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

Dear Mr. Allen; The recent nomination of Hon Lester Maddox by the Democrats of Georgia was the greatest victory the State of Georgia had had in many a day. It means that this Great State of Georgia will again be controlled by the great Conservative thinking that so long has in the past made this State as well as the Old Democratic Party so great.

I do not think for one moment that Mr. Maddox will have any trouble being elected. I hope that the good people of Georgia will now get solidly behind this man and win a great victory.

It was only a short few weeks ago we saw all over America by way of TV the horrible riots in your City. We had only few days prior to that seen the suspension of three officers because they tried to direct traffic at a ball game.

The Liberals in this country have tried to take away the fundamental rights that have always been American to hire and fire and to associate with who one pleases regardless of whether others did not like it. The passage of the 1964 Civil Rights act required this man who had spent much of his time and energy in the building up of his business to serve persons he did not desire to serve. It is disgusting to me to see all this talk of integration which has and never will work.

My Father who practiced law here for 58 years was raised in Laurens County, S.C. with Bishop Fuller Sr. who was a colored Bishop in Atlanta died few years ago. He established churches from Ohio

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to Florida. He always when here in Spartanburg visited our office. He became a very wealthy man and probably the wealthiest there in the 1950's of all colored men. When sued in late 1950's for a million dollars he called my Father and requested we represent him. He was highly respected by the white people but at no time did he advocate the mixing of the races.

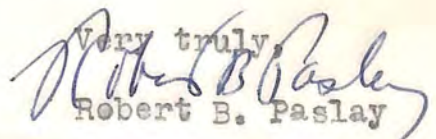
I was related to several of the Governors of the State of Georgia and Glyn County Georgia is named for my family of Glyns. Professor Lawson one of the founders of U. of Georgia was related to us as was Governors Irwin and Townes.

There are those in the Liberal camp who claim to be moderates on the race issue by there is no such thing as a moderate on the race issue you are either for the mixing of the races or against it. I happen to be against the mixing as is the case of most Southerners and it now appears most everyone after seeing what it brings. I want no part of black power.

We see throughout the South this year the defeat of Senator Bass of Tenn., Senator Russell of S.C.; the defeat of Ellis Arnall of Georgia. Evrywhere we note the trend back to the great Conservative principles.

I for one am thankful that the Great people of your State of Georgia finally woke up to the Conservative ideals. Mr. Maddox need not fear the people are for him.

RBP/rp

Very truly

Robert B. Paslay

Farmington, Georgia
October 12, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

As one of the vast army of ignorant persons you referred to in your recent sour grapes speech on television, I am wondering if perhaps, when your Negro friends jostled you down off that car, you hit your head against something on the way down.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Hazel Butler

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

Dear Mayor Allen:

In regards to the recent victory of Mr. Lester Maddox, in the election for Governor of our fair State, I believe you have made some rather unfair remarks toward this man and cast a bad reflection on about 400,000 Georgia Citizens who voted for him.

You call yourself a Democrat, I call you a fraud. You have no right as Mayor of this City to put yourself in the position you have by these remarks, simply because your choice of candidate did not win.

You called Mr. Maddox "incompetent, and unqualified" for this office, you also added a long list of other adjectives, to describe this man, the choice of the people. I call on you sir, to show the public, any list of educational, standards, or breeding that a person must have to run for public office.

Our Country was founded on one thing, "the voice of the people;" whereby we have the freedom of choice to run for office, to elect, any person, regardless of race, creed or color, or educational background to any office.

I personally feel that even though I may not have the social position, education, or financial security that YOU have, I am by no means "ignorant and irresponsible". I am thankful that I have the Grace of God in my heart and will go along with the way the majority votes because it is the voice of the people.

You must remember that it was a vast majority of these so called "ignorant" citizens that voted to put you in office and I don't remember hearing you complain then. Furthermore, if you had thought that Mr. Maddox was going to win, why didn't you have the guts to resign and run yourself, and see how the "ignorant" people would have voted.

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I think, you as Mayor of the City of Atlanta should in all due respect, retract your statements and issue an apology. Not only to the man that the people have elected to run, but also to the people of the State.

I have not signed this letter because I have relatives who work for the City of Atlanta and I know what sort of trouble it could cause them. Let's just say that I am one irate citizen who is appalled at your present outlook.

cc:

Lester Maddox
Atlanta Journal
Atlanta Constitution

8132 Carr Place
Springfield, Virginia

October 1, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen:

The other evening I watched on a nationally televised news program as you expressed your feelings regarding the nomination of Lester Maddox for the democratic candidate for governor of Georgia. I was born and raised in Georgia, went to college in Atlanta, and still consider myself a life-time citizen of that state where I frequently return to in order to visit my old home and relatives and friends. I have lived away from Georgia, however, for the past fifteen years, and during this time I have tried to look upon Georgia and the rest of the south as objectively as possible, to listen to the criticisms and to try to understand all viewpoints, both within and outside the state. I presently live in the Washington, D. C. area, but most of my recent years have been spent in the west. So, I feel that I am fairly well qualified to express a sound judgement of your nationally televised statement on the Georgia nomination of Maddox.

If I were currently living in Georgia, I do not know whether I would even be supporting Maddox. I learned long ago that outside the south it is extremely difficult to get a true picture from the news media of people and events in the south--on the whole. Consequently, I feel that I know too little about the man to try to judge him. However, he apparently has been a successful business man, with very little formal education, and that is a much greater accomplishment than you can say for a lot of successful politicians who have had much formal education. Determination and common sense are of far greater worth than merely formal education. You said that Mr. Maddox was "totally unqualified" to be the governor of Georgia. Upon what do you base this? Certainly not upon the fact that he had the courage--that most people lack-- of daring to stand up for his legal rights a couple of years ago at his business establishment in Atlanta. This no doubt piqued you, as Mayor of Atlanta, at a time when anyone who opposed so-called civil rights was considered stupid by the so-called liberal press and other news media. Is this the real reason you dislike Mr. Maddox? I truly wish that I

could learn the answer to that.

Mr. Allen, although you gave Mr. Maddox much more harsh criticism than I think the man deserves, the thing that really hurt me in your statement, and the real reason for my writing this letter, was your complete condemnation--if not damnation-- of the state of Georgia and the people of Georgia. If you are so "ashamed" of the state of Georgia after this nomination, then why don't you leave there? Why don't you have the courage to back your convictions as Mr. Maddox has? I have a feeling that you might have been playing to the so-called liberal elements of Atlanta when you so castigated the state of Georgia for nominating a man of such stern conservative principles. If it was not for this reason, then why did you condemn the state of Georgia such as you did? What did such a statement accomplish? What good did it do? You, yourself, were the only one who stood to gain from such verbal extremism. If it was not to improve your position at the voting booth in Atlanta, was it to improve or confirm your image before those so-called liberals outside the state of Georgia, such as Abraham Ribicoff, Bob Kennedy, Jacob Javits, and others of that ilk whom you so impressed at the recent committee hearings in Washington? --the same hearings that were turned into a political circus, as witness the questioning of the Mayor of Los Angeles. Did it ever dawn on you, Mr. Allen, that you might have only been used at these hearings and that you might have only been bait for some other political fish being sought after by the politicians who conducted these hearings?

If you want to disagree with or oppose Mr. Maddox, then that is your right. But don't condemn the people of Georgia and be "ashamed" of them for expressing the democratic right to nominate a candidate of their choice. You are actually condemning the democratic processes of this country by going on national television to let the rest of the nation know that through your lofty judgement you are now "ashamed" of the people of Georgia, even though a great majority of them think that you are wrong. Your ill-considered statement hurt the great state of Georgia, and it hurt me, as a Georgian, and I want to let you know, Mr. Allen, that I am ashamed of you. It is just such statements as this that inflame the rest of the country against the south. I do not agree all the way with Governor Wallace of Alabama, but he certainly understands, better than do you, the distorted views that others have of the south, and he is to be commended for trying to straighten some of the distortions rather than contributing to them as you have just done. Believe me, the state of Georgia is to be praised, not condemned. It is one of the best.

copy:
Mr. Lester Maddox

Yours very truly,

John R. Peterson

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October 5, 1966.

A. D. ANDERSON, PRESIDENT
R. LACOSTE, VICE-PRESIDENT
G. L. LEBON, EXEC-SECY.

Mayor Ivan Allen Jr.,
ATLANTA, Ga.

Sir;

Thomas Jefferson, founder of the Democratic party, and Abraham Lincoln, founder of the Republican party, were both white men and segregationists to their last breath! Read Jefferson's autobiography written in 1821 a few years before his death. A copy is attached herewith.

If God and Nature did not segregate white, black and yellow races, why are there biological differences from the top of the head to the bottom of the feet, internally and externally, if one race and one color were intended?

There is a mountain of evidence thruout the world---facts not anybody opinions---proving that the black negroid race is a separate distinct and inferior race to the white and yellow races. The white and yellow races stand on their own feet independently, why cant the blacks do likewise? Why does a black child have to sit next to a white child in order to acquire an education? The yellow child does not require that. There are no negroes in Japan or China.

The negro is unquestionably entitled to EQUAL RIGHTS---BUT SEPARATE COMPLETELY SEPARATE. That is his birthright under the laws of God and Nature, but it is not his birthright to mix with the white or yellow races.

Men like you, Weltner, LBJ, HHH, RFK, Ralph Magill et al. are traitors to the basic laws of God and Nature, traitors to the founders of the Democratic and Republican parties, and every man who signed the Declaration of Independence and Constitution---all 95 of them including George Washington---were WHITE MEN AND SEGREGATIONISTS. All of you should be expelled and you should join the NAACP, CORE, Black Panthers or some negro party that befits your beliefs.

THE WAR HAS JUST BEGUN! There can never be any compromise with the vicious unnatural, unGodly crime of racial integration by any white American worthy of his heritage!

G. L. LeBon

Exec.Secy.

gllhp.Enc.

A Declaration by the Representatives of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in General Congress assembled.

When in the course of human events it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth the separate and equal station to which the laws of nature & of nature's god entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to ~~the~~ ^{the} separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, independent, that they are endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, & the pursuit of happiness; that to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed; that whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, & to institute new government, laying its foundation on such principles & organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety & happiness. prudence indeed will dictate that governments long established should not be changed for light & transient causes: and accordingly all experience hath shewn that mankind are more disposed to suffer while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. but when a long train of abuses & usurpations [beginning at a distinguished period] & pursuing invariably the same object, evinces a design to reduce them to ~~under~~ ^{under} absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such government, & to institute new guards for their future security, such has been the patient sufferance of these colonies; & such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former systems of government. the history of the present ~~King of Great Britain~~ ^{King of Great Britain} is a history of unnumbered injuries and usurpations, [among which, ~~appears no solitary fact~~ ^{appears no solitary fact}] to contradict the uniform tenor of the rest, ~~all of which~~ ^{all of which} have in direct object the establishment of an absolute tyranny over these states. to prove this, let facts be submitted to a candid world, [for the truth of which we pledge a faith yet unswerving by falsehood]

Autobiography of THOMAS JEFFERSON dated January 6, 1821. (fac. page 51) (died July 4, 1826, age 83)

The bill on the subject of slaves, was a mere digest of the existing laws respecting them, without any intimation of a plan for a future and general emancipation. It was thought better that this should be kept back, and attempted only by way of amendment, whenever the bill should be brought on. The principles of the amendment, however, were agreed on, that is to say, the freedom of all born after a certain day, and deportation at a proper age. But it was found that the public mind would not yet bear the proposition, nor will it bear it even at this day. Yet the day is not distant when it must bear and adopt it, or worse will follow. Nothing is more certainly written in the book of fate, than that these people are to be free; nor is it less certain that the two races, equally free, cannot live in the same government. Nature, habit, opinion have drawn indelible lines of distinction between them. It is still in our power to direct the process of emancipation and deportation, peaceably, and in such slow degree, as that the evil will wear off insensibly, and their place be, *pari passu*,¹ filled up by free white laborers. If, on the contrary, it is left to force itself on, human nature must shudder at the prospect held up. We should in vain look for an example in the Spanish deportation or deletion of the Moors. This precedent would fall far short of our case.

I consider four of these bills, passed or reported, as forming a system by which every fibre would be eradicated of ancient or future aristocracy; and a foundation laid for a government truly republican. The recent the accumulation of families, and preserve them more and more absorbed in their own geniture, and equal part of feudal and unnatural distinctions.

First published 1829 by Jefferson's grandson Thomas Jefferson Randolph. Again published by Special Act of Congress 1853. Original manuscript in National Archives, Washington.

1. On an equal basis.



GEN. IVAN IGNATIEVICH YAKUBAVSKI of Russia, second from left, chats with **GEN. PAUL FREEMAN**, commander of the U. S. Army in Europe, on arriving at Heidelberg, West Ger-
 Note-U.S.Army Honor guard. 7 negroes, 2 white.

—AP WIREPHOTO via radio from Frankfurt.
 many. Soviet Army commander in East Ger-
 many, Gen. Yakubavski was returning a visit paid
 to him in East Berlin last June by Gen. Freeman.
 In background is U. S. honor guard.



RUSSIAN SOLDIERS MARCH to the Soviet war memorial in West Berlin for ceremonies marking the 45th anniversary of the 1917 Communist
 Note--Russian Army in Berlin. No negroes.

—AP WIREPHOTO
 revolution. In the background is a tank that is
 part of the memorial.

IS RACIAL INTEGRATION AND INTERMARRIAGE, RIGHT OR WRONG? WHAT IS THE TRUTH?

DO YOU KNOW THAT:

George Washington and every man who signed the Declaration of Independence and Constitution - all 95 of them - were white men and segregationists?

