Batesville: 7:35 - Cathy Amatnick - Very well advertised - on air - mass meeting. Two white guys came in Friday and they were told could come. Have found out one has a bad family. -- Panola County Voters League. Will pass out FDP things also. Since last meeting have done lot of work. Has been announced all over county. Spot announcements on Memphis radio.--Any legal way we can keep people out of the meeting?? No special speaker. Officers of Panola County voters league. -- There is regularly a mass meeting every two weeks. Batesville people only before. -- Will be in Sardis in the Community Center. Sheriff believes in law and order. 7:30 starts. 563-7163

Columbus: 8:00 - We are in touch with Tupelo, in Jackson. They questioned as to whether that was there responsibility. Said we are in touch with. Hattiesburg: Pouchy. Concerning the abducted ones. Told him they are being sent home. -- Nothing new about the arrest of the man who beat rabbi.

Suspicious car: (1) white 58 chevy, 2 door, F 9639 had "engine trouble in front of CC (2) Green, 52 chevy panel truck 5188 (3) blue 57 Plymouth, white top, F 11734 (4) brown corvair, 378 (5) o62

Terri send the names, address and ages to the Justice Department every week.

Canton: Call back when Mary there.

Clarksdale: 8:15 - Got 150 Freedom forms at the churches filled out. Today and tomorrow are canvassing for precinct meeting tomorrow night. NEED SOME KIND OF SPEAKER for Tomorrow night. 28 July is county meeting. REALLY WANT A SPEAKER.

Zoya back Aug 12. Margaret Hazelton will be leaving probably at the end of the week.

McComb: Finances. Federal programs. CALL MCCOMB. Send to Helen O'Neil her SNCC check cuz she has NO money.

Canton: Want to talk with Bob Weil.

Gulfport: Wants to know about car insurance. Hunter talked with.

Greenville: 8:50 - Baggage - 50 lb hiking gear from N.O. to Jackson. Paul Crowley from Iowa wants his bag. Was sent by Greyhound. Baggage check is in Jackson.

Jessie Davie and George Rowl went to mass meeting in Glen Allen. There were about 30 people there and they were inside the church. Before meeting started. Noticed car with 6 or 7 whites outside church. 9 shots were fired toward the car the workers had arrived in. Meantime the meeting started. Whites were all over the car they had driven down. They left the meeting before was actually over. Were followed out of town by the car. The car left them before got back to Greenville.
last night and left Leland for the night. Have been working there for 1½ weeks. Are back there today. Had talked with police yesterday about the constitution of the town and Miss, yesterday. Seemed that a white mob was going to form outside of place where we were staying. Are back in that same place now.

Tchula: Barney left his wallet in Freedom House. Some people came from Lexington - 5 summer volunteers and 2 Negro friends. Followed by a green corvair, 26B 444, by white, 4, youths.

Meridian: busy

Laurel: The line was busy consistently, but now that it is not Gwen is not there. She will call when there for lunch. (9:30)

Shaw: 9:40 - Lennell Barrett - Will be leaving Wednesday for the summer. Will be going by bus to Laurel to work in Freedom School there. Will be CC work essentially. Not leaving the state. Literacy people.

Jimmy Garrett about the transfer. Staughton OKed it. SNCC BUTTONS. Very little children's books. Dr. Suiss books.

Meridian: Alvin - 10 or 12 mimeo machines are coming from New York. Are coming on trucks.

Ruleville: have 15 people going to court house right now. Are having the people request a certified copy of the test. This provided for by CR bill. Have to provide this within 25 days. Have already taken some people to find out results, but the courthouse was closed.

Biloxi: 10 - Called in about 14 or 15 Negro leaders. Are a little afraid of the COFO people at this point - the Negro community. Charles falling out of leadership -- security has fallen apart. Dance 2 nights ago for teenagers. A white boy drove with 3 Negro girls. Advises someone to come down. Bruce Hansen coming today. Is pressing.

Ed called LCDC. Stern and Nandler coming from N.O. They will not be able to practice before this judge. Has never allowed before. A local lawyer will defend, but would probably cost. Should try to remove the case before the JP trial.

Laurel: 10:20 - Jeff - Is going out to find Larry Spears. The FBI will take him back to Hattiesburg.

Biloxi at 475-9069 Ron - 10:30 - Gyet Package was sent by Jackson with Freedom Re. forms to Pascagoula bus station. WHERE IS IT. Dona

$225.00 needed. Money allotment due. Friday sent in the receipts for $225.00. Project director signed an invoice.

