

Applying, Ga.
Sept. 30 - 1966.

Mayor Allen:

After hearing your angry
something tirade last evening
concerning Lester Maddox's nomi-
nation. There were four notes
for him (Maddox) that would
have gone otherwise.

I have lived from W. Palm Beach
Florida to the Jonoxies In-
cluding ^{at New York} Albany - Col. District
I now live next door to one of
the largest rural negro
churches. I cannot meet all
of the negroes in Harris
County & this county as
friends - I am neither

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prejudice - not ignorant!
Gave 10. Appearance
and Martin Luther King's
did nadday more good
than if he had made
a speech.

Georgia would be a
more fortunate state
in racial dealings
if King left the state
and stayed.

He has hurt his own
race.

Mr. J. C. Huddleston

Journal

no reply -

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September 30, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Mayor Allen:

Your statement on the nomination of Lester Maddox stands an everlasting monument to bad taste and is an affront to any person with a shred of decency and fair play. This man was elected by no one but the people of Georgia. Congratulations on doing more than perhaps anyone else to put Lester in the White House while maintaining your own position as winner and still champion of sewer level politics.

Yours very truly,

POPE H. FULLER, ARCHITECT

Pope H. Fuller

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September 30, 1966

Mr. Ivan Allen
Mayor the City of Atlanta "Black Power"
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

I am writing not only for myself but for all the white people in Atlanta.

More power to LESTER MADDOX who the white people will support.

We don't think he is what you and your negro friends Sam Williams and Leroy Johnson said over WSB, September 29, 1966. I am sure that what you said about the thousands that voted for Maddox did not help you or them any, it just promoted more votes for Maddox in the November election. One thing SURE that I know is that neither my friends or myself are as stupid as you say.

As Leroy Johnson said if we elect Maddox it would turn the clock back to 1850, well, we are going to sure try.

Let's turn it back to 1850, at that time our Mayor would have supported the white people and not make a spectacle of himself in the public, radio or TV with "Black Power". Instead he would have been attending to his duties as a Mayor or be at home with his family and not standing on top of cars and getting up in the middle of the night to parade with "The Black Power".

I think you are a disgrace not only to the City of Atlanta but to the white race.

GOD help you because before it is over with, you are SURE going to be needing help.

A registered voter and a
native of Atlanta, Georgia

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September 30, 1966

Honorable Ivan Allen, Mayor
City Hall
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Allen,

From your quoted comments of yesterday it is evidently impossible for you and your friends to realize that there is a majority of Georgians who in all good conscience think different than you.

You all have already had more to do with nominating Lester Maddox than anyone and if you stupid bastards don't keep your big mouths shut you are going to surely as Hell elect him governor!!!!

Sincerely,

Wallis Hardeman, Jr.
Wallis Hardeman, Jr.

WILLIAM S. MCGUIRE
973 TENNYSON DRIVE, N.W.
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30318

September 30, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen
3700 Northside Dr., N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Sir:

I was surprised and appalled at the statements made by you relative to the victory of Lester Maddox in the Democratic Primary.

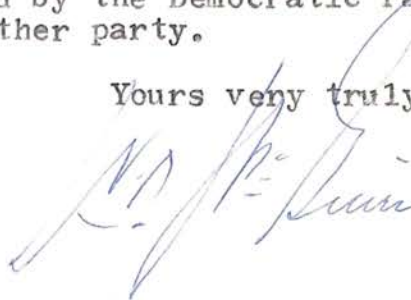
Do you not believe in the Democratic processes?

As much as I would hate to have Lester Maddox as the Governor of this state, he could be no worse as such than LBJ in his position as President.

And the climax of your statement, to the effect that the Seal of this state has been tarnished by the nomination of Maddox, is that instead of doing something about it in November you are going fishing.

This sounds like you would not lift a hand to save a drowning brother. If by virtue of your supporting Callaway in the November election under these extenuating circumstances you would be ostracized by the Democratic Party, I suggest you find another party.

Yours very truly,



T. BLAKE JACKSON

ATTORNEY AT LAW

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ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303

September 30, 1966

Mr. Ivan Allen, Jr.
3700 Northside Drive, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Sir:

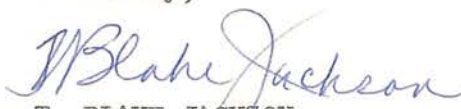
Perhaps this should be addressed simply "Gem Clip Allen" if a man is to be accorded the sobriquet of the product he peddles, although it is my understanding that your family feels that you couldn't sell even gem clips. I join thousands of others in feeling that your performance on television last night was about the most disgusting, undignified, irresponsible, nauseating, unstatesmanlike and unwarranted act that could be performed by the supposed mayor of a great city.

Although I am not a Maddox supporter but am actively supporting the Republican candidate for Governor of this great State, Mr. Maddox deserves that prefix to his name, and you have lowered yourself still further into the gutter by referring to him as "Drumstick Chicken Maddox". I believe that Mr. Maddox is absolutely honorable and that his vocation is an honorable one, as is your father's. As a matter of fact, I believe that even Mr. Eugene Patterson will concede that he (Mr. Maddox) served good chicken at a reasonable price. Can you say that you have done anything as worthwhile?

I concur with Mr. Maddox in his televised statement that your utterance appeared to be that of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, so that I wonder whether you collaborated on your statements. If you, too, feel that you are now ashamed to be a Georgian, you, too, are invited out.

I felt that Mr. Maddox made a tremendously more restrained, intelligent and statesmanlike appearance than you, even though your TV technicians attempted, at one point, to make him appear foolish by technically reducing his statement to gibberish.

Sincerely,


T. BLAKE JACKSON

TBJ/kjo

Mayor Ivan Allen,

Who are you to call over 430,000 voters for Lester Maddox ignorant?

Statements such as the one you made on TV, show ignorance on someone else's part, not the voters.

Possibly, Lester can stop the riots that are going on in your city. You can't seem to handle them.

