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hattanoog a, Tenn RFD. 5 Oct. 2, 1962.

Mr. James H. Meredith University of Miss. Oxford, Miss.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to salute a brave man! It requires courage of a distinct quality to face a mad dog mob such as threatened your life there in Oxford. It is almost a certain fact that the bastard that occupies the governors chair in Jackson, meant to have you lymnched when he withdrew the state patrol as he did. The man must be a madman; we loyal American resent the fact that he drew the national emblem to half mast. A traitor to his country has no wight to do anything with the flag of our country. Ofcourse, he will go free and continue to pray and murder just as he has in the past.

Does anyone, any white man, in Miss. ever read history?

You are not only fighting the battle for your race but you are fighting a battle for all people everwhere; especially we white people. There is some talk of the federal forces abandoning you and permitting the anarchist to force your withdrawalfrom the funiversity of Miss. Don't let us down. Remain at your post of duty; and it is a very dangerous post of duty.

Ofcourse, one hundred years of social erosion has left the entire South dangerously lacking in intellect. This fact applies to Miss. in the most cruel mmanner. And that is the reason that that we whites should be proud to see you

Negroes demanding and getting the right be counted American citizens.

It is a tragic circumstance that we here in America are denied the right right to know. If we could have History exposed to view as itreeally is we could see and just maybe admit that our nation has always been the land of slavery; it is up to us now to prove that America is the home of the free and the land of the brave'. The mob action, instigated by the elected officials sworn to uphold the law, proves that Miss. is at least the 'home of the coward and the land of the anarchist'.

So, Mr. Meredith, the whole world over is watching your progress; we loyal

American everwhere here have only the best wishes for your success.

If, in the future, you have the time I would appreciate hearing from you. And I have enclosed a token check; mostly to get your signature upon it. I know very well that you are not the object of charity. And I fold absolute/sure that your deportment there at the University will justify our good will toward you. Respfully.

C.C. Oakes Chattanooga, Tenn. RFD. 5

C. C. Oakes

美国美国共享 December 28, 1962 Mr. C. C. Oakes Chattanooga, Tenn. Dear Mr. Oakes: Thank you very much for your donation, interest and good wishes. The kind thoughts and financial aid extended by you and many athers at this time will always be remembered, Sincerely yours,

