

Hyattstown, Md. 20734  
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Mr. Jack Gould  
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Dear Mr. Gould,

You will perhaps recall your comment after the WNEW airing of the program "The Minority Report".

In this spirit, I wonder if you are going to comment on what WOR did on the recently-broadcast Mertha Dean "Special" in which Louis Nizer and Charles Roberts of Newsweek confronted Leo Sauvage and me. I was asked to appear on a panel show, with no pay and no repayment of expenses, and I agreed. When I got there not the moderator, but Louis Nizer informed us that because the "other side" had never been heard the station had agreed to give him the first half-hour, uninterrupted. He was, he said, disappointed, because he felt he should have not less than a hour!

The planned length of the show was two hours, with the possibility of running for another half-hour. It ran four. I protested, as did Sauvage, to no avail. He got it. The time promised me for rebuttal was never forthcoming. On one of the occasions I protested this, I was promised an opportunity to answer but three of the too-numerous-to-count mistatements Nizer had then made. He interrupted me in the middle of the first one and I never got the chance to answer it in full or any of the others. When I protested his digressions and slanders, I was told, "Oh, now, Mr. Weisberg".

It is not possible to ever catch up with the falsifications and misrepresentations of this man. I was shocked at finding him so entirely irresponsible, for I'd read and been impressed by his "My Life In Court".

When I am the publisher of my own book, WHITEWASH II and it is not generally available in bookstores, and the station paid no honorarium, no transportation costs - didn't even provide a bite to eat when they ran the taping to about 2:30 and I in advance informed them that my health required food every several hours, and then, after twice promising to do so, never gave my address so listeners could write me or write to order my book, what did I get in return for the abuse I had to take and the unhappy role the dishonest format cast me in? Was I to remain silent and let that nonstop flow of falsehood, evasion, distortion and outright lies go unchallenged to the large audience of that station? Yet with the obvious partiality to Nizer, reflected throughout the show, not only in the unheard of donation of a quarter of the scheduled show in addition to his fair share, what choice did I have?

Here is a real case of what you complained of before. I hope you will find it worthy of a little time and inquiry. This is not all. If you are interested, after this coming Tuesday I'll be glad to tell you.

Meanwhile, although I phoned the station and they promised to give people my address when they call in and to announce it on the rerun, I believe neither has happened. They did announce a record-breaking number of calls and letters. The first has yet to be forwarded to me.

Sincerely yours,