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Answered
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Dear Mr. Meredith,

October 3, 1962
617 Pyramid St.
Pennside Reg., Pa.

I imagine that right now you feel that pretty nearly everyone is against because you are negro. Well, I'm writing to let you know that you've got a lot of friends that you don't know about. I'm only in 10th grade at a small high school in the suburbs but I know that everyone who talk to or even know - well, they're all for you. I can't understand how all those people down there can be so heartless and cruel. And for no real reason at all.

You probably are getting

a lot of mean, disrespectful
mail but I hope you get
this letter because it might
make you feel better.

I admire you tremendously
for sticking with it and enter-
ing the U. of Miss.

It happens that no negroes
go to my school but they did up
until a few years ago. And I
can assure you that no one
made a fuss or wanted them
to leave.

I'm glad that my neighbors
are more tolerant and fair and
I am sorry that yours are so
narrow-minded and pig-headed.

I hope this letter has cheered
you at least a little. DON'T GIVE UP!

With very best wishes
Carol Jones