Oh, well, to each his ^{own} opinion. Because you've expressed yours, I hope you don't get any farther in Georgia politics than Mayor of Atlanta. We don't need the likes of you as governor.

Royal S. Spellman

Charles Edward Roberts

718 College Street

Macon, Georgia

7-29-66

Hon. Ivan Allen
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

I just heard your post-election statement on the 7 - 7:30 CBS news. I could not believe my ears. You are an educated, intelligent man, and those words could have come from the lips of a fool.

Before you throw this in the wastebasket, if it is brought to your attention, let me hasten to say that I did not vote for Mr. Maddox in the primary two weeks ago nor in the run-off yesterday. He is not my choice in November. I will vote for Mr. Callaway.

In my opinion, Callaway will not be elected, however, if you and others to whom the viewers are exposed continue to make such vituperative remarks toward Maddox. The same thing could be said of the lead editorial in this morning's Atlanta Constitution. I'm sure it would be hard to find a class in "reverse psychology", but if it is available, you should take the course. Lester Maddox couldn't have picked up fifty thousand additional votes any easier.

It is certainly your right to be a sore loser, but why use that right to help elect the man you so obviously despise politically. I would have thought you smarter than that. Of course, editorial writers have long fanned the flames for those they are against. They will never learn.

Hope the fish will be biting November 8th!

Yours very truly,

Chas. E. Roberts, Jr.

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THOMASTON, GEORGIA

Honorable Mayor Allen

Dear Sir

I have just read your
Statement in the Atlanta Constitution
Concerning the ignorance be the main
factor electing Mrs Lester Moddot, Mr Allen
in the last year's Talmadge Election our paper
here read about the same it read that the
Winner was elected only when ignorance had
prevailed and Mr Allen he had a ruff time for
a few days and was made to make a statement of
retraction to his neighbors our preachers our
deacons and best people in upson county voted
for Mr Moddot We in Thomaston respect you
Mayor Allen and most of your friends except this one
and I will say this my wife is a good woman
has two jobs and been a faithfull wife and mother
for our 3 daughters and she is for Mr Moddot. I
Dont believe even Rev Martin Luther King or Leroy
Johnson are better people than my wife
Soryy C C Bransford

9-29-66
Stone Mt Ga

Dear So Call Mayor
of Atlanta
Everybody ant as
stupid as you are &
half as trash as you are
the white people of this
great state is tired
of you people ^{try} tell
them what to do in this
state People has got tired
of the Atlanta paper &
W.S.B. stop tell them how
to vote The people are
~~and~~ half as goffy as
you are if you ant go
to stated in the party why
dont you get out & keep
you big mouth shut The way
the people vote is none of
your Business Befor you start
talking about some one ~~else~~ else
why dont you sweep around
you one Door
over

The lord is coming back soon
is you heart right ~~the~~ with
him. Great trouble is
coming on this city and
other places you get ~~it~~ better
get right with God.

Robert L. Cash
Box 226
Stone Mountain,
Ga

347 Peabody St

Athens Ga 30601

Sept 30th 1966,

How Iwan Allen Mayor
City of Atlanta Ga,
Dear Mayor Allen,

Noticing your actions on
television really astonished me.

To think that the mayor of the
largest city in the South East should
blow his top in such a shameful
way, and insinuate that nearly
half million voters that was interested
enough in our state to vote was
ignorant, and law culture, as
rough necks is not becoming to
a man who is mayor of a great city.

It may be well for you to take
stock of yourself, and realize the
people all over Georgia North, South
East, and West, that their minds dont
run paralel to yours.

Must all Georgians know where
Mr Maddox stands and he dont slant
the news, and he is not a turn coat.

He was just a poor boy, that
is intelligent, and won the democratic
nomination for Governor of Ga.

Instead of gross criticism, I will
ask divine guidance for Mr Maddox,
and for you, to bury the hatchet, and
love each other as God loves you
both, and will save you, by his Grace.

With great respect to both of you
I am sincerely Quincy B. Powell, Over

as for McCallaway, he also need
divine help if he wins in Nov.

Higher the office, greater the
responsibilities. It dont matter which
wins in Nov I will do my best
not to criticize untill I see if they
are trying to help our state in the
things Georgia needs, so badly.

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4441 Music Street
New Orleans, La.
September 29, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

I am certain that the overwhelming majority of responsible Southerners shared my revulsion at your vicious castigation of Lester Maddox after his primary victory. The one transcendent lesson we should have learned during the past half-century is that an aggressor or "bully" cannot be appeased indefinitely. That holds true whether the pacification is made on an individual, city, state, federal, or international level. You have tried to "finesse" a solution to the negro excesses, apparently bemused by the spurious idea so widely propagated by the "pinks", "reds", and socialistic "do-gooders", that the negro unrest is due to discrimination, ignorance, and economic insecurity. THAT IS UNADULTERATED HOGWASH! During the depression here in New Orleans major crime in New Orleans was virtually limited to bootlegging, an occasional bank robbery, and murders committed within the Mafia itself. Now, as a result of the insane rulings of the Supreme Court and the coddling of inveterate criminals, no white woman can be secure in her home, in her automobile, in her office, in a hospital recuperating from illness, or even walking from the bus or street car to her home. The negro rapist is emboldened by the knowledge that he will receive the benefit of the best legal talents which such organizations as the American Civil Liberty Union can furnish and will probably be pardoned, even if convicted, because the jury did not have the precise mixture of whites and negroes. A friend of mine who owns a service station has been robbed by negroes fourteen times within the past five years and shot twice.

Whether such provocateurs as King, the lynx-eyed, fork-tongued Mounteagle alumnus, carries a Communist card, is academic. The point is that he is helping the Communist cause and will ultimately preside over the flaming destruction of this nation unless leaders, such as yourself, cease capitulating to his demands.

I enclose copy of letter which I wrote to one of our federal judges here six years ago. My views are identical today. I pray that the good people of Georgia are shaking off their lethargy.

