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My Dear Jack:

I have just had a letter from Lieutenant Gov Knight, a copy of which I enclose. Have talked with him at Sacramento, asking permission to use his letter for the press. He will call me regarding this in a few moments.

Also received a letter from the Native Sons, and will enclose a copy of extracts which I am sending to the Press.

Just talked with Underhill who is down here and he suggests we have full Board meeting at next session.

Have just talked with Hanson trying to get him to issue a statement to the effect that while he voted against Loyalty oath Resolution, he favors the Regents requirement that every University employee be required to make a clear-cut declaration that they are not members of the Communist Party. He seems to want to do something to clarify his record, and will let me know tomorrow.

I spent last evening with two faculty members who have been fighting in the Academic Senate in support of the Regents' position. They tell me that a meeting of the Deans was held in Dykstra's office the other afternoon in which mass action against the Regents' policy was considered. They plan to get a group in opposition, but that many of the faculty members are timid because they feel that both Sproul and Dykstra are against the Regents position.

I am going to try to get a Resolution from the Bar Assn. and various clubs.

Hastily –

Edward A. Dickson