



EDMUND G. BROWN
GOVERNOR
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

April 3, 1964

Mrs. Daniel Tolmach
Oxnard, California

Dear Jane:

All of us are confronted with a most unfortunate situation in the current primary campaign for the United States Senate.

At a time when we had hoped to be united behind a vigorous and vital Senator Clair Engle, we face instead the necessity of nominating and electing someone else, a man capable of campaigning vigorously and serving effectively.

Through a period of months, the party process has been at work. A number of able Democrats presented their names to the convention of the California Democratic Council and Alan Cranston received the endorsement by a majority of votes on the first ballot.

Thereafter, a number of others who had indicated they might make the race, withdrew their names, and it appeared that a party consensus had been achieved for Mr. Cranston.

Within 24 hours of the final filing date, Pierre Salinger suddenly offered his name. Mr. Salinger, like many of the others who were considered, is an able Democrat and personal friend.

Unlike others considered, however, he has not been active in the Democratic Party in California for many years, having moved to the East in 1955.

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Under the circumstances and because I believe Mr. Cranston to be better qualified and prepared to represent California in the U. S. Senate, I have reaffirmed the endorsement I gave his candidacy before Mr. Salinger's last-minute announcement.

I hope you will agree with me and devote your energies and efforts to the nomination and election of Alan Cranston.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "E. G. BROWN".

EDMUND G. BROWN, Governor