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McComb 3:00 a.m. Curtis called to say everything was O.K.

Greenwood 3:15 Betty Garmon Also at 1:00 p.m. tomorrow in Greenwood, Phil Moore will swear out a warrant against the guy who slugged him (Pruitt—an insurance salesman). Pruitt seemed quite chummy with the local police and Greenwood would like a lawyer there to keep track of what is going on (George Johnston thinks they might try Pruitt on the spot and let him off with a small fine). Correction on what Monroe Sharp said which cause Fred Mangram's arrest. He actually said, "We have to get some damn organization around here".

Atlanta 4:20 a.m. Ron Carver. In Albany, Rev. Wells, a Negro, went into a restaurant to eat. When he was ~~arrested~~ driving off he was stopped and arrested. Someone had planted some moonshine in his car. The owner of the restaurant put up \$1,250 bond saying he didn't want to be a part of anything like that. The head of the local bar is going to defend him. When Atlanta SNCC called the wire services, they found out the story wouldn't make the morning papers in any connection with SNCC, because Atlanta did not know the name of the restaurant. Moral from Atlanta SNCC: Get all of the facts.

Batesville, 7: 30: Precinct meeting fo FDP will be July 27 - precinct and county together.

The car we are using is in Truman Morrison's name (a volunteer)

A mount of money we want each week - Claude is thinking about it.

Batesville nver got staff biography forms.

Batesville doesn't think they want all the copies of the wats line digest - people just leave them lying around the office, and too many is bad for security reason.s.

Carey Hayden

Shaw: Lynelle Barrett—8 am:

2--John Bradford and volunteer.

Haven't taken any people down.

McComb: submitted budget to Bolton

Car with broken windshield--Avis repossessed car. Can't get another car from Avis.

Car they got yesterday-not a good car. Beroge wants a different car--one from yesterday is too slow.

8:10 Canton (George Raymond) two cars from Memphis... ~~Larry Bisk~~ Gloria Bishop and

Sandra Watts. Their cars were sent from Memphis with people at last orientation. George will send someone over to pick up cars. Gloria and Sandra at already in Canton. LET GEORGE KNOW IF CARS HAVE ARRIVED SO HE CAN SEND DRIVERS.

Tchula: Nancy Smith—

3 freedom schools--each has car--Pilgrims's Rest, Mileston, Mt. Olive.

Teachers are moving into Mt. Olive today to live. 14 fs teachers.

Hollis has car; also have white vw. Only one car staying there.

Hollis call us.

Carthage: Theodius will call -left message for him.

Clarksdale: 8:30 pm

Marie Gertsch out of jail. Bailed out. Trial Monday July 13 at 5 pm.
Working on places for precinct meetings of FDP.

458 fr to date.

NAACP youth refused service at Elite and DeLux cafes. Tested last night.
Chairs have been removed from library--library is desegregated Mondya.

Columbus: 8:30 am--

only 1 taken down to register.

Don to call on dates for FDP meetings--Dave thinks not set yet.

Finances: Don to decide that also---

Haven't had place for mawss meeting. Are taking fr forms around.

Holland Springs: noone up yet

Greenwood: Stokeley and Gwen will be late getting here.

Ita Bena: NO CAR AT ALL. NEED A CAR. SEND VOLUNTEER WITH CAR. They are using Annelle car when Brown is around.

Need some money--Need ~~about~~ about \$125 to fix up building office is in.
Stokeley gave him \$45. Needs \$125 more. Volunteers can run for the summer.
#Haven't paid rent yet; it will come out of \$125.

Working on fr.

Laurel: 8:55 am--

Gwen will have date Monday for meetings.

McComb: Curtis Haydes 9am-- Leaflets must be put on bus today. Penny call him.
CHECK OUT LEAFLETS. PENNY CALL CURTIS TO TELL HIM WHICH BUS THEY WERE ON.

Meridian:

4 people taken lately.

fr -- they are working on that. Will call with the # of people freedom registered.

Student leaving today--Pat Weiland leaving today. Be in Jackson today. Leaving project for good because couldn't adjust to situation here.

Jackson: 9:10 3rd harassment call of the morning on the staff phone. The person just hangs up.

