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penny patch

Holly Springs: Rev. Cason, Local Tupelo minister, supposed to come to Jackson this weekend to talk to Whitney. would like to meet the 24th in some big hall.

Canton: no answer. 12: 15, am

Sherwin Kaplan

Atlanta 3:00 a.m. William Porter called to check if anything is going on here. Told him everything is quiet now.

Greenwood 3:10 a.m. Ed Rudd. Courtland Cox just walked in and knows nothing about the Natchez church burning (apparently he was supposed to have been our source on it).

Atlanta 4:05 Ron Carver. Things are quiet everywhere.

Atlanta 5:35 Ron Carver. Things still quiet; nothing new.

Jackson 7:40 a.m. Dave Dennis leaving here now for Canton. Should arrive in about an hour and will call in.

Margaret Rose

~~MARGARET Rose~~ - MORNING CALLS

McComb: 7:55 - Mass meeting. More than 85 attended. One of churches changed their minds about using the facilities for the mass meeting after bombings in Natchez. Would have to have another church to agree to. -- Local Minister, Bob McCord, alone had a meeting with local whites. Went fairly well. Next week will be bi-racial. Full report later. - Wed. at 9:00 FS will start. Announced at mass meeting. Got several deputy registrars at MM and some interested students. -- Havedaily workshop at 5:00. More than 25 yesterday - for Freedom vote. Mass meeting was finally held on front lawn. Bob Moses spoke about convention challenge.

In Natchez (George, Ralph and Clint went to) little learned. Clint got the feeling that people want and expect workers in Natchez. Mentioned one contact further. Staughton to leave early.

Canton: 8:05 - A man was threatened with loss of job if did not removed children from FS. Children still in school. -- If Dave Dennis comes by tell him to bring money, Rudy Lombard.

Clarksdale: 8:10 - no ans. yet.
here

Columbus: Jessei and Elvester. 7 or 8 people to West Point to investigate for permanent project. Got 125 FR Forms yesterday while out canvassing.

What time Dick Jewett will arrive in Columbus. Jessie coming tomorrow here. Inform Colo. whether Dick Jewett coming.

Canton: 8:30 Dave Dennis. Call Meridian. Want to have a staff meeting at noon. Call Mary Lovelace 352-3404. If she wants to go to Meridian beat office by 9:00.

Meridian: 8:35 - Joe Morris took message about staff meeting. Sending stack FR forms in a box. Have approximately 800.

Holly Springs: 8:45 - Mass meeting Tchulahoma tonight and in Benton tomorrow night. Barbzra Walker would like to have Tom Wahman.

Columbus: 8:50 - talked with Jessie about Dick.

Tcula: Robin Greer: Would like SNCC. Had a dance with 100 people at communit center last. Went well. Would like to make it into a weekly affiar. Godd fo getting young people together. Phonograph music. Could use a box of carbons with sheets attached and a box of mimeo paper. Robin Greer is very appreciative of the money he received. Heart warmed!

Gulfport: Cathy Cade: Meeting in Greenwood for all staff? Would like to have mimeo paper.

Jackson: Nick Vaon Hoffman is going to Meadville!

Greenville: 8:30 - Staughton Lynd. Where are the school supplies for the New York Teachers? 3 teachers have awhole truck of supplis. Left NY a month ago. Where is it? — We got cut off. Larry Warren stationedin Greenwood. Make formal omplaints to P.O. Can't sue. — WESY supposedly the Negro station of the town and yet the man, 2 white men, refused - almost - to speak to them.

Ruleville: 9:45 - Winnie roast last night. 4 dozen winners. Not everyone got one. Outside the communitycenter. People going to Indianola Drew for canvassing. and Mass meeting at 6:00 at Drew. Outdoor meeting. The policehave said will be no protection.

