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Dear Jim:

I don't know who to send this review to, and we usually send a couple of copies to the publisher, so I'm sending it to you. In case you're interested.

Earlier I intended to clip out a photograph on page one of the New York Times (three faculty members, all unidentified, coffeeing with James Meredith) with the notation: "Who dat?" I don't remember why you were so recognizable (maybe you had your hand in your shirt, scratching) but you were.

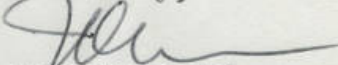
I also noted during the height of the crisis that several out-of-state papers, including the New York Times, carried knowledgeable backgrounders on Mississippi. The source of information, it was stated, was an Ole Miss professor. The stories went on to say that Mississippians quit doing independent thinking some time during the 1830s, and since that time there has existed a tremendous pressure for conformity. Pure Jim Silver if I ever heard it!

I also enjoyed your letter in the Clarion-Ledger about the constitutionally-strong women who're out to put Washington out of business.

At the moment, I'm striving to attain a sort of intellectual detachment. This business of being involved just tears you up too much.

My invitation to you and Dutch is a standing one.

Cordially,



John Emmerich

JOE/cg