Vicksburg: 9:25 am--

Shaw: Budget. Have been figuring out how much to set a community center. \$140.
Includes a desposti on phone and lights. Have already spent the money. Have sleving and lights and paid the rent. Trying to expand to Mound MBouyi. Hav lined up a building \$100.00 aid already. Will be a CC is a school we can use. It is a Catholic and won't have to apy rent if we can teacher. \$60.00 And VR. Drivers license \$15.00 for tag, \$14.00 for sales tax. Sam John Bradford. Wants to be reimbursed. The want montly budget: \$230.00

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pennypatch

Have spent some of Mound B. money. Will send in detail report. and Receipts.
Grace Morton. ~~Yes~~ wantsto go to Memphis leaving Saturday by bus to Memphis and return
Sunday morning . Want to establish contact with YWCA and to get astronomy equipment.
Lacey is the contact .She does not know her yet. OK to travel?

Itta Bena: P.O. 281, Itta Bena. Is the new mailing address. Office phone is
254-7811 and office address is 153 Love, Itta Bena. Willie McGee.

McComb: 10:10 - Leaflets to do with the gathering this eveingl ~~on the way to the gathering~~
Were supposed to arrive late yesterday or this morning. Tell Penny Patch when she
gets in just in case they did not get sent. Want them!!

Tchula: 10:30 am--Hollis Watkins
Will see if third Sunday meeting of Holmes Col. meeting can elect delegates for FDP.
Will talk to Turnbow and call us back. CHECK WITH HOLLIS WHEN ~~THE~~ WE TALK WITH HIM.
CHECK UP ON THIS.

OK on funds for now.

Hattiesburg: Bob Beech released on #2000 cash bond. Goes to Grand Jury on Monday.
Pleaded innocent before jr John Leonard. Jack Pratt is his lawyer.

students from MSU there for several hours yesterday. Seemed sympathetic. Were
very frightened. License # for blue VW--one that threw bottle--FA 1325. WE SHOULD
GIVE THIS TO FBI.

Meridian: 11:am --need fr forms and maps of other counties--Send Lauderdale,
Kemper, Clarke, Newton Neshoba. Jasper--DICK JEWITT SEND MAPS.

Clarksdale: Problem sending fr forms--Centennial--get places.
are putting notice in paper today.

McComb: ~~was in the delivery of a box from McComb on it is at 852 Hickory~~
Rev: Don McCord - have package at 852 Hickory - needs to be picked up.

gave infor to Grady Poulard - he'll send it down to him.

Vicksburg: thought they had prowler around house last night - police came and checked
found noone
electricity dept. may charge us \$300 to get community center wired will let us
know when they have more info
Want someone from FDP to come and talk about it - preferably tomorrow

Canton: Tell Rev. Zimmerman to wait until Martha Wright gets there from Canton.
Bob Boldon call Canton....

Columbus: wanted to talk to legal department.

Hattiesburg: canvassers beaten this morning in Hattiesburg
Rabbi Lillyville, David Owens, and Larry Spears were c canvassing in east
jerusalem quarters this mornning - about 11:30 - by whitemen. are now in
Methodist hospital. police at hospital now. Ben Garshen calling - waiting
how to hear from Terri Shaw who is at hospital.

Selma: Injunction issued against SNCC to prohibit mass demonstrations, voter
registration, mass meetings, etc. AP source.

Hattiesburg: 12:30: report from Terri Shaw who had been to hospital:

Rabbi Arthur Lelyveld - Cleveland; Lawrence Spears - California, David Owens - Pasadena, Calif. - were walking to church, center of canvassing with two local Negro girls. They had been canvassing. They were walking along railroad tracks, uninhabited area, when cream colored GMC pick up truck with two white men inside, no license plates, drove up. White men about ages 60 and 35. White men yelled at them, said "they were going to get them". Got out of truck with metal bars in their hands. Rabbi got brunt of attack - was in front. Was hit several times with bars, chased around. Owen hit once on head. Spears shoved down an embankment. Are being treated at Methodist Hospital. Rabbi has deep gash over right eye, other head wounds, Owen on not too deep gash in head, Spears scratched. Two girls were left alone.

Police are investigating.....

they got pictures of guys while they were at hospital - pictures being air freighted to Atlanta.

Biloxi: 435-2493 - office phone in Biloxi -
Bob Cohen or Hellen O'Neal - call Julius Lester in Biloxi.

Meridian: Bob Gore said that Pat Weiland will arrive in Jackson at about 1:45 pm.
some people went into Clark County today.

Carthage: call saying that someone had been arrested - left us number to call (9260) - can't seem to get through - or get it to ring... 12:45 pm.
operator says that number has been taken out of service.

Hattiesburg: Larry Spears was hit with iron pipe on the arm, and was kicked.
correction - not seriously injured however.