Jefferson, founder of the Democratic Party, and Lincoln, founder of the Republican party, were both segregationists to their last breath?

Dr. Albert Schweitzer, who spent fifty years in Africa with the negro, finally said: "At no time in foreseeable future will the negro ever be fit for self-government"?

If God and Nature did not segregate white, black and yellow, why are there anatomical differences from the top of the head to the bottom of the feet, internally and externally, if segregation was not intended?

There are more negroes in the U.S. than any other nation on earth, including Africa, with only two exceptions, Nigeria and Brazil?

There is not one steamship, motorship, submarine, airplane, automobile, locomotive, railroad, bridge, dam, skyscraper, steel or textile mill, chemical or electronic laboratory, machine tool factory or any other kind of factory worth the name in Africa, or anywhere else on earth, that was ever designed and built by negroes? Whites and yellows build and design all these things, independently. Why can't the black race do likewise?

All the pianos, trombones, trumpets, drums and other musical instruments played by negroes, were invented and are manufactured by the white and yellow races? There are no negro musical instrument factories?

All the baseballs, footballs, basketballs, etc. used by negroes, as well as the games, were invented and manufactured by whites?

Crime, especially juvenile crime, is almost unknown in San Francisco's Chinatown, a yellow "ghetto". Crime in negro areas are highest in the nation.

There is not one negro nation in Africa, where brick and mortar have been put together, without the aid of the white man?

These, and many other fantastic facts that are being evaded, distorted and suppressed are in the book "WHY RACIAL INTEGRATION IS A VICIOUS CRIME AND WHY IT WILL DESTROY THE U.S. IF NOT REJECTED".

AT YOUR BOOKSTORE, or \$1 postpaid, JEFFERSON-LINCOLN AMERICANS, Inc.
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2819 Harris Street
East Point, Georgia
October 4, 1966

The Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.,
Mayor of Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen:

Since hearing your speech after the election run-off on last Wednesday, I have talked to many people. Everyone I've talked to feels that you certainly stepped "out of place" when you spoke for the State of Georgia, especially since the people had just been to the polls to speak for themselves. The number of people who voted for Mr. Maddox clearly showed how the people of Georgia feel--and, after all, that is why we have an election.

The speech you made was not for the people of our state but to further your own cause in Washington.

I don't recall Mr. Maddox (or anyone else) making such derogatory remarks when you were elected to the office of mayor of Atlanta. Many people, like myself, felt you were not the kind of man they would want for mayor, when you were elected, but they accepted the voice of the ballot and hoped you'd show just what you could do--and you did just that last Wednesday.

When a man, in your position, is "too small" to take the results of the vote cast by the people at the polls, without using that position to try to hurt and lower that man, just because he does not agree with him (and many do not agree with you), then he does not need to be heading a high office as mayor of a large city. Because the majority of our state voted differently, to you and your followers, does not mean that your vote and choice was the only one that counted and that everyone else is wrong.

The fact that you came into wealth and prestige without having to struggle for it does not mean that most of us are so fortunate. Mr. Maddox earned what he has and through the federal government lost much of it. Had the same thing happened to you, I'm sure your feelings would have been the same, but I doubt that you'd have had the courage to stand up and fight---as did Lester Maddox.

As our Democratic nominee for governor of Georgia, Mr. Maddox is due, from you, the same courtesy and support that the people of Atlanta gave to you. If you are the man that Atlanta can be proud to call its mayor, you will apologize to Mr. Maddox and offer your support and co-operation in the up-coming election.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Kesta Chambers

1349 North Highland Avenue, NE
Atlanta, Georgia 30306
6 October 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

I was shocked by the vitrolic denunciation of your attack on Lester Maddox. I, too, voted for Ellis Arnold but I cannot help but believe there must be some good in the man to obtain such a majority in the run-off.

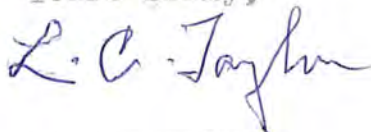
Your description of Mr. Maddox was hitting below the belt-- not only Maddox, but also the 450,000 voters.

There has always been mud-slinging in politics but, after he has been nominated, most all true Democrats will support the nominee.

Abraham Lincoln, also without a liberal education, became one of our greatest Presidents.

I think your remarks about Mr. Maddox was unbecoming an educated man and Mayor of a great city.

Yours truly,



L. C. Taylor

cc:
Lester Maddox
Atlanta Constitution

2643 Humphries Street
East Point, Georgia

October 4, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Mr. Mayor:

On Thursday evening, September 29, 1966, the Atlanta Journal printed on page two an article attributed to you regarding the election of Lester Maddox as the Democratic nominee for Governor.

As a private citizen and elected public official, you are entitled to your opinion but I must take exception to both your attitude and published statement.

On September 28, 1966, I exercised my constitutional right as a citizen and voted in the run-off election. You have now intimated that I am either ignorant, prejudiced, a reactionary or a Republican. I am none of these, and I have taken your choice of words to be a personal insult to my judgment and freedom to vote as I see fit.

It appears to me that a written apology is in order unless you can substantiate your allegations with more than an opinion.

I anxiously await your reply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Walla McDaniel". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "M".

Walla McDaniel

Mayor Ivan Allen
City Hall
Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. Allen,

I am writing in protest to a statement that you made on T.V. after the election runoff. You stated that anyone who voted for Lester Maddox was an idiot or very ignorant. I voted for him and I am not ashamed of it. I feel that I was very wise in doing so and all who voted for him used good sense. The people of Georgia had a choice and they made it. Who are you to stand up and call people ignorant? I've always been told that it takes an idiot to know one. I think you made an idiot out of yourself by proclaiming this statement.

What kind of Georgian are you to get mad at people for the way they voted? Have you forgotten that this is America?

Maddox will stand up for what he believes in and what the freedom loving people believe in. He will not let us down as you and all the others who have run for different offices. Everyone makes all kind of promises before they get in but after they are elected they do not live up to them. We do not feel that Maddox will break his promises that is why the majority of us voted for him.

I believe that Maddox will get a lot more votes in the General Election now that you said what you did, and what the papers are saying.

You also said that you were going fishing on election day.

This goes to show Atlanta and all of Georgia what kind of Democrat you are. What about the pledge? Maybe you will do like Charles Weltner. I suppose a lot of people would be happy if you would. I don't know what you are afraid of, but it is about time that Georgia got a Governor that would back the people.

I am thankful that I don't live in the city of Atlanta, but I am also thankful that I am a Georgian.

You offered a \$10,000.00 reward for information leading to the arrest of the one guilty of shooting the Negro, but how much did you offer toward the arrest of the ones guilty of hurting your policemen. It looks to me like you show more love for the rioters than you do for your police force. If you had used the money you offered for reward to give the firemen a raise Atlanta would be better off. Looks like you would take Kings advice and put them back to work, since you've taken his advice before.

I think people like you who are against Maddox should give him a chance, then talk about him. Who knows, he might make one of the best Governors we have ever had.

His mind might change about a lot of things, he might pass a law where your kind of people (Negroes) can move in with you.

I believe the people of Georgia are tired of people like you, Sanders, L.B.J., and the Communist. They want some real full blooded Americans who will represent the freedom loving people, someone who is not afraid to stand up and fight for everyones

rights, and not try to push things that are unjust down their throats.

I am a Democrat and will continue to be one as long as we have people like Maddox running for offices, but should a time come when there is no fit subject running for the Democratic party then I would vote Republican if that person running could match up with Maddox.

The American Soldier is fighting in Viet Nam against Communism and yet there is a lot of it here in America. The Communist are setting back laughing at us because of people like you.

Sincerely,

Someone from Maddox Country.

Loganville, Ga;
Sept. 29th. 1966.

Mayor Ivan Allen,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Mr. Mayor:-

I have just listened to your unjust, unwarranted, hypocritical statement concerning Hon. Lester Maddox and his great political victory in the Sept. 28th. primary for the Governorship of Georgia. This was the people of Georgias victory just as Mr. Maddox indicated. I voted for him and have been working for his election all summer as our customers came to my farm for peaches and I consider your remarks an insult to the intelligence of we people, who refuse to be dominated by King, LBJ, Weltner, Little Ralph, Patterson, Hugh S. Hartsfield, Allen and other integrationist, who with the help of press and radio and TELEVISION are responsible for the disrespect for law and order in our country today, since these sources have made of themselves professional agitators trying to force conditions on these citizens, who supported and voted for Mr. Maddox that you do not honor in your own household and family relations.

We would like to see LBJ impeached, since he and his misguided henchmen are responsible for the ill will and chaos prevailing between negroes and whites today and he has finished bankrupting this country and is now well on the way to destroying its manpower in the mud holes of Viet-Nam. Guess you noticed that his popularity had declined to a mere 50%. Just for the record it has been 0 with me a long time. He will wind up next election day with his demagogues and SOCIAL EQUALS on the one side and good citizens who believe in constitutional government (not supreme court government) individual initiative and respect for individual rights on the other and we have just experienced what happens to dictatorial influences when the people speak.

Yours very truly,



John A. Cown

Copy

Loganville, Ga;
Oct. 4th. 1966.

Private Citizen, Chas. Shortsighted Weltner,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Sir:-

We think your withdrawal from the Congressional race was the best news we people, who elected Hon. Lester Maddox have heard since Mr. Maddox won the run-off in the primary to represent we people in the Governors seat of our state.

People here generally are in disagreement with you and the fact that you voted for the cantankerous civil rights bill, they knew you won your seat in Congress originally by and thru the negre vote wich you admitted, too we know you replaced one of the most outstanding Congressmen Georgia has ever produced in conservative Davis, who fought for a balanced budget and proposed legislation to pay one billion dollars on the national debt which would have staved off inflation that is now a reality.

We are confident that you shve been assured by LBJ that you will be taken care of, since you have been right under his shirt-tail ever since you went to Washington.

Congratulations on your decision to get out. We are going to stick by Hon. Lester Maddox and show you, Ivan, Little Ralph, Hartfelt, Patter-son, Spalding, Big Lip Zing, The Television, its Fermentaters and Press how intolerant the big bosses can be. It was the height of intolerance for the Atlanta Journal and Constitution to editorially try to inject themselves into the run-off on the last days, telling the people why they believed we people should follow their lead in supporting Ellis Arnold and reject Hon. Lester Maddox, a man, who was unduly chagrined and chastized by the government he supported with his tax dollars, because he would'nt. bow to the Almighty LBJ and unconstitutional laws and decisions of 9 men for whom we have no respect.

What is Happening? CHACS instigated by a bigot trying to complete the bankrupting of this country to passify the poor and afflicted all over God's world while he piles up his millions and the rich get richer and the poor get poorer, individual initiative is cast overboard and the Great Society pledges itself to ROCKING CHAIR SECURITY FROM THE CHADLE TO THE GRAVE.

Can you picture a Government so stupid that it pays subsidy payments on cotton that wasn't even planted when its national debt is approx imately 325 billions of dollars and our boys are dieing for a lost cause? You stated today "You believed LBJ would go down in history as one of our great Presidents." Unless we miss our guess he will go down in history as its greatest spendthrift, disorganizer and dictator promoting discord and bad relations in our citizenry, trying to force on good citizens his Social Equal theory, that he nor his steoges naméd above accept on an equal basis for themselves, or their sons and daughters.

Thank you again for getting out of the Congressional race, in view of a rainbow with LBJ and his Social Equal Society.

Yours very truly,

John A. Cown
John A. Cown

Hon. Mr. Allen, Mayor,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir:-

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 \$1,000,000 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.

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 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 gall of a bullock, the brains of an hyena and the brains of a peacock. He died at last by dint of this own energies, which exhausted him. (heart)

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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 vapentibam. "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 ?

"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 Carroll. 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 ^{from} Benjamin ^{was} 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 ^{has} 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".

Atlanta--Monday-- 7 P.M.--October 4, 1966

May Or All-in, Ivan The Great:

Please announce to the press that you will be the coordinator for LeRoy Johnson in his campaign to run for Congress.

Samp Hppkins is our choice for public relations man or the writer to prepare handouts.

You helped us smash Ellis Arnall when the Atlanta papers said you were pbesent in Newnan for the barbecue.

Thousands of people of Georgia are laughing at you besides the vote getter Hon. Lester Maddox, a Christian gentleman.

Lester came up the hard way and had to work when a young man to help feed the family. He's a good business man.

Your were brought up in the lap of luxury. Never have you been hun- gry except for power--political and financial power.

Arnal said the shore was dimly seen

Before the primary date the score was ~~#####~~ seen plainly

May Or All-in, YOU, Ralph, Gene, Goldsten, Dick, Martin Luther, LeRoy, Sylvan Myer at Gainesville, enabled us to defeat the Newman Bragger.

Don't welt because Charles saw the score in advance.

Madcats,

Decatur, Ga
Oct 4, 1966

Mayor, Allen ✓
Atlanta Ga
Dear Sir: -

Just want you to know the remarks
over television you made about Mr. Maddox
were very unreasonable and uncalled for.
If you would only consider it you have
called about 1/2 million people ignorant and
you the only one with any common sense.

I think for your own good and the good
of our State that you should go on television
again and take back all you have said.

I think I know and believe you do to the
reason you were forced to make such a
statement.

of Mr. Maddox

Yours Very Truly

Walter R. Andrews
3279 Covington Hwy
Decatur Ga

Detroit, Michigan
September 29, 1966

Hon. Ivan Allen
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

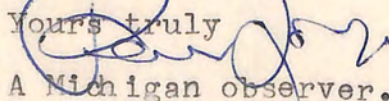
A local psychiatrist, upon viewing your impassioned condemnation of Lester Maddox, says you have lost contact with your surroundings, and show a degeneration of personality. He happened to be looking at your TV appearance.

