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Dear Jim:

Enjoyed your letter and the clipping. Charlie Hills gave you full coverage this morning. I think it's right amusing---the Hedermans wouldn't print it as news but Charlie puts it right where the brain-washed will read it.

If you can hang on until November 5th I think we'll have a new ball game. Phillip's election would work a complete revolution in the ~~ex~~ people's attitudes. The police state cannot exist under a two-party system. All the dirt comes out from under the rug. Phillip's election will touch off the New South in Mississippi, which we have long been waiting for. I hope your friends up there are working for him. No, I haven't gone conservative but, compared to Johnson, Phillips is a liberal, at least in the field of ~~nt~~ human rights.

If they can make the Barnett-Kennedy deal stick, then Johnson is beat and Barnett is finished. There's a lot more yet to come and I believe it will hold up. At the worst, it will keep a lot of potential Johnson voters away from the polls.

Because of Phillips chances, I am more encouraged over the general situation than I have been in a long time. If he's elected, even the Look coverage of your treatise might be okay. This campaign is getting people back in the habit of looking at two sides of an issue--even segregation.

The people know in their hearts that Barnett and Johnson are wrong. But, until now, they had no face-saving way of admitting it by their votes, except for Sullivan and he was taken out by an undercover smear campaign. They can't do the same to Phillips. He's tough, invulnerable and a real pro.

If the lights just come back on on November 5th.....

Sincerely,


Henry A. Fly