Problem developing in Drew: Len Edwards went to Drew on Friday. Talkedwith the Mayor andthe Police Chief and leading citizen. Irrate about an article in Albuquerque Journal. It was a front page letter from Dona Howe (in Ruleville) detailedwhat was happening. Contained a very in accurate reference to Drew police. That Drew police andlocal whites shouted obsenities andsigns ets. Just notaccurate. Localwhites weredoing, but not police. A Drew resient who lives i Al. sent it to Mayor. Have written a strong letter to Al. Journal. Asking them for the article itself a d the text of the letter sent b Dona to her mother and at Dona's suggest to Al. Journal. Dona says that it cutting the letter had distorted it. Have aksed for the original. Suggested that reponsi bility of legal action - libel - involved. — As ares lt of this, they suggested that would no longer suply us with police protection. Tonights will be an outdoor meeting. The police do know about it. — The letter sent to Alb. was not shown to Dale before it went, which is a matter of policy.

Dale G., Len Edwards and Linda Davis to Jackson tomorrow.

Canton: 10:00 - Bill Carney: James Mayes are rying to reach. He works for Nationl Share Croppers Fund

Oxford: Yvonne Klein: driving ~~back~~ to Clarksdale from Oxford, saw Negro guy wearing overalls, white t-shirt, white guy wearing jeans and straw hat, saw them being arrested. Yvone says Negro recognized her when she went by again.

Batesville says it doesn't look like anyone they know./0:10 am.

this happened about 8:50 am. Yvonne now going back to Clarksdale.

9:50

Greenwood: told them of Yvonne's report.

Holly Springs: ~~2:15 pm~~ 10:15 am.

Larry says Ivanhoe was around Oxford, but was with another Negro. was with Hardy Frye who wears overalls, Ivanhoe might be the other guy. Yvonne just saw the second guy, whom she thought was white, from the back. Ivanhoe has straw hat.

were driving 64 Ford, white.

according to records, they went down with Kathy Dahl (white girl).

Clarksdale: Doris Newman: people have gone down to courthouse again. haven't come back yet.

had closed the courthouse yesterday. wouldn't let people register.

Margaret Rose call Lafayette in Clarksdale.

10:30 am

Andy Rust: films are on the way. message from Greenwood.

Laurel: neither Gwen nor Jeff there.

Hattiesburg: Terri Shaw: Attorney Baker from Guild there.

gray 46 or 47 Plymouth - F3179. been driving around.

L.E. Cole of state sovereignty commission came by office last night with man he introduced as Richard Miller. Came in and talked to Terri - about insignificant things. Then they left.

~~George Ridenour: \$12 for downlink~~

Carthage: noone there.

Clarksdale: Dr. Henry: to Casey and Moses: Naacp national office has information re freedom dem. party - that it is connected by NAACP.

branch in Jackson apparently voted to support it or something. Henry wants FDP to be completely non-organizationally connected. worried that we may involve NAACP in political activity - which is "prohibited by its constitution". Casey - call him. (Sorry this is kind of garbled - was trying to figure out what he was trying to say, but wasn't saying, and type it at the same time.).

10:45 am.

Vicksburg: call back in ten minutes - will have long intimidation report.

Laurel: everything okay.

~~Richard~~ Ron Ridenour: Moss Point: George Tessaro, came from Gulfport. FS teacher.

Vita Koplewitz left - parents told her to leave. May be back in two weeks.

30 people went to courthouse yesterday - seventeen registered - seven passed. only taking them one at a time - people had to wait all day.

during day call: 475-1956, until they get phone in office. right down street from office.

Columbus: 11 am: want Freedom Reg. forms, FDP pamphlets, sncc buttons. Four people went to West Point - arrived safely. so probably isn't them that were seen getting arrested.
11:10 am.

Holly Springs: ~~Carol~~ Young: Carl got call from Ivanhoe in Batesville - ~~said they had almost been arrested~~. called them at 11 o'clock. 11:15.

Batesville: talked with Mrs. Miles - Ivanhoe and Hardy are they ~~yes~~ - they had been stopped outside of ~~St~~ Oxford - questioned, but not arrested - escorted out of the county. So they're all right.