McComb: needs five copies of FCC ruling, four photostated copies of license. this is for radios.

George Greene calling - very dissatisfied with car he has - needs another one. need another car too, since other rented car taken back.

Bob Moses call George Green back.

1 pm - another call from 9260 - operator says it's out of order.

Canton: seems to be some possibility that Collier and Marcellus Bird have gotten arrested. - in Carthage. apparently someone there got a very garbled call from them - haven't been able to reach them.

Margaret Cunningham is going to call the Carthage jails to check. 2:20 pm

Clarksdale: Lafayette: check with Casey - want their freedom day on Monday 20th of July. want about fifty or sixty people to help work -

Cleveland, Miss.* : Landy McNair: needs \$75 by tomorrow noon - money for rent on office. They have housing, one church for freedom school, may be able to get two more by Monday. Also are in desperate need of ~~new~~ car - at the moment they are using local persons car at price of 1.00\$ per hour. ??????????

Greenville: three freedom school teachers for cedar grove arriving at 3:50 pm.

Natalie Tompkins, Kay Prickett, Carol Brown. Tell Canton.

Canton: Leake county jail gave Margaret C. the run around - woman said she didn't know and she wasn't very cooperative.

Leake county jail: 589-2831.

sheriff office: 589-4221

Bob Weil now ~~calling jails xxxxxxxx~~, calling jails.

county jail; and sheriff - don't have them.

Carthage: Dorothy Teal: 1:45 pm. Report on arrest of local farmer - Clyde Harvey - at whose house four freedom school teachers are staying: Allen Gould, Jenny Franklin, Ann Lindsay, and Conny Claywell. He was picked up this morning c. 11:30 - 12:00 by a Deputy Sheriff. He is being held in Leake County jail on charge of illegal possession of intoxicating liquor. The police said they had a warrant (not sure yet if there were witnesses to arrest). There was a party at Harvey's house last Sunday night, including staff and community people. Mr. Hudson and Mr. Harvey (both local farmers), apparently planned the party, but lots of staff and 6 or so local kids attended. May have been liquor. Bond has not yet been set. The Sheriff normally sets bond. Hearing July 23. When Harvey was driven by, staff members took off in car and with Mrs. Harvey to follow - without leaving word as to where going. Jim Collier and Theodus Byrd took off ten minutes later. None back yet, but not yet expected.

Canton: M. Cunningham reports that no one in house at time of arrest. So unclear whether warrant was shown or not.

Hattiesburg: Terri Shaw: Spears - hometown Palo Alto, 21, student at Stanford.

Dr. T.E. Ross at Methodist Hosp.: Rabbi has been admitted to GHosp. for 25 hrs for observation. in good condition. Contusion and laceration above right eyebrow, contusion and small laceration below the ear, contusion and abrasions on left forearm, and contusions of chest and abdomen.

Have treated and released Spears - contusion on left arm, other small contusions and abrasions

Expects to release Owens in next 15 minutes - looking at X rays.

Rabbi in room 106. will call family himself

Palo Alto Times, San Francisco Chronicle - Spears calling them.

Appears that men were following Rabbi and Owens while they were canvassing.

Man who beat spears had 1/2 inch diameter steel rod - about 35.

large metal auto part - part of brake - beat Owens and Rabbi - about 60

cursed them out, called them communist, white niggers, etc.

Spears hit on arm, shoved down embankment by 35 year old, also kicked him repeatedly. Took all his notes and tried to shove them into Larry's mouth yelling, "eat this shit nigger lover".

NEED FREEDOM REGISTRATION FORMS, FDP BROCHURES, BUTTONS, ETC.

NEED MORE INTERPRETATION OF CONSTITUTION (MISSISSIPPI).

Vicksburg: Harold Ickes, Dave Riley, John McCauliff - want FDP pamphlets - bring them to Vicksburg.

Ruleville: Roy Ginsberg home address - Gretchen Schwarz wants it. send it to her.

check on how blind people register in the state.
Jerry Tecklin -

wants Verifax of Bolivar county OEDP. tell Federal programs people.

Ruleville: July 9: dale gronomeier:

David Gerber barred from Indianola public library - three SNCC workers used it on July 7. when Dave went sign saying it was just for Indianola citizens. librarian said that library board had had meeting - decided on this policy. Dale sending in full report an incident.

mass meeting - open air rally - about 150 attended. About 75 stayed even when it began to rain and sang freedom songs. this was last night.

