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**Chapter 10 Vocab**

**Adversarial press**

Adversarial Press is the tendancy of the national media to be suspicious of officials and eager to reveal unflattering info about them

**Attack journalism**

Attack journalism is usually the term that is applied to what's going on by the person who is the object of the aggressive journalist.

**C-SPAN**

A television station in the US which broadcasts the meetings of the US Congress and the meetings of its various committees while they are taking place

**Feature stories**

Non time bound publicity material that can be used by the media at their convenience. It is presented usually as a human interest story and has more background information than a news release.

**Federal Communications Commission**

an independent government agency that regulates interstate and international communications by radio and television and wire and cable and satellite

**Insider Stories**

One who has special knowledge or access to confidential information.

**Internet**

a vast computer [network](http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/network) linking smaller computer networks worldwide (usually preceded by *the*  ). The Internet includes commercial, educational, governmental, and other networks, all of [which](http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/which) use the same [set](http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/set) of communications protocols.

**Investigative journalism**

the use of detective-like reporting to unearth scandals, scams, and schemes, putting reporters in adversarial relationships with political leaders

**Muckrakers**

a group of investigative reporters who pointed out the abuses of big business and the corruption of urban politics; included frank norris (the octopus) ida tarbell (a history of the standard oil company) lincoln steffens (the shame of the cities) and upton sinclair (the jungle)

**National Media**

The nationally distributed or marketed broadcast and print products of a country more cost efficient than local media but better ad/commercial positions

**Party Press**

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| newspapers created, sponsored, and controlled by political parties to further their interests. this form of press existed in the early years of the american republic. circulation was chiefly among political and commercial elites. |  |

**Press Secretary**

the presidential staff member responsible for handling white house media relations and communications