McComb: Lee Garrett: wants Dennis Sweeney to call him as soon as he comes in.

Greenwood: from Steve Bingham: there is car which Hollis Watkins had (white 'aliant). Bingham thinks it's in Jackson. In the ~~xx~~ back it's got a car jack belonging to Budget Rent a Car. 106 South 2nd Street, Memphis Tennessee. Should be sent to them immediately.

Shaw: everything okay. John McAuliff there (transferred from Vicksburg)

Vicksburg: Joel Katz, photographer. is there,
~~11:40.~~

Shefrie

~~Staples~~ Staples; works for milk truck driver out of Walker Farm. The guy who drives truck is Sonny Thrash, white. Yesterday, Sonny asked him questions about Freedom Schools, including whether white girls stay up there. Whether teachers are civil rights workers, working for integration? Staples kept saying he didn't know. This mornin nobody picked him up for work. He called to ask why and his boss said they didn't need him anymore. When he went down to get his pay check Sonny Thrash asked him to get on back of milk truck and they would talk about. Piggly-wiggly # 2 on Grove Street - were at this grocery store. Sonny Thrash said reason he lost his job was because he came up to Freedom School - is student at Freedom School, age 16. Sonny Thrash continued by saying white girls up here are nothing but slutty slum whores. and added that if Staples didn't stop coming up here he would be killed. Sonny said that Mr. Louis Miller was "going to take care of Staples." Miller owns Sinclair Service Station in Vicksburg. Then Thrash said, "the three niggers didn't get into the river accidentally" and that Staples was going to be the next one to go in. He talked about guys from Alcorn, and said they had been expelled for demonstrating. Said that Chief of police is on Thrash's side and if our student has to go to police chief's office for anything he is going to reform school and then to the Penn. Thrash said our student isn't going to be able to hold a job in Vicksburg until he stops coming to the Freedom School with those slum whores. Also said that he and his friends follow workers around and see us filling people's heads with a lot of nonsense. Also wanted to know why white volunteers go to colored churches. Then Thrash threatened his mother's job. Said Staples' mother is going to lose ~~job~~ if he keeps coming up to Freedom School. "It would be best for Staples to go back to Chicago, but he was saying all these things because he was his friend. If ~~sonny~~ Staples wants

wants to stay alive he'd better let people know that he's stopped coming up here." Staples is supposed to meet Thrash and Mr. Miller at 2 this afternoon. ~~He~~ He isn't going to meet them.

Then Thrash continued by saying somebody was going to bomb Freedom School just like they bombed churches in rest of state and Staples better stay away. Thrash knows most moves that workers make and since everyone thinks that Staples is one of leaders he had better leave and go to Chicago.

re:

Sonny Thrash: from Staples: about 21 or 22. owns 61 chevy Impala, white with blue wstreak on the side. (one of cars which have tailed.) Short about 5 foot 4 inches. about 140 pounds. auburn brown hair. no scars, etc.

Doesn't normally carry a gun, but has house full of them.

lives at 103 second avenue, phone: 638-1517.

Father works for the railroad and peddles fruits.

Joel Katz staying one night. photographer.

Bolvina church burning: three workers went to check on it yesterday. Burning occurred on July 7 at 10:45 pm. Nobody that we talked to had any doubt that burning was arson. a torch had reportedly been found by authorities inspecting the vicinity. Although Vicksburg Evening Press reported that fire had been caused by smoldering incinerator. Building hadn't been used for several days; Nobody was sure who might have done it or exactly why. Although church has occasionally been used for voter registration education, the lease forbade actual political meetings of any sort (lease ~~history~~ originated by local chamber of commerce. Mr. Franklin., store owner in Bolvina, holds the lease). Besides building, one piano, 100 chairs, one stove, one icebox, five tables were destroyed. Sheriff and deputies reportedly investigated and took pictures.

