

Boston: Pam Emerson

Boston office called John Doar at 12:30pm who told her that it was the 11th call he had received from SNCC people in a couple of hours. He told her that the JD was doing everything they could

Detroit: Martha Kocel

At 1pm Martha called John Doar person to person. The secretary answered and when she had determined that Martha was calling from SNCC she told her that Mr. Doar was no longer receiving long distance calls, but that he wanted her to know that he was doing everything possible in Selma and that he was keeping in contact with SNCC people there.

The Detroit Friends are also calling the UAW and asking them to call sheriff Clark; UAW will send out an office memo so that effect, so he should receive as many as 50 calls from Detroit/ ~~Ek~~ Martha Kocel called Sheriff Clark and walked with his secretary. When she ~~kkkk~~ asked why Negroes were being ~~kk~~ made to go ~~kkkk~~ to the back of the courthouse the secretary answered that everyone had to.

Selma: 2:30 Mary Varela to Sandra Stovall

John Lewis, Francis Mitchell, John Love and James Austin have been arrested. Between 40 and 50 people were standing on the steps of the federal building. Three young boys with posters went over to the courthouse and were allowed to stand there about 5 minutes. Meanwhile the people at the federal building began to sing and then began moving down the steps. A group of possemen with cattle prodders moved up to meet them and arrested the whole group.

Selma:

During an earlier call from Mitchell reported that John and others had headed down to Broad Street and that the office had received a report that white youths were going down there with bags of rocks.

Report on Selma from Greenwood:

Re above arrests: The group was standing on the federal building steps, Lewis, Mitchell, Love and Austin amongst them. Three youngsters went over to the courthouse with signs. The sign was taken from one girl. One boy was arrested. When that happened, the group on the steps began to ~~kkk~~ sing. They had been signing for about two minutes when ~~kkkkk~~ sheriff Clark shouted through a ~~kkkk~~ horn that everyone would be arrested for disturbing the court which had been in session for 10 mins. A group of posse charged at the federal building arrested the whole group. Mary Varela received a report that when the group was taken around the corner they were beaten with night sticks and cattle prodders were used on them. All newsmen were chased down the street away from the federal building.

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Washington, D.C. ~~Qkkk~~: John Doar: 2:45pm

Called John Doar and left a report concerning ~~kkkk~~ the arrests in Selma with his secretary. Emphasized that arrests took place on steps of federal building.

Atlanta AP and UPI were called: they already had the story from their men down in Selma.

Americus, Georgia (Sumter county) NEGRO AND WHITE MOBS FORMING Robert Mants
About 150 whites are grouped downtown in front of the Martin Theatre, scene of a riot last night. Negroes have been grouping to oppose them and dispersing periodically. Mants has helped to disperse them. Police and firemen are present in the area. Earlier in the day Negroes ate at George's Restaurant and the B&B Restaurant in downtown Americus. There were no incidents.

Atlanta, Ga. July 6, 1964 8:15 pm John Perdeu

REPORT TO FBI - I informed agent Charles Haynes of Atlanta FBI that Willie Ricks in Americus had called at 8:00 pm, had said that Negroes were organizing to meet a white mob tonight, that there was a white mob downtown, size unspecified. I insisted that the very presence of a mob at the site of a public accommodation which Negroes had been using constituted interference with the implementation of the Civil Act of 1964. I said I understood that anybody interfering with the implementation of the Act was liable to prosecution. I claimed that I thought FBI agents should go immediately to the scene and if necessary use their power of arrest to keep the situation under control. Haynes replied that he was not determining policy, that it was determined from Washington, and that the policy was not to go into the field and interfere with the actions of local law enforcement officers to keep law and order. I answered that I wasn't sure that law and order would be kept, that my concern was preventive measures, not post facto reports. Reminded Haynes that Sunday night the police and firemen had attempted only to disperse the Negro mob and not the whites.

Atlanta, Ga. - July 6, 1964 - 10:00pm John Perdeu

REPORT TO FBI - Called Albany FBI agent Joseph H. O'Rourke and informed him of what Mants had said concerning mobs forming in Americus at the time. O'Rourke said he couldn't act except on orders from Atlanta FBI agent Charles Haynes. When I said I had already talked to him, O. asked me what he had said. I told him. I emphasized that my concern was prevention of an incident, not reports after the fact. He said he had been informed that the State Patrol had been held in reserve last night in case police couldn't handle the incident.

WATS REPORT - July 6, 1964 11:10 pm Taken by John Perdeu

Americus Ga. (Sumter County). Robert Mants. WHITES SHOOTING IN NEGRO SECTION
Carload of Whites went through Seaboard side of Americus shooting in Negro residential area. So far no one reported hit. The downtown area appears to be clear of groups now. All people in SNCC house have just taken refuge in Barnum Funeral Home when they heard noise of what sounded like an approaching crowd. Learned the crowd was going down Forsyth St. about a block away, parallel to the street which the SNCC house is on.

Pine Bluff, Arkansas WATS report from M. Sayer taken by Karen Haberman
July 6 3:20 AM

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Helena- Jail Beating testing of public accom.

Thomas Allen SNCC from Pine Bluff Negro, 18, working W. Helena.

Ellis Ford, Negro, a local from Helena

Joe Wright, Negro, SNCC, from Cincinnati,

Tested facilities, went to a pool, standing outside of a pool were arrested
by policemen incl. Chief Poy Ross, Joe Wright not arrested.

Ford was allowed to leave after father called the jail and no charges.

Allen was beaten in jail and charged with disturbing the peace.

Atlanta should call Arkansas.

Events occurred during the day.

Group had tested the public library Habib's Cafeteria and were allowed in
and served and then went to the pool.

Wright escaped when saw Chief Ross split Wright went different
way and then others taken to jail and ID checked and Allen hit in the face, when
was in the police station.

Pine Bluff-

Tested several places - Rays Truck stop, Wonderland Truck stop, Whitehouse Cafe
And the Hobnob. ~~Rays~~ Wonderland Larry Segal of NYC ~~and~~ had been served
alone, ~~had~~ white Negroes told needed membership card to be served. The entire
group went back in and got served. ~~and~~ Larry grabbed by white behind counter
who pushed him several times and said we aren't going to serve Bill Hansen
Whitehouse: served as left and man with shotgun brandished it but no shooting
George O'Leary white teacher from Yale U' exchange teacher from A&M went into
Rays and not served and got thrown out by white man who picked him up and
threw him through the door, door fell away and rolled out into parking lot.
Rays: Larry Segal got a ten cent coke and Negroes got charged 20 cents. White c
customer hit Larry in mouth and he was carried out by Negroes.

Correction: Both guys got beaten in jail, but only Allen is still in.