

Beyers on WATS line

Canton; Bob Watkins...working on some property...trying to find legal ~~tax~~ notice on disposition of property...know there will be some disposition of property, but don't know what...he wants to ~~token~~ others lawyers there...also legal defense fund took statement from Collier (Al Lerner, Ann Cooper, Nelson Bratherman, Ralph Lockwood)...will be talking with C.O. Chin's brother in Jackson...~~Washington~~ have to beat through Madison County Herald to find...coming to Jackson today, leaving around 8:30 or so this morning.

8:20 McComb: Mitch wants someone to be sure Burton has transportation from Rev. Ed. King's to the airport. Press conference firm for 12:30 p.m. at airport. Wanted to know when George Green left (answer: about 7:20)

Emmie

Greenville : A minor problem with a couple of people who have come to town: Samuel Randolph, supposedly en route from Chicago to Canton to work under Andrew Green, Negro, in his 50's. He is supposedly just in Greenwood on a stopover - however he has been there long enough to get Washington County license plates. Using Andrew Green's and Scott Smiths names as references (written down, he shows it surreptitiously) he walks about surreptitiously. Says he takes orders from Andrew Green.

Another guy - supposedly representing an organization in New York, also Negro, gave him 2000 which he wants to give to the COFO. The name of the organization is Rights of Liberty on Saxon St. in NY. He refuses to give his names.

VFW night before last, someone from COFO ran into him (Kay Prickett Bog Dogoff and Morton Thomas). They talked to him there and got the idea that he was from NY and wanted to contribute. He showed them bus tickets to prove he was coming from NY to Greenville. After the dance I, Jim Adams met him in a restaurant. He said he wanted a general staff meeting in the office on 10:00 Monday morning. Asked name, he looked around and said, Maybe I don't have a name. The guy reached into his billfold and pulled out small picture of Jesus, showed me surreptitiously. Puts the picture of Jesus back in his billfold, drawing his finger across his throat, as if slashing it. One of local kids talked to him and said man had 1947 discharge from Army, and that he was working out of Rights of Liberty organization in New York.

9: 15: Harassment call: A woman, "Just wanted to know if you niggers are going to church this morning." Same voice called in yesterday saying, "Is this that nigger outfit?" I think it is the operator, because at the end of yesterday's call I found Judy Richardson on the line when the white voice disappeared. Again today there was no cut off sound, she just disappeared.

McComb: Jesse arrived at 9:30. Curtis, Mitch, and Congressman in one car with FBI following them went on to Steptoe's in Liberty.

Canton: Gave message for Andy Greene about Samuel Handolph. Green is out in Valley View with no phone. Will call in sometime today.

Greenville: As soon as CR bill was signed, some local people started testing. All of lunch counters uptown had closed down for good, swearing they could never serve Negroes. Also Drug and dime stores are closed for good. One small restaurant left in the white theater, manager doesn't give a damn. All means about 6 or 7 lunch counters closed within the stores. The testing was at these places - some closed before the testing, others closed after the testing.

We think a whole lot more people, the MSU, etc. would have gone ahead with demonstrations, had COFO not discouraged them.

FS is going to open Monday. Registration the first day (Monday). No bldg. yet for Comm Center, but will be temporarily working out of Negro Comm Center building.

Feels Negro community is apathetic about the courthouse trips, they don't want to push their luck, they know they are better off than the rest of the Delta.

Jackson 9:40: Bob Beyers answered: Same sweet Southern voice, "Are you a white bastard or a black one?"

Meridian: Louise last saw George Raymond about 1:30 am.

NAACP national people coming to Meridian? Is this true?

FS will open Monday in Meridian, then start spreading out. Will be having one in Neshoba, Lauderdale.

FDP - are trying to arrange a county meeting for Lauderdale county. Will try to arrange something in Neshoba. Freedom Registered some people in Neshoba yesterday, these were forms that Mickey or James had left up there earlier - people have now filled them out - about 5 or 6 of them. Were either Congressmen. She thinks Congressmen were impressed by the fact that people in Neshoba were afraid to register at courthouse, but willing to register with FDP.

Testing CR bill: 2am in train station, Negroes tried to get served in white waiting room, they weren't served. Some question as to whether they were actively trying to provoke the whites. This was 2 Negro women, very excited.