Shell Stromquist:

project. Atlanta said money was being sent to Jackson. He should go from there to Biloxi - got letter from Dinky in Atlanta.
check with Jimmy - they need fifty dollars.
make check out to Dickie Flowers.

re Vicksburg case: FBI agent Cullen notified - said he would notify proper authorities.
12:30 pm.

Vicksburg: told them what FBI had ~~said~~ said.
they are going to notify local police.

Clarksdale: Johnson trial Thursday at 5 pm. got a continuance.

Campbell - didn't appear at trial, forfeited bond. The office hadn't been able to reach him.

call Clarksdale ~~back~~ in about an hour. 12:45 pm.
(call at 1:45).

1 p.m. Vicksburg: Cowan: Staples pretty scared. want one of LCDR lawyers to call police in Vicksburg.

Paul is now calling the local police himself.

Biloxi: talked to Paul Cowan.

Canton: whoever called wasn't there anymore.

McComb: Freedom School opens tomorrow at 9 am on the front lawn.

Jackson: Person who was seen tampering with car tires (Karen Tate's) was found not guilty of slashing tires of car yesterday.

Vicksburg: Police called them and want Paul Cowan and Staples to go down and talk with them. Told them that LCDR lawyers are coming over this afternoon.

McComb: 1:52 pm: wants us to contact Pellquin and Harrington (AD agents - criminal division), Clint Hopson on the phone. tell them to call McComb - want someone down there. 355-1182, 355-0475.

Won't tell us what's going on - say they will talk to us later.

Vicksburg: Tom or Staughton call Neil Hindman.

Casey or Moses: call Andy Young in Atlanta collect: ~~522-1420~~, or 522-1420 - office, 753-2693 - home.

2 pm.

Meridian: Dave Dennis and co. arrived.

2:15: McComb: Dennis Sweeney arrived OK. Cameron OK tomorrow.

2:15 p.m.: Greenwood: Handled on other line. New number 453-4995

Clarksdale: Yvonne Klein: J... Smith, registrar, has halted registration

2:50

Cahton: 1,100 Freedom registration forms completed. Will bring them in tomorrow when coming to FDP platform meeting.

~~xxx Clarksdale xxx~~

~~Vicksburg: Peter Marcuse, Bonnie McDougal, Mr. Lockwood arrived in Greenwood
also NCC guy.~~

Vicksburg: Cowan: Sheriff and police chief want Staples to come right down to courthouse. want to wait for lawyers. call LCDC and see if they're on their way.

Vicksburg: Bonnie McDougal, Peter Marcuse, and Mr. Lockwood arrived in Vicksburg. also NCC guy.

Hattiesburg: Bob Stone: Is leaving for McComb on 3:46 , arriving at 5:55 at Trailways bus terminal. Is leaving without Ira Landess. May be one or two arriving. call McComb and tell them.

McComb: called them and told them that Bob Stone and maybe Ira were arriving and to meet them.

Clarksdale: Yvonne Klein: J.W. Smith , registrar, has announced that he is not registering anybody indefinitely. Says that he has court order from Judge Green from Cleveland (Circuit court)., either directing him to close or ordering him to close the books. Lawyer is going to talk to Judge Green - apparently the registrar does this every year - circuit court is meeting and this is the basis of the "decision". Registrar is circuit clerk - but he should have deputy registrar/ 3:45 pm.

community center open up today -----

Ruleville: Dale Gronomeier: this afternoon about 2:30, James Dann, white, 24, student UCLA from Los Angeles picked up by police in Drew while canvassing . Taken into custody by Police Chief Curtis Floyd. was distributin leaflets. released after an hour with no charge. was in Negro community. Police chief grabbed one leaflet from local Negro, told Dann to get into police car - on way to police station Floyd told Dann he wasn't under arrest but he was being taken to the Mayor and that he would probably be put under arrest. At office of Mayor W.O. Williford, Dann asked if he had permit to distribute. Dann told Mayor and police chief that he was distributin them on private property so didn't need permit. City officials checked ordinance to verify this and Mayor then told Dann he hadn't violated any law, but that he should have had courtesy to check ordinances before he came to Drew. Dann suggested to Mayor that he should have

