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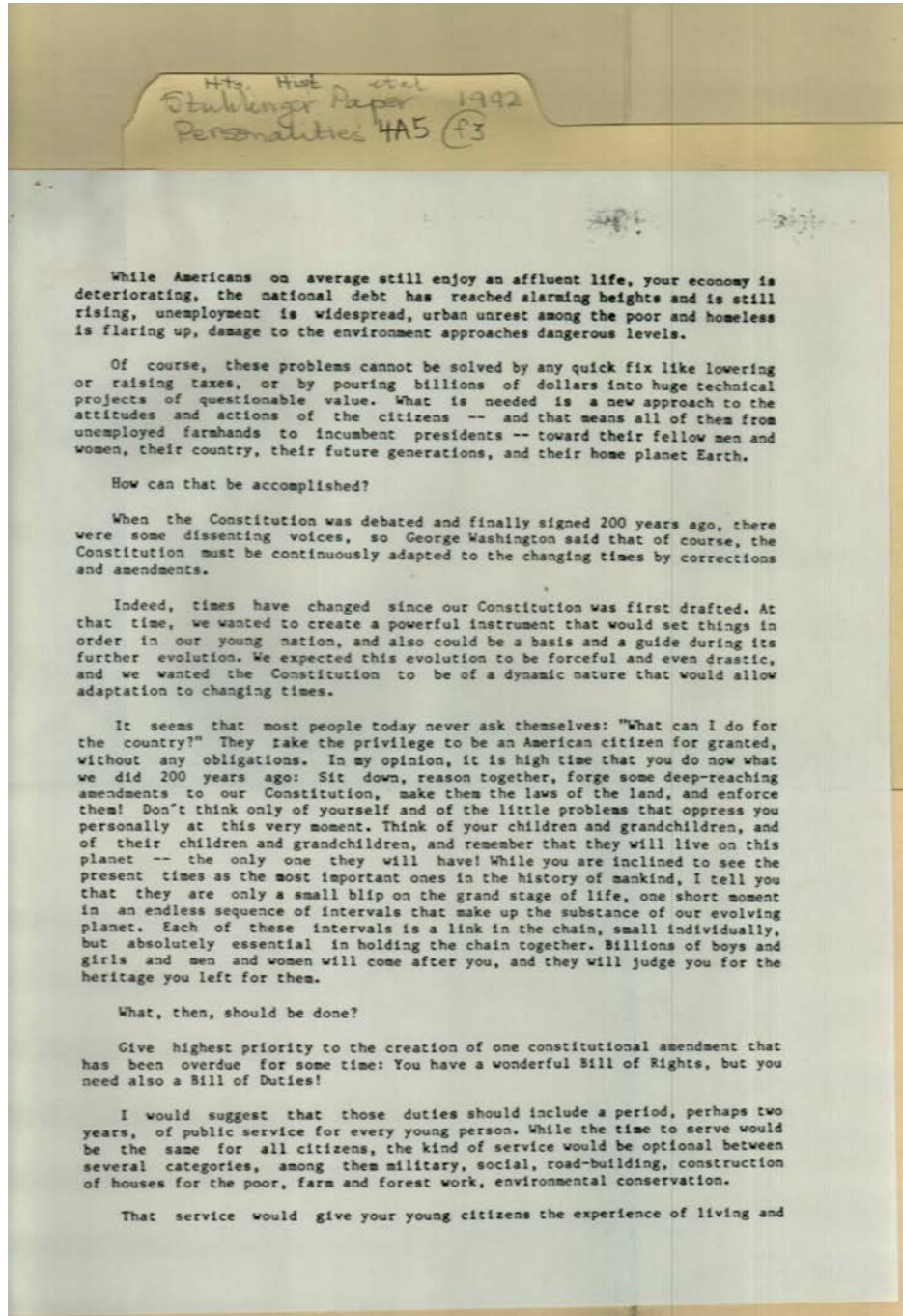
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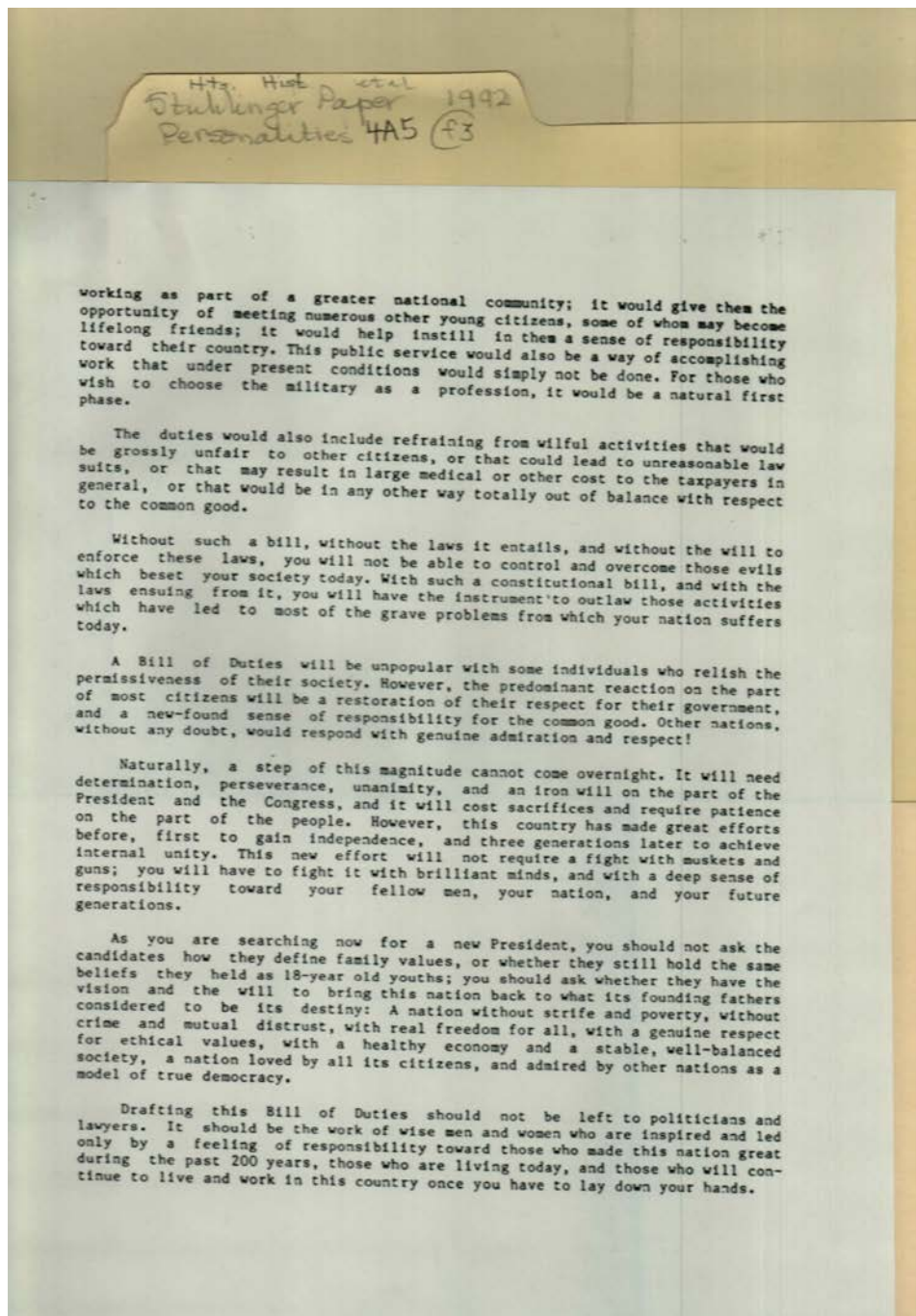
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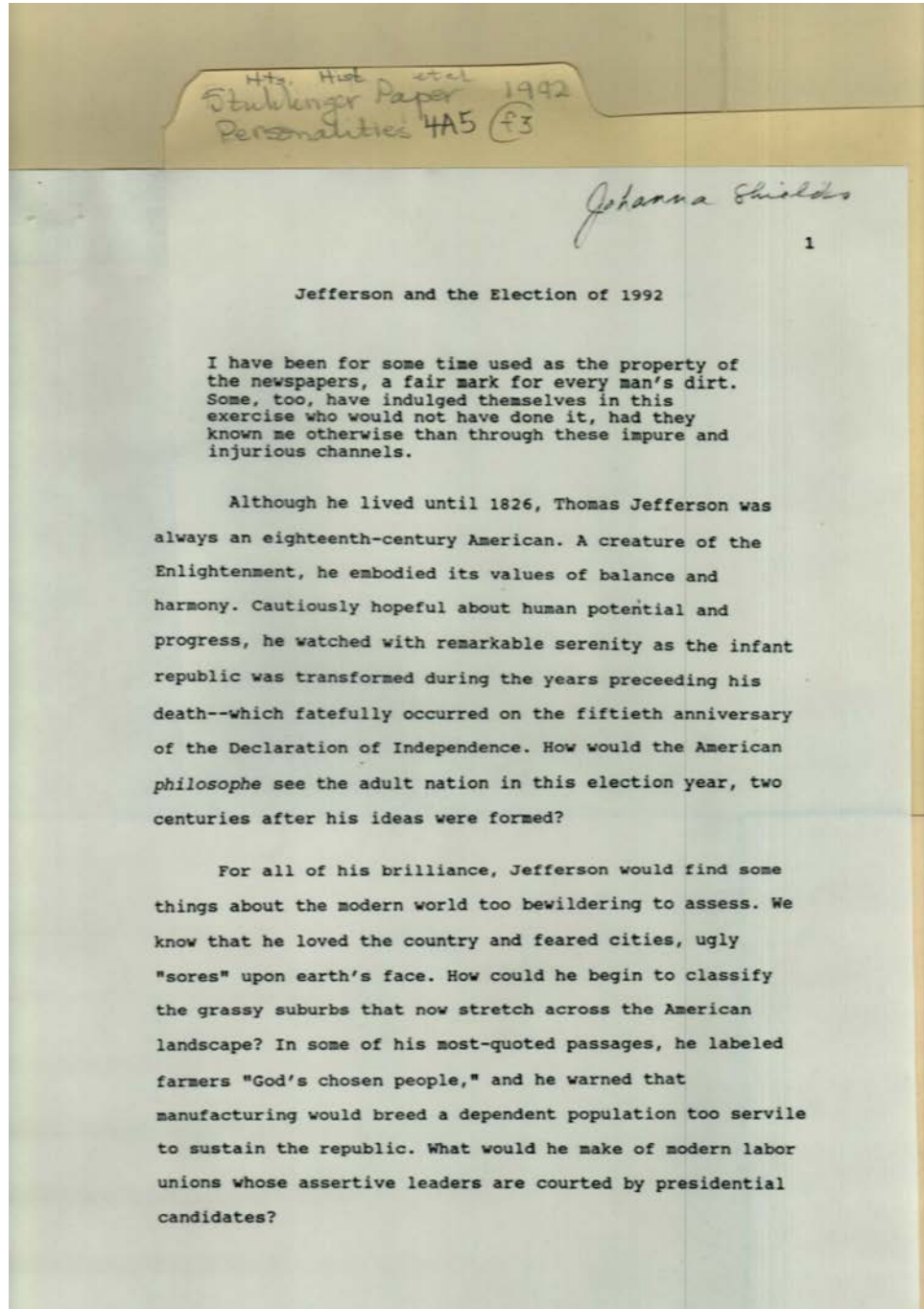
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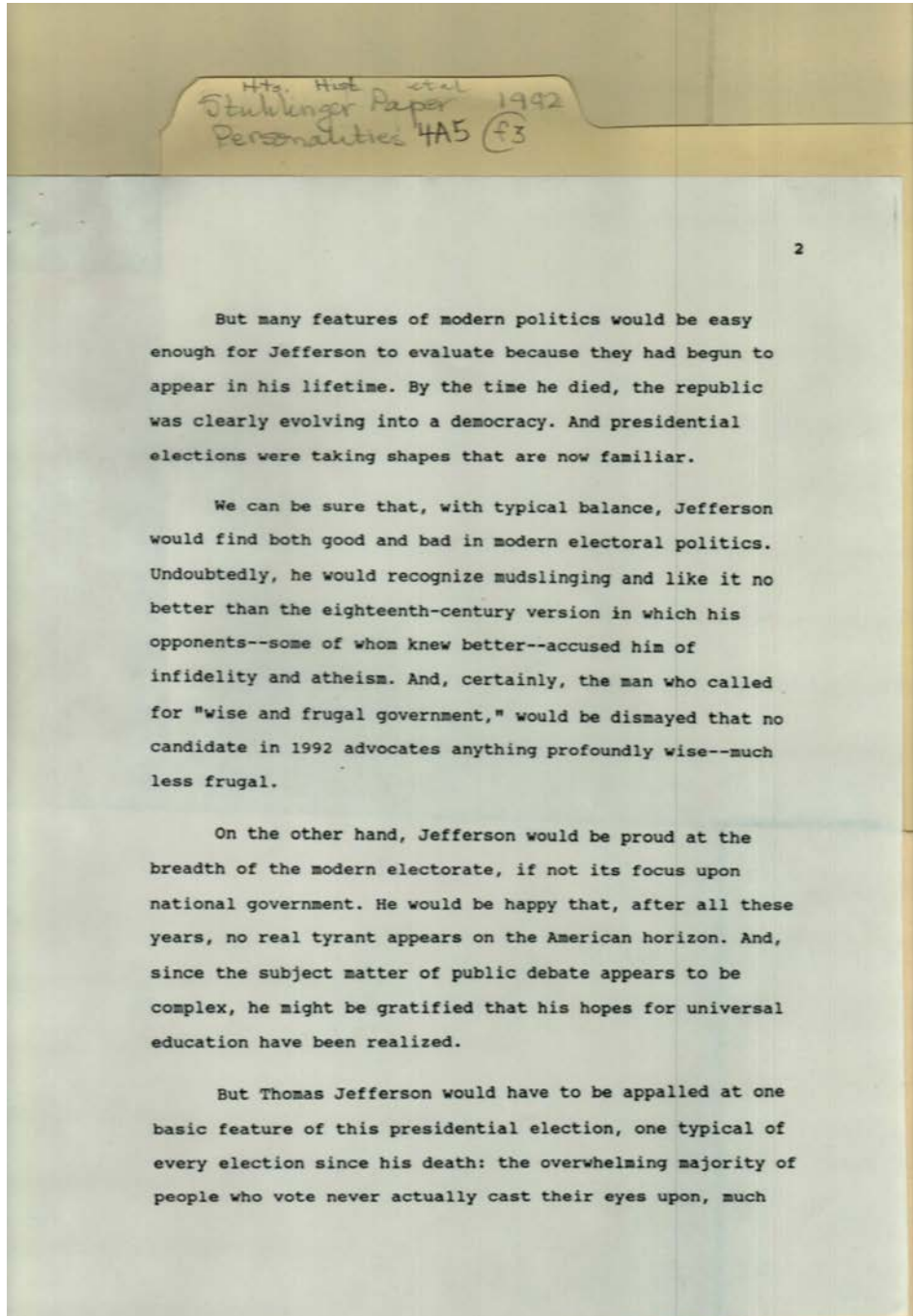
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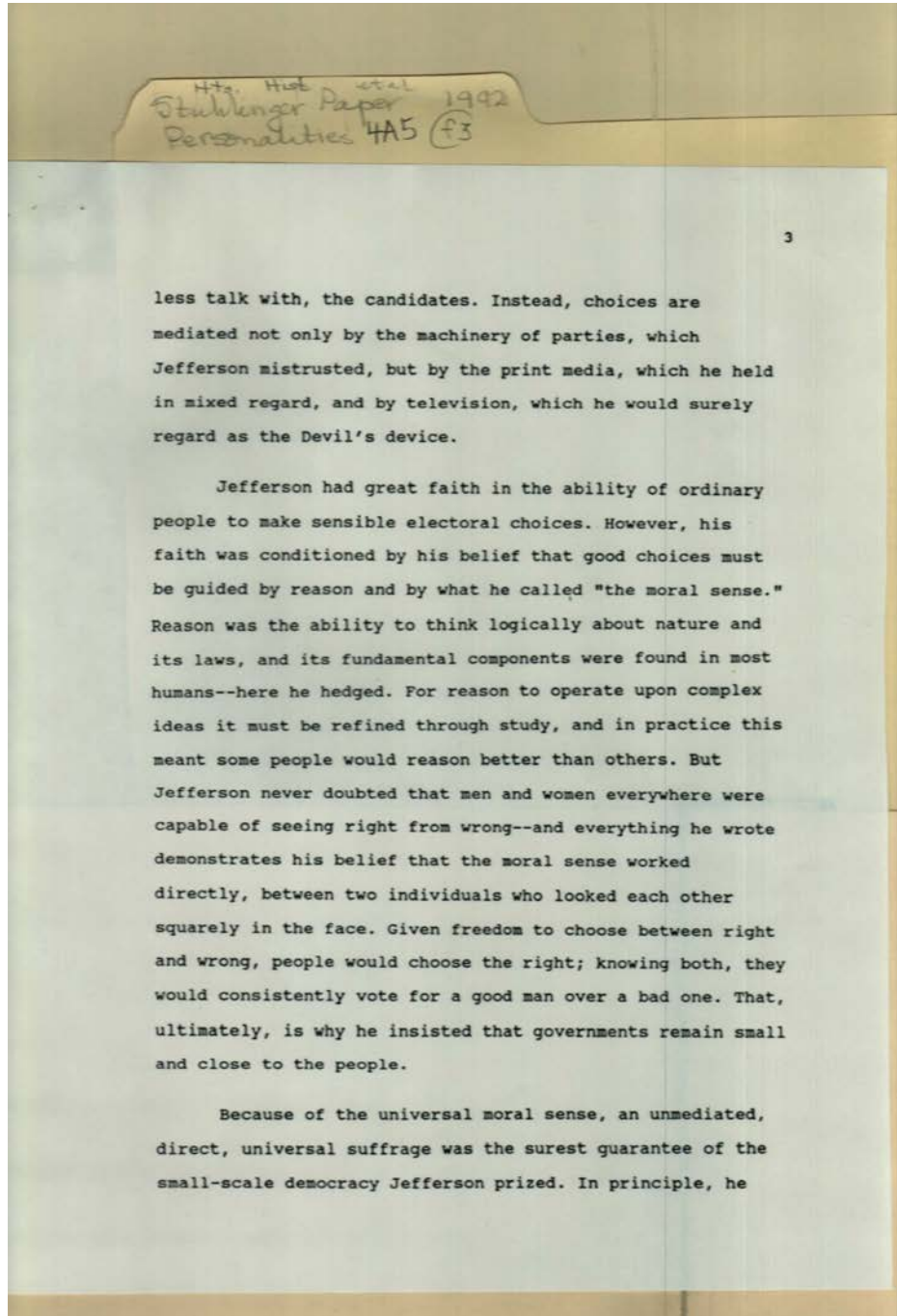


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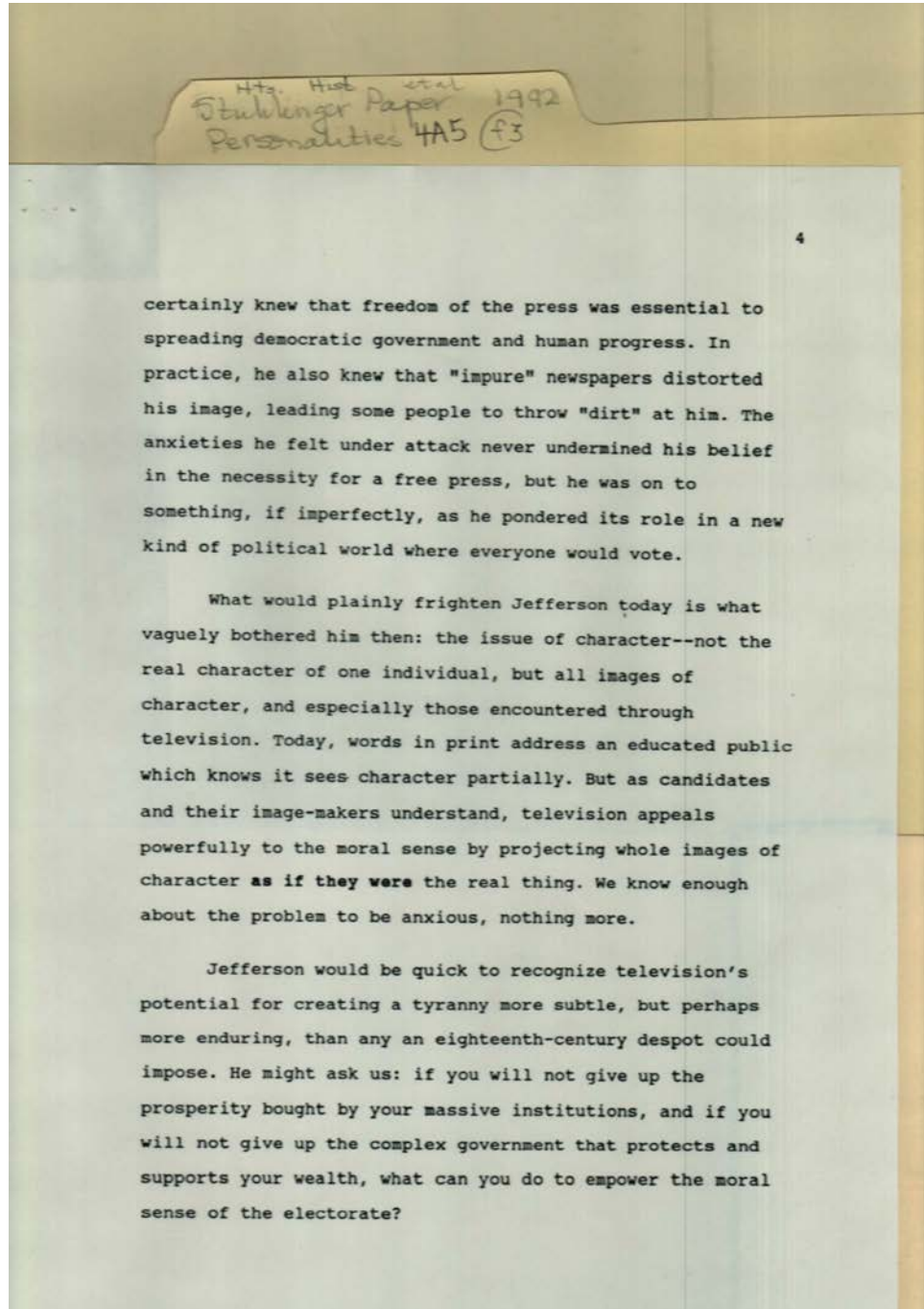