He suggests fear, following long morbid brooding, based on some probable deviation for which you have a guilt dread caused you to exceed self control in your attitude.

He also analyzed one of the subordinate motives as a fear of reprisal by those who elevated you to public office, should you not continue in the direction you embraced in order to gain favor originally.

He suggests that your failure to recognize the mood of your community, and that with an all-out abandon you have adopted a defiance instead of compliance.

He says Atlanta will desert you and then politically destroy you and those who erected the structure you erected there

Yours truly

A Michigan observer.

Your abandoned and malignant attack on the voters, he says, marks the end of public confidence in you.

Atlanta, GA
Oct 3rd, 1966

Dear Mr Mayor:
I want to thank you for the
plug you put in for Lester
Madrox last week on TV.

That was one of the
dirtiest speeches I have ever
heard.

I happen to be
one of the thousands of people
(ignorant should I say) who
voted for Mr Madrox. So

we are ignorant? you are
dumb or you would have
realized your speech was

way out of line - your
speech was beneath the
dignity of the Mayor of

Atlanta. You should
have been out fishing

the day you made that
speech, for your own good.

Do you realize you
wouldn't be Mayor of

of Atlanta today, except for
the fact white people were
not as alert at the time.
Believe me, we (white people)
realize the importance of
voting today. We were not
aware of the situation when
you went in as Mayor -
try again and you will
see the white people are
aware of the situation
you, Martin Luther and the
Atlanta Journal cannot
control every thing -
white people can still
vote - from one of the
thousands of ignorant
voters -

Boston, Mass.

Oct, 3, 1966

Dear Mr. Allen,

I would like to speak out for the citizens of our state, concerning your recent remarks about our decision in the run-off of last week. We are not as stupid or ignorant as you might think. The biggest majority of the people of this area only voted for Lester Maddox to remove Ellis Arnall from the November ballot. If you want to know what we think, it is a stupid thing to get into a mob of demonstrators to try to reason anything out. To do this, seems to me, would endanger one's life. Don't underestimate your fellow Georgians. We are as intelligent as people anywhere.

Sincerely,

Mrs. William Shelton

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JENA, LOUISIANA

9-30-66

Mr Allen:

your big mouth is going to get
you beat the next time you run.
If ignorance, prejudice & etc won for
Mr Maddy there is a lot of them
in La, I think maybe when the
nigger in shoots you off that Car
they must have done something to
your Head - Hutt? - Have you had
it looked at.

Esso

DR. D. S. REESE
401 PEOPLES BANK BUILDING
CARROLLTON, GA.

October 1, 1966

Mr. Ivan Allen
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir:

I am so very disappointed in you, as I knew you in your work with Boy Scouts. My opinion of you was such a good one and I thought you to be a good Christian gentleman. I think your work would be harmful to Boy Scouts now.

To my knowledge, I have never met nor seen Mr. Lester Maddox. I heard part of his speech over WSB, Tuesday before election. I am sure you heard him or knew what he said.

I have talked to a number of people today. Some of them are as fine Christian people as I've ever known. After hearing you, these people all say they will endorse what Lester Maddox said.

One Christian lady told me that she and her husband were at a ball game in Atlanta several nights ago. Two men and a woman on seat behind them were drinking with rowdy disturbance. She said they could not enjoy the game, as well as other people who were seated around them. The woman who sat between the two men went to the rest room. While **she** was gone the men planned some lies to tell their wives. These men were bragging of their family and professional standing. One of the men was an eye specialist.

Another patient from Bowdon was in my office today and said almost the same thing happened to he and his wife except the party was in front of them. I heard a salesman who lives in Atlanta tell a group in my office a few weeks ago that he personally knew Mr. Maddox and that he was one of the finest Christian gentlemen he knew and that Mr. Maddox would get down any time to help an unfortunate up.

I wish you could visit the Carroll County Prison with me and see the results of what has happened to homes as a result of wrong leadership.

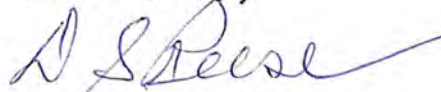
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Do you consider it honorable to endorse what is going on there? Are you proud of what you said about the good people who voted for Lester Maddox.

I don't think you and the Atlanta papers have any right to call the one third million good people who voted for Mr. Maddox such low types as you are doing.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "D.S. Reese". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

D.S. Reese, M.D.

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~~Person~~

✓ Dear Sir:

Did you really say this? If you did, I answer you thus:

The State of Georgia is its people--not,
necessarily, its politicians.

And it isn't up to the politicians to tell
the people how to vote.

When you say that the "seal of the great State
of Georgia lies tarnished," you are maligning
the people of Georgia.

For the people are the ones who voted for
Lester Maddox.

Like most politicians of your ilk, you smugly
believe in the old saw "papa knows best."

This time, my friend, the people decided they
knew best.

Bust your gut at your convenience; the people
couldn't care less.

Walter Mitty.

Doraville, Ga.

Oct. 1st 1966.

Mayor Ivan Allen.

Sir:

I for one, believe you and others should be careful of the statements you are making about Lester Maddox, trying to mislead the people of Ga. The people of Ga. are not stupid nor ignorant. We know, if Mr. Maddox wasn't qualified for governor of Ga. he couldn't have been in the race. He was the only man in the race, that included God. So - you see - God was in this election. God used, what many of you thought, was weak, over, what many of thought was the mighty, and strong. There is not any thing impossible with God -

Praise His name!!

Lester Maddox is a fine upright, truthful Christian man. He believes in freedom, liberty, and justice for all people. God is his partner, and he will make Ga. the best governor we've had in a long time. He will not shirk his duty. - we truly need men like him for leadership in times like these -

Respt.

Mr. G. P. Taylor

Sept-30-1966

Mr. Ivan Allen, Jr.
City Hall
Atlanta, Ga.

My Dear Sir;

Prior to your statement about the Democratic nominee I would have addressed you as Honorable Mayor, but the statement that you made has reduced your statue in the eyes of many. Your statement was so similar to the one made by Dr. Martin Luther King, and came after his statement I wonder if he did not direct your statement.

Mr. Allen, I cannot see how you can call approximately 490,000 voters in Georgia ignorant, and not responsible for their actions. I am afraid that your statement has done a lot of damage to the business people of Atlanta, as the remainder of Georgia looks to Atlanta as an ideal shopping center, and no one likes to be told they are ignorant, and irresponsible.

Could it be that you are still hurt over the irresponsible Democratic Nominee securing more white votes than you did in The Mayors election??.

The fish will be biting good in November, and you will be making another mistake if you do not go fishing while the irresponsible people of Georgia go to the POLLS. If the fish keep their mouths closed, as you should have done you will have to go by the fish market before you return home.

Truly Yours.


D.H. Blanchard.

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Mayor Ivan Allen
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir:

Your statements regarding the nomination of Lester Maddox are disgusting, what you called the people of Georgia shows what type of men you are, what I called you when you ran for office as Mayor was the truth ~~and~~ and now the truth has come out.

I would not attempt to call the people who voted against Mr Maddox such labels as you pinned on those who voted for Mr Maddox, even though I think they are wrong, but I will tell you that those who did vote for Mr Maddox are most likely all patriotic citizens who believe in our wonderful Constitution, and are protesting the twisting, by-passing and violating of it, the principles of our founders and the rights of the people as a whole. I have considerable knowledge of Mr Maddox and I know he believes as I do in the strict adherence to the Constitution and not in those who wish to destroy it such as liberals, radicals of the left, Communists and fellow travelers, none of these can be a patriotic American with their views.

My advice to you is to study the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution not as a liberal, radical, Communist, fellow traveler, or politician who would sell his soul to get elected, but just as a plain patriotic American who believes in the principles of our Founding fathers and their wonderful document, God bless Mr Maddox and may he live long and have the strength to destroy the efforts of the evils forced on us by the radicals who are destroying our country. Yours truly,

George Ross

October 1, 1966

Office of the Mayor
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen:

I have held off writing you concerning your statements regarding the recent Democratic run off, hoping you might possibly make a public apology.

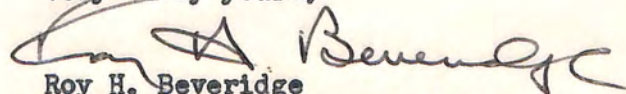
Over 400,000 Georgians voted for Mr. Maddox. He is one of the few who has taken a stand against the so-called "Great Society" and has worked his way to this point without any help and with a lot of opposition. I am amazed to have read these comments made by you.

Mr. Mayor, what were your qualifications for your present job, before your election?

The experts seem unable to understand how Mr. Maddox won. It is my personal opinion that the public suddenly became fed up with the Cox newspapers and radio station WSB trying to influence them. Then after the selection, came Mayor Allen's comments and they are now sure they did the right thing. We have had enough.

I am glad I am a resident of Sandy Springs and that we voted against joining you in your City of Atlanta, because if there have been any "tarnished seals" you have certainly brought disgrace to the City of Atlanta.

Very truly yours,



Roy H. Beveridge
6060 Peachtree Dunwoody Road
Sandy Springs, Georgia 30328

Atlanta, Georgia
October 1, 1966

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

Dear Mayor Allen:

No doubt you have already heard of the people's unfavorable reaction to your speech on T. V., last Thursday night, against our newly-elected Governor, calling the people who voted for him, "IGNORANT". This will not soon be forgotten.

I rode the bus into Atlanta, Friday morning, and the topic of conversation, among my fellow-passengers, was your speech and your derogatory remarks against Mr. Maddox. One woman passenger, who appeared to be in her middle seventies, said "In all my life, I have never seen as much venom in a man's eyes as you had in yours during your speech against our choice for the next Governor of Georgia." As in the case of the Atlanta Newspapers, W. S. B., every knock, the people reacted the same - EVERY KNOCK TO MR. MADDOX WAS A BOOST.

If former Mayor Hartsfield saw all the hatred, bitterness and jealousy displayed during your speech, he will change his mind about "THE PEOPLE OF ATLANTA BEING TOO BUSY TO HATE."

Mr. Mayor, instead of your worrying about the seal of our great state of Georgia being tarnished, by the people's choice for our next Governor of the state of Georgia, you had better be worrying about the tarnish to you, due to that unjust speech you made against Mr. Maddox and the people of the state of Georgia, which will not rub off, even if you used one of Mr. Maddox's pick handles.

Mr. Mayor, you should have let Martin Luther King make his own speech if you intend to ever run for public office again, because the speech in question neither won you any votes nor influenced the people. You left out part of Martin's speech - the part where he said that Mr. Maddox's being elected Governor made him sorry that he is a Georgian. Thousands of Georgians share his sentiments - for we, too, are sorry that he is a Georgian.

I have never had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Maddox, but I feel sure that he is a Christian, standing up for what we all know in our hearts is right. Mr. Maddox is the Horatio Alger-type, having worked hard all his life to make this world a better place in which to live. I have always voted for Mr. Maddox, and will continue to do so.

Mr. Allen, you have shown the firemen of the city of Atlanta no consideration whatsoever. All the firemen I know have to work at two jobs to earn a living, but you wouldn't know anything about that, would you?

Happy fishing to you and Martin Luther, come voting day, NOVEMBER 8th.
Mr. Maddox will have enough votes without yours and Martin's to win.

I would like to sign off, for now, with this little poem:

"THERE IS A DESTINY THAT MAKES US BROTHERS

NONE GOES HIS WAY ALONE.

ALL THAT WE SEND INTO THE LIVES OF OTHERS

COMES BACK INTO OUR OWN."

Think about this poem when dealing with our city firemen, won't you?

Sincerely

(Mrs.) Grace Rice

(Mrs.) Grace Rice -
Atlanta, Georgia

October 2, 1966

Mr. I. Allen
Mayor of Atlanta.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Allen.

If You knew how ridiculous You sounded, when You spoke of Honourable Mr. Maddox, You would not have done same.

Many of us feel, that You not only owe an apology to Mr. Maddox, but also to many that preferred him, to any other candidate.

While nobody is trying to take away ^{any rights} from no-one, Mr. Maddox and many of us think, that white people have some rights also, which he will try to preserve for us.

Am enclosing two of Mr. Maddox's auto stickers, one for Your car, and one for Your FRONT DOOR, use them.

A fine democrat You turned out to Be

Its a pity, that Your friends, where not able to stamp You properly, the other day at the stadium.

Copy to Mr. Maddox

A.L. SUSSMANN
Estes Road, Rt 2.
College Park, Ga.

Truly

A.L. Sussmann

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Sept 30, 1966
Mayor Ivan Allen Jr
City Hall
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr Allen -

Have you given thought of -
that great to Marrow when you will stand
before a greater power much higher than
we are facing to day? you will not be
able to criticize and humiliate your
fellowman as you are doing today. remember
that day is not in the past but the future.
we know not the hour or day.

Your day is sure to come when
you will answer for every idle word you
have spoken. Mr Mayor who are you
to judge Mr Lester Maddox or any
voter in the State of Georgia that voted
for Mr Maddox? Remember you were
put in office by vote, you certainly did
think we Georgians were qualified to vote
on your day.

I am a registered voter in the
State of Georgia and have been for a long long
time. I'll always stand behind my State and

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government, but not for people who prove themselves ungrateful and unworthy.

Like the great majority of people of Georgia Mr Maddox wasn't born with a silver spoon in his mouth, Mr Mayor I really think he has more brain than you have given him credit for having. Who are you or I to Judge? Please remember your money will not buy you a railway ticket to Heaven or a reserved seat.

God knows your heart, ^{mine} please don't try to pretend, we never gain anything being dishonest or rude to others.

