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August 7, 1963

Dr. James Silver
Professor of History
Emory University
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Dr. Silver:

I was one of those in the audience when you spoke in the auditorium of the biology building last Thursday, and I appreciated not only your own integrity and saving sense of humor, but also the masterful way you handled the "opposition." Bless you, sir, and may your tribe increase!

We here have been seizing every opportunity to understand better the "Mississippi situation" because of the responsibility we feel for ministering effectively to our 6,000 subscribers there. If you're not Presbyterian, you probably haven't seen or heard of SURVEY since it is the official magazine of the Presbyterian Church U.S. (i.e., South) and circulates to approximately 260,000 Presbyterian homes in the sixteen southern states. Our 6,000 Mississippi subscribers seem to hang in there with us, despite the fact that we continue to point up the immorality of enforced segregation at every opportunity, implementing the denomination's consistent position since 1953.

We pulled a few "hot" cancellations when the July issue appeared (enclosed) as much over the news story about Delta Negroes on page 36 as either of the inflammatory articles on page 18 and on page 26. You may be interested also in Murphey Wilds' comments on page 48 of the December issue (enclosed).

We appreciate the fact that you are undoubtedly a very busy man, with your teaching, research, and writing -- busier probably than the "back" doctor -- but we would like very much to have an opportunity to visit with you, the editor and I. We'd be glad for you to visit our offices here and have lunch with us, or we could meet you at Emory almost any time you suggest. Our office phone is 875-8921, ext. 16, if you'd like to call us.

Sincerely yours,

Frances Furlow

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Associate Editor

