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Dear Dean Brazeal,

Here is the latest version of the building and doing project, tentatively dubbed "Operation Bootstrap" which was discussed at Highlander Center after our last Board Meeting. Little can be done about proceeding until a superman has been found for the job of Executive Director. Actually the duties indicated on page three are probably too numerous for one person, but certainly the first and second tasks are essential. Maybe someone else could work on seeking financial backing from the Office of Economic Opportunities and private foundation. Can you suggest any likely candidate? We still should prefer a Southern Negro as director - someone who is single, or has a small family so that he would not need a tremendous salary.

I find that we seem to be sharing the honors at John's Island on July 15th. How do you suggest that we divide the topics between us? Do you want to take "Difference Between Roosevelt's New Deal and Johnson's Great Society" and have me tackle "What Conditions have Changed since 1930's"? Should we do "New Solutions" jointly? Of course, whatever we plan will be subject to change at a moment's notice. However, it might be a good idea to plan a little in advance.

I am going to Aspen, Colorado, tomorrow and would appreciate your letting me know your wishes as to our method of presentation. Please write care of General Delivery, Aspen, Colorado.

Sincerely yours,

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