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He said he didn't think that reporters covered the institution well enough, that they spent too much time on the people--the easy way to do it. Spoke of reportical laziness.

Said he, Andy Alexander, David Hess (Kight Ridder) and guy from Plain Deder (maybe) would know Glenn.

He says that Glenn's image is so well formed that absent on scandal, nothing the media does can change Glenn's image. "His image was formed 20 years ago. Unless he is involved in a scandal--and I could not imagine that happening in his case--unless this were a drumbeat of scandal in the press, there is nothing we could do to affect his image. We start with that; and we always will. Besides, television has more effect than the newspapers."

He spoke highly of Glenn. Said he was dogged, thoughtful, honest, knowledgeable, careful, straightforward, very easy to get along with - "private person, complicated person," but "good Joe" "I feel comfortable with him, sitting around with him like I could with a friend--not a very close friend," but a good friend."

Says he is honest in telling you what he thinks, is consistent, doesn't compromise a lot "he bends but not as easily as most around here." "He's very effective. But he's self-effacing. He's much more influential than anybody knows, because he does such a poor job of publicizing himself. He sends out press releases. But often they don't tell you what you need to know; and the quotes from Glenn are dull."

He's good on technicalities. Better on foreign policy than domestic. But the things he works on are so difficult that reporters don't follow him. He said that when nuclear proliferation bill passed, only 2 Ohio reporters

were in the press gallery. He says Glenn doesn't understand that.

Doug went through a number of instances where he had great impact and no one knew - withdrawal of Korean troops, Phillipine bases, some black issues, and SALT.