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Clemson, Dreher

2 Students *wed. 4/17/63* Candid; For Integration

COLUMBIA (P)—Two students—one from Clemson College and another from Dreher High in Columbia—gave some blunt and candid answers on the racial question Tuesday to pointed questions fired at them by legislators.

Jerr M. Gainey, a sophomore at Clemson, and Bill Medlin, a Dreher student, both appeared at a hearing before the House Education Committee to oppose a bill which would channel state funds to private schools.

Asked by Rep. Charles Garrett of Greenville if he believed in integration, Gainey said, "Yes sir, I do."

Asked the same question, Medlin answered:

"I believe in equal rights for all persons regardless of race, creed or color."

Gainey read a petition, signed by 168 of the 4,200 students at Clemson. It stated opposition to the tuition plan.

Gainey said he had started circulation of the petition himself.