Ruleville, 10 a.m. Danny Lion wants Matt Herron to call him today on arrival.

Jackson: Rumor that CR workers arrested was checked out with Sheriff, says he knows nothing of it.

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Clarksdale: Testing won't start until tomorrow. NAACP newsletter says that they have been told that the facilities they seek to enter will be closed. NAACP is taking the position that if things close it is not their fault. Should be extensive testing tomorrow.

FS -27 registered first day, then it dropped a little. Comm Center will open in week. Over a hundred Freedom Registered.

Lafayette is furious about something about the wats line system. Couldn't make out what.

Hattiesburg: 10:30: Mitch had said Congressmen would pass through.

~~Hattiesburg: Roman Catholic Church~~ was the one burned.

Rev. ~~XXXX~~ Kerston Rev. John C. Kerston, Rosary Catholic Mission. Convey to Mary King. 902 Dabbs St. This wasn't the church, but a recreation hall behind it.

Inside
was uttered.

Meridian: Still no George , Canton hasn't seen him either.

He had a white Chrevroltet, the one Landy had in accident.

Last night at 1:30 he told Louise he would prorbably be going back to Canton in morning. He said he was going out for something to eat. Hasn't been seen since.

Meridian: 10:50 am - He used Bob Gore's room last night. He left there at about 9:00 And Canton just called Jackson saying that G. Raymond is there!

Canton: LO:55 - Talked with George Raymond. Todl him people are going to worry about him whether he wants them to ~~or~~ not! So..

Penny

Clarksdale: unconfirmed report - that four Negro guys went to drive- in restaurant, asked for service at the white window. And then were beaten up and are now in hospital. Yvonne now checking it out - will let us know.

Restaurant had been serving Negroes at the front window until they found out that cr bill was going to be passed. then they put up white only sign. ~~Maxwell~~, Doris was served there last week.

FDP - want to know number of votes each precinct has to the county convention. Number of votes Cahhoma county should send to district meeting, (how many people), and the latest date they can hold a county meeting.

NEED FREEDOM REGISTRATION FORMS.

McComb: Hollis Watkins is there.

Meridian: fs people who arrived yesterday:

Donna Garde, Steve and Susan Schrader, Florence and Abe Sayer, Bradley Clarke, Philip Corner.

Tchula: nothing new - pretty peaceful weekend.

Hattiesburg: 10 freedom school people. Sandra Adickes, George and Jean Cohen, Barbara Schwartzbaum, Douglas Tuchman, Stanley Zibulsky, Ann Gelenius, Irene Paul, William D. Jones, Ira Landess.

Clarksdale: David Batzka and Paul Kendall were refused admission to 1st X n Church (Disciples of X). David is Disciple of X, Paul presbyterian, at church operated by Mr. Funk, and Mr. White. Mr. White read statement directed at integrated group - 20 minute statement. David asked if it applied to them (both white), The answer was yes. They then left the church ----

(This statement was scribbled on a piece of paper by someone else - have to check it out and get t straight.

Jackson: John Lewis arriving at 1:15 pm Greyhound.

Jim Forman, Elizabeth Sutherland arriving - Delta 927 at 4:35.

Greenwood: Selma, Ala.: cross burning last night. reports that Negroes are being beaten by whites roaming around ,etc.

Atlanta: Chuck, Mathew and Wilson Brown are ~~okay~~. Jail still claims they don't have the four other people - no sign of them anywhere else

Holly Springs: Benjamin Graham is there.

He, Ralph Featherstone, Jim Kates leaving for Batesville in the next day or so. will be working there.

Dorothy Louis is at home in Tchula.

Vicksburg: everything quiet - most people re in church.

Ruleville: ~~xxx~~ Dale Gronomeier: last night visited by white man, Mr. ~~Robert~~ Kent, from Ruleville - who came over out of curiosity. Older man. Came to community center at about 10:30 pm alone and entered into discussion with sncc summer volunteers and staff. Mr. Kent consistently expressed the southern segregationist viewpoint in the hour and a half that he was there. At about midnight, two ruleville policemen came to community center and ordered Mr. Kent to leave. Mr. Kent refused to leave, stated that he was having friendly conversation with the workers and said "I won't leave just because you tell me to". The officers then arrested Mr. Kent.

