

January 14, 1965

Mr. Robert Penn Warren
2495 Redding Road
Fairfield, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Warren:

Here is a letter from Charles Morgan in answer to my question about
Cox ownership of Georgian papers. Does this help?

We will be sending the galleys to you tomorrow.

With all best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Charles Morgan, Jr.
American Civil Liberties Union
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Chuck:

Many thanks for your letter about Northern newspaper ownership. The book Warren is doing is a series of interviews with leaders and those of influence in civil rights - all Negro. He occasionally intersperses the actual interviews with such information as you have supplied. He is on the side of the angels.

Best wishes from Gay and me.

Sincerely,

December 23, 1964

Mr. Charles Morgan
Harper & Row Publishers, Inc.
49 East 33 Street
New York City

Dear Chuck:

Could you help me with some information about Birmingham? Robert Penn Warren is doing a book, "Who Speaks for the Negro?", which we will publish, about civil rights. He suspects that the main Birmingham newspapers are owned by Cox, who is from the North. Do you know if this is true? Can it be substantiated? We would greatly appreciate the information inasmuch as it is important to one of Warren's theses in the book.

With all best wishes from Gay and me to you and your family for a wonderful Christmas.

Sincerely,

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January 11, 1965

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Mrs. Gay Talese
Rando! House, Inc.
457 Madison Avenue
New York 22, N.Y.

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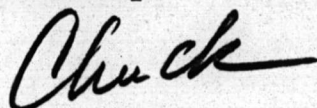
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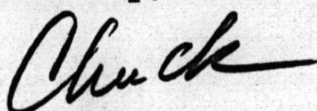
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