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Hon. James E. Folsom,  
State Capital,  
Montgomery, Alabama.

Dear Mr. Folesom:

I am disturbed and am sure every Alabamian is over the much disturbance in our State with the Ku Klux. When I read in our Birmingham News about what they did in running the negroes from Maplesville the last few days and the many ugly things they are doing, it grieves me.

Alabama is getting black marks that I feel we do not deserve. I travel from Maryland to California and from Alaska to Cuba and see what the people think of us in Alabama, especially in Birmingham. I feel the Christians can change that and under your leadership. I pray for you and feel with the Christians backing you up, you can rid our wonderful State from such criticism.

I do not know what the answer is but with such fine men leading in our Capital, it can be worked out.

Yours sincerely,

*Bertha Wallis*