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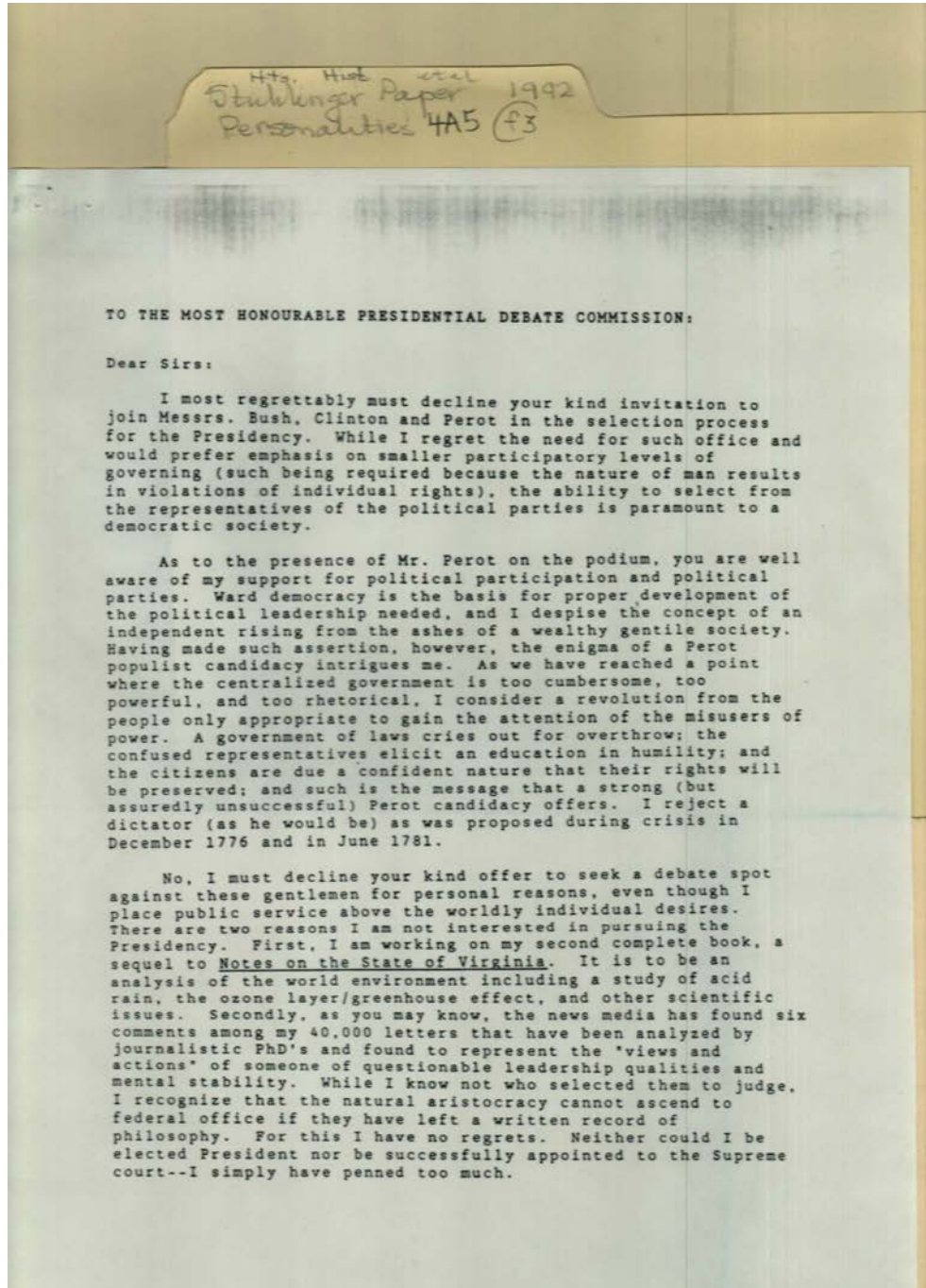


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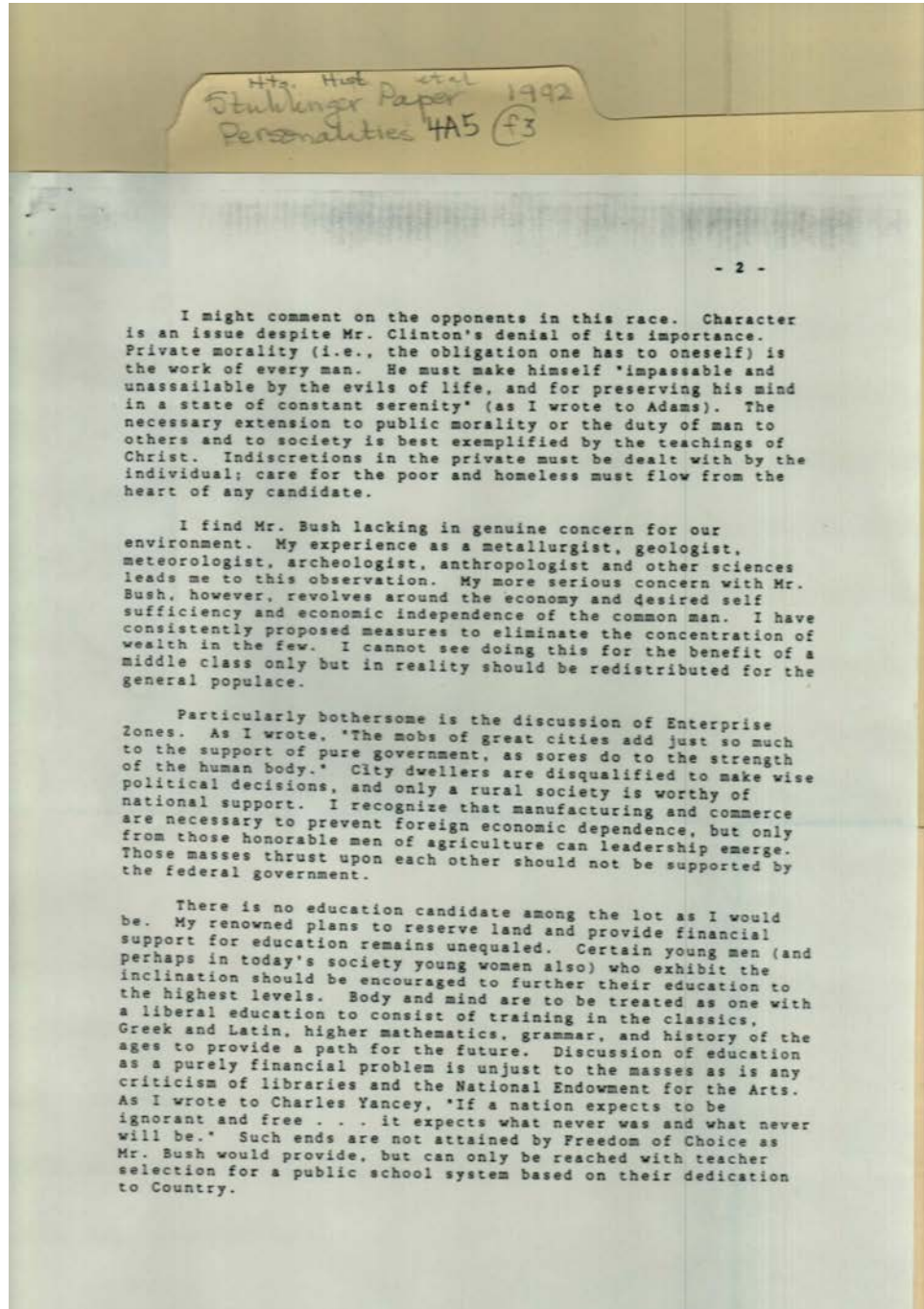
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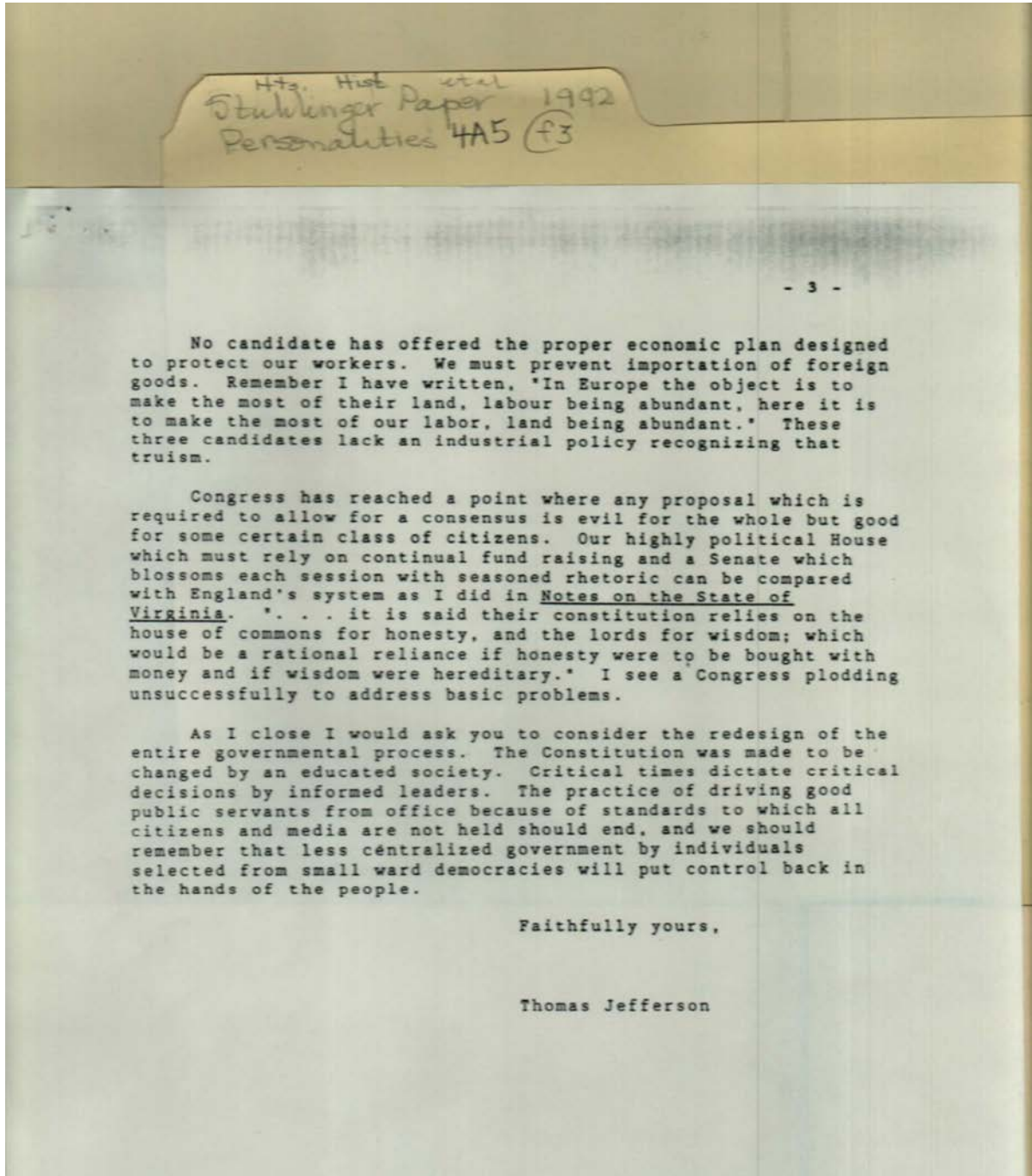


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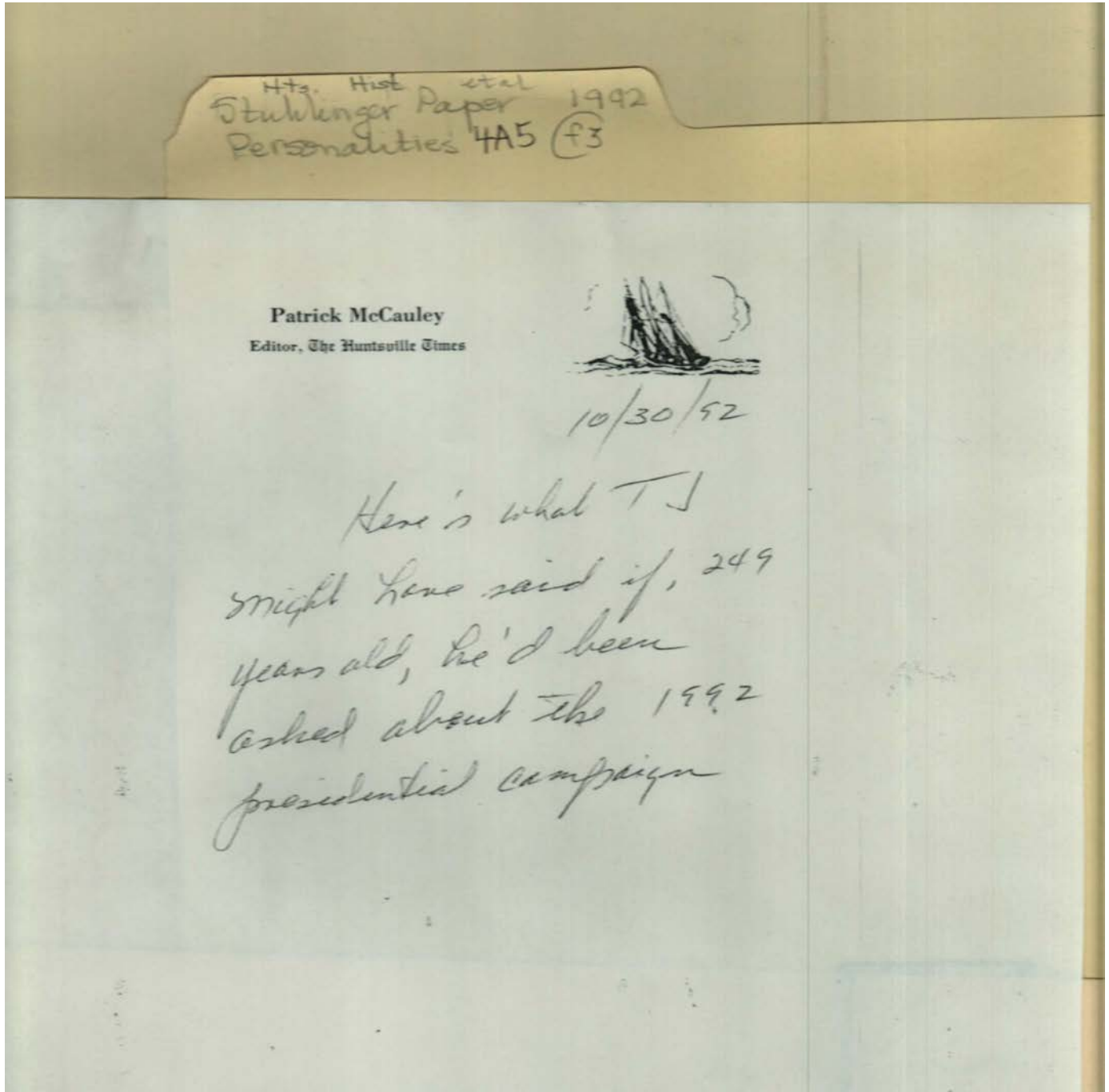


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The right of using and enjoying all the advantages and profits of the property of another without altering or damaging the substance.