Very truly yours,
Walter W. Gallop

Orlando Fla.
Sept. 30 - 1966

Mr. Allen:-

After hearing
you on a C.D.S. ref-
erent last night,
expressing your opinion
and Mr. Madrox, after
his successful visit
Annull. I felt I had
to tell you, (as a
former Georgian) that
the same ignorant
prejudiced incompetent
etc. people of Georgia
were responsible
for electing you.
I thank goodness that
the few voters in
Atlanta do not

2.
represent the entire
state of Georgia, or
the poor Maligned
State would have
to suggest them,
another Ellis Arnall
term. I lived in
Georgia during his
other reign.

Hope you are very
happy with your
national wide
image -

Michael B. Lawrence
28 Cheney Pl.
Orlando Fla.

144 East 36 Street
New York, New York 10016

September 29, 1966

The Honorable Ivan Allen
Mayor of Atlanta
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen:

Your statement today concerning the primary victory of Maddox only adds to my already high estimation of your integrity, honesty, and dedication to your job. I was born in Newnan, Georgia, in 1935, but moved to Washington, D.C., in 1941, and now live in New York City. My parents somehow managed to raise two daughters with no ethnic, religious, or racial prejudice. As I grow older, I realize what a remarkable feat this is, because they are southerners, and for many years the Negro has been considered inferior by a goodly percentage of southerners. My parents were also poor, and this, I believe, increases the incidence of racial prejudice in the south. Poor whites, I guess, need someone to despise and look down upon.

This Maddox victory frightens me. I am sure you must feel this way too. But I take solace in the fact that obviously there are people in Georgia who realize that you and the kind of people you typify should be in office, and hopefully if there are enough of your type, in time all these difficult times will pass.

I am very proud to say that somewhere in Georgia a man like you is in public office. I am sure there are many people in Georgia with a vote who feel the same way. So stick to your guns. We cannot allow the Maddox's to gain control. And know that at least one ex-Georgian is on your side completely.

Yours very truly,

June Ellen Balsley
June Ellen Balsley
(Mrs. Eugene D. Balsley)

Atlanta, Ga.
Sept. 29, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen!

Dear Sir:

In response to your sayings about Lester Maddox, I wish to say that cannot disgrace the city of Atlanta or Ga., as you have already done that by going to the Hungry Club which is a disgrace in itself and also with your pampering them to every whim and doing nothing to defend the white people. Why don't you go and live in Five City where you belong? The Bible speaks of desegregation, and he segregated, you don't have to mix with them but you are like Johnson you want to push it down ~~us~~ our throat. I am so thankful Lester Maddox won & hope he wins in November. Who cares how much education he has or

How much money he has. The most important thing the people here and in the south and North want is somebody who can stand up and do something or try and do something to stop all these marches and trouble maker + riots. The most disgraceful thing done in Atlanta is the way the "niggers" did to Lester and Leb and nobody did anything to stop it but Lester and he is admired by the white people and the white people voted him in and about you got was the "nigger" vote. I didn't vote for you tho.

It matters about nothing to you except fine buildings and enlarging Atlanta and making yourself a big name like "Old Hartsfield". Instead of that Stadium why didn't you give that money to Milledgeville State Hospital. You care nothing for humanity. So fishing and stay.

Sylvania Ga.

Sep 29 - 1966

Mayor Allen - Atlanta Ga.

Sir, I heard the scathing remarks on J. V. this A.M. that was made by you or at least they said you were the one that made them and I find it most sorrowful to think that our Great Capital of the State of Georgia has ever voted a man to the Mayor's office that would cheapen him-self by the derogatory remarks he made about Lester Maddox, you cant be from Georgia I hope. If you are, are you old enough to remember those same scathing remarks that was made about Gene Salmage? and do you also remember that he made one of the Greatest Governors we have ever had. so why not give Lester Maddox a chance, according to your point of view we have exactly 405, 249 ignorant people in Ga that voted, I was one of them. I wonder how many of that number helped to set you up as Mayor? If you read your Bible you will please read 2 John 2nd Chapter 7 through 11th verses. these passages

seem to fit your case. I also saw you in the
midst of the "Son of Ham." on the streets
the other day, will maybe Maddox can put
a calm on that sort of behavior when he
is seated in the Governor's chair. now to tell
you what I think, is that for every derogatory
word you said about him will give him
thousands of votes that Calaway might
have gotten. But you being such a big
"Demog-Ratic" of course you cant want
that to happen. I was thinking of voting for
Calaway but I think I'll just vote right
on for Maddox. most any body can be
Governor of Ga. and Mayor of Atlanta
you must remember that money any more
is almost worthless & cant do much talking.
Read Genesis 9th Chapter 22 to 27 verses,
& you may understand why God saw fit
to divide brothers even if they did carry the
same blood. the curse was put on the one
that thought he was smart like the "Hans"
of today. but it will never come to pass.
Mrs J. J. Griffin

Savannah Ga
1 Oct 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen
Atlanta Ga

Mr Mayor: Who are you to criticize anyone
who voted for Maddox. Did it ever
occur to you that you and these
judges in Washington - plus the
G.I.C. - are responsible for driving people out
of this so called Democrat party. You
have H. R. King and Carmichael on
every occasion, and people of this
State are fed up with this forced
social equality. and if it continues
the worst is yet to come.
Now the Great Society
Papa is crying for help, and the
Negroes want a fat Dole.
Have a look in your mirror

J. Brown

Rome, Georgia September 30, 1966.

Honorable I. Allen
Mayor of Atlanta,

Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Allen,-

Referring to your remarks on W.S.B. T.V. last evening regarding the choice of the people of our Great State of Georgia as well as the good people of your Great City, in their election of Mr. Lester Maddox to run for Governor of our great State, subject to the general election on November 8th 1966.