Be honest with your self, your fellowman regardless of race color or creed rich or poor always willing to help your neighbor. Are you? Please search your heart today, have you treated your fellowman right? Did you put God first and self last?

I have my first time to hear any of our leaders of Georgia who hold high office, with the exception of you Mr Mayor stand Mr Maddox, or like voters of the State of Georgia, whom you depend solely upon for your job. I have this to say to you Mr Mayor and want you to thoroughly understand we voters of Georgia

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Are not as ignorant as you say we are, and I'm sure we will never forget you as Mayor of the great City of Atlanta.

Have you a Clear Conscience about the way you have treated the — employees of your City? Men who have given, some, of them the better years of their life in your service. Good Men, Conscientious Men who loved the City of Atlanta, its people and their job — we the public are watching your every move.

I thank God today he is still sitting on his throne and in the mist of all the Meetings you "are holding against these employees" "He is Judge over all".

Thank you Mr Mayor
"A Voter"

1830 Peachtree Road N. W.,
Atlanta, Georgia, 30309,
October 2, 1966.

Honorable Ivan Allen Jr.,
City Hall,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Mayor Allen:

If I could have my choice Mr. Maddox would not be Georgia's next Governor, but thanks to you and Ellis Arnall, I am almost certain that he will be occupying the new mansion next year. Mr. Arnall's strike below the belt gave him many thousands of votes which no doubt was responsible for his large victory in the run off, and followed by a similar blow on your part is sufficient to place him in the Governor's chair.

If I understood you correctly, you also saw fit to classify all of the people who voted for Mr. Maddox as extremist, biased and ignorant. It has in the past seemed to be very proper for a block of ignorant and biased people to vote for you. If I would hazard a guess you would have never been Mayor of Atlanta had it not been for the negro block vote, which certainly can be classed as biased if not ignorant. They may have had a perfect right to vote as they did, but this same right, without criticism, should be granted to other people.

There seems to be a great deal of criticism also about some republicans voting for Mr. Maddox. Granting this to be true, if the situation had been reversed, and these republicans had voted for Mr. Arnall would there have been much criticism by his followers-- I doubt it.

I hear a great deal these days about extremism. Just what is an extremist? An extremist seems to be a person that has views of his own and opposite to the person who yells extremist. If I remember correctly, Christ had no patience with a luke warm person or you might say a middle of the roader.

I am just an individual with no ax to grind-- just sitting on the side lines and trying to take in what transpires daily, and the above in a degree expresses my reaction.

Very sincerely,


Sidney L. Daniel.

Dorothy Murgatroyd

4046 GROVE AVENUE
WESTERN SPRINGS, ILLINOIS

September 29th 1966

Honorable Iwan Allen
Atlanta, Georgia

Honorable Sir,

The scathing denunciation of Republicans made this date, by you on television should not go unchallenged.

That Sir, is the party of Lincoln, a great war was fought (by gallant Americans on both sides) by his decree. Slavery was abolished but demagogues such as yourself exploited the negro.

You and your coterie of pseudo liberals sowed the wind and are now reaping the whirlwind.

Dorothy Murgatroyd
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October 3rd, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.
City Hall
Atlanta, Ga.

Your Honor the Mayor:

I consider your remarks concerning the election of Lester Maddox highly insulting and to use your own remarks, "irresponsible".

I have as much education, just as higher morals, and as an American Indian, I consider just as high a background as you have.

I voted for Lester Maddox and if you were anything at heart but a dictator you would be content for people to vote as they please.

Sincerely yours,
L.C. Stuart

L. C. Stuart

"A going church for a coming Lord"

330 East 126th Street
New York Ny 10035
Oct 1 - 66

Hon. J. Allen Jr.

I had read where L. G. Maddox had
now to Run for Gov of your Great City & State
But as my Reading the cutting and your
Honors statement that he is not qualified
& inexperienced I certainly do agree with
your Honor. Perhaps on Nov 8-66 Election
Day he will have many a the Polls with
at handly demanders that voters vote for
Maddox. In that case your Honor I am
sure no Colored voted for him & it must
be that the Whites all turned out to present
him. No question to me it seems there is
some thing fishy there & I was @ President
there I'd also go fishing on Nov 8-66. So at
close to your Honor & yours my highest
Respect

Yours truly
George Mc Cullough

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October 3, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Allen:

From your recent press conference, you implied that this is not a free country. You were very upset and made a lot of nasty remarks because the people voted of their own choice for Mr. Maddox in the primary election. Further, you said the majority of the people who voted for Mr. Maddox were illiterate and ignorant.

This is simply to advise I voted for Mr. Maddox, and even though I do not have a 180 I.Q., I don't believe I'm ignorant.

The people of Georgia do not respect you very much, and every time you and the Atlanta newspapers talk against Mr. Maddox, you are just adding more votes to his election.

You mentioned that Mr. Maddox was not qualified for the job. However, if you will recall, I don't think you were qualified for the Mayor's job when you went into office.

I realize you were under duress by your Negro voters and were trying to pacify them by remarking as you did. However, these remarks were certainly uncalled for.

Yours very truly,

Robert T. Starnes, Jr.
Resident Vice President

RTS/rp

September 30, 1966

His Honor The Mayor
Ivan Allen, Jr.,
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

Your tyrannous reaction and statement to the press, radio and TV on Lester Maddox's surprising victory in the Democratic Primary Run-Off on Thursday was malicious and very unbecoming for a high public official to make.

It is indeed unfortunate you cannot and did not accept the "will of the people" as graciously as did our Governor, Mr. Sanders and other high Democratic officials.

Thank God for the ballot box, we Georgians can still make our preference known, and I for one, don't consider myself stupid or ignorant. I voted for Mr. Maddox and am proud of it and shall do so again come November.

Ann R. Brooks
1503 North Decatur Road
Atlanta 7, Georgia

Ann R Brooks

Atlanta, Georgia
September 30, 1966

Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.
330 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

It may interest you to know that every time you open your mouth publicly that you throw at least 1,000 more votes toward Mr. Maddox. If you are truly concerned about the future of this state then take an extended tour of Europe until after the election.

The recent riots added greatly to Mr. Maddox's victory, also.

And if it gives you and other Negroes some masochistic pleasure to believe that all this is because of the white man's deep hatred for the Negro then by all means indulge yourselves, but don't set yourself up as a leader. There is an undercurrent of intense feelings and dissatisfactions running through the entire population, that is true. But it stems from many things, 1/100th of which may be a particular incident involving a Negro. People are angry about the high, high costs of living, about installment buying, about taxes, taxes, taxes, about government wastes, about the war. No matter how much they'd like to get off the merry-go-round they know they can't. They know that they must buy ever more and more to keep the economy rolling. They are constantly fed a diet of dissatisfactions through newspapers, magazines, television. In short the average citizen can't just sit down and just appreciate himself. He's pushed, pushed, pushed - toward what goal nobody knows.

The Negro merely becomes the object not the cause.

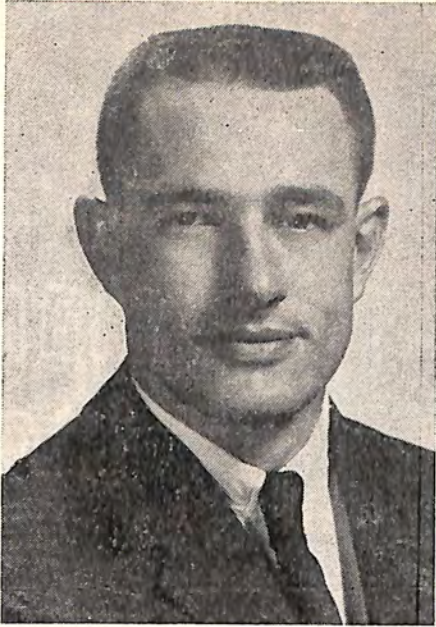
The election of Mr. Maddox was a symbol only of rebellion. The people of this state, however, don't really know how to think, so they don't even know what they are rebelling against. The need, though, to rebel is too great, and we are right now in a dire predicament, as you must surely realize.

Please take the time to really study the undercurrents in our population before you make any more public statements.

Sincerely,

A Native Georgian

C/O Mayor Ivan Allen



WALT DAVIS

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE POST 1

119TH DISTRICT

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



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

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I viewed with dismay your comments on CBS Reports 'Black Power-White Backlash,' Tuesday September 27, 1966.

Your remark that Georgia went Republican in 1964 "entirely" because of the white backlash was a most unfortunate, un-called for, irresponsible statement of the rankest sort.

Such a statement does great injustice to the Republican Party of Georgia in general and the people of Georgia in particular. Your inference seems to be only those votes with racial overtones were cast for Barry Goldwater. This is what all doctrinaire liberals would like to think. I personally feel you owe the people of Georgia an apology for your insinuation that they are not discerning voters.

I suggest to you Georgia went Republican in 1964 "Entirely" in repudiation of Lyndon Baines Johnson and Hubert Horatio Humphrey and their socialistic, welfare, giveaway schemes of the "Great Society."

I trust you realize the Republicanism borne in 1964 has also spawned hundreds of Republican Candidates throughout Georgia including the leading gubernatorial candidate. The full import of the 1964 birth of Republicanism will be felt Nov. 8, 1966 at the polls. See you there.


Sincerely,

Walt Davis

Walt Davis

WD:b

P.S. In view of recent Democratic nomination, suggest you vote Republican Nov. 8.




I consider this defamation of my character. I am a Democrat, a college graduate with highest honors and a successful business man and I voted for Maddox.

Lester Maddox built a \$500,000 business on his own. Your father gave you a job.

Your statement is beneath the dignity of the Mayor's office. Here is another display of your temper. I recall the time when you turned on the manager of the Henry Grady Hotel in a burst of anger.

I voted for you but never again!



Oct 1 1966.

To Major Allen
Atlanta Georgia
we heard your comments over
Television and we grieved to
find you against Jester Maddox
you intimate that Georgia will
be ruined because they reject
social Equality. How can social
Equality with Negras improve any
state,
we wish all white leaders had
the guts to stand out for total
segregation.

we admire any man who can see
what is good and bad for our
Country.

this interstation plan started
in the Roosevelt Era and has
prospered every since.
we are informed that Atlanta
has become liberal and
supports moderate views on
intergration and has been a

generation of negroes, to Chase Riots
and Race Hatred, both north and
south.

and white people will resent this
forced social mixing, just as the
Communist want them to do, and
we shall have more and more of
this - as they clamor for social
equality, goaded by Communist who
see this as the easiest way to take
over America.

this Civil Rights Bill, was conceived
and passed at the dictation of those
who must have been willing to
sell our Birth Right for a mess
of pottage, or else are blind to the
horrible chaos they have helped
to create.

we say with out reservations, that
the Devil is being well served
in Washington.

you claim the Seal of the State
of Georgia will be Tarnished

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I will say the seal of all our States had been Tarnished ever since we allowed the National Council of Churches to fool our churches to donate money to this organization. We fell down on the job. We True Americans. We swallowed the Communist Bait Socialism or we could not be Christians.

now we see the light. And we realize Socialism is a Trap and many well meaning people have been caught. but thank God not all of us are fooled.

now we see our danger. at first we seen through a glass darkly. God is angry at a sinful world. and is pouring out his wrath in divers places. our

Boys are being murdered in a
 no win war against Heathens,
 and their blood is on the hand of
 every man, who promotes and
 permits this war to continue
 in a limited ~~manner~~ manner
 and these men will and have
 lost their souls salvation.

do not condemn Lester Maddox
 he is right. God does not mean
 the races to mongrelize America.

we hope you see where you
 are wrong, in being on the
 side of a Godless Atheist hard
 who are helping destroy our
 country.

and the Chrsts shall be burned
 but not until all Christians
 are dead, you have a chance
 to repent. I am 80 years old
 and I know where the world
 stands to day.

Mrs Ada Davis.

ps if our president
wants to stop inflation
he should cut support to
all his great society
they are nothing. Schemes

but political schemes to
secure votes.

which we fear he shall not
require
not even the negro vote
they want power and plan
nominating a Communist
such as King or one
other negro militant
you white leaders,
are blind. or do not
real and revolution care
will be our portion a
bitter cup.

Mayor ~~James~~ Owen Allen
of Atlanta
Georgia

Greensboro, Ga.
Sept. 30, 1966

Ivan Allen, Mayor
City of Atlanta
Atlanta, Ga.

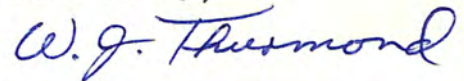
Dear Sir:

I believe you owe an apology to Governor-nominee Lester Maddox and the several hundred thousand Georgians who voted for him. Your post election statement with its intemperate, contemptible, and slurring remarks was deplorable and certainly lacking in wisdom, justice, or moderation.

The fact that this reckless statement was carried on nationwide television is a blot on the good name of the City of Atlanta.

It would have been far better to have suppressed your apparent bitter feeling of resentment that another Atlantan would beat you to the governor's mansion.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "W. J. Thurmond". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping "W" and a long, trailing "d".

W. J. Thurmond

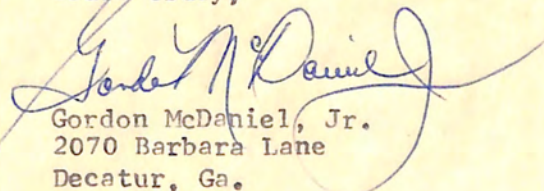
September 29, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.
Atlanta City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen;

It appears from your statement of this date that you have stooped to a depth of hate mongering that few leaders have matched in recent times. You are of course completely out of step with the wishes and desires with the great majority of Georgians. I believe your action of this date need a reconsideration and an apology to the people of Georgia and to our next Governor, Mr. Lester Maddox.

