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EVENTS IN MISSISSIPPI NOVEMBER 1 and 2:

November 1--JACKSON--Nicolas Bosanquet, British subject and Yale University student, and Robert Honeysucker, Negro senior at Tougaloo College (Negro) here, were arrested while attempting to enter a London Royal Philharmonic Symphony concert at a Jackson public auditorium. While they had bought tickets on public sale, they were told that only Jackson Music Association members were being admitted. The next day they were released on \$500 bond each. They are to appear for trial Monday, November 4 on charges of disturbing the peace.

November 1--NATCHEZ--Bruce Payne, Oakland, Calif., Yale University undergraduate student, was forced out of a "Freedom Vote-mobile" and beaten by four white men here. The four followed Payne and two other "Freedom Vote" workers from Port Gibson where the beating occurred, for 42 miles to Natchez. They were warned to stay out of Natchez.

November 1--TATE COUNTY--Hugh Smith, Menlo Park, Calif., Stanford University student, was shot at three times in his car here. Recognized by onlookers after an earlier trip to deliver "Freedom Vote" workers, two shots were fired over his head and one into the ground as he drove away.

November 2--JACKSON--Four SNCC workers were stopped by three Rankin County patrol cars and told to leave the airport. They went there to pick up rented cars and see Bob Moses, Campaign Manager for the "Freedom Vote" drive, off to Memphis. Moses was questioned and released, the other four were told to leave or go to jail, despite their insistence that car rental papers were being delivered to them. The four included Charlie Cobb, Springfield, Mass.; Langston Mitchell, New Orleans, La.; Jesse Harris, Jackson, Miss., and Ivanhoe Donaldson of New York City.

November 2--JACKSON--David Dennis, CORE Field Secretary here and Michael Sayer, SNCC worker of Atlanta, were stopped by airport police and interrogated while bringing car rental papers to SNCC workers at the airport. Telling them "The Federal government doesn't have jurisdiction over this airport," the patrolmen threatened the two with jail and charges of trespass. Meanwhile, four SNCC workers were forced to keep their hands on their car for more than an hour during interrogation by police. One officer twice rapped Ivanhoe Donaldson on the knuckles. The officer also placed his pistol at Donaldson's head and threatened to kill him. All were finally released after threats.

November 2--NATCHEZ--George Greene, SNCC worker from Greenwood, Miss., and Bruce Payne were on the way from Natchez to Fayette to work with their "Freedom Votemobile." Near Natchez the four men who beat Payne the day before were observed following. Greene tried to out-race them unsuccessfully and was forced off the road where Greene was ordered out of the car at pistol point. Swiftly moving the car onto the highway, Greene escaped only after the car was shot at three times. One bullet entered the rear, one grazed the side, the other hit the left rear tire causing a slow leak. skillfully manipulating through traffic, Greene managed to enter a side street unnoticed and fixed the tire.

November 2--JACKSON--Jesse Davis, SNCC worker from here was canvassing for "Freedom Votes" on a corner near a cafe when a policeman told him he was blocking traffic and subject to arrest and then left. Several minutes later he returned with an additional policeman who said Davis was under arrest, charged with snatching a purse. He was placed in the patrol car, told he was being taken to be identified by the woman whose purse was allegedly stolen. Instead, he was taken to a white residential district and put out of the car. After a 3-block walk, Davis noticed the policeman gathering a crowd of white men around him, apparently attempting to create a hostile mob. A Negro motorist came by and fortunately offered him a lift to town.

November 2--JACKSON--Fred Goff, white Stanford University (Calif.) student was ordered out of a Negro cafe by police. They told him "It's okay to buy a coke in a nigger cafe but not to sit in one. If you want to live with niggers, do it outside of Mississippi."

November 2--MORTON--Two female CORE workers, Lenora Thurmond and Doris Erskine, were canvassing for votes in the unofficial "Freedom Vote" campaign here when they were ordered out of town by local police.

November 2--YAZOO CITY--George Raymond, Tehodus Hewitt and John Lee Watt, CORE and SNCC workers planning to canvass for votes here were tailed by police officers each place they went. This made their work impossible and they left town with police following for some distance.

November 2--ROSEDALE--John Lewis, Chairman of SNCC, Bruce Gordon and Lawrence DiBivort were canvassing here when police stopped them and escorted them out of town. They left here for Cleveland, Miss. where they were stopped by police and told not to be in town after sundown. They were escorted by police to Mound Bayou, Miss. where they contacted a local vote worker and returned to Cleveland unmolested.

November 2--DELRIZONE--Willie Shaw was arrested for "parking too close to a fire hydrant" during his canvassing for "Freedom Votes." His bond was set at \$100 and released.

November 2--JACKSON--A "Freedom Vote" worker here canvassing at a football game at the Jackson State College (Negro) was told by police to either stop his activities and sit down or be arrested.

November 2--GREENWOOD--Five "Freedom Vote" workers were arrested here today by local police. Jane Stenbridge, Dorothy Higgins, Dick Fry, Willie Earl James and Frank Hirsch had set up a sidewalk voting booth to collect ballots. When they began singing Freedom Songs to attract attention to the booth, police ordered them to move on because they were on private property and disturbing the peace. Fry told the officer they were on public property, whereon the five were arrested for blocking the sidewalk and for refusing to obey an officer. Their bond was set at \$100 each and they are now in

November 2--PICAYUNE----Three Hattiesburg Negroes and two white Yale University students were canvassing for "Freedom Votes" at a federal housing project here. When they left the housing development, police were waiting for them. The five were taken to the police station for two hours of interrogation. When they returned to their car in the court house parking lot they found it difficult to start. It was discovered that there was water in the gas tank. The car was pushed to the nearest service station where work was done to rectify the damage.

November 2--GENERAL MISSISSIPPI--Campaign workers in the unofficial balloting listing Aaron Henry, Negro pharmacist as candidate for Governor of Mississippi and the Rev. Edwin King, a white Methodist minister as candidate for Lieutenant Governor, reported incidents of arrest, detention harrassment and questioning throughout the day and night. Communities reporting such incidents included Belzoni, Leland, Tupelo, Hattiesburg, and many others.