

SELMA OCT. 1st 1963

4:00 Selma time

All arrested by sheriff Clark, deputy or

Scattered voter registration pickets: picked up on his order
2 at Post Office with "reg to vote" signs -stayed there $\frac{1}{2}$ hr to hr.

(A) 3 girls at Federal Building w/ reg to vote signs
stayed 15 min. deputy sheriff took one ~~xxx~~ away at time to arrest
2 ~~are - Gwendolyn Collins, 16,~~

3 boys at courthouse (where voter reg takes place) w/ reg to vote signs
2 { Columbus Martin, 18) arrested by dep sheriff
J.W.Clark, 19)

William Edwards, 17, left standing

2 white men came up, told him police were going to shoot him,
he replied "I'm not afraid to die." They left, came back with
group of seven, more ahrassment, grabbed sign

3 others arrested:

John Shaw, 16, arrested as got out of car at federal building w/ sign

Arthur Jones, 16 and Jimmy Marrow, 21 arrested at courthouse
had reg to vote signs

2 - Rev Tom Brown, SNCC field secy and Terry Shaw, 17, President of
Selma SNCC picked up by city police as they stepped out of car at the
~~xxxxxx First Baptist Church.~~ Picked up by Lt. Knight
and Officer Nichols. City police stationed in front of church
said it was on Sheriff's orders to ~~xxxx~~ Claude Porter, owner of
the car they had been driving

Forman telegram to Atty Gen Robt Kennady -

1. asking for immediate temporary restraining order on Sheriff Jim Clark
and other officials who are interfering with peaceful picketing
in connection with voter reg drives.
2. asking for govt to enjoin prosecution of persons active in voter drive
3. protesting the postponement of a Justice Dept hearing to have been
held Thurs on police brutality in Selma (postponed by Judge
Thomas) JD ~~xxxx~~ hearing from suit filed last summer

Quote - Prathia and Jim
something about:

"The efforts today are part of an attempt to
encourage voter registration. The historical
record of voting discrimination in Alabama and
mississippi and the reprisals which have resulted
from attempts to vote by Negroes makes it clear
that there must be new attention ~~mk~~ to the right
of a man to vote."