

Mill Rift, Pike County
Pennsylvania

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Mayor Ives Allen
City Hall

Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Mayor,

Sitting in the woods
of one of Pennsylvania's most
rural counties, on vacation this
week, I read your words to
the Senate Committee, as recorded
in the New York Times. Like Mr.
Pastore, the Committee's chairman

"... I feel humbled in your presence." To understand and speak for simple justice, in a world where simplicity is hard to come by, is a very great thing.

I am a public health nurse, to whom my colleague and friend Mrs. Genevieve Bixler (who died in Atlanta's tragic plane crash) explained the difficult, steady progress Atlanta has made under your leadership and that of many other fine

citizens. I attended school in
Atlanta (at the C. D. C.) last
summer and lived on the
Emory campus. I saw fine
things happening in that
beautiful city: integrated
audiences attending the operettas
in the outdoor parks, church
groups beginning to move soundly
and thoughtfully ahead, the
Atlanta schools desegregating peace-
fully: all this at a time when
racism was being encouraged in
newspaper ads as an accompany-

ment of cut-rate chicken dinners.

Long after the excesses of the present struggle are forgotten, your words to the Senate — and more important perhaps — the thoughtfulness behind your words will be a remembered part of our nation's history.

I have never before written to a public official. But I am glad to be alive in the same world with you.

Cordially, (Miss) Doris Schwartz

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