

1900

Jimmy to Daddy

Jimmy Cloud

Follow this and additional works at: https://egrove.olemiss.edu/jws_corr

Recommended Citation

Cloud, Jimmy, "Jimmy to Daddy" (1900). *Correspondence*. 388.
https://egrove.olemiss.edu/jws_corr/388

This Article is brought to you for free and open access by the James W. Silver Collection at eGrove. It has been accepted for inclusion in Correspondence by an authorized administrator of eGrove. For more information, please contact egrove@olemiss.edu.

~~COPY~~

Monday

Dear Daddy:

Tonight the State Sovereignty Commission sponsored on the Campus an Anti-Communist speaker named Myers Lowman. He proceeded to call everything he could think of Communist. He included the National Council of Churches, the Methodist Church, the Presbyterian Church, and most other churches, and also such people as Weaver, the Negro appointee who was so bold as to have dealings with the Communists when we were allied with them; Pauling -- the most prominent chemist in America who warned against atomic fallout; Martin Luther King and Hodding Carter, the Editor of the Greenville Democrat-Times. Carter happens to be a friend of Dr. Silver and Dr. Silver happened to be at the meeting.

Dr. Silver admitted that he knew nothing of most of the people slandered but stated that he was a friend of Hodding Carter. Then Dr. Silver proceeded to tear apart everything the speaker said. Mr. Lowman got so flustered that he decided that he had a hard day ahead of him and that he'd better retire. Some of the questions were: Define Communism and relate that to your classification of organizations and people as subversive. He stammered and stuttered and finally defined Communism but never told what criteria he used to judge these organizations. Someone asked if he was not using the FBI in association with himself to give his opinions credibility just as he had accused the Communist party. His only answer was, "No."

Dr. Silver got more applause than the speaker. I wish you could have been there. You would have enjoyed it almost as much as a good Presbytery squabble.

I'm doing fine.

Love,

JIMMY