If Jefferson were here today, what would he say to Bush, Perot and Clinton according to his ideas of the law of usufruct? The question was whether one generation of men has the right to blink the next or coming one.

Jefferson believed it to be of such consequences as not only to merit decision, but place also, among the fundamental principles of every government. I set it out on this ground,

which I suppose to be self-evident, that the Earth belongs in usufruct to the living; that the dead have neither powers nor rights over it. This idea has its germination from Adam Smith, Thomas Paine and from Doctor Richard Jew, a Welsh man and an atheist. Jefferson met Doctor Jew and was treated by him for 6 days shortly before he returned to Virginia from France. Jefferson wrote "he is the ablest doctor I have ever met." High praise from the medical circle.

The usufruct idea was expounded in what is probably the most famous single letter, one he wrote to James Madison Sept. 6, 1789. He did not mail it, but made numerous small revisions. It was sent to Madison on

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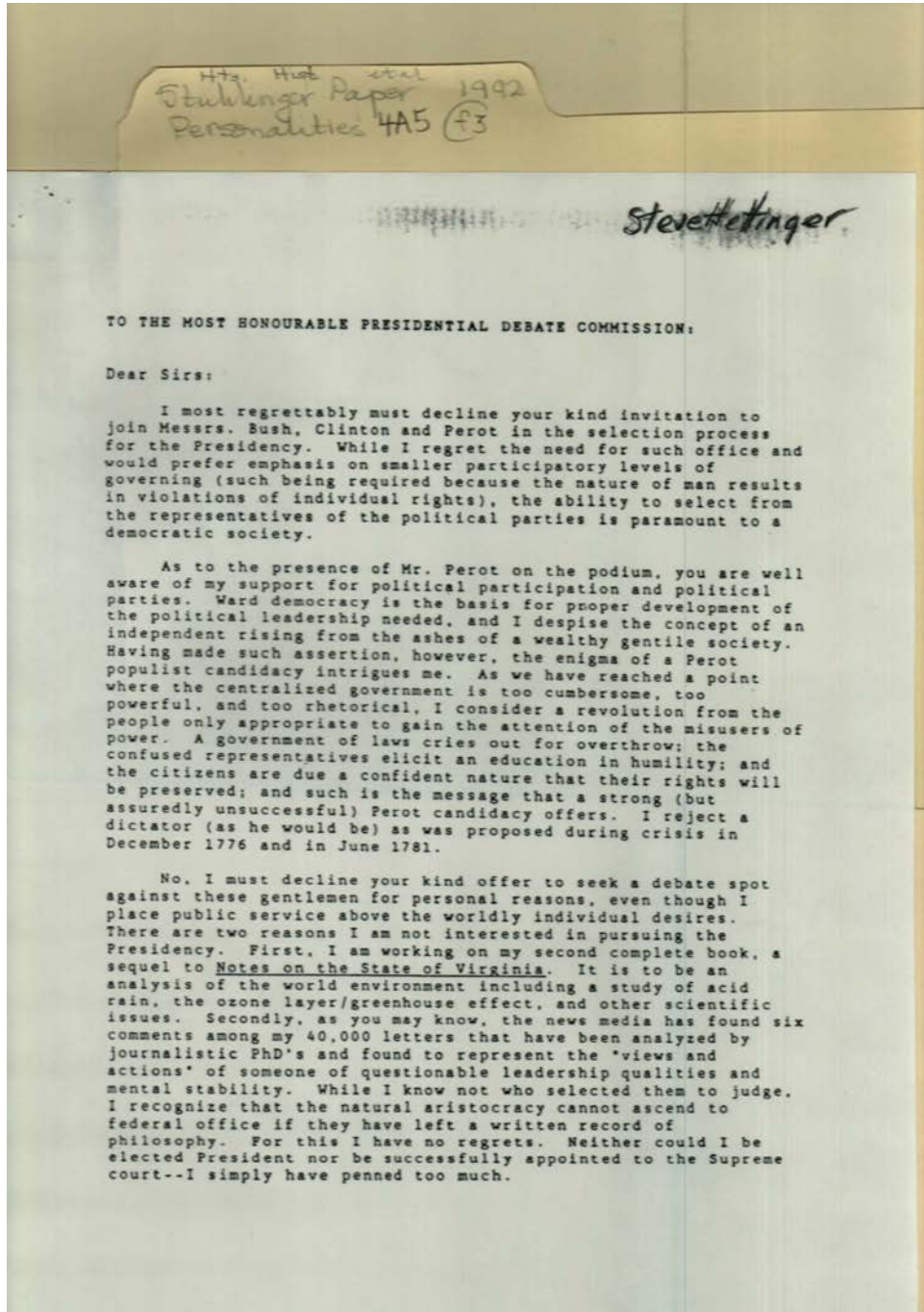
He goes on to write: "Do not bind a new generation by public debts, have a permanent legislative program providing that no new laws, constitutions or financial contracts be drawn up that would last more than one generation," for Jefferson 19 years. I quote: "This would put the leaders and the borrowers also on their guard and it would bridle the spirit of war."

