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Cleveland, Mississippi
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Mr. Wert Yerger
State Grand Old Party Chairman
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am Amzie Moore, age 47, I have been registered as a republican since 1935, curcit clerk's office, Cleveland, Mississippi. The same year I was appointed charman U.S. Post Office Dept., Cleveland, Mississippi under a Democratic Administration. I served under that Administration until I was called into the Armed Service October 8, 1942 through Jan. 17, 1946. I served in the C.B.I. (China India Burma) C.B.I.T.O. was given an honorable discharge, went back to my old job at the P.O. Dept. Cleveland, Mississippi March 1, 1946. I served about 19 years under the Democrats; and the Republicans came into power 1952 and almost at once these people began looking for ways and means to cut the person lowest down on the economic ladder, (mean cut the salary) and blame it on the Republican party. My co-worker is a Democrat. He didn't go to the Army and I have more service at the Post Office than he, we did the same thing each day but when it came to cutting hours I was cut from 35 hours a week to 16 hours a week and his hours have not been cut at all. When I appealed to the Post Master General for consideration the Postmaster at the Cleveland, Mississippi Post Office informed the Post-Master General that the cut in hours were in keeping with economy drive of U.S. Post Office Dept.

I bought a house under the G.I. bill of Rights which cost about ten thousand dollars and I had tried to build a small business and I had no money saved because I had bought furniture and other things I needed. I owe a large debt and I have lost my credit rating because I cannot pay my debts with my income all this happened because I am a republican, I say this because no other employe's hours were cut to 16 a week. We have 42,000 Negroes in this Area of which 22,000 are over 21 years of age. I have been teaching them the Constitution so they could register. Since this happened to me they all scream "look what the great republican party did for you, nothing happened under the democratic party". Of course during election local deomcrats come around and ask for one(s support. The Post Master General doesn't seem to be able to do anything about it I was told by a republican who ask me not to mention his name to write you and that's what I am doing. I would like to get my hours back(35 hrs a week) and have my pay retroactive to May 31, 1958 when my pay and hours were cut. To me it is pure discrimination because no other person in the Post Office was cut below a living wedge.

There are some more that I would like to tell you about this matter but I shall wait until I see you. Please do what you can for me. If you can't do anything about it please let me know at once.

Sincerely yours