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THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHAPEL HILL

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

October 13, 1962

Dear Jim:

Many thanks for your note. One has the feeling at such a distance--and maybe even more so close to the thing--that there is little he can do. I'll certainly be happy to make the gesture of sending James Meredith a copy of the book on South Carolina Negroes as soon as I can get one from Columbia. But I hope he will not feel any obligation to read it. It is going to be all he can do, I should think, to find the time to keep up with his courses.

I see that your friend Coleman has been instrumental in blocking a legislative investigation. (The American Legion up here is now trying to start a Communist hunt in Chapel Hill.) But I notice that Coleman also issued a statement strongly supporting Barnett prior to the Battle of Oxford--the necessities of Mississippi politics, no doubt. If only he could have been governor at the time.

I have sent you several copies of the Daily Tar Heel giving the reports of some UNC students who were down there to cover the festivities.

Best wishes,

George