

racial conflict. I think he will because I think he's concerned — as are most of the people in this country right now — that there is a wave of permissiveness that has been allowed to prosper and flourish and the people really don't know when the politicians — the people in government — are going to actually have the courage to put their foot down and say no to some of these unreasonable requests. I think Mr. Nixon has made it perfectly clear that while he advocates the causes of civil rights and equality of opportunity he distinguishes between those factors and the broad generalizations of economic improvement without effort which seem to come so frequently from the people you are referring to.

Q. Would you give a specific example of what you mean by an unreasonable request?

A. Yes. I think it's completely unreasonable for anybody to go to Washington and say that he is advocating welfare rights. I don't think there is such a thing as a welfare right. Now let me say that I think that the people who are reflecting the opinion in this country, that I am concerned about, are not thinking cogently through this problem. I just want to give you an example lifted from a lead story in a newspaper. It indicated that yesterday the demonstrations in Washington were for "a just share of affluence and dignity for all Americans." Now let's just analyze that a minute. What is a "just share of affluence?" Can you have a "just share of affluence?" Even the people in Communist Russia aren't satisfied that the affluence is properly distributed among them. This is impossible. There isn't any such thing as a just share of wealth. Some people have more wealth than others. Sometimes it's circumstances that bring on the disparities, sometimes it's a lack of effort. But whatever the reason be, you can't have equal wealth. Even in a Communist country you can't have it. Now the second point — a "just share of dignity for all Americans." I have always felt that dignity is a quality that is developed internally by the individual. It's not something that you can buy in a portion like ice cream. So when a person starts an article out saying that the demonstrating that's going on in the so-called poor people's campaign in Washington is to achieve a "just share of affluence and dignity," the preamble itself is evidence of what I call fuzzy thinking.

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Q. Governor, to get back to Governor Wallace for a moment. Have you had any indications at all how he may fare in Maryland?

A. Well, I suppose based on his previous attempt in Maryland he's