Yours truly,



Gordon McDaniel, Jr.
2070 Barbara Lane
Decatur, Ga.

GM: jm

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September 30, 1966

Mr. Ivan Allen
Office of the Mayor
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mayor:

On yesterday, Thursday the 29th, I listened with amazement to the television broadcast and read in the Washington Post this morning of your statement concerning the nomination of Mr. Lester Maddox as the Democratic candidate for Governor of Georgia.

While I am not a resident or a voter in your state, I cannot refrain, as a United States citizen and a voter of the State of North Carolina and one who all his life has been interested in and supported the Democratic party, from writing you to express my feelings with respect to your comments.

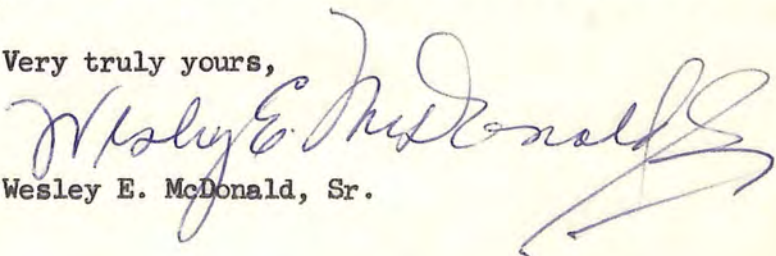
In my humble opinion, you have slandered and cast unfair aspersions on the intelligence, sense and honesty of purpose of over 425,000 citizens of Georgia who cast their votes for Mr. Maddox.

It is unfortunate that a public official such as yourself would take such an attitude and speak out in the manner that you have in the face of the strong mandate of the voters expressing their choice.

Your hasty and unwarranted expressions give a new insight into your extreme views and you certainly have disqualified yourself from any further public service by such derogatory comments about your own citizens.

I shall look forward with pleasure and anticipation to the time when you next seek re-election as the mayor of the fine city of Atlanta in the sincere hope that the "idiots, rabblers, fools", etc. as you described them, will pass judgment on you.

Very truly yours,


Wesley E. McDonald, Sr.

WEM;tp

September 30, 1966

Dear Mr. Mayor,

Shame on you for such an out-burst on NBC Television yesterday. Mr. Mayor I have seen you time and again braving the brickbats of the mobs in Atlanta, trying to restore order to your beautiful city. You have my complete support, and respect.

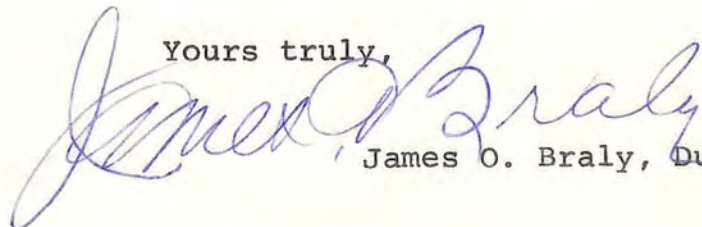
But goodness! Lester Maddox is not that bad! The entire country took their hats off to him for standing up to his constitutional rights in his battle with the Federal Government. He knew he would lose. I drove down to see a man who would sacrifice so much for his freedom. I talked with him a long time. We may not agree on everything, but God knows he was on solid legal ground.

Incompetent you say. Study the life of the great and respected Sen. George, of Eugene Townsend, and even Herman. Such epithets have been hurled at them, ~~and~~ and by men of greater stature than the present Mayor of Atlanta. Ignorant people voted for him, you cry. Were all 450,000 ignorant? Not many negroes in that crowd, Mr. Mayor.

Calm down, sir. It is some times bitter to see a political enemy rise to the top.

Lester was right, your statement sounded more like Brother King's.

Yours truly,



James O. Braly, Durant, Oklahoma

September 30, 1966
Augusta Ga.

Mayor Ivan Allen
City Hall
Atlanta Ga.

Dear Sir;

In reference to your recent statement you made concerning Mr. Lester Maddox (Democratic Nominee For Governor), I wish to enter a strong protest to you personally for your statement you made to the people of Ga. "that he was elected by the combined forces of ignorance, prejudice, reactionism, and the duplicity of many Republican voters". I wish to inform you that my right to vote is my God* given right of our Constitution and I consider my self not ignorant but three years of high school education here in Augusta, and it may be true that I do not have the political know-how in politics as you may possess and I consider it a disgrace to the people of our good state of Ga. for you to make a public statement "calling the people of Ga. ignorant because they voted for Mr. Maddox". In my opinion you owe the people of Ga. an apology for making a statement as that. I vote for whom I want to vote for and I certainly do not appreciate if some one called me ignorant because I did not vote for their hand picked candidate. I am a World War II veteran and we fought for the right to vote as we please and I think you should apologize for the recent statement you made. Mr. Allen, for your information I do not claim to possess all the brains that are to be had and I am certainly not a "crank" but a statement such as this from the mayor of our capitol city of Atlanta Ga. certainly "shakes me up". There are plenty of citizens here in Augusta also take exception to your statement and they too want to inform you that they are not stupid or ignorant as your statement may imply. I voted for Mr. Lester Maddox in the Democratic run off and if the good Lord is willing, I intend to certainly vote for Mr. Maddox in the general election in November. I do not say that people are ignorant because my candidate lost, I feel like that if that is what the majority want it is alright with me. I am not a Republican and have always voted the Democratic ticket so do not accuse me of being a Republican, I am not a rabbi - rouser so do not accuse me of being a hate - monger, and I am certainly not incompetent as I have a fairly good education, I would like to suggest to you that in the future if your candidate should lose, do not call the people ignorant because they did not vote your way, I would like to know, "Who do you think you are calling me stupid, ignorant, and incompetent because I did not vote for your candidate". I only wish I were a citizen of Atlanta where I could vote against you, but according to you, I am ignorant because I did not vote for you. I suggest you handle the mayor's office in Atlanta and let the people of Ga. vote as they please.

Thank You,

C.C. Mr. Lester Maddox
Atlanta Ga.

Mr. Earl Newman Sr.
1720 Broad St.
Augusta, Ga.

R#4 - Box 149
FRANKLIN, N.C.
9-30-66

MAYOR IVAN ALLEN
ATLANTA, GA.

Dear Mayor:

The image of the mayor of Atlanta is slipping, since you have the pressure of Mr. Magill and etc. but you both have responsibilities to your office and not to the expediency of your personal views.

Enclosed is a letter from a mayor that acted fearlessly for all the people and they all know there will be law and order.

Rabble rousers give Waukegan a wide berth - He calls a spade a spade and ACTS -

Part of the recent reaction at the polls is due to the SOFT, COWARDLY of some groups in your city - Will you give the same soft treatment to other poverty groups when they riot, burn, steal & etc. - Your O.E.O. is certainly organizing a big front -

Come up into the mountains and look towards Atlanta - better perspective - Good Wishes

Bill Woodruff

OFFICE OF
THE MAYOR
WAUKEGAN, ILLINOIS

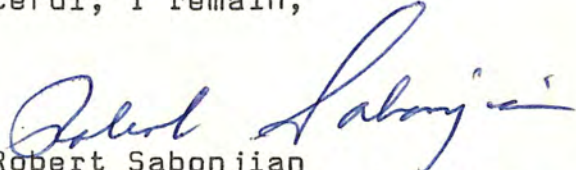


Dear Friends:

I sincerely wish that I could answer your wonderful letter supporting my stand against civil disobedience in a more personal manner. Having received well over 1500 letters and hundreds of telegrams, it is quite difficult.

Please accept my heartfelt thanks for your words of encouragement during our City's hour of trial and peril. I will always fight for the preservation of the rights of all men regardless of race, color, or creed. The law is for everyone and it must be respected and upheld.

Respectfully and ever grateful, I remain,


Robert Sabonjian
Mayor of the City of Waukegan

RS:jck

If this nation is to survive and prevail during the next century in its life-or-death struggle against Communism, its most vital single asset must be the mental and moral strength of its children. Yet, we are faced today with the tragic picture of callous, selfish, national politicians bartering away this priceless possession in a frantic race to gratify minority pressure groups and to present to the rest of the world an illusory image portraying the United States as a classless society.

Despite the shameful aftermath of school integration in New York City and Washington, D. C., despite incontrovertible statistics showing that the per capita crime rate among negroes is at least ten times as great as that of the whites, the Federal juggernaut rolls inexorably forward, as though following a blueprint to miscegenation, grinding States Rights into the dust and mocking the ideal of government by powers derived from consent of the governed.

Must the South suffer a Congolese debacle, must every white girl be ravished, must every white boy be felled by a spring-blade knife, must the white race be degraded to the mire of sensualism, before the stark, elemental truth is acknowledged.....that there is a vast difference which has nothing to do with color of the skin?

I had the misfortune of spending the first twenty years of my life in close association with negroes and for five of those years ours was the only white family within a radius of a half-mile on every side. That, I am sure, is a more comprehensive background than that of the nine Supreme Court justices and Myrdal, the exotic new fountainhead of American jurisprudence. Needless to say, I intend to spare my children a similar unedifying apprenticeship, even if it entails transferring them from parochial schools to private schools, and, if necessary, dissolving my business and moving to a western state (California excluded). It is difficult enough to rear children properly today, besieged as they are by the tempting, lurid fare of TV, movies, and magazines, without further exposing them to perilous association with young negroes who have been whelped in the sordid environ of incest, illegitimacy, unbridled sex without love, syphilis and gonorrhoea, and addiction to gin, marijuana, muscatel wine, and the latest panacea, heavily drugged cough syrup.

The typical young negro male believes that his only reason for existence is the riotous indulgence of his genital organs. The average young negress is the very symbol of promiscuity. If this genocidal program of school integration is pursued, you can be sure that most white children will have been indoctrinated to the facts of life before the age of ten in the most uncouth, vulgar manner conceivable. I do not hate the individual negro, but, considered ethnically, they are the dregs of humanity and that condition will be changed only by painfully slow evolution, not by reams of mandates from Washington, D. C., proclaiming "equality",

I have little doubt about the outcome of the pending if only because of the pragmatic reason that the central government has more tanks and bayonets than the states and that immense, elastic tarpaulin, "Equal Protection of the Law", can always be stretched a bit more. Your tenure in this world will expire in the next twenty or twenty-five fleeting years, at most, and you must face the Supreme Arbiter. I devoutly hope that you can justify your rulings at that times.

Very truly yours,

WALTER W. GALLINGHOUSE

CHAS. L. WATKINS, D. D. S.
TALBOTTON, GEORGIA

Sept, 29, 1966.

Mayor Ivan Allen,
Atlanta, Ga.

Frankly I've never considered you a big man,
but when I heard, this morning what you had to say
about the Governor nominate this morning, you really
convinced me just how small you are. There are a
lot of smart men, but many of them are just like
Ellis Arnall and you - you are a smart D.foole.

To many of us the City of Atlanta is in worse fix
with you as mayor, than Georgia would be with
Maddox as Governor. However, it is such Democrats
as you that is going make Georgia elect a Republican
Governor in November, to my notion.

A decent man would allow a good citizen the
same respect that you show some sorry niggers.

Wake up man, you, Ralph McGill and a few others
like you can't change Georgia. your hel's don't set on your
heads right.

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CHAS. L. WATKINS, D. D. S.
TALBOTTON, GEORGIA

Be a good democrat and accept the verdict of the majority. I think what makes you so sore is the fact that a lot of the ignorant negroes there in Atlanta that put you in office voted for Mr. Maddox, which you didn't expect.

If it will cheer you up any, remember that a lot of people like yourself have run so many democrats out of the party, that Callaway will be our next Governor. Too many are like yourself and your jack leg Congressman, and Rudin Johnson, that would go maimed through life for the negro vote. Your congressman admits that 10% of the whites + the negro vote in Atlanta will keep a man in office. If you were put in by the negroes, I don't blame them for feeling that they had the right to knock you off that truck.

Dr. Watkins +



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MONTEZUMA, GEORGIA

September 30, 1966



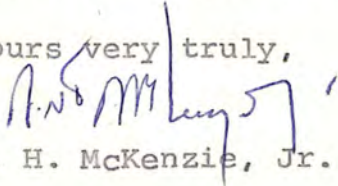
Mayor Ivan Allen
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Sir:

Your recent statements over national television have created such a resentment in me that I can not help but express to you my utter contempt for such a statement. I happen to be one of the half million white Georgians that you denounce as being ignorant, irresponsible, full of bigotry and prejudice. I think such a statement from the Mayor of Atlanta shows utter irresponsibility. You have done more damage to the Democratic party and to the cause of the negro in Georgia by such a statement than anything else.

If you really feel that Mr. Maddox is so unqualified to be governor of Georgia I suggest you support Mr. Callaway as governor unless you place all Republicans in the same category as those referred to above. I can not help but make this expression to you direct.

Yours very truly,


W. H. McKenzie, Jr.

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GUBERNATORIAL FEAR
September 30, 1966

Dear Mr. Editor:

Is Lester Maddox so strong and powerful in his beliefs that he frightens the Mayor of Atlanta and the great "Civil Rights" Leader into making statements that make "dolts" of themselves?

The Mayor says the Great Seal of the State of Georgia has been tarnished. The Civil Rights Leader says he is ashamed to be a Georgian.

I think that the great State of Georgia is ashamed to have to claim the Civil Rights Leader, and if the Mayor carries out his threat and goes "fishing", the people of the City of Atlanta should be ashamed of a "Democratic Mayor" who refuses to support the party.

The Mayor and the Civil Rights Leader are both showing to the people of the Great State of Georgia just how a "sore loser" acts when they can't get their way.

It stands to reason that Lester Maddox surprised the people as to his "political statute", and he very well could surprise the people and become one of the best governors the great State of Georgia ever had.

