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## Mixing To Be Decided In Court, Not Gym

Opponents of letting Mississippi State's basketball team compete for the national title feel that if the Maroon cage team gets on the floor with Negroes, the action will cause collapse of color barriers in schools of the state.

We doubt it.

If Mississippi schools are integrated, the action will be forced upon the state through court suits such as those which put James Meredith in Ole Miss and which now seeks to desegregate the public schools of Jackson.

What happens to the Mississippi State basketball team will have nothing to do with whether a federal court puts Negroes in Jackson schools or whether a second or a third or a fourth Negro is ordered admitted to Ole Miss.

In other words, we feel that somebody is trying to make a "fall guy" of the superb Mississippi State basketball team and Coach Babe McCarthy, depriving them of the athletic opportunity of a lifetime without any very convincing reason.

One year ago on Feb. 1, 1962, Gov. Ross Barnett was quoted in a lengthy Jackson press dispatch as declaring:

"The only way integration can come to Mississippi is for us to lie supinely down and let it come."

The governor was wrong. Certainly nobody can claim that he lay down. Yet the University of Mississippi is integrated.

Now the same group which was quoted a year ago as joining in Gov. Barnett's behalf that integration would never come to Mississippi "unless we lie supinely down" are saying that integration will come to Mississippi only if Mississippi State's basketball team is permitted to compete for the championship of America.

We doubt it. We doubt that this argument is any more nearly correct than that of Gov. Barnett a year ago that no Negro would enter a Mississippi school unless "we lie supinely down."

Mississippi schools have remained segregated for eight years since the Supreme Court's original integration ruling in spite of the fact that our state has twenty thousand soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen serving in the fully integrated armed forces of America.

Since the Supreme Court ruling perhaps 100,000 of these service men, white and colored, have returned to our state. Yet they have not caused integration of a single classroom because of their integrated military experience.

Similarly, there are now in training in Mississippi 19,400 fully integrated military personnel, largely from other states.

Among the 3,000 military Reserves in Mississippi, there are even integrated local units, including the Northeast Mississippi unit training in Tupelo.

These integrated troops both from outside the state and from within the state have not caused integration of a single school.

Yet there are some who argue that if a dozen

Mississippi State basketball players compete in a national tournament which includes Negro players, the color barrier in Mississippi education will automatically collapse. We doubt it?

All that is asked of our College Board by Maroon supporters is that Mississippi State be given the same break that Ole Miss got through the national competition of her all-winning beauty queens.

The fact that the audiences before which our two Miss Americas performed did not cause integration of Mississippi schools.

And neither will one or a dozen basketball games played by Mississippi State against teams that include Negro players.

We repeat: The integration of Mississippi schools will come only when and if such action is ordered by federal courts and all avenues of escaping such decision are closed.

Let us then not penalize a fine group of Mississippi State basketball players and one of the nation's best coaches by trying to place the blame on them for something which will be decided completely outside the realm of their competition in the national tournament they so strongly desire to enter.

To the College Board we suggest: Let our boys play. Not only let them play but do your best to send them into the national tournament with the best wishes and the enthusiastic encouragement of the overwhelming majority of the citizens of Mississippi.

For our part we are proud of Coach McCarthy and his players and have confidence in their bringing credit to our state.





O. C. Shipp

Turnrow Talks

Some folks got their hackles up because a Mississippi ball team will play in an integrated tournament up north. The college board of trustees gave the OK and were criticized.

No one sought my opinion about the ruckus so will have to volunteer. Somehow my blood pressure won't come up over the matter. To me the decision was not whether to play a ball game with a school using a negro player, but whether or not to stay in the big time college athletics as it is now conducted. The situation reached the point to either use the pot or get off.

The colleges in Mississippi that belong to the Southeastern Conference are members of the National Collegiate Athletic Association in good standing. Their sole purpose in belonging is for athletic contests. The Board of Trustees have no alternative but to permit the colleges to play as expected or order them out of the Association.

Since ball playing as operated in our state supported colleges is strictly big business and on a work for pay basis, it comes under the category of business and labor, and must be viewed as such, and not as a social or educational event.

An amateur is one who pursues an activity without reference to gain or pay. The entire athletic personnel in state supported colleges, from the director to the ball players, are paid and all work under written contracts. All are paid for their services under this enforceable document which spell out in detailed terms, method of payment and pertinent matters.

We are not critical, nor are we downgrading the practice. It is good for the boy, for in what other institution can an eighteen year old kid get a better deal. It is good for the school, for without pay, few boys would submit to the hard grind and discipline demanded of them. It is good for the state, as it offers many fine boys a means of getting an education, who otherwise could not attend college.

But we must place the practice in its proper setting and view the situation for what it is. Segregation is our way of life and I intend to think, act, and talk, to do my part in keeping it that way. But in a matter of this kind, it also calls for some long thoughts. Personally I intend to always analyze carefully what is going on before I get mad about it.



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## MISSISSIPPI STATE'S POSSIBLE OPPONENT AT NCAA TOURNEY

This is the starting basketball team of Loyola University of Chicago. They are scheduled to meet Mississippi State University's team in the NCAA regional playoff starting March 15 at

East Lansing, Mich. Left to right are Jerry Harkness, Les Hunter, John Egan, Vic Rouse, and Ron Miller.—Daily News AP Wire-photo.



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## College Board Should Utilize Opportunity To Review Trends

We think it well that the board which governs our state universities and colleges has been called into extraordinary session next Saturday to consider the acceptance by Mississippi State University of the invitation to participate in the National Collegiate Athletic Association basketball tournament elimination series.

We hope the members of the board will utilize the time between now and the meeting date to review the trends that have developed and threaten to develop along the path that leads toward changes in the traditional way of life in our Magnolia State.

