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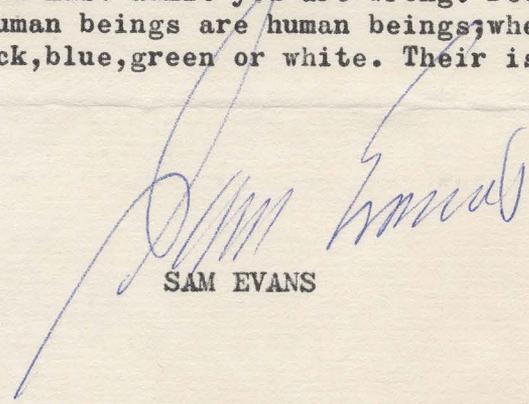
March 10, 1960

Police Commissioner L.B. Sullivan  
Montgomery, Ala.

Dear Sir:

It is very sad to read in the papers that you suggest that the Alabama State College be closed. These Negro students who have protested racial segregation are only asking for the rights given them in the constitution of these United States, a bill and law that you are sworn to enforce and respect.

The civil war and slavery have been over for nearly 100 years, how much longer are you going to fight the ways of Democracy. How can we hope to sell Democracy to the world when we don't practice it right here in our own country. Please examine your own conscience, and you must admit you are wrong. People are people, and human beings are human beings, whether their skins be black, blue, green or white. There is no superior person!

  
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CITY OF MONTGOMERY  
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

March 16, 1960.

Mr. Sam Evans  
203 North Wabash Ave.  
Chicago 1, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Evans:

This will reply to your letter of March 10, 1960 as it concerns recent racial incidents that have occurred in Montgomery and subsequent statements made by this writer concerning same.

I am perhaps more familiar with the oath of office taken when I assumed the responsibilities as Police Commissioner than are you.

It has been and will continue to be our policy to enforce our local laws, maintain order and prevent violence.

Frankly I do not see how you can justifiably criticize any other city when you have the violence etc. in your own.

I trust that the above will be a satisfactory reply to your letter.

L. B. Sullivan,  
Commissioner of Public Affairs

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