All of the losers blamed Lester for carrying "ax handles and pistols" to protect his property and reputation. All must remember that Lester stood alone, and lost. Let it be also remembered that when the people got behind him, he won.

I wonder if the Mayor would have won in the small riots in Atlanta if he had stood alone and if he had not had the police force behind him; would he have attempted to take the stand, as did Lester Maddox, to protect his property. The Mayor was under a duty to do as he did, but Lester Maddox did his fighting as an individual, but for all the people.

Lester Maddox, in my opinion, will fight violators of the law for the people alone and not because he has enough protection around him to insure his own safety.

In view of the above, I urge all of the people to listen to the candidates and vote on their own choice, and not vote as told by the press, radio and sore losers.

Above all, go out and vote for the candidate of your choice. Please don't follow the sore losers to the "Ole Fishing Hole".

A free voter,

CHARLES B. BRADLEY

158 Milner Ave.
Griffin, Ga.
Sept. 30, 1966

Mayor Allen:

You are the rudest, most
impolitedest man I have
every met or heard of.
If I was old enough to
vote and was for Bo C.
after what you said I would
vote for Maddox.

Are you a Christian? think to yourself
Remember Love thy neighbor
as thy self.

Your truly,
10 year old
GIRL

Are you going to ask him
to forgive you?

You better
if you want to stay Mayor

September 30, 1966

Mr. Ivan Allen
Mayor Of Atlanta

Dear Mr. Mayor:

According to God's word he does the condemning and I believe it would be wise if you would make an apology to Mr. Maddox for saying on television that he is unfit for Governor, because when you and Mr. Maddox returns to dust it would be hard to distinguish your dust from Mr. Maddox.

May we all think to Pray for one another instead of condemning, and I believe our lives will be "Enriched".

Sincerely,
Robert W. Hudson
Robert W. Hudson
203 Houston Lake Blvd.
Centerville, Georgia 31093

November 17, 1966

Mr. J. E. Ingram
General Manager
Jasper Rubber Company
250 Ridgewood Road
Jasper, Georgia 30143

Dear Mr. Ingram:

I have enjoyed reading your kind letter of October 20th in regards to my stand concerning Mr. Lester Maddox.

First, I hope you will exercise no concern over the Ivan Allen Company employees or customers. Ivan Allen Company has just finished its greatest year of growth and continues to thrive under its present able leadership.

It is regrettable that you disagree so strongly with Mr. Maddox's neighbors. Mr. Maddox lives in Precinct 8-1, which voted 1,926 for Calloway and 154 for Mr. Maddox. Precinct 8-1 is part of the 8th Ward, which voted 15,000 for Calloway and 1,400 for Maddox.

It appears that those who live next door to Mr. Maddox and know him best, voted the heaviest against him, in one of the largest all-white areas of the State.

I am enclosing a copy of the published returns from which I quoted. Thanks again for your interest.

Sincerely,

Ivan Allen, Jr.

IAJr:am
Encl.

October 20, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Allen:

Sometime ago, in regards to the outcome of the runoff between Ellis Arnall and Lester Maddox, you had some very unkind and unwarranted statements to make.

Since I am not a Republican it left me in a very limited category. I can choose one of the following according to your statement.

1- Ignorant, 2 - Prejudice, 3 - A reactionary. According to Webster I do not believe I can fit into either category. If I measure my-self with your "Half Bushel" I probably fit all three.

If being for Law and Order, insisting a man should be able to control and use property which he has worked for, and pay taxes on, if believing in the American system and Freedom, Real Freedom, puts me in one of the categories, then I am glad to be called either.

I simply cannot understand why you, Mr. Johnson, and many more of your kind cannot be satisfied with the progress and success of the United States. According to what I can find out, we are the greatest Nation in History. The most free, the most honorable, the most compassionate not to mention the most successful. It is too bad that the great men in our past have been so dumb and self centered.

It is a shame that we did not have men like you and Mr. Johnson to draw up our Constitution. I can just see it now. I know that you and Mr. Johnson are both great and compassionate that you are willing to share everything you have with everyone else. This is the reason you are both millionaires. If you had not have been so generous, understanding and so willing to help others, you, no doubt, would be able to enjoy working each day as I and many others are doing.

Yes Mr. Allen, I appreciate men like you who sit back and say nothing when Julian Bond says no one should go to fight in Viet Nam and people who do are murderers. He should have this right. It is one of the Freedoms but it is not right for Lester Maddox to protect his property and the right to say who uses that property. He should have let the negros use his property just like they used Leb's.

Mr. Allen, the most important Christian trait to me is "Compassion" "The Ability to put one's self in the other man's shoes." When you made statements in the paper, did you put yourself in my shoes? Can you not believe that Lester Maddox is an honest, sincere man just because he does not agree with you? Do you believe in your convictions enough to hurt yourself as badly financially as he did just to stand up for what you think is right? You and your kind have been accusing people like my-self of being ignorant, prejudice and full of hate for a long time. If you are really interested in right and finding out the truth why don't you spend as much money and effort to find out as Lester Maddox did.

Mr. Allen

Have you ever supervised a negro worker? Have you worked side by side with one? Have you been in school with one? Why don't you get out and really find out whose fault this mess is?

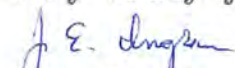
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No Mr. Allen, I do not think you have the right to call any Maddox supporter names of any kind. I think you should take a good long look at yourself and your beliefs.

Just a word in parting, I am sure you are well set whether the Ivan Allen Company stays in business or not. You could think of the people who are working in that Company to make a livelihood for themselves and their families when you start throwing wilful, hateful statements. These statements do not hurt you near as much as these loyal employees. I just hope all the Ivan Allen Customers are as understanding about this as we at Jasper Rubber Company.

Very truly yours,


J.E. Ingram
Gen.Mgr.

November 17, 1966

Mr. J. E. Ingram
General Manager
Jasper Rubber Company
250 Ridgewood Road
Jasper, Georgia 30143

Dear Mr. Ingram:

I have enjoyed reading your kind letter of October 20th in regards to my stand concerning Mr. Lester Maddox.

First, I hope you will exercise no concern over the Ivan Allen Company employees or customers. Ivan Allen Company has just finished its greatest year of growth and continues to thrive under its present able leadership.

It is regrettable that you disagree so strongly with Mr. Maddox's neighbors. Mr. Maddox lives in precinct 8-1, which voted 1,926 for Calloway and 154 for Mr. Maddox. Precinct 8-1 is part of the 8th Ward, which voted 15,000 for Calloway and 1,400 for Maddox.

It appears that those who live next door to Mr. Maddox and know him best, voted the heaviest against him, in one of the largest all-white areas of the State.

I am enclosing a copy of the published returns from which I quoted. Thanks again for your interest.

Sincerely,

Ivan Allen, Jr.

IAJr:am
Encl.

October 20, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Allen:

Sometime ago, in regards to the outcome of the runoff between Ellis Arnall and Lester Maddox, you had some very unkind and unwarranted statements to make.

Since I am not a Republican it left me in a very limited category. I can choose one of the following according to your statement. 1- Ignorant, 2 - Prejudice, 3 - A reactionary. According to Webster I do not believe I can fit into either category. If I measure my-self with your "Half Bushel" I probably fit all three.

If being for Law and Order, insisting a man should be able to control and use property which he has worked for, and pay taxes on, if believing in the American system and Freedom, Real Freedom, puts me in one of the categories, then I am glad to be called either.

I simply cannot understand why you, Mr. Johnson, and many more of your kind cannot be satisfied with the progress and success of the United States. According to what I can find out, we are the greatest Nation in History. The most free, the most honorable, the most compassionate not to mention the most successful. It is too bad that the great men in our past have been so dumb and self centered.

It is a shame that we did not have men like you and Mr. Johnson to draw up our Constitution. I can just see it now. I know that you and Mr. Johnson are both great and compassionate that you are willing to share everything you have with everyone else. This is the reason you are both millionaires. If you had not have been so generous, understanding and so willing to help others, you, no doubt, would be able to enjoy working each day as I and many others are doing.

Yes Mr. Allen, I appreciate men like you who sit back and say nothing when Julian Bond says no one should go to fight in Viet Nam and people who do are murderers. He should have this right. It is one of the Freedoms but it is not right for Lester Maddox to protect his property and the right to say who uses that property. He should have let the negros use his property just like they used Leb's.

Mr. Allen, the most important Christian trait to me is "Compassion" "The Ability to put one's self in the other man's shoes." When you made statements in the paper, did you put yourself in my shoes? Can you not believe that Lester Maddox is an honest, sincere man just because he does not agree with you? Do you believe in your convictions enough to hurt yourself as badly financially as he did just to stand up for what you think is right? You and your kind have been accusing people like my-self of being ignorant, prejudice and full of hate for a long time. If you are really interested in right and finding out the truth why don't you spend as much money and effort to find out as Lester Maddox did.

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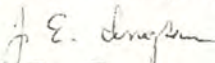
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Very truly yours,


J.E. Ingram
Gen.Mgr.

Mr. Mayor,

Oct. 10, 1966

Enclosed are two bumper stickers which express the feeling's of the "BROAD MINDED PEOPLE OF GEORGIA". The future of Georgia, and the United States of America lies in the hand's of this type government, government by the people, and for the people for whom it ~~was~~ established for.

The majority has spoken. But the so called Leaders turn their backs on the party's selection. They had rather go fishing than support the people's choice for governor, or for any one else running for a public office.

These stickers can be obtained this organization.

THE BROAD MINDED PEOPLE (DEMOCRATS)
Of GEORGIA

Maddox
2

801 Woodland Avenue
Rossville, Georgia 30741
October 12, 1966

The Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor of Atlanta
Georgia

Sir:

You would have done well to have remembered and heeded these words of M. Henry, "Wise anger is like the fire from the flint; there is a great ado to bring it out; and when it does come, it is out again immediately."

As far as we are concerned you lost the dignity and respect of your office and the above title, but were afraid that if we didn't use the proper letter form that you might consider us one of those ignorant Georgians. And we're referring to your quote in an AP article appearing in the Chattanooga Times on Friday, September 30, 1966 and we quote, "It is deplorable that the combined forces of ignorance, prejudice, reactionism and the duplicity of many Republican voters have thrust upon the State of Georgia Lester Maddox, a totally unqualified individual as the Democratic nominee for governor." "We cannot permit our state's progress to be stopped and reversed by yesterday's mistake." Unquote.

As taxpaying citizens of Georgia, although not of Atlanta, we strongly resent your statement and implication. From the terms you used all of us could be classed under one of them. We are not taking issue with the qualifications of Mr. Maddox but we think that if you would stop and ponder for a moment you would realize that voters weren't voting so much "for" Mr. Maddox as they were in voting "against" existing conditions. Whether we voted for or against Mr. Maddox is unimportant but of great importance is the fact that we are guaranteed the right to go to the polls (at least at the present time) and vote for whom we please. We should be allowed this right without criticism from anyone. And we will continue to exercise this right until such time that it will be taken from us.

We would like to submit a question to you, "If the election had been reversed, would you have made the same statement or was it because your candidate lost? After all, we would have been the same peoples going to the polls."

Charron once wrote, "Despair is like forward children, who, when you take away one of their playthings, throw the rest into the fire for madness. It grows angry with itself, turns its own executioner, and revenges its misfortunes on its own head." You must have been in deepest despair or most angry to have made such a statement, attributed to you, against the peoples of Georgia. We believe it did accomplish one thing, it started many citizens to thinking, who before, had been in complete apathy and indifference.

We should like to state in closing that we do not belong to either the Democratic or Republican Party but have always had enough interest in our nation and

The Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.

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October 12, 1966

the great State of Georgia to go to the polls and vote for the individual of our choice and the one we considered to be the best qualified and who would represent all peoples, not from a political standpoint but for their welfare and betterment.

If you have read this letter through, thank you.

Yours very truly,

Thurman Clarkson

Mr. & Mrs. Thurman B. Clarkson

TBC:mvc

L.R.SAMS

Gainesville Ga. 10-7-66

Mr Ivan Allen Jr.
City Hall
Atlanta Ga.

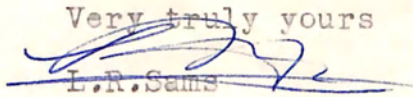
Dear Sir:

I am one of the four hundred and forty thousand white Georgians who voted for Lester Maddox as the lesser of two evils, after seeing the way you and your henchmen handled the Rebs restaurant mess and you violating your oath in showing special favor to the negro ball player wife giving her your personal apology.

The policemen should have never been suspended in the first place without a hearing and it goes without saying that if the negro was due an apology they should not have been reinstated.

If I should be so uncomplimentary in my remarks about you as you have been by calling over four hundred thousand fine Georgians stupid, ignorant implying we were disloyal to the state of Georgia, I might say that you were an arrogant, egotistical Damn fool.

Very truly yours


~~L.R.Sams~~

A. F. TRAPNELL
Fletcher Drive
Statesboro, Ga. 30458

September 30, 1966

The Editor
The Atlanta Journal
P O Box 4689
Atlanta, Georgia 30302

Dear Sir:

Stupid statements come from the mouths of stupid people.

After the recent victory of Mr. Lester Maddox over Mr. Ellis Arnall your mayor of the wonderful city of Atlanta displayed and released some of his stupidity in his statement about the thousands of IGNORANT people in Georgia.

His statement seemed to come directly from the mouths of Martin Luther King, Stokely Carmichael and Ellis Arnall.

Your mayor may be in a political campaign in the future and thousands of those IGNORANT people will have the opportunity to vote for or against him.

Respectfully yours,


A. F. TRAPNELL

cc: Mr. Ivan Allen, Jr.