SNCC workers (Dale) objected to the ir ordeing him away, and indicated to them that he wz not creating a disturbance and that it had been a friendly discussion that Kent was welcome.

Didn't say at that time what charge was. Kent stated
before

Insert above ~~after~~ quote. Cops sadi if you don't leave, we will have to arrest you ~~Kentxxxxxx~~ " You eityer get in your car and leave, or go to jail." Kent said

We then called Mayor Charles Dorrrough at 12:10 am, and expressed our disagreement with the proceedings. called him at home. Maor said he would look into it. Then cllled the FBI in Memphis. Complained that this was an unwarranted police action, and that ~~preventing~~ preventing people from talking with us would restrict our vr efforts.

At 12:30 pm today, we called Maoyor again, he indicated that Kent had been arrested on a drunk and disorderly charge, now free on recognizand. The mayor refused to give the names of the arresting officers, and indicated he didn't know when the trial would be. He commented to Dale, " Iknow you've been working on him [Kent]"

John Harris, 20, Birmingham, AAla, SNCC staff, Negro, said, "Some may wonder why we call Miss. a police stae. Last night is an example of the dangers of arragant and unwarranted police action. The Miss repression not only restricts Negroes and cibil rights workers, but also boomerangs against white segregationists, who simply wnat to talk."

The cops expressed to Kent and the workers, we are only following our orders, or some thing like that. May indicate that Mayor may be trying to cut off communication between us and locals.

Ruleville: Danny Lyons has gone to Greenwood and will be in Jackson either tonight late or tomorrow morning.

Canton: folk-singers arrived: Roger, Jackie Washington plus Hellen O'Neal.

Meridian: Louise Hervey: 1:30 pm.

Sue Brown said that group of teenagers went into Weidmans rest. and were served. ordered hamburgers, and wore shorts.

at about 1 pm group from office ~~went~~ decided to go and eat there. Group of seven FS teachers (all white) went first. Second group followed (four - Bill Hervey, Sue Brown, Mark Levy, Louise Hervey. Sue is Negro) and when they got into to rest. first group was eating. Head waitress came up and told them that we are sorry but the manager's orders are not to serve us. Manager name is Shorty McWilliams. Were in there about 30 seconds.

Freedom school teachers then walked out leaving the food which they had already ordered. Didn't pay. Told headwaiter they refused to eat in segregated restaurant.

All are now at Henderson's eating lunch (Negro restaurant).

~~Shorewood school closed according to community center
closed on Holly Springs~~

Holly Springs: Lois call Mary Jennings in Holly Springs.

James Mays call Mary Jennings in Holly Springs, about FDR Federal Programs.

Ivanhoe wants information on how many community centers are in operation and where, etc. check with Lois or Annell.

Laurel: emergency call from Lester McKinney: He is now being held in city jail. 428-4893: city jail.

Was arrested this afternoon at 2:10. Had been arrested in bus station there in 1962 and police picked him up saying that he still had four to six months time to serve on that charge. In 1962 charged with breach of peace - Jess Brown was his lawyer.

He doesn't feel that the situation in the jail is too dangerous at the moment, but... No bond. Captain Meiers in charge.

2:40 pm wats line dead

Pascagoula address: 2118 Machpelah Road, Moss Point, Miss.

Laurel: Gwen Robinson 3:30 pm—Gwen was trying to get all the information she can on Lester's arrest.

Sherwin Kaplan: we called Jesse Brown and he said that he was tried in 1962 for breach of peace without a lawyer and was convicted. Brown then got the case and appealed it to municipal court and county court. Both cases were thrown out on technicalities. Brown doesn't know whether he was out on bail, what kind of bail etc. It sounds as if he may have jumped bail. Melzar Melzar & Inc. Fund is at Brown's office, looking over old case file. Melzar will call back after they have discussed case and get some idea of what they can or cannot do.

Vicksburg: Paul Cowan 3:50 pm--car that shot up place seems to be white Bonneville Pontiac V3927. Information from two people. White source says one of people in car was navy guy on leave for two weeks. Other was high school drop out. Both had been drinking. Also heard that before they shot they drove Negro kid off road, hurting his hand. Two days later they threatened the same kid. They are going to report this to police.