Ruleville: Police Chief check ordinances before he picked people up.
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During time of questioning, city officials asked about SNCC abrid COFO. Police chief repeatedly called Dann a Communist. Mayor parting comment was "you're not an American. You have no respect for the white race. You're right where you belong with all them niggers."

correction: James Dann, not James White, who got thrown out of registrar's office - check WATS line notes of several days ago and correct.

stopped this morning just outside of Oxford, Miss.

~~McGowan~~ Holly Springs: Ivanhoe: Chief of Police in Oxford (Lafayette County), told Ivanhoe that he shouldn't return. Would pick him up. Ivanhoe was asked and showed him his license, threatened to hit Ivanhoe over the head if he didn't say yes sir - he didn't. Called Kathy Dahl white trash. threatened Hardy Frye. Ivanhoe told Jones that he would be back to continue voter registration work.

Two weeks ago they were in restaurant in New Albany in integrated group - just found out today that owner had been arrested a couple of days later - Ivanhoe is still checking it out.

ask Tom Wahman about packages for Flynn and Merrill...

Columbus: Bob McCord - and Dick Jewitt have arrived.

Jack wanted to talk to Casey.

Greenwood: Casey called to clarify staff meeting stuff.
Staff meeting will begin at 11 am

Biloxi: Al Hausfather for Tom Wahman.

Columbus: call West Point, Mrs. Palm - 494-2074.

Mrs. Walker - 494-3367

need housing for Emma Bell and David Llorens.

Aberdeen: James Carr - RM9-4097 - need housing for three men - one white, two Negro. would like for them to be able to come tomorrow.

call Holly Springs about Tupelo: 3 men, one white, two Negro - tomorrow also. If Ivanhoe hasn't done anything check with Hal Roby.

Starkville: 323-3361 Dr. Connor - need housing for two male, one white, one Negro.

~~Starkville: call Margaret Benes~~ Canton: Lois - send biographical information on Bob Moses and Dave Dennis to Margaret Benes.

Tchula: Andy Rust - call Robin Greer and if possible relay information to him for Mary Coles. 5:15 pm

Holly Springs: talked to Cleve - Woody will be in about 6:30. 5:20 pm
Cleve says he thinks they will have housing in Tupelo. wants to know names of 3 guys going in.

Ruleville: Tom Astribbling, Joe White, Staughton arrived.

Canton: Casey call Mary McGroarty.

Holly Springs: Larry Rubin wants Mac Cotton to call him/

~~Earthquake~~ Columbus: names of people going into Tupelo: Marvin Griffin, Isaac Coleman, Bruce Glushakow.

Laurel: gasoline bomb thrown at local Negroes's home last night - still getting details. don't have names or anything.

Hertz is only one who will rent them car ~~for Jackson~~. want us to check in Jackson about renting car for them.

NEED VOTER REGISTRATION PEOPLE DESPERATELY.

Alma Bosley checked on housing for Don White - Starkville said no; Aberdeen said no; West point we have to call Mrs. Walker tomorrow and check with her. She was going to talk with a Mrs. Adams who doesn't have a phone. Mrs. Palm wasn't home (West point).

Greenwood: Frank Smith arriving tomorrow morning at 8:40 - flight 928, Delta from Dallas.

Betty Garman: tell Dona her fans have arrived - they are in Greenwood office.
6:30 pm:

Ruleville: Parrish Kelly: Fred Miller called in, was in custody of chief of police, saying he was being arrested for distributing leaflets? Arrested in Drew. call city jail in Drew. ~~this happens~~ This call came in about 6 pm.

we called Greenwood and they're taking care of it.

~~Meridian~~ Meridian: wanted to verify Hattiesburg number - said they called there and got no answer.

6:35 pm.

