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Dear Sir:

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

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

In my opinion, Callaway will not be elected, however, if you and others to whom the viewers are exposed continue to make such vituperative remarks toward Maddox. The same thing could be said of the lead editorial in this morning's Atlanta Constitution.

I'm sure it would be hard to find a class in "reverse" psychology", but if it is available, you should take the course. Lester Maddox couldn't have picked up fifty thousand additional votes any easier.

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

Hope the fish will be biting November 8th!

Yours very truly

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