Whites are still coming around but workers are talking with the people and they seem receptive sometimes. Girls still getting threats when they go to store. Last night got about 10 calls. Upwards of 30 the night before. Calls in 3 categories: silent calls, what are you doing calls, get out town and threats.

4 today in church in rural area. Car ~~threatened~~ circled the church but they didn't get plates.

They plan to send 2 people to Greenwood on Tuesday.

Bob Coles coming Tuesday to Jackson.

Greenwood: Courtland says attack basis of Lester's arrest.

Judy was she was calling all projects on Tuesday meeting. She will call them back and only second district and Vicksburg will come.

Hattiesburg: 4:15 pm Sandy talked to Goyot and ~~Maxiskgink~~ Sandy is going to Laurel. Sandy will call us with information when he gets back to Hattiesburg.

Meridian: 4:15 Sue Brown--They have people here who want to take registration forms to take registration forms to Claiborne and Washington Counties. Referred to Dona.

Harole Ickes--call Vicksburg and tell them he's coming in

Jackson: 4:22 pm. harrassment call. white southern female, asked who was this? I said COFO office, gave my name. She said something unintelligible about those "niggers down in Philadelphia." I said "those what down in Philadelphia?" She mumbled something else and hung up. WSL.

4:24 : a white southern male. "WHY don't you goddam bastards go back up north where you belong." etc etc. Had three minute conversation. Emmue.

Greenwood: 4:45 pm whoever called had left

Hattiesburg: Bob Cohn call.

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Kansas City- Columbus, Miss: Marie Simmons called from Core convention in Kansas city to tell us that her cousin, George Spann, was arrested in Columbus en route to a funeral in nearby Brooksville. He was arrested on a license technicality. The police thought he was a Freedom Rider, and apparently he was rather badly beaten. Bond has been posted at \$ 366 dollars. The police wanted it by noon today. The bond money should be sent to 1602

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Kansas City, conted. : Money should be send to 1602 21st N, to Bertha Green. Please investigate all this and give info to Bob Gore, who is on hiw way to Jackson. 328-7511—Columbus jail.

Meridian: CC people arrived.

McComb: 5:20 pm Curtis, Mendy, Freddie Greene walked down Summit St. 4 blocks to South of the Border Cafe. Co police passed as they ware about to enter cafe. Made a u turn and came to cafe. Came inside but didn't do anything. Walked to back of cafe, looked Mendy over, spread out over cafe and just stayed there about 10 seconds. Then all three left. Cops were Bearden, deputy; Simmons, Sheriff—these were last election people. ~~EC~~Bryant got a call today. He said FBI had called for who was in town and where they ere living. Pat said they already knew that. Sounded fishy.

8 people there. Jessie Harris, Mendy Samstein, Freddie Greene, George Greene, Curtis Hayes, Dennis Sweeney, Clinton Hotson, Pat Walker.

report from Mendy.

Ruleville: 5:30 pm—Dale Gronomier—information on local white last night Bobby Kent. Mr. Bob Kent. Guy is 30 or 35. Dale talked with his father. Father was receptive. Main poncem~~s~~ of father was whether guy created disturbance. No

Jackson: about 5: 50 pm, a man called on 352-9605, who said he was state highway patrolman Len Wood, badge no. 19. He said he was phoning from his car, via radio. he said that the three missing workers had been found in good health. he said they had been found along side hiway 45, walking, looking like they were lost. he was not speaking hurridly, did not seem particularly anxious to end the conversation. We checked with the FBI , the Hiway patrol (a man named walker answered), and the Philadelphia police, all said they knew nothing about it. No answer at the Neshoba sheriff office.

~~Shaw~~Greenville: Charles Askew arrived, Freedom School teacher.

Gulfport: Cathy Cade ; wanted to speak to Hunter Morey.

Mr. Roosevelt Copprue ~~and~~ was arrested yesterday at 4 pm for investigation. ~~last~~ When they picked him up they took him downtown and questioned him about us, what we were doing, etc. Got out last night. FBI took statement - Mr. Copprue said the FBI talked to the Sheriff and consequently he got out. (previous to arrest, had testified for COFO person).