I don't think you realized at the time that you not only were downgrading Mr. Maddox, but the very people of your Great City who elected you to your present high office. I would like to say that the good people of Atlanta are not the "trash" that you indicated on T.V., neither are the good people of the State of Georgia. I am sure that Ex-Mayor Hartsfield would never have stooped so low as to do what you did,

I have always been a democrat and have always voted as such, but since the present conditions of our Great Country seems to be deteriorating under the democratic control, I am now looking toward the man or men running for public office, irrespective of whether they are republicans or democrats.

I voted for Mr. Maddox and unless Mr. Bob Calloway can show some decided improvement over Mr. Maddox, I SHALL VOTE FOR MR. MADDOX AGAIN. NOW - AM I TRASH JUST BECAUSE I CAN'T SEE THE MEN EXACTLY AS YOU SEE THEM.

Mr. Ellis Arnall is a second cousin by blood, but when he said on T.V. that "ANYONE THAT WAS NOT THE KIND OF DEMOCRAT THAT HE WAS COULD 'GO TO HELL'" So he lost the election.

Mr. Allen, your influence has been badly damaged and you did it yourself by your remarks about Mr. Maddox and the very people who gave you your high office.

I believe, if you want to be fair, that after you have thought your way through all this, your apology to Mr. Maddox and the good people of Georgia might help some, but even this is doubtful.

Yours truly
V.A. NOLAN, SR.,
517 LA PORTE ST.

Nigger lover!

September 30th, 1966.

Mayor Ivan Allen,
City of Atlanta, Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

We listened to you on Tee Vee excoriate Lester Maddox who is going to be the next Governor of the State of Georgia.

As compared to what Georgia has had for recent Governors, Maddox is one of the highest qualified individuals for this high office in your State.

What happened in our Country during the past 20 and 30 years, should be as obvious to you as it is to others, and that is, the United States of America is being controlled and governed by a clique of Educated Fools.

May we ask, what good is the ability of a Leader, if this Leader leads you into Slavery and Communism. Better we have a Leader with no ability but who wants to lead us in the right direction.

We thank God for Wallace, and Maddox, and Reagen, and those few true Americans that we have left with us today, for what they are trying to do for us and our country.

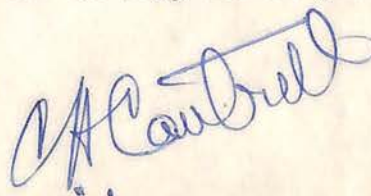
We pray each night that we are now in a Nation wide sweep that will clear the Judas Goats and Quislings out of Office and bring a Halt to America's move down the road to Ruin - Oblivion - Disaster and ultimate communism.

We truly hope Mr. Mayor that all federal government pawns such as the likes of you, will be eliminated from the American scene in the very near future, and let us come to grips with the true problems of what is wrong with America today.

Maddox has felt the bite of the Federal lash across his back, and unlike so many spineless cowards in America today, this man is doing something about it. He will have every bit of my assistance and my life to help him. And there are millions other like me.

So please Mayor step aside out of the way, before you get shoved off another automobile top.

Sincerely for America, remain,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "A. A. Coulter". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized hand.

Atlanta, Georgia,
September 30, 1966

Ivan Allen, Jr.,
Mayor (?),
City of Atlanta,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Sir:

I am trying my best to write this letter without the use of profanity.

Your remarks concerning the nomination of Lester Maddox were highly irregular, false, and unwarranted.

You implied that everyone voting for Mr. Maddox did not have the intellectual ability to distinguish the difference between day and night.

I know the difference myself and apparently you don't -- for you sure don't know the difference between white and black.

Your stupid and idiotic remarks probably helped Mr. Maddox receive more votes than he would have received.

In closing let me offer the prayer that when you go home tonight to your kennel, I hope your mother bites you. You've certainly got enough sense to figure that out.

The next time your colored friends shake you off a car, I hope you fall on your empty head.

Naturally, there will be no name.

Atlanta, Georgia
October 1, 1966

Hon. Ivan Allen, Jr., Mayor
City of Atlanta
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen:

I have a little book out at my house and I find on one of its pages the words of a man much wiser and smarter than I am, which words I quote as follows:

"He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city".

We all make mistakes and, in anger, say things which, upon more sober afterthought, we did not really mean, and I feel sure that you, as my mayor, will meditate upon the verse of Proverbs which I have quoted above.

With kind regards, I am

Yours very truly,

G. W. Whaley
G. W. Whaley
391 Cherokee Ave., S. E.

4201 South Ocean Boulevard
Delray Beach, Florida
September 30, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

Your remarks with reference to Mr. Lester Maddox' nomination, as televised on the Huntley-Brinkley Report Thursday night, call for some sort of answer.

I cannot debate your characterization of Mr. Maddox as "unqualified" because I am not as aware as you are of his personal experience and qualities. But I am under the impression that it is because he supports segregation of the races that you stated his nomination was a victory for the forces of prejudice and ignorance.

It is your equation of a belief in racial segregation with "prejudice" and "ignorance" which is incorrect and insupportable. Yes, of course some of the backers of Mr. Maddox were ignorant and prejudiced (if you mean by the latter term tending to make judgments with prior investigation of evidence); some backers of "liberal" candidates are equally uninformed and thoughtless. In fact, the balance of power in Mr. Maddox' victory must have resided in once respectable voters for "moderate" candidates.

I must with all good will suggest that it is a greater sign of ignorance today to argue in favor of integration of Negro and White races than to oppose it. The facts about the nature of men, the physiological and mental differences between the Negro and White races, and the historical evidence of the differing capacities of those races for inventiveness and the building and maintaining of advanced civilizations simply do not support your viewpoint. A great amount of work in genetics, anthropology, and other fields of research supports, on the contrary, a point of view which sees races as sometimes markedly different in extremely important ways--not for purely environmental reasons at all, but by virtue of heredity.

