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WATS REPORT: THURSDAY, JULY 9, 1964

Gulfport::from Dotty Zellner in Greenwood: 5:45
3, summer volunteers were arrested in frony of the Harrison county courthouse in Gulfport at 3:30pm this afternoon. 3 are:.

Steve Miller, 18, San Francisco, white
Barry Goldstein, 21, white, New York
David Cleverdon, 221, Chicago, white

8 volunteers took ten people to the county courthouse to register. Apparently there was a rumor that a march was planned and a number of whites had gathered at the courthouse. The sheriff of Harrison county stopped the workers and the people going to register and kakked told them that all nonresidents of Harrison county would have to go across the street. Four of the volunteers went across the street, 3: stayed for a minute, and one of those asked why they would have to go across the street, The 3: were then arrested. We don't know what the chares are and we are checking on which jail they are in, the city or the county.

They are letting in people two at a time to register. Two have taken the test and have gone home. Eight are still at the courthouse. No volunteers are down there (the four the were not arrested returned home). Supposedly 15 policemen

are guarding the 10 who have come to register.

Greenwood will call JD, FBI(New Orleans), Which at in New Orleans, congressmen and foreign press kuckkukk

Selma: Tom Brown (mbirning report)

Be registration procedures this week:

On Monday 60 numbers were given out to Negroes who went to the courthouse to register, 12 people are being taken each day of those 60 and kkkkkkkk none but those 12 are allowed to wait in line at the courthouse. Therefore, all places in line are taken for the week, Tomorrow however, they are going to have people go down (another Freedom Day) despite the fact that they won't have numbers. Telephone canvassing was done last night and they have committments from a good many people.

Selma: Gwyn Brown: 5:15pm

Oliver Eason, 18 and Sharon Platt, 14, have been sent to kankkhikka picket, They will report when arrests take place

>elma:6:30

John Lewis has been bonded out of jail. We have been unable to bond **Francis** Mitchell out, The two who went down to picket could not even get out of their car because there were so many posse stationed at the courthouse,

Phone number at Tabernacle: mass meeting tonight: 874-6143

by

WATS report 12:30 AM July 9 taken from MacNamara

Lauderdale County, Miss

Norris MacNamara reported that he saw on T.V. in Hattiesburg that a grave at had been discovered on the side of a river bank. The TV show said that it was thought to be the grave of the three workers. The police are going to open the grave tommorrow.

Jackson, Miss.

There are now 1,500 students enrolled in 25 freedom schools in Mississipp Six more schools are planned, bringing the total enrollment to 2000 students

Meridian: Kkirkkkkkkkkkkkkkk

Lat nights report concerning the newly dug grave did not contain the bodies of the three missing workers.

SkkleSelma: Tom Brown: 3:15pm

Some juveniles have been released from jail, those still being held are in

solitary confinement.

Bond has been lowered to \$300 from \$500, but officials refuse to talk with the bondsman Mr. Coons about making bond. Att. Hall is at the jail now trying to get some of those arrested released on bond. The As a result of a meeting of those in jail, Francis Mitchell, John Lewis, and some others will probably be bonded out first.

Tom **is** going to try to get more picketers down to the **mourthouse** and federal building during the afternoon, a mass meeting is planned for this evening at Tabernacle **church.** Tom expects trouble, starting around 8pm and will be in contact with the office.

Washington: 3ustice Department, Mr. Norman: 3:25pm

Informed Mr Norman of the situation in Selma. He said that the JD has 2 lawyers and a number of JD and FBI men in Selma and that he would call them immediately concerning the recent developments.

C_B King via

Albany, Georgia: / Howard Moore to Dinky Romilly 3:25pm

9 were convicted of loitering in state court today. The were sentenced to
\$102 or 30 days in jail. The other four arrested on Sunday were juveniles and
were not tried with the nine. The convinctions are being appealed; bond will be
\$\frac{1}{2}\$\$ \$200-300. We will bond them out on. 10% colateral which has already been
raised. Princeton Friends of SNCC raised \$985 in 12 hours for this purpose.

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