Drew: arrested next to Holly Grove Baptist Church - Gretchen Schwarz, Landy McNair, James Dann, Charles Scattergood, Mike Yarrow,; arrested before Fred Miller. Charged with obstructing a sidewalk - are now in basement that has stop signs in it. Were holding a mass meeting. Police are now taking their pictures.

6:40 pm: got call from Dale Gronomeier, Ruleville communications - from Cleveland, 745-9900 - called back no answer.

McComb: Bob Stone arrived .

Holly Springs: talked with Woody - he is still trying to get housing in Tupelo - will let us know by 11 pm tonight.

Greenwood: don't know whether it is five or seven people: John Harris may have been arrested also. Clear that 7 people arrested. Three charges: distributing lit. ----- called the lit. without a permit, disturbing the peace (Harris) and obstructing charges ~~on the sidewalk~~ the side walk. Not clear if Yarrow or Miller arrest for dis-lit. without a permit. Lawyers due to leave Greenwood at 7:00. Larry Warren & George Ruleville, maybe others. Name of the police officer who arrested is Curtis Floyd. Number of the Drew Mayor's office is: ~~704-8333~~ 745-8355. City jail in Drew: 745-8355, 745-8333, 745-2200 (night). Dale Gronemier reports that the situation is quite tense. See his reference to Jim Dann's confrontation this afternoon and also the report this morning that no police protection would be provided.

Miller and Yarrow for distributing leaflets. All the rest for obstructing the sidewalk. Police Chief promised more arrests before arrest. George Winter, Dael G. Tracy Sugaman, Charles McLauren, Jeff Sacher, Chris Hexter, Len Edwards, Heidi Dole. # girls from community: Ruby Doss, Ora Doss, Rosemary Fulton. That looks like everyone who went. Talk to Mr. Townsend at the jail. Liz Fusco was talking.

McComb: Freddie Green: says insurance policy doesn't cover the bombing of the house. had to call Ruleville - call McComb back later.

7:10 pm: ~~Ruleville~~ Meridian: ~~Len Edwards~~ Rudy: call Canton and tell them to get in touch with Andrew Green and tell him not to come to Meridian - but to talk to Collier and Raymond about working as part of their team.

Dave Dennis said he would contact us by eight o'clock.

7:20 pm: Ruleville: Liz Fusco: ~~Ellin~~ Ellin Siegel, George Robbins also in Drew.

Len Edwards: five of them: \$500; \$200 apiece for Jim Dann and John Harris.

~~Both charged with obstructing~~ Edwards was calling from City Hall.

Of those arrested, only 2 are staff: McNair and Harris.

Greenwood: 7:40 Larry Warren advises against Hunter that lawyers have a function in Drew tonight. Hunter suggested that in 3 functions they should be dispatched: (1) morale factor;

"No lawyer available to go to Drew tonight." Won't have time to go.

Mie Sawyer: Will call AP and UPI and will get in touch with Sitton.

Larry Warren from City Attorney that bail has not been affirmed. Informed Edwards about it and yet he does not affirm that has been set. Have contacted JD in Memphis FBI and attempted to reach FBI in Greenwood. ~~7:40~~

McComb: Freddie Green: got insurance policy from sister - guarantees against fire, removal of premises by theft, & lightning. doesn't mention violence or bombing. Hunter will have some lawyers come up from New Orleans to check on it.

Sherry Everett would like to talk to Dr. Falk. ask him to call.

Clarksdale: Lou Miller for Tom Wahman.

Ruleville: Dale Gronomeier: 8:15 pm: Gretchen bonded out - \$100 -

Fred Miller, Mike Yarrow were arrested for distributing leaflets on public property without a permit. Landy McNair, Charles Scattergood, Gretchen Schwarz, James Dann, John Harris - obstructing sidewalk. Police chief Curtis Floyd arrested all but John Harris and Mike Yarrow. ~~Constable~~ T.A. Fleming arrested Harris and Yarrow.