I am aware that for some years it has been fashionable to say that races in fact don't really exist at all, and even if they do there are no significant differences, and in any case whatever differences appear to exist can be cleared away by a generation or so of social mixing and education. This school of thought--if it can be dignified with such an appellation--was more or less originated by the anthropologist Boas and his students without much factual support, and it was given impetus by the strong reaction against "racism" following Hitler's defeat in the Second World War. It is now accepted blindly by large numbers

of unquestioning people who would be justifiably shocked if they knew the truth and its ramifications.

Here are a few of the books presenting facts which, if thoughtfully considered, would lead to a change in many of our government's racial policies--unless, of course, our government is motivated by something other than genuine concern for truth and for the wellbeing of our citizens.

- J. C. Carothers. The African Mind in Health and Disease.
Carleton S. Coon. The Origin of Races.
Marcelle Geber. "Développement psycho-moteur de l'enfant africain," Courier, UNESCO, Paris (January 1956), VI, 17-29.
Audrey M. Shuey. The Testing of Negro Intelligence.
Nathaniel Weyl. The Negro in American Civilization.

An older book, but one which still has a great deal of validity, is Lothrop Stoddard's The Rising Tide of Color.

Many pertinent articles will be found in "The Mankind Quarterly", 1 Darnaway St., Edinburgh 3, Scotland. Also in IAAEE Reprints, The International Association for the Advancement of Ethnology and Eugenics, Inc., P.O. Box 3495, Grand Central Station, New York, N.Y. 10017. (One reprint of particular interest is "Social Science Testimony in the Desegregation Cases--A Reply to Professor Kenneth Clark," by Ernest van den Haag.)

Publications of the National Putnam Letters Committee, Suite 908, 1730 K St., N.W., Washington, D.C. are certainly worth study.

Though The Suicide of the West, by James Burnham, does not concern itself primarily with racial matters, it is quite relevant to the point I am trying to make.

There are many more materials easily accessible to anyone searching for them in a university or large public library.

The men who, in print, oppose your views, Mayor Allen, are for the most part at the opposite extreme from ignorant or prejudiced. To assure you that I, for example, am not a babbling and unlettered dunce, I must mention that I have an MA, have taught in universities for eight years, have an IQ in the upper 1% of the population, and am even considered reasonably goodnatured, kind to animals, and even decent to other people. I am not motivated by hate, fear of economic competition by less prosperous segments of the population, nor by superstitious clinging to ancestral myths. And I am getting very tired of being indirectly accused of "ignorance" and lumped with the KKK by people who will not take the trouble to reconsider their own prejudices.

If only one brave public figure such as yourself (and your courage was amply demonstrated during the Atlanta riots) would study the evidence and come out openly on the side of truth, miracles could be worked in the revitalization of our confused and saddened country.

I assume you will not have time to answer my letter, and perhaps you will not even have time to read it, but if it should be possible I would be delighted to hear from you. I would welcome references to readings which you feel support viewpoints differing from mine.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fleming Lee Blich". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Fleming Lee Blich

strong hold. Since Ralph McGill
be come Editor of your leading
news paper.

and we think people are fed up now
with Negro Demonstrations. Looting
and burning, with Humphrey on their
side. and no restraint at all from
Washington.

you must now realize you can
lead a Horse to water but you
cannot make him drink.

we do not hate Negroes here in the
South.

we have always had good Race
relations with our Colored people.
and claim many of Friends. when
my Husband now Dead was to hire
some Colored men to help with
yard and garden work. they sat
down and ate lunch together. and
thought it right.

now the Communist are working
on the young

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September 30, 1966

Mr. Ivan Allen Mayor
City Hall
68 Mitchell Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen:

It was a little surprising yesterday to see the height to which you have assended, that is, to set yourself up as a self-appointed Judge and Jury to try, pass sentence, and condemn 400,000 plus Georgians because of their actions on September 28.

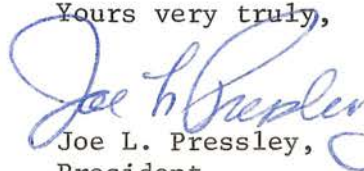
First of all, to make the records straight, I personally am not a Lester Maddox enthusiast, however, I was surprised and amazed to see you drop to an all time low in your condemnation of certain Georgians. As Mayor of one of the largest cities in the country, I do not feel that you have enhanced the image of Georgia with the statement made to the press with reference to the outcome of Wednesday's election. Not only that, but it is my opinion that you have mutilated the Democratic party in the state of Georgia beyond repair.

After your releases to the press, I now find myself in a state of confusion wondering who is irresponsible. Surely you are the "Big Man" that many people think you are and will retract the statements you made about the stand that some 400,000 Georgians took on September 28 and somewhere you will look back and see how childish your actions were.

To this point, I have had considerable confidence in your ability as a leader but that confidence has now been shaken.

What now Mr. Mayor?

Yours very truly,


Joe L. Pressley,
President

JLP:rs

Hollywood Maryland

September 30 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen
Atlanta Georgia.


My Dear Mr. Mayor;

To a Man, who as a stripling youth, shouldered a Springfield carbine and wslked post down behind the old Atlanta Brewery in the wee small hours of the morning, protecting negroes from the wrath of the whites, which had been fired up to the boiling point by the raping of six or seven white women in just a few days-twas many years ago-it is almost incredible that the mayor of Atlanta could have made such a specious, scathing attack on the primary victory of Lester Maddox. It was an insult to the electorate of Georgia. I would not suggest that you again run for public office.

Lester Maddox is typical of Georgians as Lonce knew them, no hatred of negroes but strong feeling that this is white mans' country, to be run by him and that social intercourse of the races has but mongrelism for its end.

Me thinks, Your Honor that you have been partaking too freely of that 'Do Good' morphia being handed out by that socialistic renegade over at the Constitution. and that bunch of the same from Texas. I feel quite sure Clark Howell would not have tolerated such 'goins on'

Very respectfully


HOWARD E. ACKER
A damnyankee from
Hall County

Ridgerville, S.C.
Sept. 30, 66

Mayor Joan Allen;
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir;

I have never heard, such irresponsible talk, as you made on television against "Lester", no wonder, he said it sounded like King. (I agree)

Were I, a voter in Georgia, I would not only vote for "Lester", I would campaign for him. you and the Negroes, might as well shut up, "Lester", is headed for the Capital.

yours truly.