~~Itta Bena~~ Holly Springs: Dorothy Louis has arrived.

send Holly Springs \$71 - to pay for supplies that arrived collect. send money to karin kunstler.

~~Itta~~ Budget for oge month: Need: \$329.00

Itta Bena - 254-7811: code is John Griffin.

Hattiesburg: 3:45 Twp freedom school teachers have arrived OK...
Shiela O'Connor and Phyllis Cunningham

Tchula: 3:55 - Are moving to Mt. Olive tomorrow. Want to check on ~~###~~ this and the establishment of a school in Tchula. Need Pied Piper abilities in the Freedom Schools up there!

Gulfport, 4:00 p.m.

~~Hattiesburg~~ (via Dottie Zellner in Greenwood) Three students getting out of jail now. Their lawyer requested a continuance to July 24. AP quotes local officials as saying they were well treated, "singing all night" in jail.

Jackson: (Beyers) NEw FBI agent in charge of Jackson FBI, Roy K. Moore. Phone 3-8282 (old) or 948-5421 (new), in that order. Memphis and New Orleans are ~~not~~ ⁱⁿ the picture, local agents tell us. 50 more agents in state, total now 153.
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Meridian: 4:20 p.m. - Sue Brown: Would like to get in touch with the lawyers who are handling case. From Chicago and Detroit. An appeal case. 2nd Monday in July are supposed to appear in court. Concerning 36 people arrested; 26 who were brought to trial.

Laurel: Jeff Smith arrived ok.

Greenville: 4:50 - Lots of FRegistration forms. 1000s of them. People are going down on their to Issaquena, local people on their own. Sitting in front of the county court house about 5 people taking test. Are white getting literacy tests in Issaquena County, Check with JD. Wants a suit filed. Sharkey County have been slipping in and out of. Local whites pulled a raid in the negro community thought we were living in. He will be going again. -- Greenville county is self supporting. We could use a car of Issaquena county. -- Hope to pul about 200 to Greenville county house an 16 July. Have filled out 500 forms already. Are completely out. -- The kinds with holes in them. -- Information about what is involved in integratin g th e scools. The legal approach. Need at least 5 more VR people; could use 10.

McComb: Rachel - call the people we were supposed to have dinner with tomorrow and tell them the Cohens won't be able to make it. Would like to some other time. The Cohens arrived in McComb.

George Green, Ralph Featherstone coming up to Jackson.

Mendy: need movie projector in McComb - he talked to Tom Wahm n about it.

Canton: three teachers got in - Earol Nelson , Natalie Tompkins, Kay Prickett. four ministers leaving tomorrow. will give names ~~through~~ when they leave.

need maps of Scott, Smith, Simpson and Rankin counties, with precincts if possible.

Rachel Brown call Martha Wright in Canton tomorrow morning.

Hollysprings wanted to talkex to Ivanhoe

Clarksdale

Jack Pratt is evedently in jail, hew was arrest d on a warrent for having run the sheirff off road boath County and City Jail deny having him. Art Thomas and Bruce Hanson went down to the jail after ~~thexxxxx~~ him and have not been heard of since. Laffayette Surney saw Jack Pratt follow the sheirff to jail. This grew out of Jack taking ~~thexxxxx~~ some people down to ~~thexxxxx~~ swear out an addavit ~~fox~~ against ~~taking~~ a barber who pulled a gun some people who were testing athe civil rights bill. Yvonne Klein reporting at 6:30/

Laurel

Last night mass meeting New Bethel Bapt Church 75 teenagers and 10 adults at tended and the COFo workers spoke and the program was explained to them. Freedom ~~Registration~~ School Registration was held today, 53 kids registered this moring the schools will open Monday, will be Allen Chapel AME and classes will be 9 12 general academecis evening specilized remedial classes. Think we just got office.

Clarksdale

Jack Pratt posted bond and is on his way to Jackson with Art Thomas, Bruce hansson Warren Mckinner, Jan Over Money. Every thing has calmed down some.

Batesville: Mrs. Tranquilli: people cut off from welfare. has statement from one man who is disabled - cut him off without any reason. has five children. These are partly federal funds.

She will write it up and send the information - also wants federal programs person to call her.

Clarksdale: Dr. Henry: needs Tom Levin's phone number in New York Lois talked to him and gave it to him.

McComb: Freddie wants Dona to call around ten o'clock, .

Clarksdale: health team arrived. Mr. Lewisohn & Mr. Simmons from Civ Rts Commission in Washington have been calling about Rabbi to Aaron Henry. They are concerned.

