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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY ATLANTA 14, GEORGIA

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

November 14, 1963

Dr. James W. Silver Department of History University of Mississippi Oxford, Mississippi

Dear Doctor Silver:

Pursuant to our conversation at Asheville, I have discussed the matter of your coming to Atlanta University with our Forum Committee and with President Clement. All agreed that it would be an excellent idea. President Clement, in fact, has indicated that he is personally acquainted with you and is very desirous of your coming to the campus.

The Forum Series in which I am inviting you to participate as a lecturer is sponsored by the School of Arts and Sciences of Atlanta University. The Series has no particular theme, but it is hoped that each lecturer will speak on some matter of general significance to an academic community. The audience is principally drawn from the student bodies and faculties of the six institutions comprising the Atlanta University Center. On occasion, there are many representatives from Georgia Tech, Emory, Agnes Scott and Oglethorpe University. So there is promise of a broadly representative audience should you find it possible to come. The tentative date which we have in mind for your lecture is Tuesday, January 14. The University provides an honorarium of \$300 and will furnish housing and meals while you are in Atlanta. Unfortunately, you will have to be responsible for your own transportation costs to and from Atlanta. I sincerely hope that you will be able to favor us by participating.

Your address at Asheville represented a noble undertaking in the great tradition of the liberal arts. Since the Asheville meeting, I have read and heard many favorable comments about your address.

Kindly let me hear from you at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence A. Bacote, Chairman

Department of History

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cc: Dr. Rufus E. Clement