Holly Springs: could use someone with library skills there. tell Jesse. Jimmy Bolton: call Larry Rubin. Important.

9 pm

Laurel: Lester McKinney—not at # Called back. Lester says guys are going back to cafe with bottles. About 25-40 boys walking. Other boys in car. Other boys joining them as they go down street. About 100 whites on the street. Right off Cook Ave. on corner of Cook and ?. 5 police cars are driving along past Negro kids. Very emotional. Police wouldn't come out to make arrests when they called. Negroes there scared. 60-70 Negroes now.

More whites and cops and whites. Phone at Cook and First St.—phone booth. White neighborhood.

Canton: 9 pm Checking on Pittman.

Tchula: 9:05 pm Calling for Penny. Gene Nelson; will call in am.

Gulfport: 9:07 pm Cathy Cade spoke to Hunter.

9:08 pm Vicksburg: 9:07 pm—Car shot last night. Will call later—
Lester

Laurel: 9:08 pm Gwen left where they are living 15 minutes ago—50 white fellows. etc—Giving some information Lester giving. Burger Chef is where this incident is occurring. Gwen Robinson is at 428-4893. Call with information.

Greenwood: Selma—literacy project kids went to drive in restaurant—all Negroes. Arrested by Sheriff Clark's men. About same time, Negro kids independently went down to integrate down town places. Attacked at movie theatre by county men, city men (police)—then local citizens began attacking them. 8:30—Avery Williams picked up. Community in panic. Freedom Day the 6th. Kids in jail—literacy workers—two on \$1000 bond. Two on \$500. Names—Karen House (carrying concealed weapon); trespassing. Carol Lawson—trespassing \$500. Silas Norman—\$500 trespassing. James Wiley—resisting and trespassing—\$1000. Atlanta kids out of jail. NBC carrying tape on Atlanta.

Tchula: 9:15 pm Nick talked to Tom Wahman.

Meridian: 9:25 pm Sue Brown—Mitch left for Jackson 9 pm. Tell Bob Moses to wait at COFO office for them.

Moss Point: 9:40 pm—need fr forms

Laurel: Lester : group of Negro boys at 7:30 decided to test bill—well organized Burger driver in - after approaching door some white boys near front of door. Whites asked ~~what they were~~ where going "To get a hamburger?" Whites said, best not to go in? Whites asked...you want to fight?...Negroes left...came back again, 12 whites met seven Negro boys...turned around and left again...went back a third time...Negroes said they were going to start throwing bottles if not let in third time...when approach door, surrounded by 25-30 white boys...cut Willie Rpy across chest with razor...another guy from Jackson approached by white with razor...Terry stepped in front, cut in face.... chaos, dispersion...boys then seen at house (pick up)...police kept Negroes together, apart from the whites and closed the place...now still 12-13 policemen at burger place...police cruising in Negro neighborhood

Reuny Patch

July 5, 1968: 15: Albany:

Th9 Thirteen people arrested at Tift Park pool for trespass. Don Harris Randy Battleroy Shields and ten other people. They went to swim in the pool. met by a mob carrying hammers. nobody was beaten. police intervened and arrested.

Laurel: Jimmy Garrett: Two people who left ~~Hattiesburg~~ Laurel going to Hattiesburg. about seven o'clock. Sandy and Doug - should have been there. check. Tom Watts, Marcia Moore arrested for investigation (Marcia had no identification and they wouldn't believe that she was 21). about 7 pm. Gwen took identification down to jail - saw Tom Watts. He was waiting outside of office inside of which Marcia was being questioned.

Ruleville: calling to check about the guys beaten in Atlanta.

Hattiesburg: Sandy Leigh: It seems as if Lester didn't appear at appeal, forfeited bond. couldn't see him, needs lawyer.

~~Saw~~ Tom Watts, Marcia Moore stopped and asked for identification. Didn't believe Marcia was 21 and didn't let her go into home she was staying at and get identification (were yards away from house). Arrest made by car 3, tag 859.

They were not under arrest. Police just wanted to establish their identification. Gwen went into home and got Marcia's identification.

Doug said officer told him no charges yet, on Marcia and Tom. Also no new charges against Lester, no bond, nobody can see him, and that he hasn't served his time and that he would have to serve his time, and time is six months. Charles Pickering, county attorney - 425-1401 - we should contact him.