H. B. Macken Jr.

Atlanta, Georgia
September 17, 1966

Mr. Lester Maddox
P.O. Box 1212
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Maddox:

Enclosed is a donation of four dollars. According to an article I read, you started a very successful restaurant business on a four dollar investment. It is hoped that this four dollars will help get the four dollar donations coming in for your campaign from people who can not afford more, but want to help get Georgia and America back on their feet.

Mr. Maddox, the people who voted for you on September 14, 1966, are proud of you. You have stood alone against tremendous odds of political and newspaper power and also a class of rock throwing, fire setting, looting scavengers who seem determined to undermine and sink this country of ours in a bed of quicksand to a point of no return.

I am an ex-service man, having participated in two battles with some of the best trained, most dedicated Americans in living memory. My two battle stars represent the same things you and Governor George Wallace have been fighting for. It is my opinion that you have the full support of every red-blooded American who has the courage to stand up for his or her country.

Now lets get back to the four dollars. I think since you started a business with four dollars, and Georgia was the fourth state of the Original 13 States, the numeral FOUR should be your campaign number. The late Winston Churchill always held up two fingers and formed a "V" for victory. I think it would be proper for the Lester Maddox supporters to hold up four fingers to indicate a DOUBLE VICTORY.

I will not use language of the street, but I am sure there must have been a lot of people who were born out of wedlock who did not vote for you in the Governors election, however, with the inherited culture, attitude, and traditions on which Georgia and America were founded, it is my opinion that you will be a winner in the November election without their vote.

Sincerely,

Just an ex-marine.



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Friday AM

Dear Mr Allen:

I have just heard you say on the radio that Mr Maddox was nominated by the ignorant & prejudiced.

Well, lets look back for a few years and see who elected you as mayor of Atlanta, any person, whether he be intellectual or ignorant can readily see that you were elected by the so called "Block Vote", and I dont believe that even you would claim that you were elected by the intellectual only. It is commonly known that it was the negro vote along with a few others that elected you.

Now, as for you going fishing on Nov 8, then I think that would be the best thing that



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you could do for the people of Georgia as well as Atlanta, unless you should decide not to return.

You are regarded all over Georgia as the State's "Biggest Ad". You and the Atlanta papers alone are responsible for the election of Lester Maddox this week. I did not vote for Maddox on Sept 14th, but just on account of you and Atlanta papers I voted for him on Sept 28th.

Please advise me when you will leave on your fishing trip, so that I may send along some supplies to sustain you on a Long Stay.

Yours
 "One of the Ignorant"

Memphis, Tennessee.

September 29, 1966.

Hon. Ivan Allen,
Mayor, City of Atlanta,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Ordinarily, it has never been my practice to meddle in the politics of other states, but since your anti-Maddux statement was given national publicity tonight, this will be an exception.

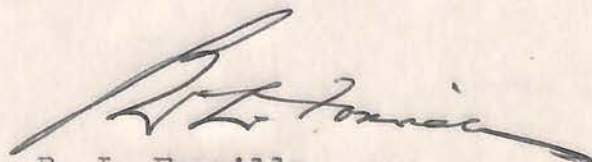
You indicate that Mr. Maddux is incompetent for the governship. By what standard do you make this appraisal? Perhaps someone like yourself, one with strong appeals for the demagog and irresponsible and quite willing to sacrifice our American heritage and future wellbeing for momentary political establishment. I'll grant that Mr. Maddux is not the possessor of such qualities, but having heard him speak in Memphis, I do know that he has good common horse-sense. Like the Mohican Indian, this is a lost quality which disappeared with the advent of modern politicians, along with sanity and reason. You refer to "moderation" as being espoused by the founding fathers. If by "moderation" is meant its modern interpretation, then perhaps you should review your history. But maybe your statement will pick up negro votes.

The reply of Mr. Maddux to your statement was unique and, most likely, correct. Indeed, your statement did sound like something handed you by the reverend martin luther king. This too, will pick up a lot of negro votes, and maybe another picture in the "Constitution."

Yes, I saw you on television during the Atlanta riot. You were a most pitiful sight running around and jumping on cars while trying to reason with mobs of black apes, who had taken over the streets and destroying everything in sight. And to think, Atlanta was the model city where the negro was granted every wish. But the sands of time are running out with definite signs pointing to the of control by the irresponsible 10%.

Incidentally, what were your official views on Representative Bond's anti-American statements which led to his impeachment?

Very truly yours,



B. L. Fonville,
3596 Mynders Avenue,
Memphis, Tenn. 38111

John C. Bell
Box 251, Route 4
Inman, South Carolina 29349
October 1, 1966

Hon. Ivan Allen,
Atlanta, Ga.,
Dear Mayor Allen,

It was my fortune to see and hear your most disgusting and uncalled for diatribe on C B S in which you expressed your opinion in no uncertain terms about the result of the recent primary in Georgia.

There is no one who is so intolerant of other peoples opinion as a defeated "Liberal" who calls himself a "Moderate". It seems to me that quite a large percentage of the population of Georgia is "ignorant" a fact which I have never noticed in visits to your city and state. Mr. Maddox who started from scratch and by his own efforts developed his successful business could not have been very ignorant. He may have had very little formal education. Did you develop and build your own business? It seems that I have read that it was inherited.

Under your "wise" guidance Atlanta has become a "Mecca" for negroes second only to Washington, D. C., as soon as they get a majority they will kick the moderate white man out and take it over themselves.

