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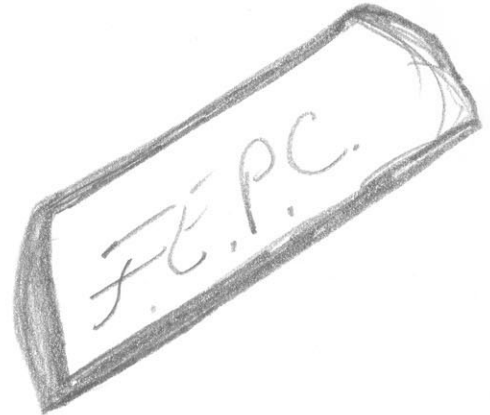
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LAUREL, MISSISSIPPI

February 22, 1950

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Senator John C. Stennis
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Stennis:

From notice that we have received, we understand that the F. E. P. C. measure that the President has been pushing so hard for the last two sessions of Congress, in all probability will reach the floor of the House today, the 22nd, or if not today, it will come up March 1.

It is not necessary for me to express my views on F. E. P. C. because I am un-alterably opposed to such a law because it has such a strong tendency to take away from the individual the benefit of initiative and enterprise as well as brings up the question that will cause disturbance and in some cases may lead to very unpleasant situations, and it is our hope, and we know that you will do everything within your power in opposing this measure. In the meantime if there is anything that we can do back here at home, please do not hesitate to call on us.

With the writer's very sincere regards.

Yours very truly;

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

February 24, 1950

Laurel, Mississippi

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your letter of February 22 in regard to the FEPC measure. This bill passed the House of Representatives on February 23, and I think that the members of the Mississippi Delegation in the House should be congratulated, for through their efforts and other members of the House, after amendments were added this bill now provided only for the creation of a Federal Employees Practice Commission, and all powers which they would have had under the old bill have been taken out and, therefore, does not conform in any way with the wishes of the Administration.

The Senate bill has not been introduced but when it is I assure you that I shall continue to fight it with every available means, and along with my colleagues I feel sure that we will be able to defeat it as we have in the past.

I deeply appreciate your offer to aid in any way you possibly can at home and I will not hesitate to call upon you if the occasion should arise.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours

flw/g

U. S. Senator