



Mississippians
Say: "I wish
I could vote
...without
fear!"



AN OPEN LETTER TO CALIFORNIA VOTERS

Clarksdale, Miss.



Dear Voter:

I wish I could vote in California November 8th. This election is just as important as the 1964 presidential race between President Johnson and Barry Goldwater.

On one side there is an actor frontman for right-wing extremists who would stop the clock on social and economic progress. On the other there is Governor Brown with a proven record of liberal and progressive leadership.

All around you there is evidence of Brown's leadership: Fair employment and fair housing laws, the nation's best climate for organized labor, the nation's leading school system, best care for the elderly, special departments in housing and economic development and California's position as first in program and dollars in the War on Poverty.

Yes, I wish I could vote in California where you can go to the polls without fear of reprisals against you and your family.

Here in Mississippi many of our people lose their jobs or are evicted from their homes, their credit is cut off, and some are even killed, all for just attempting to register or to vote.

The only fear you have when you go to the polls in California is your own apathy. And if you fail to vote November 8th, you are letting down thousands of your own brothers who have fought and bled for that precious right.

Everybody will lose if Reagan is elected. So since I and millions of other anxious Americans can't vote in California November 8th, won't you fight harder to save your state.

Please work hard in your neighborhood and vote for Governor Brown.

Sincerely Yours,

Aaron E. Henry

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Here's What Ronald Reagan Says About You And Your Problems

- **"I would have voted against the Civil Rights Act of 1964."**

—*Los Angeles Times*, June 17, 1966

- **"Unemployment insurance is a pre-paid vacation plan for freeloaders."**

—*Address to Fresno Republicans*, April 18, 1966

- **"I'm against both open occupancy and housing covenants."**

—*Detroit News*, March 29, 1966

- **"On aid to the needy: 'A faceless mass waiting for handouts.'"**

—*San Diego Union*, May 30, 1965

- **"Social Security ought to be voluntary." (That would kill the program.)**

—*Human Events*, November, 1964

- **"On Earl Warren, who was responsible for the Supreme Court decision integrating public schools: 'I think he's a lousy justice.'"**

—*Washington Star*, July 13, 1965

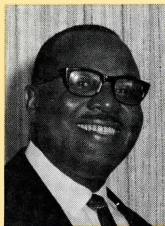
- **"On the War on Poverty: 'It is probably the biggest pork barrel in the history of the United States.'"**

—*Sacramento Bee*, October 25, 1965

- **"You must understand that the doctors' fight against socialized medicine (Medicare) is our fight."**

—*Sacramento Address*, August 3, 1965

COMMUNITY LEADERS SAY



Leon Harrison, Los Angeles mortician: "The past seven years have spelled progress for minority groups in California. More effort is needed, more progress is needed. Under Governor Brown's leadership we are moving toward the kind of equality we all want. Pat Brown has my vote."



Mrs. Birdell "Chew" Moore, Civil Rights worker in Watts: "You owe it to yourselves and your children to vote for Governor Brown. He is a Governor with a heart who is concerned about the problems of all California citizens."



Assemblyman Byron Rumford of Berkeley: "Under the administration of Governor Edmund G. Brown, California has passed more important civil rights legislation and our people have received more significant political appointments than under all prior Governors in the history of the State. Governor Brown has been a leader in the fight for justice and equality for all Americans."



Norman D. Houston, Los Angeles life insurance executive: "Every voter in our state has a vital stake in the upcoming election for Governor. Our choice is between an experienced liberal incumbent and a challenger whose background identifies him with forces of ultra conservatism. My choice and that of other responsible Republicans is for Governor Brown."



Yvonne Brathwaite, Los Angeles attorney and candidate for the State Assembly: "Minority groups have made great strides in equal opportunity for education under Governor Brown's leadership. With his Master Plan for Education students from all walks of life have the opportunity to obtain sufficient education to qualify for the highest professions. Free public education has made this possible."

VOTE FOR GOV. PAT BROWN