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SNCC WORKER SERVES 60 DAYS IN LOUISIANA

BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA - A young college student will leave the East
Baton Rouge Parrish Jail here May 5 after spending 60 days nehind bars.

He is Dion Tyrone Diamond of Petersburg, Virginia, a student at the University of Wisconsin and a former staff member of the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC).

Diamond was jailed here February 1, 1961 when he urged students to boycott classes at all-Negro Southern University. After 59 days in jail, he was released on a \$7,000 appeal bond.

The United States Supreme Court refused to review his conviction, and on March 5 he began serving a 60-day term.

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SNCC'S FORMAN MAY TOUR AFRICA

ATLANTA, GEORGIA - James Forman, Executive Secretary of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), may tour Africa following a four-day International Conference on Economic Sanctions Against South Africa in London, England.

Forman represented the student anti-segregation group at the London conference, held April 14 - 17.

"Two necessary allies have long been separated," Forman said in reference to the African independence movement and the United States civil rights struggle.

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JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI - Two Negro youths who attempted to sit in the white section of the Mississippi Coliseum at an April 14 performance of Holiday on Ice were convicted of breach of the peace charges April 15. SNCC and the Cultural and Artistic Committee at Tougaloo College had asked the group to cancel the segregated appearance.