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NEGRO STUDENTS ATTEMPT LIBRARY DESEGREGATION

Columbus, Jan 20. Four Negro students attempted to use facilities at an all-white public library in downtown Columbus today but were turned away by the librarian.

The four entered the library at about 5 pm and were met by the librarian, who told them "this is not an integrated library, you will have to leave." Before leaving the group asked the librarian for a copy of President Johnson's State of the Union Address.

The students, members of the Mississippi Student Union, a state-wide student civil rights group, announced intentions to continue desegregation attempts at the public library.