HATTIESBURG, MISS. - OVER 500 SIGN UP FOR FREEDOM SCHOOLS - July 4,
SNCC office in Hattiesburg reports that by Thursday, July 2, 575
prospective students registered for the five Freedom Schools in the
area. Their ages range from 8 - 82.
The first to register was a man 82 who has taught himself to read
and write and now wants to pass the voter registration test.
The Freedom Schools will be staffed by 33 volunteer teachers. Local
teachers will help out.

SELMA, ALA. - LITERACY PROJECT WORKERS ARRESTED - July 4,
Four workers on the Selma Literacy Project were arrested here today.
They were all arrested near the Thirsty Boy restaurant. Names, charges,
etc:
Karen House- Trespassing and carrying a concealed weapon-$1000
bond; She is 21, Washington D.C., graduate of Howard U.
Jim Wiley - Trespassing and resisting arrest - $1000; 21,
born Selma, Lives Gary, Indiana, Harvard U.
Carol Lawson - Trespassing - $500; 19, Bronx, Howard U.
Silas Norman - Trespassing - $500; 23, Augusta Ga., grad stud­
ent at Wisconsin.
All are Negroes.

ATLANTA, GA. - WORKERS PUMMELED AT WHITE RALLY - July 4,
Four SNCC workers, Matthew Jones, Charles Neblett, Wilson Brown,
all Negro and Karen Haberman, white went to a rally sponsored by the
American Patriots at Atlanta's Lakewood Park. Featured speakers were
local small time racists and Wallace and Bar'Dett, The four entered the
stadium and took seats. They were met with a barrage of heavy steel
folding chairs, thrown and swung. Haberman was escorted away from
the scene by a friendly white man. The three were severely beaten, and
reated at the hospital. Four whites were arrested and charged with
disorderly conduct.

LAUREL, MISS. - ACCOMODATIONS TESTED IN MISS. - July 4,
About 7:30 a group of well dressed Negro teenagers decided
to test public accommodations by attempting to get service at the Burger-Chef
a drive in, in a borderline area. They were met outside by a group
of whites who asked, "Where are you going?" The youths answered,
"Inside to get a hamburger," The whites asked "Do you want to fight",
the youths left. They came back a second time at about 8:00PM. Twelve
whites met them at the entrance and a similar exchange occurred. They
were again barred from entering.
The drive-in has one side marked color the other unmarked. The
youths headed for the unmarked side. They were on foot. There was
apparently no management involved.
After being blocked again the Negroes left. A group of about 20
other Negroes had formed in the area and threatened to start throwing
bottles in the others were not let in. The original group of seven
returned at about 8:30 and were surrounded by about 25 - 30 whites
when they tried to enter again. The whites said, "Go home Yankee."
A general melee ensued in which Willie Roy Gilliam was cut across the
chest with a razor blade, while his brother Terry was cut on the face.
By that time there were about 40-50 whites and 20 Negroes. The police
appeared, closed off the section to traffic and kept the two groups
apart.
The Gillum brothers were taken to Southeastern Benevolent Hospital.

SELMA, ALA.- VIOLENCE REIGNS IN ALA. TOWN - July 5, 10:30 am
Negro students travelling in the downtown area were beaten. People
in the commercial section of the city were also beaten. One man com­
ing out of a Negro restaurant was beaten by 6-12 policemen.
At 11:00 PM a rally of whites was held at the downtown A&P. During
the evening a cross was burnt on Highway 41 about one mile from the
heart of town.

SELMA, ALA. - SNCC WORKER ARRESTED - July 5,
Benny Tucker, SNCC field sec. was arrested in downtown Selma. He
was driving a SNCC car. He and John Love had been going downtown to
pick up leaflets for a mass meeting, and voter registration. The pol­
lice took the car when they arrested Tucker. The car had a Calif.
license on the front, and a Ga. on the back. The registration was
in the glove compartment.