Bail for all except Harris and Dann \$100, Harris and Dann 200. Mayor said Dann higher because Dann had been warned this afternoon, and that Harris was higher because he verbally abused a policeman. The ~~pick~~ Mayor indicated that they were going to move Gretchen to Indianola - so they got her out. The remaining six are in Indianola city jail. None of them want their parents phoned. (Bond newspaper publicity).

Harris and McNair are on SNCC and CORE staff. need bond money.

Have taken on four auxiliary policeman - when Gretchen got out they were very defensive. Dale thinks they'll be reasonably safe. One room jail - integrated consequently. Hearing is tomorrow morning at nine am.

Mass meeting:

meeting started at six o'clock - total of 18 volunteers and staff people (from Ruleville). Approximately forty local people ~~who~~ attended from Drew. Holly Grove Baptist - outside of it was where mass meeting was held. Were passing song sheets out. The rally was going and people were singing - Fred Miller was handing song sheets out to late comers on the sidewalk. about five or ten minutes after Fred was picked up, Mike Yarrow picked up in same charge. At about 6:15, Gretchen, Scattergood, Landy, Jim Dann arrested - had participated in the singing - officers said they were blocking the sidewalk. about 6:30 John Harris picked up - was walking on the sidewalk. Meeting broke up about 7:30 pm.

About 100 people standing around. About forty young people participating directly. Meeting did not break up when people were arrested - kept on. Now are all in Ruleville.

Greenwood: giving them Ruleville report.

Batesville: trunk sent about five weeks ago to Oxrod ,Ohio by railway express. belongs to Christopher Williams - check.

Grenshaw

Movie theatre in town of ~~Greenwood~~ - had upstairs for Negroes - after they came to town and canvassed , movie theatre closed completely to Negroes.

Kathy Amatnik standing in ~~off~~ door of SNCC office and guy drove by in truck and waved pistol at them - this happened several days ago. License number - will get it for us. forgot to report it. Never reported to police or anything.

Laurel: Jimmy Garrett coming to Jackson tomorrow for Lester's trial.

McComb: Hellen O'Neal calling wanting to know if Doug Schrader came in.

Columbus: Tom Wahman - call Jesse Morris/ 9 pm

Greenwood: re Drew arrests: JD in Washington, FBI in ~~Memx~~ Greenwood - no answer, FBI in Memphis - got them, Washington SNCC and so on and so forth - message came from Forman, did not know individual FBI agents spoken to.....
mag. rose

Canton: 9:55 - Reported by Hatty Palmer and Gladis Freeman: This evening 5 workers went by car (owned and driven by Jim Ohls) to a mass meeting in Cedar Grove, Madison County. In the car were: Hattie Palmer, Gladis Freeman, Gracy Hawthorne, Mark Leper Jim Ohls. After they had left town a car (white '59 Chevy plate 452-498) started to follow close behind them. Then passed the car very fast. Went ahead and turned around and tried to run Ohls' car off the road by swerving in front of it across the white line. -- The group attended the mass meeting and then started home. It was 9:30. When got inside the city limits, the car was coming the other direction with two more people in it (first time there was one white man. This time 3). Car turned around and followed them again. Close and with high beams. Turned off at Mr. Zion Baptist Church. -- In the car an integrated group: 2 white boys and 3 Negro girls. (reported to Mr. Long, FBI).

Holly Springs: 11:25 p.m.: Ivanhoe Donaldson reports 200 turned out for a mass meeting tonight. Asks to have Greenwood call. Done. The guy John Davis was supposed to see at Tupalo was not there today (He was supposed to see him about housing). He ~~will try again~~ tomorrow.

Holly Springs 11:40 Woody Berry Wants us to call Columbus and tell Don White that there is no housing yet but they will keep trying and still want the people. (On this and the previous call they apparently called for John Dart station to station and will now have to pay for both. Told them to either call person to
Columbus--11:50 p.m. gave the above message to Dave Lawrence.