

December 24: Jackson: Willie Blue

Willie Blue, 24, Charleston, Miss.  
Claude Weaver, 20, Atlanta (?)  
Jesse Morris, 25, New Jersey

Birming.

arrested in Illinois Central Railroad terminal last night, when bringing friends on way to Birmingham. The three went into the white waiting room when they found that Negroes were sitting separately from whites. They sat there a few minutes and then Jesse and Willie went to the 'Negro' side to try to convince some of the Negroes to come to the 'white side'. The clerk selling tickets told them they'd "better leave the people alone." Willie answered that 'he'd better leave him alone'. Clerk then called Willie "a smart son-of-a-bitch" and called police.

Willie and Jesse went back to white side and police came in about ten minutes. The police took Gil Moses (assistant publisher of the Free Press) who was with them and he shoved him outside. Jesse, etc. went outside to see what was happening. The cops shoved them inside and asked what they wanted out there. They said that Moses was a friend of theirs. The three were then arrested for interfering - Moses was released.

when they got to jail the cops slapped Jesse Morris for not standing up straight and kicked Willie Blue for talking back (saying yes and no- not yes sir, etc.). They were each put in solitary--Willie Blue was slapped around there.

this morning they were allowed to use phone. called Davis Dennis who got them out on \$100 each. Trial is Friday . official charge - interfering with arrest (the arrest of Gil Moses which didn't take place I think)

Selma: Willie C. Robertson

cops still stationed on street corners/ state troopers still inside the various stores--- tension down a little from Saturday.

All of the kids will be out of Selma as of tomorrow morning/ Freedom house will be nailed shut and man upstairs is instructed to stop anyone coming in---