ALBANY, GA. - SNCC WORKERS, NINE OTHERS ARRESTED - July 5,
Donald Harris (S.W. Ga. Project Director), Randy Battle, Roy Sheilds
and Dale Smith and nine others were arrested for loitering after they
tried entering all white Tift Park Pool (formerly a public pool) in
(Over)
Albany. Two white SNCC workers had gone to the pool first, entered, and reported back by telephone that there were white men armed with ball peen hammers, sticks and clubs and that the lifeguards had baseball bats. An integrated group of 25 went (including those arrested) and tried to get in. The ticket seller, after a lot of discussion, admitted that the pool was private for white people and that Negroes were not admitted. The group left, half went home, and the thirteen were arrested for loitering and held on $102 bail.

SELMA, ALA - REPORTERS BEATEN - July 5,

David Prince and Jerry Dumuth, reporters on assignment from Black Star News Agency were injured by presumed members of Sheriff Jim Clark's posse. The reporters were attacked following a mass meeting at the AME Zion Church.

As they left the church were law enforcement personal had been present part of the time, they saw about 60 helmeted policemen. Some had brown shirts, some plainclothes, all were in helmets. Prince took some pictures and then tear gas exploded.

Prince called Dumuth to get between the buildings, but when he turned Dumuth was missing. A spotlight was shone in Prince's eyes and then a shot rang out and a bullet lodged in the building next to him. Prince's camera was thrown against the building and later smashed. He fell to the ground and rolled up into a ball and was hit on the neck and back and legs. The two reporters left Selma to the hospital in Montgomery.

Dumuth was pretty badly injured with a gash across his neck which was bleeding badly. He also had a gash across his forehead and a bad cut on the top of his head. His glasses had been smashed. Prince had injuries of the back.

When the reporters arrived in Selma the same afternoon they notified the FBI of their presence. They were told that he wasn't sure what kind of protection they could receive from the Sheriff. They introduced themselves at the sheriff's office shortly after noon. They were on a Black Star assignment. Dumuth also had an Esquire card, Prince a Macmillian Publishing Co. Both had City of Atlanta Police Press cards.

Three local Negroes were also hospitalized as a result of beatings.

- John Lewis, Chairman of SNCC and Francis Mitchell, SNCC publicity director for the Miss. Summer Project arrived safely in Selma.

AMERICUS, GA - BOMB SCARE IN MOVIE - July 5,

Several Negroes were in the Martin theater when it was emptied because of a bomb threat at about 9:00 PM. A mob of about 200-300 whites had gathered outside the theater. About 100 Negroes gathered in the same area, SNCC worker Robert Mants called the Americus police and FBI agent Cheek. In about 10 minutes, Willie Ricks and Sammy Mahone saw people running and heard shots. The police had fired shots into the air. There was a fire truck on the scene with a hose in position to be used. A riot seemed impending.

At this time the SNCC workers got the Negroes to come to an impromptu mass meeting. During the mass meeting the white mob was still throwing stones at passing cars driven by Negroes.

LAUREL, MISS. - TWO SUMMER VOLUNTEERS PICKED UP BY POLICE - July 5,

Two white summer volunteers, Thomas Watts, 35, Berkeley, Calif. and Marcia Ann Moore, 21, Fort Dodge, Iowa were picked up and questioned by police. SNCC worker Gwen Robinson, 19, Negro, Memphis, Tenn., went to the jail to bring Moore's identification and was held for a short time. Charles Spinks, 14, Negro, Laurel, was detained for an hour in connection with the two volunteers. Watts was released. Moore was charged with vagrancy and will be arraigned tomorrow.

AMERICUS, GA. - WHITES SHOOTING INTO NEGRO SECTION - July 6.

White mobs formed at the Martin Theater, site of a near riot last night. Negroes who group to oppose the whites are being dispersed by the police.

Carloads of whites have been going through Seaboard Side (the Negro section) shooting at Negro residences. No one was reported injured.

SELMA, ALA. - MASS MEETING HELD - July 6,

Ralph Abernathy spoke to a crowd of 350 people at a mass meeting at Shiloh Baptist Church. At least 150 policemen were on the scene.

A 10:00 PM curfew was announced after the rally. Police and posse went out to the peoples porches and clubbed them into the house. They also beat the doors with their sticks to make the people lock their doors.

Chairs were thrown through the door and windows of the house next to the church were the mass meeting was held. Under the curfew the people must turn off their lights at 10:00 PM also. After the rally tear gas was sprayed inside the church building.