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Dear Mother,

Sorry not to have written for so long, but we've been very busy - a trite excuse, but true nevertheless, and even now - I've got to rush home, eat, bathe, & go to a meeting of the youth group at Rev. Hart's church. I had dinner at his house last Fri night with the man who leads the youth group, both very sympathetic but scared. I wonder how many "moderates" there are here, or in Miss., or in the south. It's impossible to tell, because they're afraid to stick their necks out.

Other nights we have mass meetings, or paper work, etc. During the day we canvass and are now trying to set up precinct meetings for the Freedom Democratic Party.

I'm well and beginning to feel settled in here. Hope you're all well. I think of you all often, even though I don't have time to write often or at much length. Thanks for sending the letters.

Love
John