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Kosciusko, C.S.R.
Miss.

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Hon. John Stennis

Dear Senator:-

I do not
know how to write you
on the subject so near
and dear to my heart.
(White Supremacy)
because you wouldn't
even take a stand on it
last fall. for I give
you credit for not being
a dummy. therefore you
know that that issue
and that Alton elected
the late lamented.
Senator Bilbo in 1946.

you should also know
had it been in a
primary election or where
there could have been
a second race you
would not be in the
U. S. Senate now. A lot
of the Anti-Kilbo folks
in Miss. would vote for
any one so he is an
Anti some in the
Legislature so prejudiced
they won't let a flock
or street be named in
his honor. You being
about the only Anti in
the race and at least
three good Kilbo men
to split his friends
vote between anyone

Could forecast the result.
I was surprised that
your plurality was not
so large than it was,
but I could vote for you
some day if you will
get in there with Gov-
Wright, Sen. Eastland
and all the Southern
Senators and Representatives
and fight like hell those
negro bills before Congress.
Get on both Democrats
and Republicans to
prevent Closure rule.
Then filibuster as long
as you can stand and
your feet and then sit
down and keep talking.

Ask those negro lovers
Are They Willing for
Their daughters to marry
one of those black,
whipping punts?

That is what those
pieces will mean. Now
please get on Freeman
and Mc Grath and others
Now before too late for
the people elected you
all to act for us. If
passed it will mean a
second civil war.

Yours for a square
deal for the negroes,
but never social equal-
ity.

Kosciusko, Miss. J
C.S.R.

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COMMITTEE ON
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February 26, 1948

Civil Rights

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Kosciusko, Mississippi

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your letter of February 23rd. I deeply appreciate your advice and counsel as we face the hardest fight of history to stop the drive to destroy our Southern way of life. You may rest assured that I have been, am now, and will keep on using every means at my command to defeat each and every one of the Bills aimed at the Southland. If a filibuster is necessary in each and every case I shall talk as long as I have breath to make a sound.

Your advice and counsel are always welcome, and I hope you will continue to favor me with suggestions.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

U. S. S.

JCS:MVM