The decision of Dr. Dean Colvard, president of Miss. State U., announced last Saturday night, if made some years ago, would have brought forth storms of protest from every section of the state,—and rightly so.

An excellent analysis of the present situation is carried in a letter to the editor printed elsewhere in this edition. Brigadier-General Sam H. Long of Tupelo has this to say:

"State has a fine team this year and has had for several years. Next year she may not have, therefore, the situation is transitory. The question of integration or segregation is eternal and the solution determinative of our Southern way of life.

"The proponents of integration take advantage of every turn of events to edge in just a little closer and to get just one more small concession. Each concession leads to another, until all guards are down."

General Long goes on to point out that the final determination is not equality but domination and control.

Yesterday's column of William F. Buckley, Jr., printed in the Jackson Daily News points up this alarming fact:

"It has been interesting, and depressing, to observe the acquiescent reaction to James Baldwin's explosive indictment of white society. People,—I am talking about fashionable people mostly, book reviewers, intellectuals, cafe society,—sit there loving it."

This is the group that has found the door to the White House always open since the Kennedy family has taken over.

Some of these who have ready entrance, offer no more than an acid tongue, allegiance to no one, and a crass indifference that has

Baldwin a negro wit, sees the white people as "racked by hatred, empty of generosity, mad with sexual envy, besotted by Christian superstition. He scorns the conventional manifestations of interracial progress."

"The only thing the whites have that the negroes want, says Baldwin, is power. Having achieved power, having taken it if necessary by force, the negroes will know what to do with it, for then they will fashion a society free of the white man's venalities."

He shows special contempt for our religions—founded by Christ, who he says is a "sunbaked, disreputable fanatic," but actually developed by Paul, a crabbed, misanthropic neurotic. This is the Baldwin acid.

And Mr. Buckley replies that our intelligentsia, "many of whom hate this country, only just a little less than Baldwin, lap it up, taking exquisite pleasure out of every stroke he lays on our back."

Daisy Bates, president of the Arkansas State wing of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People, a central figure in the campaign to place nine negro children in the Little Rock all-white Central High School, in her book "The Long Shadow of Little Rock," recalls that her girlhood was embittered by hate of the white, and at the age of eight, she slapped a white girl playmate only because her little friend was white.

These then are the impressions of the Negro leadership which has changed the image of integration and made it fashionable. They will gain control of the race program if our misguided human impulses permit.

Even the Christian missionary in Africa, who is motivated by love and compassion must take practical steps necessary to protect himself, so he can continue to spread the gospel of Christ.

There are those who would have us bare our unprotected breast to the darts and arrows of a people who are preaching hatred of the whites and overthrow of the white people and their government.

The college board needs to take a long look before it lowers a barrier or opens a door that cannot but mean deterioration in our present preferred position.

If Miss. State U., plays against a Negro outside the state, what would be greatly different in bringing the integrated teams into the state? And then why not recruit

L W West  
Florence, Miss

Mr. D. W. Colvard, Quishing  
Miss. State University  
State College, Miss.



The jiggers intend to integrate yo & daughters bed room - would you let this happen?

WHAT YOU CAN DO AS AN INDIVIDUAL TO PRESERVE WHITE AMERICA!!

1. Enlist additional members for your local organization. Educate your fellow citizens so that we may all stand together. Contact friends in other counties and states and encourage them to organize. Remember, the mongrelizers are well organized and highly financed.
2. Keep informed of all efforts to integrate the races. In this manner a mobilized public opinion may express itself from every direction against every attempt at integration.
3. Write letters expressing your views to newspapers, and magazines, as well as to your local, State and National Officials. Your letter combined with thousands of others will have a resounding effect.
4. Vote for those seeking public office who actively and honestly resist the integration of the races.
5. Be alert for all propaganda movements towards integration, whether in the theatre, television, radio, athletic events, schools, newspapers or the church. These programs are cleverly planned to soften our people to the idea of social mixing of the races. If you should cancel a subscription or withhold patronage, give your reason.
6. Be sure you know what is being taught your children in School and Sunday School about the desirability of mixing the races -- and brainwash about "ONE WORLD" and "THE NEW ORDER". There are Socialistic forces at work in Church and School.
7. Stand firmly in the right. Let everyone know that you stand for segregation of the races.
8. There are scawags among us today just as there were in reconstruction days -- people who live among us and thrive upon us, but who are willing to sell us out to the mongrelizers. They will use every means to discourage you.
9. This Nation was founded by White People for White People and if we are to be worthy of our heritage we must stand UNITED against every effort to mongrelize our people.
10. "When bad men combine, the good must associate else they will fall one by one -- a pitiful sacrifice in a contemptible struggle". -- Burke

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Where Shall We  
Draw The Line?

SEGREGATION OR DEGENERATION ?

The choice is yours.



■ Newlyweds Toast Future: Musician Benny Carter and his new bride, singer Dianne Day, drink a champagne toast in Los Angeles after being married in two ceremonies—one by proxy in Tiajuana, Mexico, and another in a Phoenix, Ariz., church.



"If our buildings, our highways, our railroads should be wrecked, we could rebuild them. If our cities should be destroyed, out of the very ruins we could erect newer and greater ones. Even if our armed might should be crushed, we could rear sons who would redeem our power. But if the blood of our white race should become corrupted and mingled with the blood of Africa, then the present greatness of the United States of America would be destroyed and all hope for the future would be forever gone. The maintenance of American civilization would be as impossible for a negroid America as would the redemption and restoration of the white man's blood which had been mixed with that of the Negro."

REPRINTS AVAILABLE

"The moving finger writes; and having writ  
Moves on: nor all your piety nor wit  
Shall lure it back to cancel half a line  
Nor all your tears wash out one word of it."



Homeless Appiah and family.



Boy meets girl . . . "bebop" style