NATION (take 3, meredith): As the week wore on, it became increasingly clear that it would take federal troops to dislodge Barnett from his position and get Meredith onto the Ole Miss campus.

Barnett left the state capitol in Jackson at 4:45 a.m., hurried to Oxford in his Blue Cadillac (lic. No. one) to await the next federal move. He had repulsed the federal government on Wednesday. Now he awaited the next move from the rest of the nation.

While about 200 law enforcement officers--grey-shirted state highway patrolmen and Mississippi sheriffs deployed about the campus, Barnett took refuge in suite A of the low-slung, brick alumni house off to the right from the entrance, settled down with lt. gov. paul b. johnson, highway patrol director t.b. birdsong, W.T. (mustashe bill) simmons and other advisors to wait out uncle sam.

Barnett lunched at noon in his room, the food was brought in by his patrolman chauffeur on two cloth-covered trays, then he tucked down for a rest.

The cops, meanwhile, were digging in. They were deployed about 25 strong at each of the school's entrances, had that morning been issued gas masks, big tan riot clubs and steel helmets at the national guard armory.

The biggest concentration was at the main entrance to the school--university avenue. At Hilgard bridge, the geographical entrance to the school, where the deepest cut of the Illinois Central between new orleans and chicago is located, some 50 patrolmen were posted, checking cars as they entered, keeping the traffic moving. Behind them on the campus, dozens of sheriffs lined the road, black-jacks on their hips and white cloth bands on their arms. Reason for