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Hon. Louis D. Brandeis,
Judge of the Supreme Court of the U.S.A.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Judge Brandeis:-

I have read in this morning's New York Times a rough digest of your opinion in the so-called 'Chain Store' case for the State of Florida.

Permit me to compliment you on this opinion which although of the minority, contains so many brutal truths, that it is amazing to me that it is treated so lightly.

Although you will note that I do some chain store leasing here in this City, it has become increasingly sure to me that the Government will have to act soon to curb this growing 'Frankenstein' as you have so well termed it.

Here in this City, the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. have been expanding rapidly, building stores with a complete food market, in some cases as close as three blocks from each other, which of course has but one object – the stifling of the small store which employs help. They are not the only ones of course, but are the largest.

It strikes me Judge Brandeis that we the people, have become powerless to do anything about it. Our representatives are not awake to this menace. How then, are we to waken them? That is the question to be answered on Election Day, for it seems the vote is the only weapon the Citizen has.

Permit me in closing to state that your opinions are always read with interest by me, because they contain good common sense and the ideals you fight for, must eventually prevail in our land.

Respectfully yours,

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