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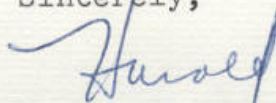
Dear Jim:

Thanks for your recent letter about the plight of Hazel Brannon Smith. I have known Hazel for some years and share your feeling that it is important to keep her publishing. Like several other people, however, I have gone all out to wangle funds that would help tide Hazel over earlier crises and in the process I have simply exhausted every source I can reach. I know that the present crisis in Mississippi lends special urgency to this, but it is virtually impossible to get the same sources to give repeatedly to this kind of important but chronic need. I only wish I had access to more of the monied folk. Reaching national advertisers is so far out of my bailiwick that I fear I can't help with that.

In any case, I will continue to worry over the problem. During these last few months I have found myself thinking often of you and a few others like you in Mississippi. It would give me a lot of satisfaction to do something, however small, that would lend support.

With very best wishes for the new year.

Sincerely,



Harold C. Fleming
Executive Vice President

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