I believe that the "running fit"

John C. Bell
Box 251, Route 4
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which you had on television the other night will make thousands of votes for Maddox in the coming general election. I had been hoping that Calloway would win in November but with the reaction from you, Mc Gill and Martin Luther King which has appeared in the papers, on radio and television there might be such a back lash that Calloway will be defeated. Anyway, either of the Candidates will be better than your beloved Ellis Arnall.

Very Truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John C. Bell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "J".

Middleboro, 14
PO Box 792
September 30, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

I note in the papers and by
Television that you think the
People of Georgia are ignorant

Prejudiced, reactionary and deceitful
in voting for Lester Maddox and
that it cannot be permitted.

Is it this a democracy and
hasn't the federal government spent
millions on the right to ballot?
You should start representing the people
and not just a party or go join
the rioters who defy the law.

Speak for yourself John Allen!

one of the Bigots etc.

Core...

Moultrie, Georgia
September 30, 1966

Mr. Ivan Allen
Mayor, City of Atlanta
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Allen:

If the people of Georgia were surprised over the election of Mr. Lester Maddox as candidate for the Democrat Party, then they were shocked over the statements you made in your speech Thursday when you called those who voted for him a "combination of forces of ignorance, prejudice, reactionism, etc.".

If this were true, then there certainly are a lot of "ignorant" and "people of this type" in the State of Georgia, when over four-hundred-thousand of them voted for Mr. Maddox.

It would seem to me that if anyone has "tarnished the Great Seal of Georgia" you have by the remarks in your speech when you, a person in your position, made public such statements for the whole nation to hear.

For your information, many people of all walks of life - doctors, lawyers, teachers, and ordinary good citizens whom you would call "ignorant" - have said they would NOW vote for Mr. Maddox since hearing your slanderous remarks about the people of Georgia, because they resent you calling all the people who voted for him these names. So you have really defeated your purpose, and instead of causing people to turn against Mr. Maddox, you have caused many to turn their support toward him.

I think you owe the people of Georgia an apology for your "name calling" outspoken and uncalled for statement. The people of Georgia do not - cannot not - and will not appreciate any such littleness in anyone, regardless of their position and standing..

Yours truly,



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Mr Ivan Allen
City Hall
Atlanta Ga.

Dear Mr Allen:

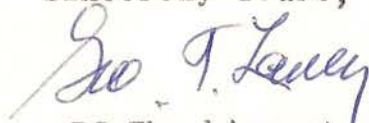
More candidates for public office are elected by such blasts as you delivered before a TV camera a few days ago than by their own efforts. You not only blasted Mr Maddox but the voters themselves. They do not react any more favorably than you or I would to being called "ignorant, backward, foolish etc." Your blast got I'd be willing to bet at least one quarter million votes for Mr Maddox.

Ralph McGill has apparently become a psychopath in his hatred of the South. He came South full of dislike and false opinions of the people of the South and has grown steadily worse-the reason is because no one pays him any attention except the Negro agitators-he only hardens the heart of Southerners to cling to their ideas of preserving our Republic and our race. They are "Stupid" enough to believe that integration will destroy our nation quicker than segregation. We all recognize the Negro as being the cancer that will bankrupt and make of this nation the sorriest one on earth-The have not nations are those that are either Negro, or have Negro blood in their veins. The voters for Mr Maddox are trying to resist the steadily tightening noose of Federal dictatorship on every angle of our lives even to running small community affairs. In many respects the dictatorship clamped on us by a foolish federal government is more brutal than anything behind the iron curtain.

Keep blasting Mr Allan, let Ralph and the rest of his "editors and columnists" keep up vilifying the South and its traditions and they will elect Mr Maddox by the biggest landslide ever known.

This is respectfully submitted as my opinion and may perhaps be of a teeny bit of value to you.

Sincerely Yours,



PS The biggest orders I ever got and the best business friends I have ever had came after complimenting my competitor and praising whatever they had bought from him. It just dont pay to knock.

September 29, 1966

Mayor Allen:

I have just witnessed the most disgraceful, inexcuseable performance on television that I have ever seen. Now Atlanta and the whole world know what type mayor the city of Atlanta has, something the firemen already knew.

This election proves two things:

1. The people are not pleased with the way government officials are backing mob rule.
2. Block voting is completely ineffective when the people are interested in an election.

I have never had the privilege of voting in a city election. I shall certainly be looking forward to voting in the next one.

Sincerely,

Ruth C. Solomon

Ruth C. Solomon

171 Grady Avenue
Athens, Georgia
October 1, 1966

The Honorable Ivan Allen
Mayor of Atlanta
Atlanta, Georgia

Sir:

This letter is in reference to your recent statement concerning the nomination of Lester Maddox as the Democratic candidate for Governor of the state of Georgia.

I agree that Lester Maddox is totally unsuited as a gubernatorial candidate. But it appears to me that your comments were not of a constructive nature; you tore down, but did nothing to fill the vacuum which you created.

While it may be a bitter pill to swallow, the fact is that one of two men--Lester Maddox or Howard Callaway--will be the next governor of Georgia.

Your statements seem strangely two-faced. You say that "We cannot allow our state's progress to be stopped and reversed by yesterday's mistake", but say later that you will probably "go fishing" on election day. These two statements cannot co-exist; if you do indeed "go fishing" on election day, the people of this state will surely remember the hypocrisy with which you spoke.

I am not registered as a Republican--I have always voted for the best man. Therefore I sincerely urge you to publicly support Bo Callaway for Governor. The failure of a man in high political office to support the candidate which he feels to be the best qualified in a political race solely because this candidate is affiliated with another party, is pure cowardice. Do not attempt to deceive yourself that the people of this state will not feel this way about it. You have renounced Maddox too strongly.

When a man's position and not his principles determines his policies, it is indeed time for new leadership.

The hour grows late. Will you allow partisan politics to stop you from helping the state of Georgia defeat Lester Maddox?

My hope is that you will reconsider the position which you have taken, and then publicly support the best qualified candidate--Bo Callaway.

