In 24 Hours: America's Gravest Crisis Since The Civil War

The President of the United States set aside the paper. He picked up another and signed it. He was 1961, when James Meredith, a alone in the room except for the mild-mannered, 29 - year - old Air this time accompanied by Justice Newport in advance of the Presiman who had brought him the Force veteran, filed a court ac- Department officials, made his dent.

and his generals discussing the been admitted to Ole Miss. Civil War, and it was called "The Gov. Ross Barnett vowed that policemen.

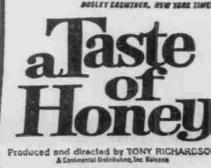
to let a Negro attend its university sist to the last. at Oxford.

President Kennedy had taken the ultimate step to enforce the



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The crisis stemmed from May of court. On the wall overlooking his desk versity of Mississippi. Meredith is campus in Oxford—on Wednesday. hung a painting. It showed Lincoln a Negro, and a Negro has never He was met at the gates by Lt.

one never would. Barnett told his Johnson read Barnett's procla- President had called Barnett three President, and the President told It was 12:02 a.m. in Washington, cheering followers that he would mation forbidding the enrollment times, and the attorney general his brother to prepare two docu-Sunday, Sept. 30. The paper be- go to jail before he would see of Meredith. A Justice Department had called the governor four times. ments fore the President authorized the his state's schools desegregated. representative offered him a copy They made three calls from the Secretary of Defense to use the Courts issued order after order of the court injunction against in- White House in a three-hour period United States Army, if necessary, that Meredith be enrolled; but terference with the order. to force the State of Mississippi Barnett told state officials to re-

> The drama that stretched from the campus to Washington began on Thursday, Sept. 24. Federal marshals brought Meredith to the campus to enroll, Barnett was there first, and he personal-

The trustees replied that Barnett had taken away their right to day, Barnett issued an order that any federal official who attempted to interfere with a Mississippi official should be arrested.

The crisis deepened the next day, Tuesday. The federal government moved against Barnett. The to stop interfering.

in Jackson and when Meredith showed up with his marshals, the governor for the second time refused to enroll him.

But Barnett blocked the door-



BASIL RATHBONE DEBRA PAGET

Shows at: 1:30 - 3:17

whisper o fa pen rushing across definant Southern state. The na- Before the day was over, the for contempt.

tion for admittance to the Uni- third try at enrollment-at the Gov. Paul B. Johnson and 20 state

engaged in a pushing match with court's instructions to make a dent cancel his trip. physical attempt to enter.

On Monday, the 5th Circuit Court up, and in his absence the court other military officials. of Appeals in New Orleans told found him guilty of contempt. It the trustees of the school that they said that if the governor did not were "willfully and intentionally stop interfering with its orders by disobeying a court order and told Tuesday, he would be arrested, them once again to let Meredith put in jail, and fined \$10,000 for

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The faint orders of a federal court in a way of the state office building next day the court cited Johnson eralizing the Mississippi National The second document was an Guard. paper broke the silence in the silen green-walled Treaty Room of the War Be- ordered Barnett to appear on Fri- House announced that the Presi- networks and seek air time for the Mississippi National Guard un- an order there ready to be signed. vision appearance had been postday morning and show cause why dent would go to Newport and Sunday night. But around 8 p.m.— der federal orders and use it to He signed it at 12:02, and within poned for 2½ hours. Shortly after-

One document was a legal ma-

he should not be held in contempt stay there until Monday. Reporters after a call from Barnett—Ken-enforce the court order. It also 12 hours: Barnett was unruffled. Meredith, plane that would take them to request.

Just as the plane's door was it was apparently dashed by a official rushed up to say the trip nett and the attorney general. was cancelled.

What had happened was that the information from Barnett onto the in the early afternoon.

