September 30,1966

Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr. 3700 Northside Drive N. W. Atlanta, Ga.

Dear "Carbon Paper" Allen:

The dignity of a man who is mayor of our Atlanta was lost entirely yesterday with your deplorable comments about Mr. Maddox. To condescend to refer to him as "Drumstick Chicken Maddox" is one of the worst remarks that I have ever heard.

In his reply, Mr. Maddox said that you sounded like Martin Luther King. Mr. King says that the State of Ga. is sick, and in my opinion HE is the one who is sick——in the head! With his communistic viewpoints he belongs in Russia and we do not care what he thinks of our wonderful State.

I have never voted for Lester Maddox in my life, nor do I ever intend to cast a ballot for him. However, he has made an honest living and, though it be with chickens, there is certainly no disgrace to this. You inherited your's—yes—it was handed down on a silver platter! Many of us are not so fortunate!

It would be well for you to take a lesson from some of our <u>intelligent</u> politicians who are discreet at the more crucial times and prove it by saying nothing.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) betty M. Wynn