7:55: Gwen just reported FBI agent in Laurel, Robert E. Lee. Also called him about Lester McKinney earlier this evening. Gwen: 428-4893

8:00 pm: Hunter calling county attorney, Pickering. - in Laurel - no answer.

8:10: several harrassing phone calls, no answer when you pick up the line.

McComb: talked to Mendy - will need about \$100 a week for the eight of them. Would like \$200 now (first few weeks). send it western union. Send it to George Green. tell Jimmy. 8:15 pm.

call McComb tonight about 1 am.

Greenwood: Bob Moses call Courtland. He talked to New York and has to call them back.

Tom Watts: ~~price~~ was driving my car down Kingston Street about 7 pm. Four policemen, two policemen cars stopped them. Marcia Moore was in car, also someone else (14 year old boy). Marcia is white, 21, Fort Dodge, Iowa, student at Carleton College, was exchange student at Spelman this last semester.

Policeman questioned Tom and Marcia, then informed them they were taking them down to station for questioning and investigation,. Marcia asked whether they were under arrest. Policeman thought a while and then said no, but I could arrange it if you want me to". We drove to police station with one cop car in front, one in back.

Took them to questioning room, questioned them separately. Marcia first, then Tom. (They were at city jail he thinks - city police dept. Marcia is now in county jail. District Attorney, Charles Pickering told Tom that Marcia was in county jail. Pickering did the questioning.

The questioning was designed to get us to go home, but it was polite. "Why don't you go home to California. You have lots of Japanese and they aren't treated as well as our ~~Japanese and the Negroes~~ Negroes down here.... "What would your wife say if she knew you were traveling around with a 21 year old girl." (doesn't remember direct After questioning, Tom Watts was told he could go. (9 pm). quotes).

Tom: age 35, from Berkeley, Califo, school teacher ~~there~~ teacher in San Leandro.

They saw them coming out of a Sunday school class - and followed them for four or five blocks before they were stopped. Integrated car. They were with 14 year old boy, Charles Spinks. Gwen Robinson was also in the car - they bothered neither Gwen nor Charles. They didn't ask Gwen any questions at all (she is 19).

ADDRESS: 623 East Kingston Street, Laurel. 42804893. send lawyer there.

Tom Watts: only have one voter registration worker left. need some more.....

Greenwood: The garge that fixed the blue pontiac - Ranson (name of guy) - cost \$98. call Mr. Ranson and tell him that the clutch burned out by the time he got to Mileston - car wouldn't move. Needs to be fixed again. What does he want to do?

Stokely - we can't afford to pay \$100 and then have car break down. car is now in Toluca.

9:45 pm.

Columbus: David Llorens: Got a call this afternoon about 5 from CORE in Kansas City reporting that a man traveling from St. Louis, Missouri a Negro by name of George Stann age 43, to Brooksville, Miss. to funeral of unvile, Philip Malone, was beaten. Report was that he had been grabbed by police in Columbus and they had taken him in for improper tags and improper license. called one of those freedom riders. \$366 bond set - CORE and also brother in New York had been called and they called ~~city~~ Col. they said they didn't have him. (Stann called wife - she called CORE).

David Llorens called city police - they didn't have him.
called county police - they said they'd got him on drunkenness and released him this morning.

Miss Bertha Green, relative of stann, and George Stann found in Brooksville. Jaw swollen, wrist bandaged - from wrist to elbow. He was scared, mad and reluctant to talk. Trying to get him to come to office in Columbus.

highway 45 North.

He was beaten by group of white people who came out of 45 Club in Columbus. Called him Freedom Rider - He believes some other Negroes told them he was freedom rider. He said quite a few people - couldn't count them. County police came and arrested him - he doesn't know what charge is. He says he paid three fines totalling about \$75. The police didn't get a Dr., but didn't arrest anyone who beat him.

John Doar has all this information. FBI also been contacted.
Justice Dept. called David Llorens then later.

Stann says he had been to dance in area of club - Llorens says he couldn't really get coherent story ~~from~~ from him. but will try and talk to him again tomorrow - and will contact us.