Johnson refused to take it, and | They asked Barnett if he was going to obey the court order. a U. S. marshal. After a few keep himself out of jail, and let brief shoves, the marshal stop- Meredith into Ole Miss. The anped. He had complied with the swers they got made the Presi-

The President summoned De-Last Friday, Barnett was sup- fense Secretary Robert S. Mcly refused to admir Meredia. - posed to appear before the court Namara to discuss the possible in New Orleans. He never showed use of troops, and he talked with

At 5:45 p.m., Kennedy sent Barnett a telegram asking him his intentions and requesting a reply that evening. He never got

every day he refused to obey. The Meantime, Kennedy directed act-

act in the matter, On the same day, Barnett issued an order that Confident Yankees Practice, Then Fly To San Francisco

Yankees On Coast 5th Circuit Court ordered Barnett York Yankees, 100 per cent hale only top hands who didn't pitch. and hearty for the World Series, Bill Stafford, Jim Coates, Luis raced through a fiery batting drill Arroyo, Bud Daley and Tex Clevagainst front-line pitching in a sim- enger worked about 15 minutes ulated game Tuesday and then each, all at high speed. Stafford headed for San Francisco where was so effective against the Yanthey'll work out Wedneshday in gee sluggers that all the fields lay

Candlestick Park. cisco instead of Los Angeles was clipped a couple of pitches. made several hours before the Roger Maris, 1961 home run Dodgers and Giants began their king, later put a pair of long drives second pennant playoff game at off Daley into the right field seats.

will be valuable to us if the Giants should win," said Yankee manager Ralph Houk, "Only a few of our players have seen the place. If the

choice to pitch the opener Thurs-NEW YORK (UPI) - The New day, and Ralph Terry were the

down on the ground and pretended The decision to fly to San Fran- to yawn-until Mickey Mantle

-Legislature-

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Board or retry all the cases which came up before the Honor Council Obviously worried about the de- the Student Legislature Thursday

he National League playoff, Houk | Giving the summer school board called for an all-out batting drill retroactive approval would put the Tuesday with the pitchers throw- Legislature on record as having "for real" and catcher Yogi approved the summer school ap-Berra signalling the pitches so the pointees last spring. The lack of hitters wouldn't know what was this approval would mean that the board constitutionally and legally Whitey Ford, Houk's probable never existed.

hope on the President's part, but about to be closed, a White House 10 p.m. conversation between Bar- signed the papers, the Defense Deunits"-military police-were being The Cabinet officer passed the sent to the staging area at Mem-

> Five minutes later Hatcher completed the reopened negotiations for air time.

neuver. It was a proclamation calling upon Mississippi officials to stop "obstructions of justice." the proclamation against obstructions for the marshals, 100 years of race relations, "the It was necessary to issue this tion of justice. Then he immedi- was ordered into a national forest responsibility for that failure must before issuing the second docu- ately signed the executive order outside Oxford to erect another be shared by all of us . .

ing press secretary Andrew Hatch- executive order to the defense sec- McNamara was prepared. He At 6 p.m., the White House anpacked their bags and boarded the nedy had Hatcher withdraw the authorized McNamara to "use such The 11,500 men in the Missis- accompanied by truckloads of mar-

of the armed forces of the United sippi Army and Air National shals, had been taken onto the At 10:45 p.m., before Kennedy nett's command. They were order- As the President went on the nir partment announced "active Army stations and await further orders- on the campus, Kennedy appealed own state.

> bases toward Tennessee, headed agree. by a 1,100 man battle group from Ft. Benning, Ba.

At 12:01 a.m. Kennedy signed had gone to Memphis to set up there has been failure in the last authorizing use of troops and fed-tent city for the 700 law enforce- His pleas went unheeded.

orders to force integration in their to the students, "the people who are most concerned," to "accept Regular units totalling 2,500 those laws with which you disagree men were rolling out of eastern as well as those with which you

"The eyes of the nation and the world are upon you," Kennedy said Another engineer battalion, which But he said that to the extent that





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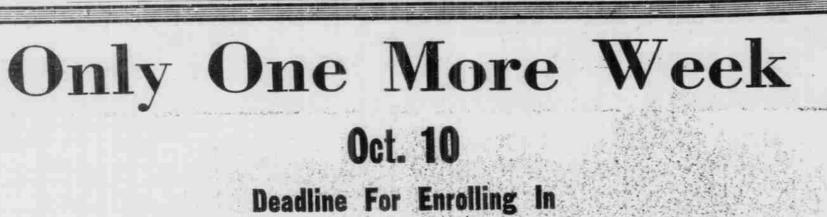
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