

"The 96 Congressmen have borrowed heavily from the secessionist documents of 1860 in drafting their declaration. Their arrogant attempt to intimidate Congress and the nation has not met with a resolute determination to enforce the Constitution and federal law everywhere in the United States. Let Congress pass civil rights laws. Compel Brownell to enforce the right to vote for southern Negroes! Push the Justice Department into actions to enforce the Supreme Court's desegregation decisions. Oust Eastland from the U. S. Senate. End the retreat before the Dixiecrat minority in Congress and the country at large."26

a. Autherine J. Lucy

Probably the case most widely publicized in both the communist and the free press of a Negro attempting to enroll in a hitherto all-white university is that of Autherine J. Lucy. Subsequent to the May 17, 1954, decision of the Supreme Court invalidating segregation, Miss Lucy was admitted to the University of Alabama by order of a U. S. District Court in Alabama. After attending the University for three days under full police protection, she was excluded from class by the board of trustees on February 6, 1956. This decision was made under the University's police power and for the protection of students, the faculty, and Miss Lucy in view of demonstrations by students and outsiders.

The communist press decried this action by University officials and demanded Federal action in the matter:

