

# GOVERNOR'S DAILY NEWS SUMMARY

Saturday - Monday, December 14 - 16, 2002

*Clarion Ledger Jackson*

## **Lott calls segregation 'stain' in latest apology**

[Ability to appeal across racial lines called crucial in South](#)

[Possible candidates not jostling for post](#)

[Insiders, experts debate Lott's survival as leader](#)

## **Speaker to reveal political plans**

## **Hiking cigarette tax by 50 cents goal of health advocacy coalition**

## **Execution called for, inmates say**

## **Cochran: Bases should stay**

## **Editorials**

Lott: Reactions to remarks go deeper

Internet: Education achievement a plus

Chamber: Pittman right about Jackson's role

[Licensure hearings were professional](#)

[Proposed child care legislation could create complications](#)

C. Daryl Neely: ['Principle and the people' guided Amy Tuck](#)

## **2 decades later, massive changes still fall short**

[Basic school supplies remain a luxury](#)

[Funding, teacher pay, early-childhood ed unfulfilled goals](#)

[Recruiting parents tough — but rewarding — assignment](#)

[Lessons taught at home show up in classroom](#)

[Ways to measure accountability a work in progress](#)

[ARCHITECTS OF EDUCATION REFORM](#)

## **Lott furor called swipe at Miss.**

[Bush unlikely to act for or against Lott](#)

[Lott's political way reflects upbringing](#)

[Jefferson, Lott lives compared](#)

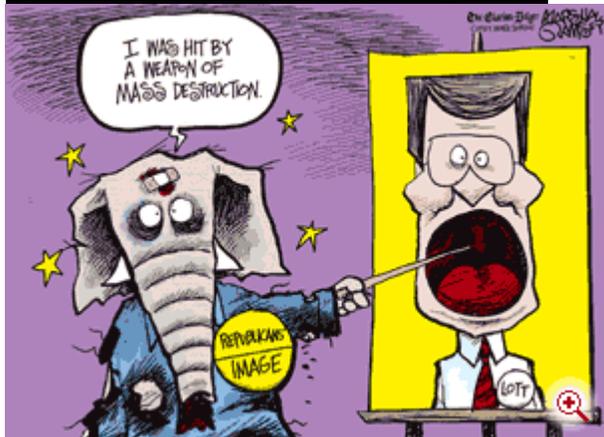
[Thompson on Lott: Wait and see](#)

## **Musgrove plugs ed funding plan, addresses grads**

## **Miss. executions may become more common**

## **Bush asks to extend unemployment insurance**

## **United's ESOP never got off ground**



## **Editorials**

Education: Long-term goals must be funded

Party politics: '03 Legislature offers a challenge

[Southerners know meaning of words](#)

[Sen. Lott wasn't referring to race](#)

[Lott, others damaging Mississippi](#)

[Lott the 'ignorant racist' he appears?](#)

[If Lott is a racist, why not say so?](#)

[Democrats wrong to berate Trent Lott](#)  
[Lott's 'forked tongue' simply slipped](#)  
['Divisive' people are criticizing Lott](#)  
[Stop electing Sen. Lott, an embarrassment for Mississippi](#)

**\$3.87M is tab so far in the 3rd District**

**We need to come together for new education reform act**

Joe Atkins: [Thurmond really was a 'prophet'](#)

Bill Minor: [Flannel-mouth apologies won't deter damage caused by Lott](#)

Charlie Mitchell: [Overall plan for higher ed needed soon](#)

Gov. Ronnie Musgrove: [Computers in classroom put our state in leadership role](#)

[Pew Partnership to unveil unique program in state](#)

**Should Congress limit gun litigation?**

CON: [Should Congress limit gun litigation?](#)

**Pass or fail? New tests to grade schools**

['Alternate routes' lead to teaching](#)

[Teacher evaluations no one-time, sit-down affair](#)

[10,000 kids, 1 truancy officer](#)

[Teaching pays off ... loans](#)

[Trying to fill positions 'gets worse every year'](#)

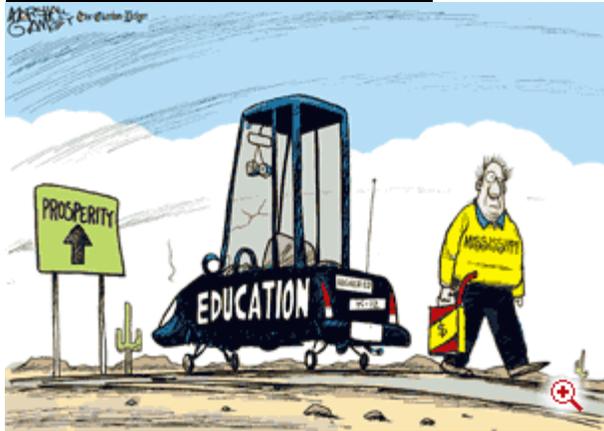
**GOP sen. fuels Lott crisis**

[Lott could be setback for GOP's appeal to minorities](#)

**Beset by troubles, Dems prepare for '03 elections**

**Document visitors total 12,045**

**EPA oversees plant cleanup**



**Editorials**

Federal judges: [Pickering renomination is in doubt](#)

Biz scandals: [SEC pick inspires no confidence](#)

Lead paint: [State enforcement power at risk](#)

[Democrats twist Sen. Lott's words](#)

[State may rebuff Sen. Lott at polls](#)

[Lott's comments reveal his thoughts](#)

['Gossip' causing even more discord](#)

[Forgive, move on regarding Lott flap](#)

[Lott 'plain wrong' on Thurmond's vote](#)

[Is Sen. Trent Lott considered genius?](#)

[Let's hope that Sen. Lott will turn his heart to penitence](#)

*The Sun Herald Biloxi*

**Drug czar can hold education post, too**

**Trent Lott's last thin reed of hope**

**EDITORIAL:**

**Mom's early release from prison urged**

**Senate Republicans are getting a bit testy**

### *Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal Tupelo*

[State Republicans support Lott after another apology](#)

[EDITORIAL: Senator admits his error and sharply attacks racism](#)

[WALTER MOORE: Rural East Union keeps up with bigger schools with high test scores](#)

[DANNY MCKENZIE: Lott's remarks damaged more than just his reputation](#)

[LLOYD GRAY: What if it had been our other senator?](#)

[OTHER OPINION: Replace Lott](#)

[DAVID BRODER: Clinton retains his genius for policy](#)

[Superintendents review new state accreditation model](#)

[No Child Left Behind report cards differ from state report card](#)

[Education act changed political landscape](#)

[EDITORIAL: Lott's troubles shouldn't throttle appointment](#)

### *The Commercial Appeal Memphis, TN*

**No Gore in '04; says time not right for another run**

[Democrats can savor options, GOP must retool for fresh 'devil'](#)

**POSSIBLE CONTENDERS**

[Al Gore's interview broadcast Sunday night on CBS' "60 Minutes"](#)

[Senate's No. 2 GOP leader says party may demote Lott](#)

[Lott's allies on offensive to repair damage](#)

[Davis to consider GOP bid for state treasurer](#)

[Nickles breaks GOP ranks, calls for majority leader election](#)

[Lott's words reopen that old wound](#)

[Lott 'not about to resign' leadership](#)

[Letters 12/16: Liberals show latest talent ? mind reading](#)

[Words, but not Lott, irk Lamar](#)

[Letters 12/14: Lott praised for not kowtowing to minorities](#)

**Two can play game of dumping, trashing**

### *Hattiesburg American*

[Pickering deserves nomination](#)

[Senator distinguished himself in the Mississippi Legislature](#)

[State must fund narcotics bureau](#)

[Vote lawmakers out of office](#)

(hard copy re: USM graduation)

### *Meridian Star*

**State Farm's rate request on the line**

• **Dale: 'Tough task on my hands'**

**Lott: What it should be about — Bynum**

**Common sense redistricting — Ziemba**

• **Why Lott must stay**

### *Laurel Leader-Call*

[Laurel students help build](#)

[Bush says Lott right to apologize for remark](#)

[Lott advocated tax exemption for school that banned interracial dating](#)

[Tests find toxic metals on plant site](#)

*DeSoto Times Today Hernando*  
(see hard copy re: Lott)