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September 30, 1966

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

Dear Mayor Allen:

I have never in my life agreed with anything that Martin Luther King said, but he was certainly eminently correct night before last when he stated that "Georgia is a sick state". He was absolutely correct about this, because:

- 1) He is sick of the Mayor of Atlanta and in spite of all he has done for the Negroes, and says so publicly.
- 2) He is sick of Atlanta newspapers, for though they have prostrated themselves for the Negroes in Atlanta, he wants them to do more.
- 3) He is sick of Governor Arnall, because he tried to stand in the middle of the road and it is a well known fact that in South Georgia they voted against Arnall.
- 4) They are sick of the poverty program because it hasn't given them a lot, house, furniture and farm, to each and every Negro family in Georgia.
- 5) They are sick of Lyndon Johnson and the whole shebang because they have given them only a little more than three billion dollars to sit around Harlam and the West and loaf.

There was a great deal of sympathy during your most recent riot but unless I am badly mistaken you took an oath to support the Democratic Nominee, as you are an office holder under the Democratic Party. We are not surprised at the Congressman, because he is absolutely beholden to the Negroes of Fulton County for electing him.

I knew you and your father many years ago, having lived in Atlanta, and I always regarded him as a very high type honorable gentleman. If you go back on your oath to support the Democratic Nominee I would bet my right arm that Lester Maddox

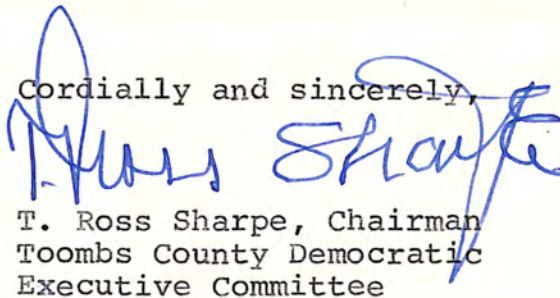
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will beat "Bo" Calloway by the largest majority of any campaign in Georgia.

Though these matters are simple, I thought I would call them to your attention that you may give careful consideration to them, and Georgia will be waiting for your announcement as to whom you are going to support.

Wishing you success, I am

Cordially and sincerely,



T. Ross Sharpe, Chairman
Toombs County Democratic
Executive Committee

TRS:ng

cc: Honorable Lester Maddox

Honorable Ray Harris

State Editor, Atlanta Constitution

Augusta, Georgia.

September 30th, 1966. lwg

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

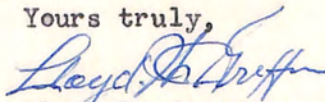
Dear Mr. Allen:

I have read with interest your statement with reference to the majority of the registered voters of the State of Georgia electing Mr. Maddox as thier nominee of the democratic party for the Govenor of Georgia.

For a man of your position I would say that you are the one who is illiterate and in addition " purely ignorant " to put your personal opinion against the majority of the people of Georgia. Let me say also, for a man in your position to make such a statement to the press, there seems to be quite some doubt as to your qualifications for the position to which you were elected.

Apparently the people of Georgia who elect thier officials to represent them have had jsut about enough of the " great society " and people like you who up-hold it. You should be in Washington in bed with Lyndon.

Yours truly,



LLOYD W. GRIFFIN
314 - 5th Street,
Augusta, Georgia.

Cy to:
The Atlanta Journal,
Atlanta, Georgia.

September 30, 1966

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

Dear Mr. Mayor:

May I take this opportunity to express to you an opinion of your speech made last night to the television audience of WSB-TV.

What small respect for you that I had become nil with the remarks you made to the public that night. For your information, it was not the "stupid" people of Georgia who voted for Lester Maddox and elected him the democratic nominee for Governor, as in essence you did imply that those who voted for Maddox were stupid. In my opinion, and the opinion of many others, it is you, Mr. Mayor, the Atlanta newspapers and the WSB-TV officials who are the more stupid of the flock. Had you left well enough alone, and sat quietly in your padded seats, the voting majority of this state would not have voted previously, and would not vote in the General Election for Maddox. It riles people (stupid or otherwise) to be told by a public service organization or a "public servant" what to do, and that my dear mayor, is exactly why the old proverbial "worm turned".

There are many smart, intelligent and fine people in this state who voted for Lester Maddox. It is not the same in Georgia as when Eugene Talmadge ran for Governor and was elected by the old county unit system. People know what they want, and they don't want you or any other public official telling them they are too stupid or ignorant to know what they want. You were elected as mayor of the city of Atlanta by some of these same stupid voters. What's wrong? Are you perhaps a little jealous of the man you trampled in that election, as being elected to a higher office? It could possibly mean that in the very near future you might have to call on the governor of Georgia for help in quieting down a little skirmish such as the one we had in Atlanta not long ago. Wouldn't it be wise to come down off your soap box and take a long look in that direction?

As a voter, (and perhaps one of the clan as labled "stupid") I would like to say to you, as the mayor of our fair city, " I really believe that you have "mest in your nest". Good luck to you in your future endeavors.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. John Dale

From one who did not vote for Maddox,
but will the very next chance I get.

Douglas, Ga.
Sept. 30 1966.

Mr. Jack Spalding, Editor
% Atlanta Journal,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Spalding:

In answer to Mayor Ivan Allen's press conference held recently in your city, we would like to take this opportunity to express in our unlettered ignorance, prejudice, reactionalism and duplicity that we voted for Mr. Lester Maddox. It is our considered opinion nearly half million others were afflicted with the same disease. It seems to us the votes cast for Mr. Arnall had to be taken by the hand and shown where to mark.

The Hon. Mr. Allen also stated in his press conference that Sen. Herman Talmadge and Sen. Richard Russell would be spread from Geneva, Switzerland, to San Juan, Puerto Rico, on the Nov. 5th General Election. Mr. Allen stated he might spread his buttock on a fishing pond come that date.

As to the Rev. Martin Luther King being ashamed to be called a Georgian, we think we have enough S & H trading stamps that can be turned into a ticket for him to be sent into any country of his choice, or he can take up room and board with the Hon. Mayor Ivan Allen of your city.

Your paper is widely read in South Georgia and held in high esteem, but we do not like to be dictated to as to our choice of public officials to serve us and due to the fact your paper and the Hon. Mr. Allen's glasses are tinted we doubt this will be condensed and published in your letters to the Editors section.

Sincerely yours,

Bob Bittaker

Copy:
TO: Mayor Ivan Allen
Atlanta, Ga.

Douglas, Ga. R 3 Box 44
31533

September 30, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen,
City Hall,
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mayor Allen:

As Republicans, we voted in the Republican primary, and, as concerned Georgians, my husband and I were stunned by the outcome of the Democratic runoff.

However, Mayor Allen, we were even more shocked by your speech that was published in today's edition of the Constitution. Is the will of the majority of the people of Georgia really "deplorable"? Are its citizens really "ignorant, prejudiced, reactionary," etc.?

I think not, Sir. I believe that our citizens are showing their concern at the polls, as law-abiding citizens should. Perhaps they feel as I do, just plain fed up.

We tried it your way, as

so-called "moderates," and it didn't
mask out. Crime, smut on the news
stands, even in our daily paper -
Insults from the publisher and editor
of the Journal - Constitution - I
could go on and on -

I want safety on the city streets -
If that means putting clubs and
machine guns in the hands of our
policemen, then so be it. I want
hoodlums and degenerates put out of
circulation, not psychoanalyzed then
turned loose again to rape my child
or my neighbor's child. I want to help
the needy and demand work from the
lazy. I grieve for the young negro
who was murdered, but I also shed a
tear for the policeman who was
shot - And the innocent soldier, struck
with a brick while on his way home
from camp - What about them,
Mayor Allen?

It's about time that the liberal
Democrats took a long look at

themselves instead of having temper
tantrums because the sun of
didn't go their way -

I'll leave the complexities of
straightening out the mess to your
politicians - How you do it is
your problem; after all, you
asked for the job - The voters
have lost their patience -

Very truly yours,
Mrs. Elsie Thurber

HAWKINSVILLE GA. SEPT. 29th 1966

TO MR. IVAN ALLEN JR. MAYOR OF ATLANTA GA.

DEAR SIR.

I THINK IT WAS VERY UNBECOMING TO YOU TO RUN DOWN THE MAJORITY'S CHOICE FOR GOVERNOR. MR. LESTER MADDUX. MR. ALLEN i sure wish i could tell you something. but i,m afraid i cant. our country is in very bad shape. we of GOD know what is taking place. and who it is coming through. the BIBLE says we are not ignorant to the DEVIL,S devices. and i have ben told directly from GOD. AUG. 4th 1956. JAN. 17th 1961. APRIL. 12th 1961. FEB. 1962. just what is taking place. and i am sure i did not misunderstand GOD. this is the END OF TIME. this GENERATION is the GENERATION that will see it all fullfilled. whether you believe it or not. I am a very poor.disabled man. 60 years of age. but GOD saved me JULY 6th 1955. and called me to publish the GOSPEL. NOV. 15th 1955. AND I BEGAN writing. that day. i went to the 4th grade in a common school. but GOD graduated. and i have loaned him my hand. he does the writing through my hand. GOD has given me many revelations concerning the END. JESUS! coming. the roll we the U.S.A. will play in the end time drama. and i assure you it would shock you. for it is very bad. we are on the loosing end. GOD told me to tell the PRESIDENT. i did. EISENHOWER. KENNEDY. JOHNSON. NIXON. HUMPHREY. GOLDWATER. R. KENNEDY. TALMADGE. RUSSELL. VINSON. CALLAWAY. LOUSHEY. DERKSEN. GOV. ROCKEFELLOW. J EDGAR HOOVER. JAMES WEBB. THE DEMOCRATIC. AND REPUBLICAN PARTY HEADS. and many others. in all walks of life. all races. for i know it is true. and will come to pass without fail. and i have challenged L.B.J. to prove me wrong. i challenge the world. GOD told me what the space program meant. who would play what roll. who would win.and who would loose. there is only two main players. RUSSIA and the UNITED STATES.(the DEVIL AND GOD.)the world will believe the DEVIL is GOD. he is work. ing through the RUSSIAN COMMUNIST. not RED CHINESE COMMUNIST.RUSSIA will not fail in anything they attempt. we will come out second best every time. he is using the NEGRO. especially the CIVIL RIGHTS. leaders.the YOUTH. THE STUDENTS. AND TEEN AGERS. and they will prepare the way for the DEVIL through RUSSIA to defeat us and take us over. we are playing the roll of a fool. when such blind men as you(appear to be)have destr. oyed our country. think not that you shall escape. he that leadeth into captivity shall also go into captivity. as i told MARTIN LUTHER KING. we are very tired of being sub. jected to the rule of MARTIN LUTHER KING andhis henchmen. he is not a man of GOD. GOD does not make a mockery of anything. these men that the DEVIL is using have almost all taken on names of former great men. to deceive us. i know who they are. JER. 51.11. we are destined to suffer great humiliation. be pushed out of the markets of the WORLD. find ourselves in an ECONOMIC collapse. this faulse economy will not stand up. long. INFLATION certainly is destroying us. and we are too greedy to see it. please shake yourself and wake up before its everlastingly too late. i have letters from most of these great men i have written to. and my words are being fullfilled. and will be. for they are GODS words. and GOD does not lie. its a pity that our so called great men that are supposed to be smart are such ignorant men. they dont know the first thing about what is taking place. for if they did it would be altogether a different story. they do not know or understand this WAR. and we cant even win a pocket sized war. what will we do when it becomes a major war. ?we are corrupt. and rotten. worshiping the inflated dollar instead of GOD. power hungry. but we will loose it all.because we refuse to recognise GOD.this is our testing time. being weighed in the ballance. found wanting. if you think i,m a faulse prophet i challenge you to file this letter. if you are con. cerned. and GOD will let me i,ll be very glad to tell you the details. but if you think me to be a faulse prophet. and are not concerned for the welfare of our country. GOD forbid that i tell you anything. just what i told L.B.J. when he rejected the word of GOD. i know the very roll he is playing. and he cannot avoid it.he must play it. now if you reject. or ignor this warning. my hands will be clean. for i have told you. and GOD forbid i ever be afraid.or ashamed to tell it.for that is what GOD called me to do. that is my ministry. i am a licensed minister.

REV. ROBERT I. JONES (THE FISHERMAN. P.O.BOX 502 HAWKINSVILLE GA. 31036.

9-29-66

R. B. SILVEY
1505 AIRLINE PARK BLVD
METAIRIE, LA

Dear Mr. Mayor,

Your statement on CBS
T.V. today against Mr. Mattox
"your next Governor" reflects
greatly on your own irresponsibility
as Mayor... You are off base. A
consensus of responsible people
in my area favor Mr. Mattox
10 to 1... and for you... you
are all wet.

apparently you are striking
for a Federal Judge Post... you
can't afford to offend L.B.J.

well... that's the trouble with
America today... is because people
like you will sell their soul
for the \$ or a federal job...

But thank Heaven... the pendulum
is swinging... and people like you &
... L.B.J. are on the way out...
we defeated Jimmy Morrison, Congressman
from 8th District of LA... and we
hope to eliminate Boggs... Maybe
Atlanta will get rid of you... I
hope.

