VIOLENCE WILL NOT HELP

This is an appeal to the entire student body and to anyone concerned with the present situation. Not only do the students chance forfeiting their education by participating in riots, but they are bringing dishonor and shame to the University and to the State of Mississippi.

When students hurled rocks, bottles, and eggs the federal marshals were forced to resort to tear gas to back off the crowds.

When outsiders show their objections in the form of violence, they are seriously injuring the students in their attempt to continue their education. As a student, I beg you to return to your home.

This is a battle between the State of Mississippi and the United States government; the University is caught in the middle. The Civil War was fought one hundred years ago over almost the same issues and the United States of America prevailed. The federal government is once again showing its strength and power to uphold the laws of our country.

No matter what your convictions you should follow the advice of Governor Ross Barnett by not taking any action for violence. Blood has already been shed and will continue to flow unless people realize the seriousness of the situation.

Whatever your beliefs, you are a citizen of the United States of America and of the State of Mississippi, and should preserve peace and harmony of both governments.