Thank you for your kind attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Jerry S. Lorentz

Jerry S. Lorentz

A famous American once said "A college education never made BRAINS and he demonstrated this claim with the following story: "A. T. Stewart, a big department-store merchant in New York, made a \$1,600,000 a year; he died leaving not one in the whole organization capable of carrying on the business. A bank took it over, put a judge at its head and he loss a million a year".

Are you quite sure that Mr. Maddox is incapable of being a successful governor? He seems to have made a success of his own business until Mr. Johnson comes in and tells him how to run it!

John Milton said: "Who overcomes by force has overcome but half his foe".

He who ascends to mountain tops shall find,
The loftiest peaks all wrapped in clouds and
snow.

He who surpasses or subdues mankind,
Shall look down on the hate of those below.

Lord Byron.

"REMINISCENCES".

There sat at my dad's supper table on a Sunday Afternoon when I was a lad an old retired Lutheran minister, by the name of Carrol. Doctor Carroll had spent the bulk of his ministerial career in the State of Pennsylvania, and was then living with a married daughter here in our midst. He and dad had become quite friendly. The topic of conversation just then happened to be 'politics' and Doctor Carroll says across the table to me, "John! do you know ^{how} Benjamin ^{happened} to be elected president over Grover Cleveland in 1888"? My answer was "No"! "Well", says he, "I will tell you".

"Mr. John Wanamaker, the wealthy Phila. merchant and Sunday School teacher suddenly acquired political aspirations so he sent for Mr. Mathew Stanley Quay the U. S. Senator and republican boss of the state and he says to him: "Mr. Quay, I have 50 thousand dollars here for Mr. Harrison's campaign and I want you to take and use it where you think it will do the most good". "Now where do you suppose that he put it"? My prompt reply was: "He put it in his pocket". "No"? says he, "Not all of it". "To spend it in Pennsylvania meant merely throwing it in the sewer, that state being already safe and sound. He goes over into Brooklyn and gets a ward-healer to line up 5 thousand repeaters (the woods being full of such cattle in those days) to grow beards. On election day they showed up at the polls first with a full growth: some hours later they showed up with side-burns, then later on with only a mustash and finally clean shaven. The State of New York was Harrison's by 8000, and John Wanamaker, the Sunday-School teacher became Post Master General."

Thus much on the election of President Harrison so now for some politics of a local flavor. Who in his right mind would ever have dreamed that an obscure personage by the name of Thomas S. Martin would ever have defeated one of our Confederate War heroes whose name was Fitzhugh Lee for a seat in the U. S. Senate? Well, he did, and by just such tactics as was used in the defeat of Mr. Cleveland by senator Quay. The only difference being that the black man's vote was used instead of that of his be-whiskered brother's. This system was rampant in the good old days before the pole-tax and registration laws were placed on our statute books. Poe saw it in 1844 and he so vividly described same saying; "A republical government could never become other than a rascally one."

These laws were not for the purpose of depriving the Negro of his right to vote any other than that of the white man whose ballot was for sale to the highest bidder and they could be purchased by the dump-cart load just before sun-down at 50¢ per head. In plain language the system was nothing other than cheating. Now our Supreme Court comes along and says that where the U. S. government ^{is it not} a law for the prevention of cheating in politics is unconstitutional!!

Well, if this condition be so, why is it not unconstitutional to prevent cheating in her military College out in Colorado? And President Johnson tells the world that he is going to enforce this decision at the point of the bayonet if necessary. John Milton told us that; "Who overcomes by force has overcome but half his foe",

From earliest youth I had been a great fancier of POE both as a poet and story teller, but all else I could learn was that he was morally a sot and practically died in the gutter. It was not until I got hold of his biography by Mr Harvey Allen that I saw a new light. Poe was a caustic critic of our form of government and his traducers were many.

"He who ascends to mountain tops shall find,
The loftiest peaks all wrapped in clouds and snow".

POE, on the "AMERICAN REPUBLIC".

They started with the queerest idears conceivable; viz: that all men are born free and equal - this in the very teeth of GRADATION'S laws, so visably impressed upon all things, both in the moral and physical univerae. Every man voted, as they called it, until at length it was discovered that what is everybody's business is nobody's, and that the 'Republe' (so the absurd thing was called) was without a government at all.

It is related, however, that the first circumstance which disturbed the self-complacency of the philosophers who constructed this "Republic" was the startling discovery that universal 'sufferage' gave opportunity for fraudulent schemes, by which any desired number of votes might at any time be poled, without the slightest chance of prevention or even detection, by any party which should be merely villainous enough not to be afraid of the fraud.

A little reflection on this discovery suffered to render evident the consequences, which were, that rascality must predominate - in a word - that Republican Government could never become anything other than a Rascally one.

While the philosophers, however, were blushed at their own stupidity in not having foreseen these inevitable evils and intent upon new theories, the matter was put to an abrupt issue by a fellow by the name of MOB, who took every thing in his own hands and set up a despotism in comparison with which those of the fabulous ZEROS and HELLOFAGABALUSES ^{ere} were both respectable and delectable. This MOB, by the by, a foreigner, is said to be the most odious of all men who ever encumbered the earth. He was a giant in size, insolent, rapacious, filthy; had the gill of a bullock, the ~~brains~~ ^{heart} of an hyena and the brains of a peacock. He died at last by dint of this own ebergies, which exhausted him.

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"More remarkable still is that Poe was practically the only American writer of his age who foresaw some of the inevitable weaknesses inherent in the democratic theory and boldly commented vapentiam. "In MELLONTA TAUTA' - a conversation supposed to take place in A. D. 2348, Poe makes the above observation on democracy in the United States".

Harvey Allen, srthur.

PS. Are you willing to hazzard a dime that, with conditions as is in this Nation of ours today where Mob is a festering sore at ever by pass and voting 'en mass' is an innovation, glaring, and the 'tail' just about begins to wag the dog, 1000 years will elapse ere Poe's prognostication is a reality ?

I AIN'T GW'IN FISHIN'.....

VOTE!

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