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Democrats, pay attention

Former CBS News anchor Dan Rather continues to be an observant reporter. He and his grandson recently took a road trip from Texas to Mt. Rushmore. Via social media they posted videos about their journey. One theme emerging from Rather’s videos is quite telling: Local newspapers throughout the heartland give very little attention to the issue of President Donald Trump and alleged collusion with Russia.

According to Rather, in most cases items pertaining to this topic are buried on back pages and lack the nuance that engages most who closely monitor politics and are titillated by daily revelations from Washington.

However, front page attention is given to stories about the Republican healthcare proposal. There is a lesson for Democrats to learn from Rather’s observations: perhaps they should keep in mind how non-coastal newspapers cover political events as they choose what to talk about and prepare for the 2018 elections.

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