3618 Adeline Avenue, JE3-4939, St. Louis, Missouri - George Stann home address.

Vicksburg: arrived Judy Davis, John McCauliff, Harold Ickes, David Riley.
personnel difficulty - David Riley will be research person in Vicksburg. (He had been slated for communications, but Paul Cowan is in that post there already).

Jackson: 10:15 pm: bottle throwing incident - local person had her foot cut.
Emmie is now typing story up.

Fort Dodge, Iowa: Mr. Moore called and said Marcia called him - bond will probably be set tomorrow. Marcia wanted to make sure that we knew about it. She is okay.
10: 25 pm.

Hall County:

Jackson: 10:15 pm: Three cars driven by whites drove by the COFO office on 1017 L'nch Street. Someone in the first car hurled two bottles at two Negro women who were standing near the COFO office. Lillie Calvin, 28, of 1427 Deer Park, Jackson, was cut on the left leg.

Witnesses describe the first car as a red and black Ford, 1955 or 56, with flags on each side of the car. Someone else claims it has an Alabama license plate. There were two occupants of the first car.

One of the witnesses, Charles Griffin, who works on the Jackson City Garbage Route, claims that he knows the car. He sees it regularly parked in the white community, near the corner of Belvedere Drive and McDonald Road.

Laurel: 12 midnight: John W. Miller, Harry Croon. Came by ten or fifteen minutes ago. Took Tom Watts down to Federal building to talk to him. Driving 1964 blue Plymouth - with Florida tags. 214-825. Identification was shown. Were out of town FBI men. FBI told us he'd be back with Tom in an hour.

called Greenwood and asked them to check it out - Judy Richardson is going to call Memphis FBI.

Holly Springs: Ivanhoe is coming into Jackson sometime late tonight.

Greenwood: report from Selma Alabama::

4 Pm, Rev. Bennie Lee Tucker arrived in Selma from Memphis, arrested when he got to city limits. Sheriff won't give out charges.

7:30 pm - mass meeting in Selma at Mt. Zion Church. John Love, SNCC project Director and Rev. Jones, local minister, spoke. Two reps. of KKK attended, as well as several from state law enforcement agencies. They drifted in and out of the meeting.

During the entire meeting 60 posse members waited outside of the church (Sheriff's posse) - some of them wore plainclothes with helmets, some brown uniforms with helmets. All had billy clubs. Some had gas masks tear gas and automatic weapons.

Dave Prince, 23, Ohio U., from Yellow Springs, Ohio and Jerry Demuth of Dayton, Ohio. 24, were at meeting. They were members of the press with credentials: Demuth from Esquire magazine, Prince from MacMillan Pub. Co. Both were on Black Starr (International photowire service) assignments. They had gone to Sheriff and FBI that afternoon - showed their credentials and explained who they were.

The two of them left the mass meeting five minutes early to get pictures of the crowd as they came out of the meeting. As Dave tried to take pictures - cop shone his flashlight into his lens. He never got any pictures.

After most of the people had left the mass meeting and the last group was coming out, the 60 posse members moved in and began beating people. Dave and Jerry were beaten. They then ran towards an alley near the church (betw. house and church) - as they ran shot was fired after them - bounced off the house.

Dave then drove Jerry to hospital. stopped at Howard Johnson's to call Atlanta and

Selma cont'd.

to call Atlanta- were met a door of restaurant by policeman (Montgomery) with two dogs, who was rather unpleasant. made phone call.

Jeffy Demuth is now in emergency room of St. Margaret's hospital in Montgomery with gash in back of neck and cut in head. Unertain how serious, Dave was not hurt seriously - was able to ward off blows. His camera was smashed. Jerry's glasses broken.

Selma has ordered the two out of the state, The Sheriff said they would find themselves in river if they didn't get out ~~at once~~

Jerry and Dave were the first two to get it. They had talked to Sheriff and FB⁺ and identified themselves to them. That afternoon while in restaurant they was manager of the restaurant whisper to a white man and point the two of them out. The white man whom the manager whispered to was the man who beat Dave up.

John Love report:

1st group that left the church didn't get hurt, but the last group of people to leave the church were beaten by the Sheriff's posse - two Negro youths are now in the hospital in Selma. Not sure of others yet.

tomorrow is Freedom Day in Selma - courthouse opens at 8 am.