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has pretty good, considering. After all, in addition to recognizing Israel, Truman, in the 1940's, fought the State Department's anti-Semitic policies regarding the treatment of Jews in Germany. A public official has flawed private moments, and I'm sure that Harry Truman has no exception. But, in the final analysis, it's what a person says and does that counts.

Mr. Humes didn't mention the fact that Ike has opposed to military desegregation, that Nixon belonged to bigoted private clubs. This doesn't mean that they didn't, at times, do good.

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Sincerely,

