

November 12, 1961

Mr. Jack Gould  
Television Editor  
The New York Times  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Gould:

Your call for equal time to present varying views on the strategy to be employed in fighting communism is too ludicrous for words. For years now, conservatives and hard anti-communists have been trying in vain to get "equal time" with the Stevensons, Rusks, Galbraiths, Schlesingers, Achesons, etc., who have monopolized the press, radio and TV since the end of World War II. Now that the anti-communist movement, through its own efforts and hard work, has finally made a breakthrough to the public, you think that the public is getting an unbalanced presentation. Pray tell, why don't you examine the Sunday TV programming in the Times and see who gets on all the interview shows and press conferences. That's right, the Stevensons, Galbraiths, Nehrus, Eleanor Roosevelts, Harlan Cleveland, etc. How much more time do you want?

As a conservative active in several organizations I know from experience the difficulty in trying to get a letter printed in the Times, let alone arranging a TV hearing. For every conservative Mr. Susskind has had on "Open End", there have been at least two dozen liberals. There isn't enough time on TV to make up for all the unequal time which has been given to the liberals and denied the conservatives. If the liberals have anything "new" to say in addition to what they have been saying now for the last fifteen years, I have failed to detect it in the press or on TV. Why not let those who have something new to say, and are now prepared to pay for the privilege of saying it, reach the public more frequently? The public will be the final arbiter in this battle.

Very truly yours,

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November 16, 1961

Mr. Samuel L. Blumenfeld  
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Dear Mr. Blumenfeld:

Thank you for your letter. Naturally, I am  
sorry you found my review "ludicrous," but I  
appreciate your thoughtfulness in letting me know  
your views.

Sincerely yours,

  
Jack Gould

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