Guyot says that he authorized the people to go to Laurel. Said spoke with Sandy this morning. Thinks people should stay in Laurel.

Meridian Freedom School; Leouse Hervey - 3 people who would come Ralph Allen, Peter Morrow, William Johnson. All white. Have worked in SW Georgia.
362-7802 if he has any word about Gil Moses whereabouts.

Greenwood: I ate to from Jackson. Delta needs: 50,000 of the brochure and the forms being made in Atlanta. He is passing our order from Miss. on that order. Greenwood gets and takes care of the 2nd district. He, Mark Suckle, will send to the project directly. WE SHOULD MAKE A LIST OF OUR NEEDS AND SEND IT WITH THE FOLLOWING INFO. We should decide which projects get a direct mailing. Some projects can pick up from the more central ones near by.

Holly Springs: 5000 registration forms
Greenwood: 5000
Greenville: 7500
Clarksdale: 1000
Batesville: 1000

Need info. on how to set up county meetings.
Itta Bena: 200
Winstonville: 1000

HOLLY SPRINGS NEEDS BROCHURES IMMEDIATELY

Roosevelt: 1000


Want a SNCC car. Henry Bailey. HAVE JESSIE CALL BACK.

Greenwood: needs a staff-volunteer list. Carl Young wants one too.

Clarksdale: 12:10 - $$$. Came from Nashville to Clarksdale. Went to Ohio orientation. The first session. In Jackson Tom Wahman said Lew under age. Explained it to Dona. Is visiting his Aunt. Therefore sees self as a person in the community. Was working on work camp project here in Negro slum area in Clarksdale. Geneenarea. If he can come up with parental permission, it will be reconsidered that he work with the project.

Greenwood: 12:30--George Johnson--Grey Evans, city prosecutor of Greenwood plans to go on with the trial in the Gwd. court at 1 p.m. today. --This means he is ignoring removal from state to federal court --which is effective when filed--petition was filed Friday--lawyers on there way there from Oxford, Miss. --hopefully arrive before one.

Shaw: Community Center: - Lennell Barrett - Where in Laurel is the Freedom School. Told her to take the b s and will be picked up. Friends of Miss. Summer Project. Lennell Barrett, Sheila O'Brien (MP) (the wife of Tony O'Brien) had said she was going to Moss Point. Is she Columbus: there? She needs some money. Grace Morton, a volunteer, working with Oxford Friends of Miss. Summer Project. They sponsor people. Grace wan's to clear the names through Jackson. NOTIFY.

Project needs money: Have spent $300.00 Need $200.00. Sent a written request to Jimmy last week. Setting up expenses for Shaw and M. Bayou and running expenses. Shaw money to Shaw total $200.00
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Vicksburg: Andy Barnes - Thw White Board is having meeting as to whether will get auditorium for King. Will know this afternoon. Mitch talked with.

Columbus: busy


612 N. Green St. $ Harold Roby. C/O. Will send girl Thursday? Going to Deacons meeting

Columbus: busy

Laurel: Mint green VW following V. people. Two white men in it KE 2312. Has been showing us since we have been here. Come by the house. Larry Spears is back from Hattiesburg.

Holly Springs: Legal - Dave Kendall - Arrested in Hernando, DeSoto. 45 minutes ago. Was trying to get guys to go to courthouse. In Pate. Whites arrived. And two other white project workers are walking the streets, with no place to go. About an hour from HS. Ivanhoe is going over in ½ hour. Dave's license did not jive with number on registration. Hernando a hot town. DON'T ACCEPT THE JOHN SMITH CALLS. FBI people to Hernando and lawyer, please. Manning = Sheriff of DeSoto. John Davis, Frank Cieciorka, 2 local people from Cenatobia both Negro are in local cafe. Find out from Greenwood what's happening.

Moss Point: Preston Ponder has supposedly disappeared. Call the southern projects and try to find out where he is.

Hattiesburg: Charles Glen's mother wants to know where can write to.

Meridian: Preston Ponder is there.

Canton: Freedom Singers are there. Bob was supposed to call Mel Wolff on Willie Smith case. Has he? What are results? BOB CALL CANTON, Ron Watkins.

Greenwood: The City Prosecutor, Evans, stopped the state trial as Oxford officials just notified Greenwood that the case had been removed. - 2:10.