R. B. Silvey
1505 AIRLINE PARK BLVD
METAIRIE, LA.
70003

P.S. you are so insignificant I really
do not know your name

JONES AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER COMPANY

FABRICATORS & CONTRACTORS

AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

P. O. BOX 37

PLAINS, GEORGIA, 31780



PHONE
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September 30, 1966

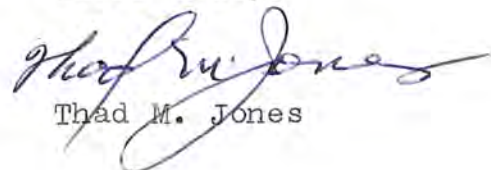
Ivan Allen, Mayor
City Of Atlanta
Atlanta City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Allen:

I think it is mighty little in any elected public official to make such a statement as you did calling approximately 4,19,557 Georgia citizens ignorant and duplicity for the nomination of Lester Maddox for Governor.

When it was apparent that Lester Maddox had won he made a statement at his table that "there are no cronies to favor, and no enemies to punish. All Georgians are welcome at our table." I wonder, Ivan Allen, could you have made a statement like this?

Yours truly,



Thad M. Jones

9-28-66

Ivan Allen
Mayor of Atlanta

Dear Sir;

Your statement about the majority of the voters of The State of Georgia, since we are the ones to nominate MR. Lester Maddox, are most irrational for a person holding your high elected office. Such rantings are usually connected with such organizations as S. N. C. C. I am sure all voters, Negro and White, will see how savage a public servant can be when big things do not always go his or her way.

MR. Mayor, I am not a resident of The City of Atlanta and hope that if I am ever it will not be under a mayor of such narrow minded disregard for the people of Georgia. I feel you have presented a very true picture of the present liberal politician in the South today. It was not a very big picture but the people of Georgia have very sharp eyes. I am sure that to disregard the dignity of your office in public will educate the people of Georgia to any liberal or moderate views.

As a citizen of Georgia I have been highly insulted by your statement over the news media concerning the nomination of MR. Maddox and I demand a public apology and retraction of your statement over the same news media.

Sincerely,
Joe C. Lockwood
679 Hunt R.D.
Austell, Ga.

September 30, 1966

Mayor Ivan Allen
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen:

Are the people of Georgia really so ignorant as they have been accused? No!!! We are just now beginning to wake up from a long sleep to find that something has been taken away from us which we want and will regain - - FREEDOM.

Last week we, the people of Georgia, were urged to "go out and vote for the candidate of your choice". WE DID!!!

I once read an article which went something like this: "Don't tell the world your troubles. Half of the people don't care to hear them and the other half are glad you are finally getting what you deserve". Hasn't this saying been appropriate since last Wednesday????

I am very anxious to see who will be our next Govenor - - Mr. Lester Maddox the segregationist or Mr. Howard Callaway the Republican. Either will be an excellent choice - - and change. I am positive that neither of these men, being the high type people they are, would ever be stupid enough to call Georgians "ignorant".

We look forward to our new leadership. We wish everyone did.

An intelligent voter,

R.C.

Mrs. Reba Cain

9-29-66

The Honorable Mayor Allen
City Hall
Atlanta, Ga

Dear Mayor Allen:

Heard your comments from
the T.V. moments ago re Maddox's
victorious bid for Governor of
your and my great State of
Georgia.

You certainly manifested
the height of extremism with
jealousness and bitterness, and
I for one feel quite certain that
your arrogant attitude is the
result only from Lester's surpass-
ing your level, politically-wise,
that is.

Such an outburst from
your high office surely di-
minishes your desired goal--
the Governorship.

Keep up the good work-- you'll
have King to shine your boots.

My time is quite limited,
so I must close.

A friend of Georgia's
next Governor - L. Maddox.

Charles R. Sledge

2614 Rex Ave S.W.
Atlanta, Ga
Phone 344-7545

Mr. J. D. Pumphrey
11 Pryor Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

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

Dear Mayor:

I noted with interest, yesterday, the strong statement you made about the recent election. I am sure you received quite a sting from the victory of Lester Maddox, after all, how many votes could you get in a state-wide election? And didn't you beat Lester Maddox for Mayor because you got a block vote? Actually, in your ill considered and irresponsible statement yesterday, you were hiding behind the protection of this block vote.

Why don't you run for a state-wide office? Many of the voters including myself would like this. We would be delighted to send you along the road of Marvin Griffin and Ellis Arnall. Maybe you could talk Congressman Weltner in running state wide too, as he seems to enjoy making strong statements while protected by a block vote and I am sure you know which one I refer to.

Maybe Lester Maddox will be our next Governor and then Atlanta will have a Mayor and a Governor in Georgia of the same caliber.

Your friend, Martin Luther King, says that he is ashamed to be a Georgian. Many Georgians are ashamed he is a Georgian too. Martin Luther King stood on the streets of Atlanta and openly advocated breaking the laws. I did not see any response you made to this, but what would you say if Lester Maddox did the same.

There is one thing for sure, your statements yesterday, while made for your local block vote, will go a long way to elect Maddox as governor. This is unfortunate, but you are as much responsible for the state of affairs in Georgia at the present time as any one I know.

If you want to be real honest, you could say that the vote in Wednesday's election was a more conscionable vote than the vote that elected you Mayor.

Sincerely,

Jack Pumphrey
Mr. J. D. Pumphrey

2738 Canova Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30311
September 30, 1966

Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor, City of Atlanta
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen:

Your irresponsible and sarcastic remarks to the press, radio, and television on Thursday, September 29, regarding the recent election remind me of a child!

Whether or not you or I like the results of the election, Lester Maddox was elected by the people of this state, not by the press and immature public officials who pout when things do not please them.

Sincerely yours,

Fred. A. Rheney

Fred. A. Rheney
344-3676

September 30, 1966

OPEN LETTER TO IVAN ALLEN, MAYOR

Dear Sir:

We were never as shocked in our lives as we were when we read the cruel, childish, bigot remarks of the Mayor of the "great" City of Atlanta in your statement about the election of Lester Maddox as Democratic Nominee for Governor.

You know by now that you are among the minority who think the nomination of Lester Maddox for Governor is "deplorable", and as for the "seal of the great State of Georgia" being tarnished, such was the case when you were elected Mayor of Atlanta. On that date, the "seal of the City of Atlanta was tarnished" upon your becoming Mayor by the "colored" votes that elected you. The White People of the State of Georgia have spoken and you refuse to listen. Your opinion is only one against millions. You are denying all Georgians the choice of electing who they want to head the State. That, in our opinion, is dictatorship. If you and Martin Luther King are ashamed to be called Georgians, all we can say to you is this, "There is no fence around the State of Georgia and you are free to leave whenever you want to", and we are sure no one would be seen crying when you go, except your negro supporters. Maybe you can take them with you?

We do not appreciate being called ignorant! We make up our own minds, as do the majority of the people, for whom we wish to vote. You have the same right, but just because your "Golden Boy" didn't win, you act like a selfish child. We lost our votes when we voted for Mayor, too, but we didn't act like selfish children about it, like you are doing now. Mr. Allen, if you plan to "go fishing" on November 8th and Lester Maddox wins, which he has a very good chance of doing, you should keep your mouth shut and leave the choice up to the voters. This is what you should have done this time! We all know there is nothing worse than a politician who is lost, except a politician who sells his soul for a vote. We realize you are in a vulnerable position and that if you do not scream loud enough for the colored voters to support you in a bloc type vote, then you know you are lost as a politician.

YES, MR. ALLEN, we read your statement to the press, and you have had your "say". Now, we, as an independent group of people, not "backed" by any organization, feel we have the right to our opinions and to our choice as to who we want for Governor, AND WE ARE GOING TO HAVE IT IN NOVEMBER!!!

MR. ALLEN, WHAT ARE YOU AFRAID OF?!!!

Sincerely,

Mr. J. J. Kelly
Mr. C. Moore

1725 Beecher Rd. S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30310
September 30, 1966

Letters to the Editor
The Atlanta Journal
Atlanta, Georgia

Pulse of the Public
The Atlanta Constitution
Atlanta, Georgia


Gentlemen:

I am used to the newspapers telling me for whom I should vote. Now I notice that the "leading" radio voice has broken its long-standing policy against advocating any candidate.

But I am appalled when leaders in the State, after an election, lecture on how the people should have voted and openly indicate they think that the registered voters should have no choice except the choice they support.

But now there is something even more serious to me. The mayor of Atlanta indicates that "he may go fishing" on November 8 - thereby certifying that if his man isn't running he'll not vote. Is this the way for any voter to feel? Is this the way for a leader to express himself? I have always thought that in a democracy the only way the people could express themselves was at the ballot box, and that it was always ^{best} to cast a ballot even if you weren't in complete sympathy with any candidate.

Yours truly,


W F Bugg

cc to Mayor Ivan Allen

MONEY IS POWER. IT SHOULD BE RESTORED TO THE PEOPLE AND THE STATES .
I ask you what good is forced integration(bussing etc going todo. Many
negroes don't want it. Just our overlords and the Commies. A slave race
will be easier for a dictator to control in years to come,- in the UN World
Government etc!! Are we going to sit quietly while dictators enslave us???
Or shall we pass the LIBERTY AMENDMENT like Americans should. Our only recourse
3601 Merrill Ave., West Palm Beach, Florida

Mayor Allen
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mayor:

It may come as news to you but there are millions of Americans
who are fed up with this enforced integration. Why should the U.S. be the only
nation where this burden is pushed onto the people? As you well know the
Southern white people have helped the American negro more in the last 100
years than any other people on this earth. This action of integration has
its well planned beginning in England and the Communists have jumped on the
movement. Moreover the Supreme Court which ruled this to be the law of the
land took a huge step toward dictatorship, meaning they had no right to seize
the most precious possession the people have in their lives, their offspring,
as these children belonged to the State in the U.S. Secondly it was a
most unfriendly ruling calculated to encourage racial intermarriage when these
children become of marriagable age. Thirdly their decision was not made on
approved scientific basis, but on a political basis. It will set in process
an irreversible ^{trend} process so that by inheritance millions of U.S. Citizens 50
-100 years from now will find our standard of morals, ability and behavior
definitely lower than it is today. This is not to say that the White race
is perfect. Far from it. But we have a far greater record of achievement
than the Africans who never invented even a wheel barrow or a calendar or
time piece in all these hundreds of thousands of years since the caveman era.
Have they any written language? I believe not. And you can not blame environment,
People or animals unfold like flowers according to what they inherit largely.

And will you not agree that this unprecedented spendthrift Administration
and determination to take over the State Rights and the people's rights
which is quickly changing us into a Socialist State as well as our foreign
aid is changing the rest of the world into the same outmoded ideology of
Socialism, had a strong part in the outcome of your election in Georgia?

Frankly, the only way to stop this waste and absolute unnecessarily
squandering the hard earned money of the American tax payer, is to take it
away from Washington, - by passage of the LIBERTY AMENDMENT Resolution by
34 State Legislatures (six legislatures have already passed this Resolution)
This would restore the effect of our Constitution and would deny no essential
services to the people. Our Government would be money in. They would
have less national debt to pay interest on each year. And the 700 government
businesses which are now tax free and interest free would be sold to private
enterprise where they would help greatly the localities where they are by
paying taxes like all other businesses (except government businesses). And
since money is power, this power would be restored to the people where it would
be safer and far more appreciated by the people who sweat to earn it, and
therefore would make it go further in this world and do more good. Foreign
governments have come to believe Uncle Sam is going to partially support them
forever. They are just as well able to work as we are. And they will respect
our form of government tremendously more if they are weaned off from our contin-
aid. Or do you want to squeeze along with everyone getting poorer and poorer
and dependent on Washington, which is a dictator already where they have for
years endeavored to make us dependent on them for all the benefits in this
life. Typical of all dictarotships! Kennedy and Johnson believed ^{back doobato power.} this to be the

Everyone is broke but those who work for the Federal Government etc. And
isn't it about time Americans stood up and were counted to stop this soon
complete takeover? That's what this vote was. And we like a man with guts.

Sincerely yours, *Judson N. Walker*

Atlanta, Georgia

September 30, 1966

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

My Dear Sir:

Just a comment regarding the present political confusion resulting from the selection of Mr. Maddox as the Democratic Nominee for Governor.

It is strange to me, that since this situation was directly brought about by the stupidity of the higher echelon Democratic Party members, you should be so upset at the results.

I am unable to understand and was not able to comprehend the support of Mr. Arnall by yourself, the Atlanta news papers, Mr. Mills Lane and numerous other influential Democrats when certainly there must have been someone younger, more well known, and actually more capable to support during this campaign. Atlanta and Georgia have changed considerably in the past few years. It is evident to myself even though I have been a Georgian for only the past six years. Georgia is a vigorous, ambitious, young state with considerable influx of this same type people into the state. Certainly they did not want to vote for this unknown to the relatively new forces in the state. They were looking for a young, vigorous, young man to place in the governors office. Why, were you and the other forces not able to offer them something better..... then Lester would not have gained so much. I am looking forward to following the campaign closely, trusting that Bo Calloway will now step forward and offer this state exactly what you and others should have help provide..... not sit back in your stew and rave and rant.

The vote for Mr. Maddox reflects the feeling of a great part of this country, including the presidency. People are disturbed, misled, forced into not only social, but also business situations they don't want and don't believe to be truly American. So, you and others throughout the State and Country can look for more upsets in the political fields because the people are upset. Your standing on the top of a car to plead with a group of wild ones was not courage.... it was stupidity. This same thing is what is bringing about the unrest, not the fact colored people are being given the Civil Liberties they deserve. . . . it is just ridiculous leadership and the condescending, weak kissing of elbows when actually they are breaking laws.

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I think it time a lot of us stood and took stock in what is happening, in Georgia, in the South and particularly in our entire America.

Mr. Dirksen would not support another Civil Rights bill this year. He is beginning to see the light. Others throughout the North are also..... why not right here where it has been going on for years?

One thing in closing, Mr. Mayor, you yourself should think..... for I doubt, if you were up for re-election tomorrow that you would win.

Sincerely,

Robert Harper

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