$\mathrm{De}_{2} r$ Dave, Jim and Howard,

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While I'm waiting for some sybstitute for sal\$ to melt smow from under the car I want to do somethinking out loud with you. Thore is no major porblom with the car and the anow. I was just a little careloss trying to tum it around on the chance that the moxt time it would not atart and would noed jumpers. I forget ny smow tires have had most of their tread worn off and I drove as I used to drive in deep nowo. Keanmhile, I do not trust advertising claims and an uneortain of the ocological cpasequonces.

Les called and I've addod more to get out。
I spoke to Los about what is on my miad. We'll be talking more about it next week. He expects to wrip up his Africa stories and be able to come hore then.

First let me say I have mo intomtion of backing out om my risis so meither you mer anyome dla neoli have any worry on that acore. The one reservation I made was foundation support that could be of help now. As of mow I do not have ito Thore is am indefiaitemess in the works, but only inderialte.

I do prosume that as with anything else people like oxclusives.
But I also presume that in a coubry as large as oura scholarahip and accoas are advaaced by duplicate doposits. Ypu may recall that this was in my miad long age I did speak to you about our amall local college, which was very interested and there had bean agroement on a cooporative arrangment with it. But the lottor from regom and the pature of tie King material I am gotting has made me think about this a bit more.

Oregom has many stradents who are without the means of travelling. It costs. I'm using it as an illustration. It also must havo namy able stuconts who come from the poorer Pamilies. With the blacks this is almost eertain.

So I'd like to be able to oxpand what I've done, and I can with support and make what in many disciplines, including history, political science, secial sciencea, lan and journaligh to name same, can be an ariciovo socucrt without precedent except in such as $P_{\text {rosidential }}$ libraries and can be more accomsible. There ia much I can go for and got that whave never mentioned. I have already drafted an amplification on some for in to consider.

Making it more accossible would mean sharing it. The King stuff makes me thing of black celleges, like Amory.

It also makes me belief that uniess there is someone whe ia willing to put up the monoy to do what shevid be done now it might be easior to get a number of pooplo, each with his own usiversity in mind to contributo.

Nowsday has a journalism foumation of some kind. bea will imquire. It is locatod an Long Imland.

With automatic copying dovices euplicating the arohive as it is organized is not a great cost. I don $t$ care what the archive is called. 't can still be say the Wisconsin archive.

Noe the other thing that ${ }^{2}$ mentioned briefly when you called is that apparently tho interest at cod has not ondod only I was nit told about it for a combination of reasona that are strange to me but are probably not strage in academe. First the president left for a bigger job. Then the doan of students, whe was mest anxious for it, left. I did not lanow it but ahe and the hoad of the history department hated each othor. Lnowing I had been in contact with the deaa the departmont hoad stayod away from mo. But now the dean is gone. The departmont hoad spoke to a professors whe is a friend of mine but he and I did not have a cleance to talk until just before Xmas. Thoy do not come back to somsion until Monday.

Earlier this week wo wore speaking to a local friend, a married woman with kids older than yours. Whe took hor dogree at bood and is not workigg on her masters, She still has ood frionds. She also was apoaking to the department hoad and was asked about the aituation of my files. The dept head got the specific ${ }^{2}$ how much would it cest?

Out Priond, who is coming to lunch tomorrow, will spoak there next week when her own life permits. Aftor that I'll know inore. But for the immediate and for the future Jim and I are mearing resource ond again. So I'm concerned. Hastily,

