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A Look at Media Bias

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Nets Ignore Efforts to Impeach IRS Commish

From *NewsBusters*...

“[On October 27th], the ‘big three’ networks of ABC, CBS, and NBC censored from their evening newscasts any mention of the House of Representative beginning the procedures to impeach IRS Commissioner John Koskinen...It should be noted that this blackout comes after the networks failed to note the [October 23rd] news dump by the Department of Justice that Lois Lerner and other IRS figures will not be charged in the agency’s scandal targeting tea party groups.”

Scarborough: Media ‘Embarrassing Themselves’

From *the Daily Caller*...

“Joe Scarborough ranted against liberal media bias...saying ‘Name the single Republican that has hosted a Sunday show, that has been an anchor of a news network for the big three networks over the past 50 years. You can not do it...The people that run the Sunday shows are all Democrats,’ Scarborough insisted...‘At some point the mainstream media is going to have to realize they are embarrassing themselves in 2015 because all they do is hire liberals to run Sunday’s shows and nightly news..’”

Nets Ignore President’s Veto of Defense Spending Bill

From *NewsBusters*...

“President Barack Obama signed a veto message of the National Defense Authorization Act. The NDAA establishes budgets and policies for the Defense Department, and **in the last 53 years it has only been vetoed four times. Coverage of the veto signing and its significance has been rather dismal...**ABC and NBC aired nothing [on the night of the signing].”

Liberal Media Defends Clinton’s Benghazi Testimony

From *Investors Business Daily*..

“**Now that Hillary Clinton’s e-mails have finally been recovered and revealed, after three years of stalling and stonewalling, they showed explicitly that she knew from the outset that the attack that killed Ambassador Stevens and others was not a result of some video but was a coordinated terrorist operation...**Yet that key fact was treated by the media as old news...If the corruption and undermining of the American system of constitutional government eventually costs us our freedom, will the media say, ‘What difference does it make now?’”

Networks Dismiss Planned Parenthood Videos

From *NewsBusters*...

“The three broadcast networks didn’t even hint at the latest Planned Parenthood video released [on October 27th] by the Center for Medical Progress (CMP). During their evening and morning news shows, ABC, NBC and CBS turned a blind eye to the undercover video...But, for the networks, skipping over the videos exposing Planned Parenthood is nothing new...**The last time a network mentioned the release of a particular video came July 31...NBC last reported on a specific video July 30, while ABC – the worst of all three networks – last noted a video July 16.**”

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