Hattiesburg: Terri haws been calling police every hour to see if they have madd any arrests in the beating case. They haven't, they don't even have any warnnats out for arrests. But the FBI are investigating. She has taken care of the matter of UPI photos that Jackson asked her to - they were sent off.

Moss Point: yesterday, Ron Kidenour: JD man came, took list of people who had attempted to register, statement of jobs losses due to civil rights activities, shootings, and of general intimidation.

13 people went to the courthouse to register, four passed, 8 failed, and one didn't attempt to take the test. canvassers talked to local cafe owner about registering. he told them that sheriff had told him he would be closed down if he registered.

13 local Negroes turned away from theatre in Moss Point.

3 well-to-do Negroes have started anti-COFO campaign, passing out leaflets, had big article in paper about them and their campaign. Have support of sheriff and white citizens council. Apparently they've had some effect in Biloxi - resistance seems a bit stronger.

✓ Howard Kirschenbaum has returned - raised \$2000 for SNCC in New York.

Laurel: Jeff Smith: Gwen Robinson: Tomorrow some of MAACP youth council ;iv are planning to test about all places in downtown Laurel. We are

very concerned about these kids - they know we can't participate, but they have asked us to come down as reporters, in case need to testify about

what happened. ?" We know these kids have no kind of non-violent attitude at all. Wants Jackson to give them guide lines. At 11:00 am.

The group is about 50 - planning to split up into smaller groups. Bill dictating legal retainer form to Gwen, in case the kids get into trouble. She will mimeo them up tonight and give them to the kids fo to sign at their 9:00 am meeting tomorrow.

Vicksburg : 11:24---Paul Cowen. Andy Barnes, Pat Thomas, Dorothy Maxwell, a n and a fourth person wer driving on Clay street. Two cars started to follow them one was a 64 Ford, Licence No. VB 1186, the other was a ~~57~~ De Soto. 55 or 56 Andy pulled into a gas station.* the other cars pulled in also. a guy got out of the ford with a gun, and point*d the gun first at the car, and then in the air. He started running to the car, Andy

*The ford pulled on by, and turned off on the next side street. We pulled out of the gas station and followed the car around the corner. The ford went all the way down the side street, stop ed, and pulled revolver, and started running towards us. Then Andy put the car in reverse, backed all the way to the end very fast. We pulled around the corner in reve se. Another car was there and almost cut us off. We kept going in reverse for another block and pulled back into the same gas station ; The car we almost ran into pulled into another gas station across the street.

Andy took off down Clay street at about 75, we couldn't see any of the other cars fo following us. We made it home. We called the cops, a man came out, we told him what happened , gave descriptions of both cars, lic. nos., he seemed as though he would check it out.

The two kids that Andy and Pat were carrying home got into the car of the police, and they are apparently no carrying them home. Three other cars are taking kids home.

This is the sencond incident in two days. (hev. Bowin last night).

More evidence on white kids that have been comin around. Report from source in white community that the kids are told by the mayor not to come up to the Fredd om house anymore, that if the workers are left alone they will go away. Another report that the cops have told the kids not to come up here, but if they dox, and if there is trouble, they should run, but they don't have to run too fast, as the cops won't catch them.

Laurel: 11:42 --Gwen-- talked to B. Moses.

Batesville : ~~11~~ 11:50 three people left for Greenwood have not checked inn. Claude W Weaver, Jim Morriso n Robert Miles. supposed to hav gotten there at 11

Greenville : 11: 55 George howell - three freedom school teachers were supposed to go to Columbus and then changed to ~~Greenville~~ Greenville . ~~xxxxxx~~ Today were transferred to Cedar Grove. left Greenville at 11:30 AM were to arrive around three Jim Adams calling. Have not been heard from. They went by bus - Greyhound.

Greenwood- 12:00 Mass meeting at Providence Baptist church on Broad streets 150 people attneded, smaller than average, but it was a small church. Folksingers sang, other singing, hev. Covington spoke Dike frey gave a talk about what ~~hxx~~ happened to Phil Morre, and suggested that they not buy more insurance from Pruitt.

A car passed the office with two wite men , as it passed, one man tried to hit Stu House from the car, missed. ; Licence no. NB 2486, light brown late model rambler. this happened at 10:40 pm.

11:0 pm, a dark blue buick or olds, 63 or 64, licence N 6812, wit six wite men in it was noted sitting on broad street, a block from the office, observing people going in and out.

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