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## BUCHANAN ASKS CURB ON NEWS NETWORKS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29 (AP) —Patrick J. Buchanan, speechwriter for President Nixon, said today that the broadcast networks have too much power in United States news reporting.

"Every legal and constitutional means ought to be considered to break up that dominance, in order to spread it out so that you decentralize power in this area," Mr. Buchanan said in an interview on the CBS-TV "Morning News."

Calling for legislation to allow for more competition in major broadcast reporting, Mr. Buchanan added, "That would be my view, not that of the Administration."

He said journalists created a confrontation during Mr. Nixon's news conference last Friday night. "The mood was like Sunday afternoon in the Tijuana bullring," he said.

Asked for examples of how the Nixon Administration objects to the tone of news reporting, he said that last December Walter Cronkite of the Columbia Broadcasting System had reported claims by Radio Hanoi of "mass killings" in the United States bombing of Hanoi.

"I think Mr. Eric Sevareid himself accused President Nixon of mass killing to end the killing," said Mr. Buchanan in a reference to the CBS news analyst.

Subsequently, Mr. Buchanan said, "it was reported even from Hanoi 1,800 people died . . . there were something like 1,200 bombing raids, which works out to about one person per raid, which hardly justifies Mr. Sevareid's allegation of mass killings. A hundred thousand people died in the firestorms in Tokyo, 250,000 died in Dresden, 70,000 to 80,000 died in Hiroshima and Nagasaki."