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Dear Jim:

You will see from the copy of the letter attached that I have started the ball rolling with Stanley Horn, John Moore, and Floyd McGowin, and hope to see them during my January trip south.

Your letter of last Sunday brings the bad news of your hospitalization and Margaret Moore's serious eye operation. I am genuinely sorry to hear this news and I hope that both of you are fully recovered by the time this arrives. Somehow or other the Christmas season always seems to bring a rash of illness and accidents to put a damper on the season of glad tidings.

I appreciate your willingness to help out in any way you can with our plans for the annual meeting at Ole Miss. I recognize, of course, that you prefer to stay in the background and let John carry the ball. It will be good to see you and Dutch, and Margaret and I are planning to spend most of the 16th and 17th of January in Oxford, so I am sure we will have opportunity to get together on one of these two days.



Dr. James W. Silver, cont'd December 15, 1961

Our plans now are to drive from Auburn, Alabama on the 15th and expect to arrive in Oxford either that night or sometime on the following day. I think what I will do is contact you by phone from Auburn on the 15th and let you know more definitely when we will be arriving. If possible, I would like to meet with you before I get in touch with John.

All the best wishes of the season.

Cordially,

Woody.

Elwood R. Maunder
Director

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P.S. I've just had the pleasure and the gain of reading our file of old letters exchanged since 1955. What ever will the historian of the future make of it? He'll probably use the jargon of the day — "Some kind of nuts."