

6-6-1961

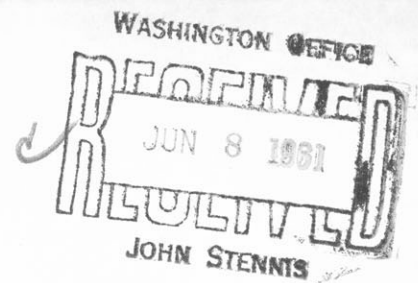
Correspondence, John C. Stennis, June 6-20, 1961

Follow this and additional works at: <https://scholarsjunction.msstate.edu/jcs-civil-rights-correspondence>

Preferred Citation

[Title], John C. Stennis Collection. Mississippi Political Collections, Mississippi State University Libraries.

This Letter is brought to you for free and open access by the John C. Stennis Digital Collections at Scholars Junction. It has been accepted for inclusion in Civil Rights Correspondence by an authorized administrator of Scholars Junction. For more information, please contact scholcomm@msstate.libanswers.com.



Magee, Mississippi
June 6, 1961

Honorable John Stennis
U. S. Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Stennis:

Enclosed find front page of State Times, Jackson, Mississippi,
Wednesday, May 30, 1961, with an article "Reds Recruit U.S.
Students".

I am sure you know more about this than is revealed in the paper,
but it is alarming as to some of the things our Federal Government
is doing and overlooking the things that seem so detrimental to
our nation. The item reported in the above mentioned paper, and
the so called "Freedom Riders" who are gathering on the South at
this time, appear to be communistic inspired.

If there is anything we as individuals can do to get our government
and the justice department straight on its actions and looking to
the more important things, we would like for you and other good
leaders to help get the citizens and true Americans aroused.

Yours truly,

[REDACTED]

MRC:gm

32. Freedom Riders

CARL HAYDEN, ARIZ., CHAIRMAN

RICHARD B. RUSSELL, GA.
DENNIS CHAVEZ, N. MEX.
ALLEN J. ELLENDER, LA.
LISTER HILL, ALA.
JOHN L. MCCLELLAN, ARK.
A. WILLIS ROBERTSON, VA.
WARREN G. MAGNUSON, WASH.
SPESSARD L. HOLLAND, FLA.
JOHN STENNIS, MISS.
LYNDON B. JOHNSON, TEX.
JOHN O. PASTORE, R.I.
ESTES KEFAUVER, TENN.
A. S. MIKE MONRONEY, OKLA.
ALAN BIBLE, NEV.
ROBERT C. BYRD, W. VA.
THOMAS J. DODD, CONN.
GALE W. MCGEE, WYO.

STYLES BRIDGES, N.H.
LEVERETT SALTONSTALL, MASS.
MILTON R. YOUNG, N. DAK.
KARL E. MUNDT, S. DAK.
MARGARET CHASE SMITH, MAINE
HENRY DWORSHAK, IDAHO.
THOMAS H. KUCHEL, CALIF.
ROMAN L. HRUSKA, NEBR.
GORDON ALLOTT, COLO.

United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

June 20, 1961

EVERARD H. SMITH, CLERK
THOMAS J. SCOTT, ASST. CLERK

Mr. [REDACTED]
Magee
Mississippi

Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you very much for your letter and the enclosed news article from the State Times.

It is certainly obvious that the Communists seek to take advantage of every incident where they can possibly do so, regardless of the true facts.

It is unfortunate indeed that outside agitators with nothing better to do but stir up strife and discord have come to Mississippi on so-called "freedom rides," and I know you will be interested in reading a copy of a bill which I have introduced in the Senate to prohibit such excursions in the future. I enclose a copy of my bill and I sincerely hope that the Senate will adopt it without delay.

With warm regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Stennis
United States Senator

Enclosure
JS/cd