

2:30 am: Jackson: Jesse Harris got in, after having been held by Jackson police for six hours without charges. He was picked up while driving Bob Beyers' rented car, kept waiting in the hall of the Jackson City Jail, was never questioned.

7:00 am: Hattiesburg: There was a minor demonstration here last night by MSU students who marched to the COFO office singing Freedom songs to welcome the new summer volunteers. No cops around, hence no trouble.

Sandy also reported proof of rank amateurish wire tapping going on. Yester the phone rang, and Sandy picked up and heard about the last 20 seconds of his last phone conversation. The police must have been changing tapes, he speculates, and goofed.

7:45 am: Canton: Last night a bunch of kids were standing in front of the Freedom House singing Freedom songs, until the cops broke them up.

8:30 am: Philadelphia: Nick Von Hoffman reports that the FBI are working very hard in their investigation, not wasting time; They are figuring that bodies cannot be dragged very far from a road, and since much of the land in the area is thickly wooded and impossible to drive thru, this limits the area to be searched. He said the FBI are not shying away from the possibility of Neshoba County officials being involved and seem aware of the implications of some of the facts being dug up.

9:45 am: Meridian: Learned that Rita Schwerner and Bob Zellner will go to Washington to talk to Katzenbach of the Justice Department and to try to see the President.

10:05 am: Hattiesburg: Two cars belonging to volunteers John Catalin and Barry Clemson were shot into last night. Three local witnesses said they saw the shots fired from a red 1963 pick-up truck containing four white men. They shot into the radiators of the cars, which were parked. This happened at one in the morning. Cops are investigating. One of the men shot at one of the witnesses, a teenager. No injuries. The license # of the truck was covered over.

4:10 pm: Hattiesburg: Pete Stoner picked up in H'burg at 3:00 pm, by Constable Humphrey. Pete was taken to the Forrest County Jail, where he is no stranger, without being charged. Then he was told the charge is Reckless Driving and Failing to Signal. \$100 property bond. Sheriff wouldn't release him between 7:00 pm and 7:00 am. Suspect he may be having rough time. One of the witnesses to last night's shooting says he saw the truck again and got the licence number., 2-3355.

6:45 pm: Columbus: Six carloads of white men are in front of Freedom House. The cops arrived promptly when called, and most of the men fled; two men who had gotten out of their cars were picked up, questioned, and released. Willie Blue will press charges against them Tuesday mornin. Expected more trouble, but was quiet after.

even : Moss Point: The project is really moving. There are 15 people in the project, there was a meeting with NAACP youth, all of them committed to work on project; forty Freedom registrants, forty promises to go to the Courthouse Tues. and Wed.

evening: Columbus: Police have been to the restaurants where volunteers are eating and threatening to close them down.

IMPORTANT HEARING IN BILOXI: The first step in challenging Miss.'s anti-picketing law will be taken Tuesday; a hearing before the Fifth Circuit appealing Cox's action in having remanded the case of the picketers arrested April 15 in H'burg back to the state courts. We are challenging the anti-picketing law on the basis that it is unconstitutional.

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Hattiesburg: The shooting of the white volunteers' cars yesterday was investigated by the Highway Patrol. - Stoner's trail put off one day.

Greenwood: Word comes that Jimmy Travis is in the hospital in Cincinnati. One week rest has been recommended by doctors.

Ruleville: Because of questioning by the FBI of Mrs. Mary Tucker about volunteers - including request for the addresses of where volunteers are living - the question of how much information should be given to the FBI will be discussed at the staff meeting in Jackson on Wednesday.

Biloxi: Three judges heard the case on the Anti-Picketing Law. They will rule next week on the constitutionality of the law.

Oakland: A very badly mangled body of a white man, 5'8", 160 lbs. was found by the Highway Patrol. Final identification has not been determined, but all evidence indicates that the body is not one of the three missing workers, not any other summer volunteer.

BOB MOSES HOLDS PRESS CONFERENCE; 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 30.

Most of the questions concerned entry into the South West and the Philadelphia case. Bob said that staff people will enter the South West first with volunteers following at a later time. In answer to a questions about what we hope to accomplish in the summer, Bob mentioned 5 things: (1) to open up the Negro community and establish our right to work there; (2) to get the summer volunteers to carry the story of Mississippi to the rest of the nation; (3) to focus the attention of the nation on the state; (4) To get the moderate whites in the state to begin to talk about the whole problem in rational terms and (5) to organize the Negro community to push for their rights.

TO COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS re STAFF BIOGRAPHY FORMS:

It is the responsibility of the communications worker to be sure that Staff members and those acting in positions of 'staff' responsibility to fill out the enclosed biography forms. This is an order even if staff members say they have previously filled out a form (Those exempted because we do have their forms on file are: Douglas Cotton, Carole Merritt, Bernice, David and Claude Sims and Claude Weaver). Basic factual information is imperative for publicity and security purposes. Please return the forms immediately.

WORK-STUDY PROJECT:

The Work-Study Project will be continued and expanded this coming year. It will be up to the staff to recruit 30 good people for the project. Details coming out in a separate mailing.

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