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Mrs. Jack Reinstein

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Mr. James Meredith  
University of Mississippi

Enclosed a few clippings  
that may be of interest to you.

The majority of the peoples are  
wishing you a ultimate success.  
it will take endurance patience &  
dignity - which at the end of this  
difficult & harassed period - will  
overcome - the ignorance of the mob  
as well as the ignobleness of men  
higher up? that should know better.

Good luck from a old lady

Mrs. J. Reinstein

**NOTE** ↓  
Please no acknowledgement

## U. S. Reserves Right to Cancel

# Ole Miss Will Play Homecoming Game On Saturday; More Rioting Is Feared

By Robert E. Baker  
Staff Reporter

OXFORD, Miss., Oct. 3

A homecoming football game will be played here on Saturday as scheduled, University of Mississippi officials announced today after long conferences with Federal authorities.

But the Justice Department reserved the right to veto the University's decision if renewed violence appears likely.

Clergymen of Oxford's 10 churches released a statement tonight directed to the townspeople and students urging that Sunday be observed as a day of atonement.

The clergymen unanimously called for a "change in climate" and a "change in our policy that led to the situation of last Sunday." They

urged "obedience and wholehearted support of Federal court orders."

The Justice Department and the University obviously

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are at odds. The decision to hold the game sent shivers through many townspeople, who fear that a large crowd

in this small, tense town might lead to trouble.

The announcement came after a long conference between University Chancellor J. D. Williams, Deputy Attorney General Nicholas Katzenbach and Lt. Gen. Hamilton Howze, who has brought his 18th Airborne Corps Headquarters to Oxford.

The conference took place in the Lyceum, the University's administration building, where 400 U. S. marshals were besieged by students and fanatics last Sunday night in a riot that ended only after two persons had been killed, scores injured, and the Army's elite paratroopers called in.

In any event, James H. Meredith, the Negro whose enrollment here set off the disturbances, will not be in Oxford over the weekend.

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# Editor

## *Sorry Spectacle*

In medieval Mississippi it will be necessary to use big tanks, a regiment of hard nosed Federal soldiers and spill blood in order to register Meredith and keep him alive at the state university.

The solution is to close every post office, every Federal camp, hospital and other facility in the discretion of the President until that state rejoins the Union. It won't be necessary to stop Social Security benefit checks. In one week Ole Miss, with its hell-bent-for-disaster Governor, will be a sadder but wiser state.

JAMES J. HAYDEN.

Chevy Chase.



This is not a very edifying spectacle to greet the delegates to the present Assembly meeting of the United Nations, particularly to the representatives of the emerging Asian-African bloc. This spectacle is hardly conducive to the increase of our sagging prestige in the minds and hearts of these very countries whose confidence in our protestations as champions of all freedom loving peoples is in doubt.

ABE SHEFFERMAN.

Washington.



Reading your report of the mockery being made of Federal authority today in Mississippi, I would like to ask my fellow Southerners to recall and take to heart the words of their—and my—great hero, Gen. R. E. Lee. After the War of 1861-5 was over and he had retired to Washington & Lee, did he not plead with all his fellow Southerners to accept, once and for all, the authority of the Union?

Did he not take the lead in becoming reconciled and accepting the supremacy of the Government in Washington over that of his beloved Virginia? His example, whatever his personal feelings, should be taken to heart today, of all times.

And, in this year when we are spending thousands of dollars re-enacting battles of those dark days, what better monument could the veterans of both sides have than to accept, once and for all, the results of their supreme sacrifice—namely, that in the question of Federal vs. State, the Federal Government is paramount? Thousands of them died to settle this question. Let us honor their sacrifice and not reopen nor keep alive this old wound:

MARY R. SULLIVAN.

Washington.

## He Also Serves

While the tumult rages all about him, while lawyers argue and judges rule, while Governors fulminate and legislatures prate, one man in Mississippi—James Meredith, a central actor in the drama being played there—awaits his cue to walk upon the stage with silence and dignity and fortitude. When the tumult dies at last, when the constitutional questions have been decided, James Meredith will have to play the leading role. It is he, as an exemplar of the Negro people, who must enroll and be a student at Ole Miss.

There is no doubt, of course, that James Meredith will be enrolled and will become a student at the University. In this, he has the support of the United States of America with all its majesty and might. Committed to this result, the United States is not likely to be stopped by the antics of any state Governor. James Meredith will enter the University of Mississippi. What kind of hospitality will he encounter from the students already enrolled there? The real test of Mississippi and of the gallant traditions of the South will come with the answer to that question.

But one need no longer ask how James Meredith will behave. He has kept his head and held it high. He will not cringe, no matter what he may be called upon to face. If there is not respect and admiration for his courage among the young men and women of Mississippi, then the South is dead indeed—dead to gallantry, dead to honor. We think that James Meredith may well reawaken the South, may serve as a resuscitator of its great values and its old, rich culture. He also serves who only stands and waits.

Washington Post

## Showdown

Patience and forbearance are appropriate attributes to power. The United States, dealing with a recalcitrant state, is in something like the situation of a firm father dealing with an unruly child. It is prudent and possible to tolerate temper tantrums up to a certain point. But when that point has been reached, it becomes necessary to assert authority unmistakably and conclusively.

Attorney General Kennedy has been well-advised, we think, to put up with Ross Barnett's antics until now. His patience has avoided needless violence. It has afforded the Governor of Mississippi every reasonable opportunity to come to his senses. It has allowed full scope to the operation of such conciliatory and persuasive influences as could be brought to bear on the inflamed situation. It has made the legal issues completely clear.

But now that Governor Barnett has willfully defied the order of the Fifth Circuit Court to appear before it in New Orleans and show cause why he should not be judged guilty of contempt, a finding that he is in contempt seems inescapable. The Governor's direct legal responsibility has not been established until now. If he does not purge

himself of contempt by Monday, we think the United States must move against him with whatever power may be needed to make its authority fully effective. If this requires using the armed forces of the United States, let them be used. If it requires jailing the Governor of Mississippi, let him be jailed as the lawbreaker he has made himself. The authority of the United States, justly determined through its courts of law, is not to be ignored.

"Mr. Meredith will be registered," Attorney General Kennedy has said unequivocally. The United States being committed to this result can do no less. It is clear, however, that it will have to do a great deal more. It will have to assure the safety of that very brave young man in a situation made desperately dangerous by the recklessness of Mississippi's officials. Governor and Lieutenant Governor alike have been whipping up a mob hysteria calculated to produce violence. Lt. Gov. Paul B. Johnson was quoted as saying, for example, that "if the state troopers hadn't been at Ole Miss . . . that Negro wouldn't have lasted as long as it takes to aim a shotgun." This is nothing less than an incitement to assassination.

Oxford, Miss., is now crowded with state troopers mobilized by a Governor apparently determined upon some sort of Hitlerian immolation. Given the incorrigibility of folly, they may have to be thrust aside by force. Let us hope, and indeed pray, that enough sanity will prevail in Mississippi to forbend so terrible an event. But the United States cannot now settle for less than full vindication of the law.