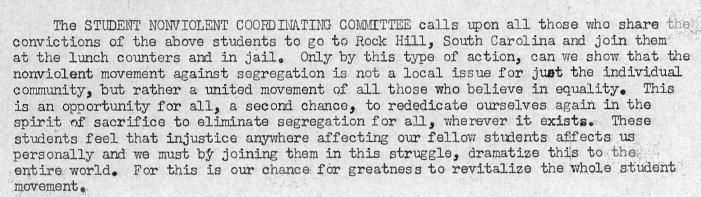
SNCC BOCK HILL -FEB, 1961

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Four students were arrested today in Rock Hill, South Carolina for sitting—in at GOOD'S DRUG STORE on Main Street. They were charged with trespassing and have confirmed their intention of remaining in JAIL WITHOUT BAIL. They were identified as Diana Nash, Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee; Charles Jones, Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, North Carolina; Ruby Doris Smith, Spelman College, Atlanta, Georgia; Charles Sherred, Virginia Union University, Richmond, Virginia. All four of the students are members of the STUDENT NONVIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE, the coordinating and administrative body for the student movement which seeks to obtain equal status for all through non-violent means. They gave the following statement as reason for their actions:



THERE ARE NINE STUDENTS HERE SERVING THIRTY DAYS ON THE
YORK COUNTY CHAIN GAMG FOR SITTING AT LUNCH COUNTERS
AND REQUESTING SERVICE. THEIR SITTING-IN SHOWS THEIR
BELIEF IN THE IMMORALITY OF RACIAL SEGREGATION AND THEIR
CHOICE TO SERVE THE SENTENCE SHOWS THEIR UNWILLINGNESS TO
PARTICIPATE IN ANY PART OF A SYSTEM THAT PERPETUATES
INJUSTICE. SINCE WE TOO SHARE THEIR BELIEFS AND SINCE MANY
TIMES DURING THE PAST YEAR, WE TOO HAVE SAT-IN AT LUNCH
COUNTERS, WE FEEL THAT IN GOOD CONSCIENCE WE HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE
OTHER THAN TO JOIN THEM".



If students from your community are coming, please notify:

Mr. Ed King SNCC 197½ Auburn Ave., N. E. Atlanta 3, Georgia MU 8-0331

We hope that you will also send letters, telegrams, etc., to these students, c/o Rev. C. A. Ivory, 142 South Trade Street, Rock Hill, S. C., and to Governor Ernest Hollings, State Capitol, Columbia, South Carolina and Mr. John Hardin, Mayor, Rock Hill, S. C., protesting the arrests.

FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT GO TO ROCK HILL

We know that there are many students who share the convictions of those in jail in South Carolina and hope that they will bear this witness in their own community.

(1) Those students who are on appeal bonds, may release the bonds and return to jail.

(2) Those who are arrested in stand-ins, sit-ins, or other activities, may go to jail and remain, rather than posting bond.