*The Clarksdale Press Register*  
Contract awarded on highway welcome center

*Daily Times Leader West Point*  
Wicker notes FDA action on misleading catfish imports 12/15

*Vicksburg Post*

*The Bolivar Commercial Cleveland*  
Chamber awarded state tourism grant

*The Delta Democrat Times Greenville*  
Critics berate Lott over Thurmond 'quip'  
Comments put Lott at political crossroad  
State must do better than Lott

*Enterprise Journal McComb*  
Governor visits plastics plant site, announces money for O'Con  
Summit plastics factory cranks up  
Melton: Youth the key weapon in drug war  
Editorial: President Thurmond? Yuck.  
Leonard Pitts Jr.: When it's about race, GOP always muffs it  
Charlie Mitchell: Higher ed needs to get off roller coaster

*The Natchez Democrat*



*The Greenwood Commonwealth*  
'Hold on to what you've got'  
Thompson: It will take more than an apology from Sen. Lott  
Melton will enliven war on drugs  
Solution: Swap Lott with Cochran

*The Mississippi Press Pascagoula*  
Locals show support for Lott  
Lott resignation would hurt state  
Lott: I will not step down

*The Picayune Item*  
Musgrove upbeat at informal luncheon  
Black support for Lott disappears in hometown  
Mississippi officials say more executions expected this decade

*Starkville Daily News*

*The Daily Leader Brookhaven*

*The Daily Sentinel Star Grenada*

Grenada bridges get good report from state

*Mississippi Business Journal*

*Magnolia Report*

EMBJ: MSGOP 30 years in the making; Cochran and Lott fought Eastland's Dixiecrat Machine Dec

BET Special Report on Lott 12/15

Newsweek: Race and the Rise of Trent Lott 12/15

Lott's toughest opposition may come from within GOP 12/15

Lott finds hometown support 12/14

1988: NAACP members supported Lott 12/14

Rebel flags in Lott's hometown 12/14

CLINTON LESUEUR LTE in USATODAY: Democrats exploit blacks 12/16

LTE to MagnoliaReport.com: Lott showed priorities in 97 speech in Greenwood 12/15

BlackMississippi.com Commentary 12/15

*Stateline.org*

*National Media*

**Gore Rules Out Running in '04**

**No. 2 Republican in Senate Calls for Vote on Lott**

**As Post-Boom Dust Settles, the South Grimly Downsizes**

**Hometown Black Support Shrinks for Lott**

**A Sanitized Past Comes Back to Haunt Trent Lott — and America**

**In Lott's Life, Long Shadows of Segregation**

**Reaction to Proposed Referendum on Lott**

**Want to Say You're Sorry? There's a Line**

**Wanted: More Civility, Not Civil Suits**

**Gore Decision Not to Run Leaves Race Wide Open**

**Media Notes: No Gore to Kick Around**

**Gore Leaves Many Stunned**

**Nickles Seeks Lott's Ouster**

**Four Seen as Potential Successors**

**Md. Leaders Predict Tax Hike**

**Bid to Oust Lott From Leadership Considered**

**Sen. Lott Fights to Save Post As Leader**

Nickles calls for election on Lott -- The Washington Times

Gore says no to '04 run -- The Washington Times

Full coverage (Lott story)

**FEMA director to step down**

**Gore Decides He Won't Run Against Bush in 2004**

## **Republican Calls for Vote on Lott**

Governor's race already crowded

Sen. Lott apologizes again for remarks

Terrell regrets attack on faith

### *Mississippi TV Stories*

**Lott's Critics Want Him Out As Majority Leader**

**Lott Speaks Out From Pascagoula**

**Mississippi Officials Say More Executions Expected This Decade**

**Lott To Go On BET Amid Debate Over His Future**

**Lott To Appear On BET Amid Debate Over His Future**

**Lott Asked to Leave**

**Education Reform**

**Support for Lott Lessening**

**Lott Apology/ NAACP Reaction**

**High School Dropouts Get Second Chance**

**Melton Vows No One Above The Law**

### *Weekly Papers*

More Inside ... (MS Link story re: Lott)

**EDITORIAL/ New drug czar's challenge**