

Meridian, Mississippi.
March 4, 1963

Dr. D.W.Colvard, President
Mississippi State University,
State College, Mississippi.

Dear Dr. Colvard:

In reading the many different organizations that you named who favored the State University Basket Ball Team playing in the NCAA Tournament I failed to note where the thousands of un represented tax payers had approved your actions.

I think that you have acted in a very discriminate manner against the colored Colleges in this state in not permitting state to schedule a game with one of them before going somewhere else to break the color line, I certainly would not want my children playing with other children at their home unless those same children were welcome to come to my house and play.

I believe to clarify the matter the team should be permitted to schedule a game with Jackson State College with Statewide Television coverage in order that all of our citizens will have an opportunity to see their team play. It might be that our local state Senator G.V. "Sonny" Montgomery would like to referee the game, or, if this is not possible I think it only fair that you arrange to have the NCAA games in which State participates on nation wide T.V.Coverage.

When the people of Mississippi stop and take note, there is no reason to become alarmed over your actions, when they realize that you are a product of a state that has long since become the most liberal State of the South, a State that produced Luther Hodges and Terry Bryant and cuddles the notorious Harry Golden with open arms, nothing else could be expected.

I am

Very truly yours,

J.B.Collier,

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