Merrill Peterson believes that Jefferson never intended this to be a part of public law in America, but wrote it as a "moral directive to society." Peterson counts this as the most "highly & radical" idea in the whole of the Jefferson Catalogue.

I think this is what he would say to the three candidates:
The earth belongs always to the living generation. You may manage it then, and what proceeds from it as you please during your usufruct. But do not leave it in debt, in pollution, in over-crowding, under bad rule, do not spoil the earth by keeping hermits and do not deplete the soil or the forests, do not pollute your streams, your oceans or your air, above all do not leave your debts to those who are coming on. Use the present fruits of this land for present pleasure, but leave it like you found it.

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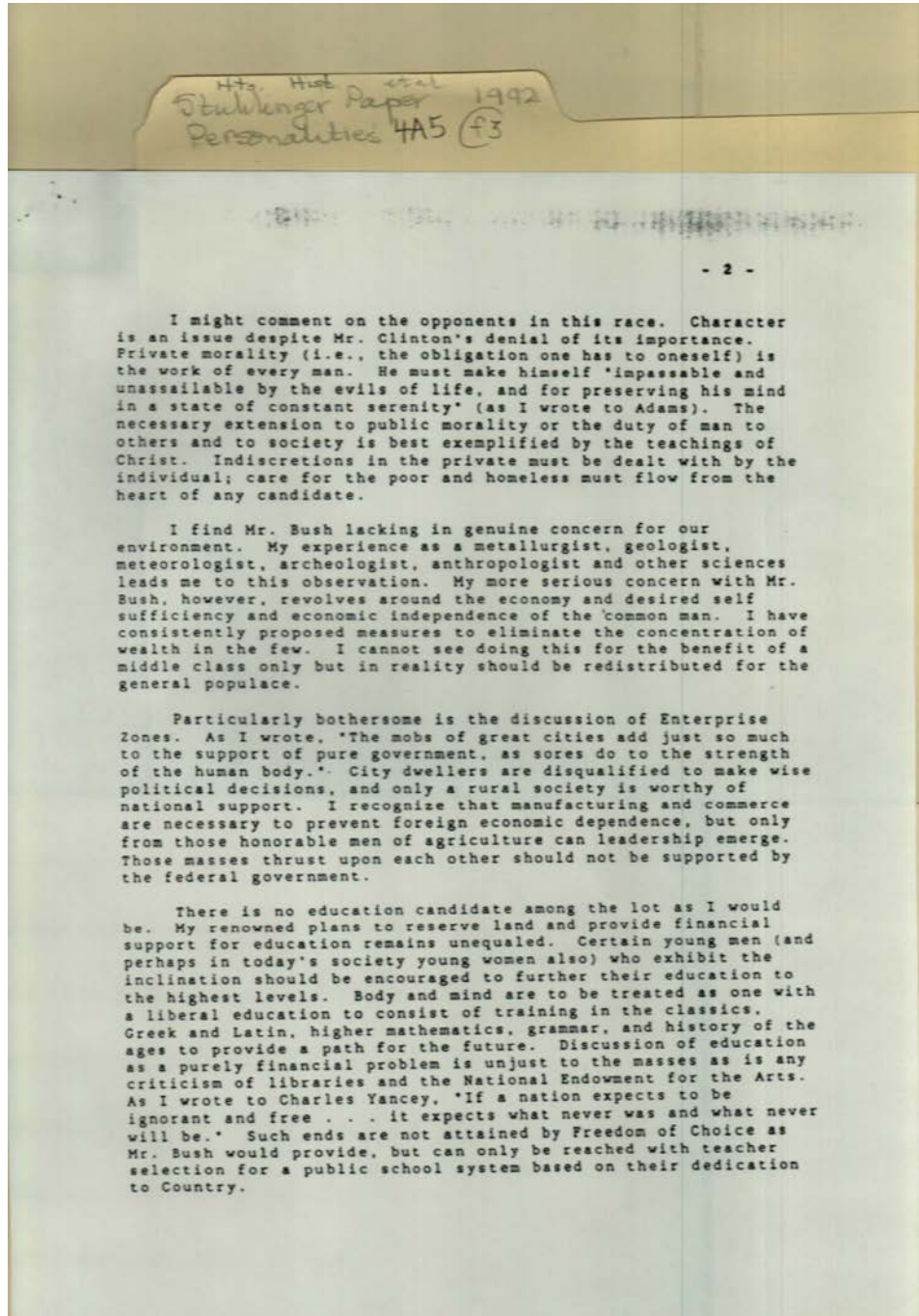
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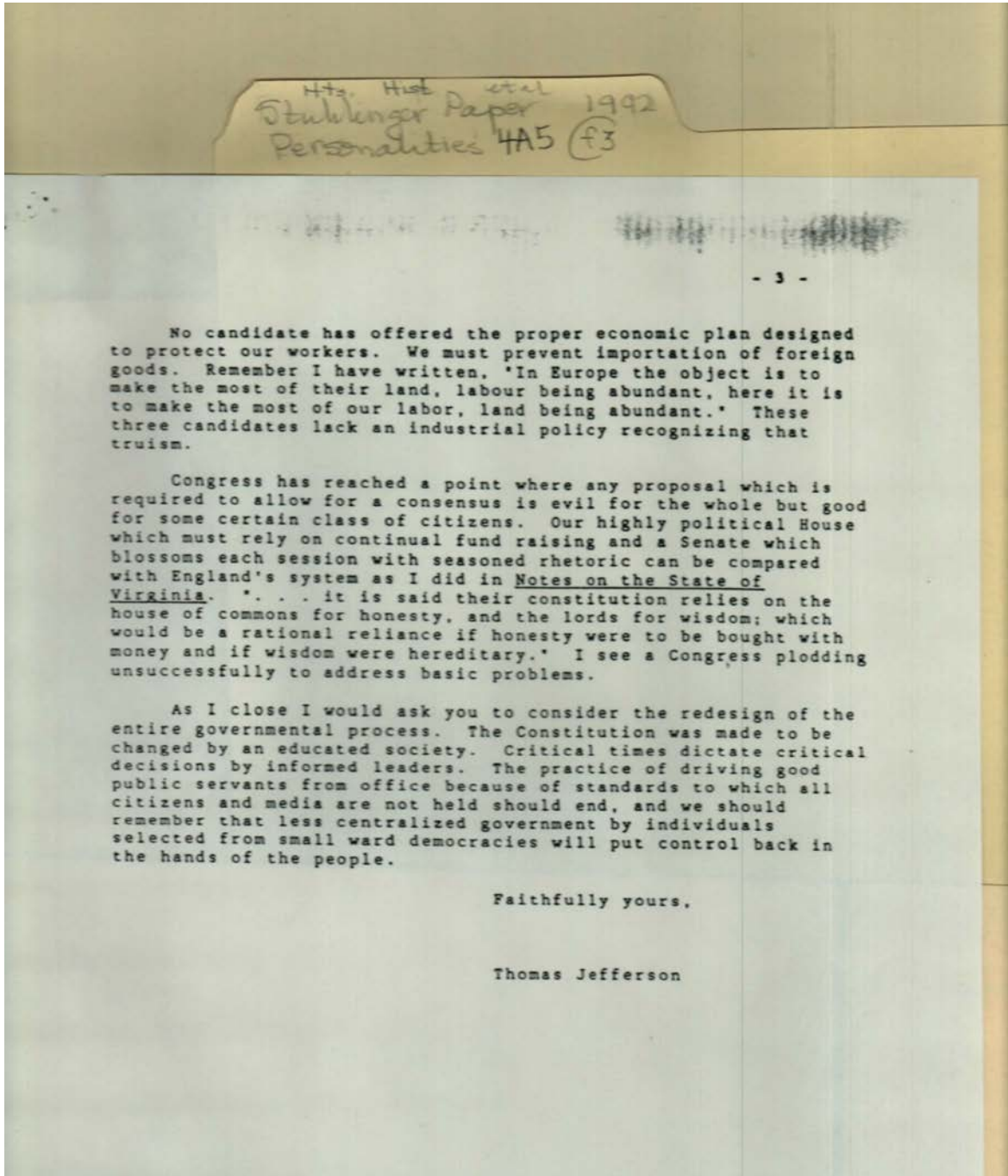
