to have a confrontation. in my opinion, to use brief takeouts in a news broadcast. This happens every Monday, and every Sunday night, as you say, on "Meet the Press" and "Face the Nation." But that isn't manufactured news. I take exception to that. These men are not manufacturing news. They are making news.

But I would make the distinction that it is not a synthetic manufactured affair.

Back to one other thing.

On November 21, 1963, and if you will remember the date, that was the eve of the terrible tragedy in Dallas, I wrote John Bailey and at that time the Honorable William E. Miller, then chairman of the Republican National Committee, a letter hoping to get ready for the plans for the 1964 campaign with the two major presidential candidates, in which I was offering them the facilities not for fixed debates, but for an opening statement, then 6 weeks of some type of confrontation that could be worked out, and then a closing broadcast which would be completely under the control of the candidate so that he opened the 8 weeks between, let's say, Labor Day and the election with an opening statement as he saw the campaign.

Then we had the confrontations, still to be worked out in format, and then a closing hour on the Sunday night before the election in which they could summarize the campaign in their own fashion.

I only introduce this here to indicate the willingness on the part of the broadcaster to try to be flexible in working out these things, and it is not a take-it-or-leave-it situation.

Dean BARROW. May I point out that we have allocated 45 minutes in this morning's session to Paper No. 1, which we passed over. If we stick to the schedule, there are about 12 minutes left for discussion of this one, even if we do not take the usual break.

Is it the pleasure, Mr. Chairman, to continue straight through without a break in the morning session?

The CHAIRMAN. Might I say this: that we have decided that the subcommittee just doesn't have the time to question Dr. Stanton. We are interested in what you gentleman have to say. We will forgo our questioning. If we have any questions, we will put them in writing to Dr. Stanton or Mr. Alexander.

Would it be possible for you to return tomorrow, Dr. Stanton?

Dr. STANTON. Tomorrow afternoon?

The CHAIRMAN. Yes.

Dr. STANTON. I have a very critical meeting tomorrow.