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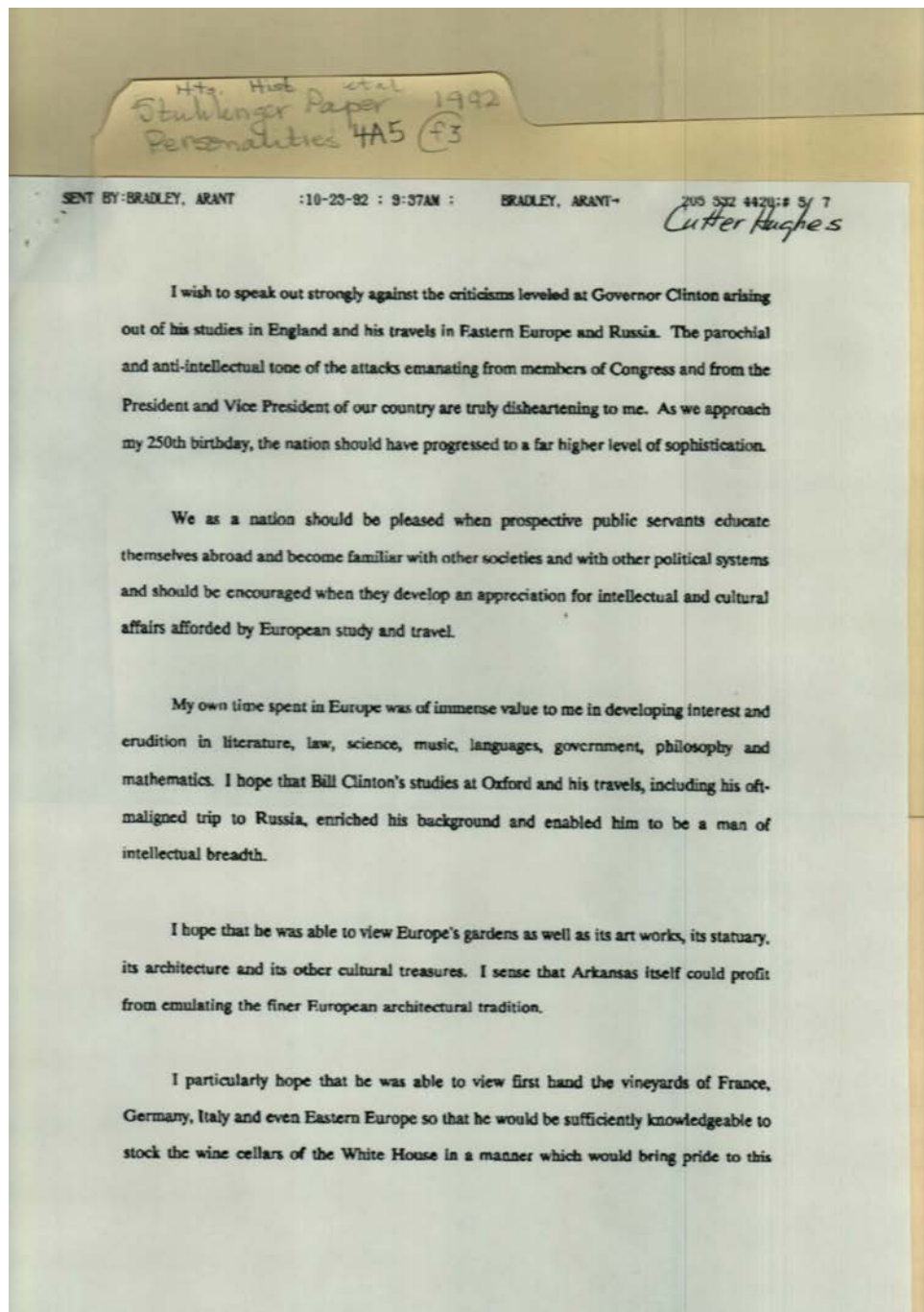


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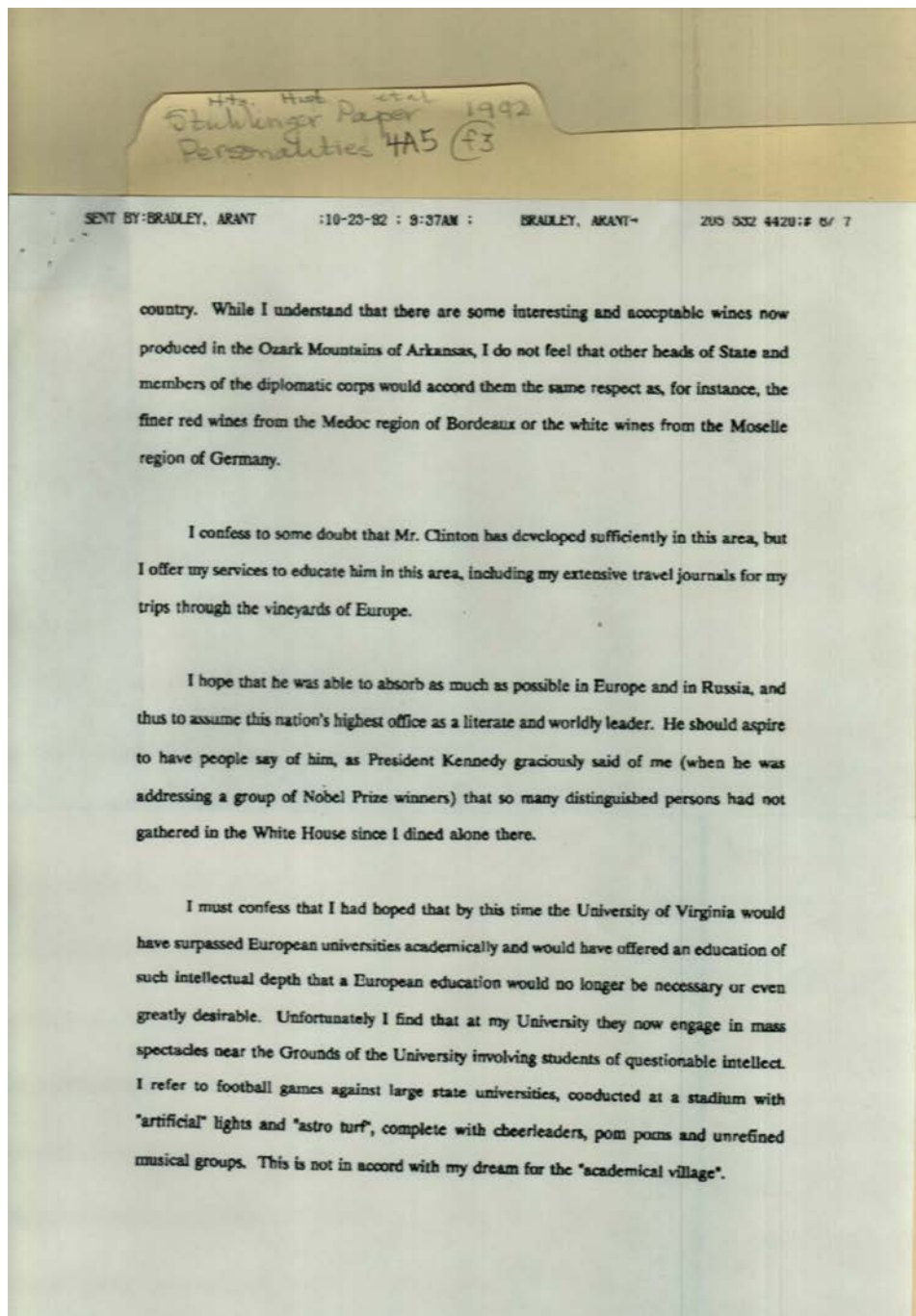
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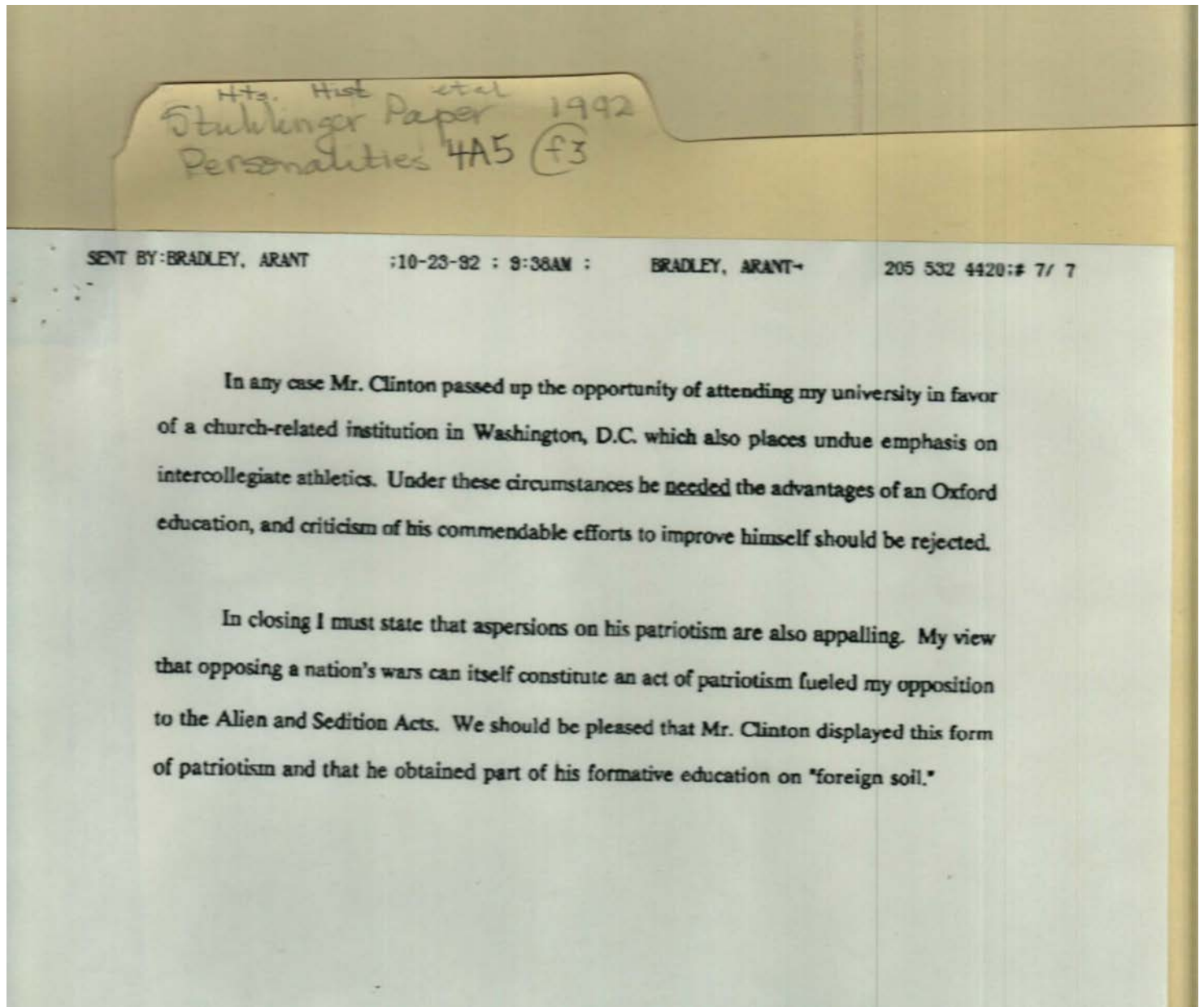
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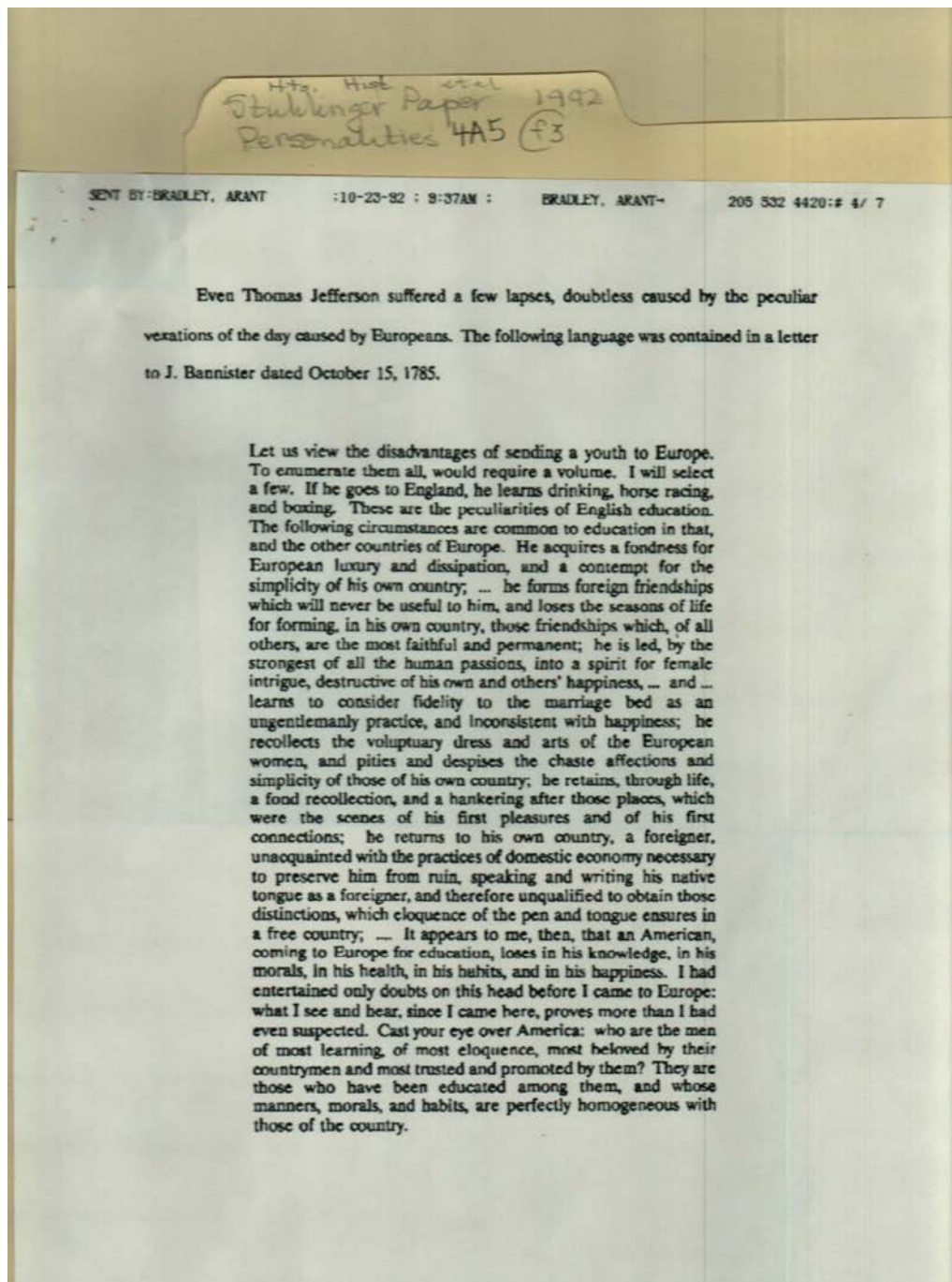
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