Hattiesburg: Terri Shaw - Peter Werner, white, U. of Mich., was beaten about 2:00 pm in front of the First Federal Bank in Center of Hatt., on Pine St., having just left the bank. He was in company of Susan Patterson of NYC and William Jones of NYC (Negro, other two white). Werner was hit on back of head and fell to ground and was struck several more times. Police broke the thing up. Werner was charged with Assault and Battery as was assailant - WERNERXX taken to city police station - Werner out on 25 dollar bond and will appear in court four this afternoon. Assailant claimed that Werner struck him on steps of courthouse (untrue). Assailant in custody and apparently not released at time Werner was. No lawyer there now.
Ruleville: 3:00 - 31 people went to courthouse to try to register. Give out clothing as a small reward. Mrs. Hamer is back. Things moving. -- Dale and George Winter thrown out of a cafe. Had taken people to courthouse and thought would have a cup of coffee - Door was locked. People inside. Proprietor: "Come on in and get your key." The lock was there to key the Negroes out. Have to have key to get in. The proprietor, Mr. Bralpon, looked at SNCC button and told them to get out even though they had ordered. Did not care that was violating CR act. -- LEGAL NOTICE -- should Dale have JD investigate. Or is it not worth it?

Batesville: 3:06 - Got phone. Batesville office 563-9731. John Eisenstein, John. -- Two FBI men came today to investigate the Saturday incident - 8 workers had been detained and a local volunteer was was hit -- FBI: Aaron Smith, Mr. Murphery (?). Knoxville plate on the car. -- Gave them info. on a second incident: Doug Sorenson had been hit while putting up a poster. On Friday.

Columbus: Finance problems. We are spreading out. Project owes Waso $20.00.
Dave Lorenz from West Point--they are staying at Mary Holmes college. They have phone--494-9820, WestPoint. Costs $5.00 week room and board.
Emma Bell and a local fellow, Lester Gwen, who needs money.

Jackson: 3:30--calle received by Ilene on 9605--caller asked if I were the "gal who was kissin that nigger on corner of Lynch yesterday afternoon"--I asked who he was, identified himself as something like "Johnhouse Johnnie"--asked if he lived around here--said had all his life--asked what was concerning him--he said just that he wanted to know what kind of person took to do something like that, and that kind of person won't stay alive long around here--hung up. about 3 minutes of conversation.

Columbus: Dave Ryan - Tell someone to call the number Casey got bet. 8:00 and 8:30 to give a name. (Thinks it would be constructive and helpful to have parents gourps help finance some of the projects. Told him that we do not have the time to organize such from the central office, but could work directly from the project. -- Dave Wasso).

Vicksburg: 3:55 pm - Talked with Annel.

Meridian: Program outline for King:
St. Paul Methodist Church secured.: for the dinner which will be attened by local ministers and local leaders. From 5:30 - 7:00 3pm met at airport by Bob Gore and staff. possilbe press conference on the run if press there. With King are 8 people 4pm King meets at FS with whole project staff & volunteers 3-4 sometime brief meeting with staff at COFO headquarters
5:30-7:00 dinner
7:30 - Two mass meetings will begin: At First Union Baptist Church and at St. John's Baptist Church
10:00 pm -
New Hope and First Union Choirs will sing at First Union. Stl Johns and Mt. Zion's will sing at Stl Johns. Emphasis on Freedom Songs. Rev. Abenathy will be at First Union followed b King. And CT B Bivian will speak at St. Johns and hold the fort until King finishes at first Union and arrives at St. Johns. At both meetings the local ministers will step forward and sellsheet- present pre-collected offerings. The business men will present their contribution. A general collection then taken.
Details to be given to Rev. Bevel. BEVEL SHOULD CALL.

Hattiesburg: 4:15 - Both ahve been charged with assault: Peter and his assailant. No words exchanged. Man knocked him down from behind and kicked him. -- He saw Dr. Smith. Nothing serious. Bruises on face and cuts. Dark haired and in late '30s. Have gone to city court. CALL BACK AROUND 6 or 7 FOR DETAILS.

Holly Springs: Lawyers are here. Peter Cummings is out of jail $250.00 bond. Trial 10:00 Wed. David Kendall has been released. Davies Ciercorca have retrieved to County seat of Pate. Have MM in DeSoto tonight somehwere around the Hernado#. Carl Young notified FBI. The FBI were at Pete's trial but why not sure. The FBI did not talk with Pete. -- Don't know why he is out. Will find out tonight.
Peter Cummings fine has not been determined. (4:30)

Columbus: 4:30 - Need a meeting before the district meeting. Thursday will have a meeting at a ladies house. And one on Friday night. Will tell people to go to county meeting.s -- People went back to Abeerden today. Housing promised. Took matresses. Wed. meeting in West Point.

Ruleville: busy
below is quote from Greenwood records. Being checked out.
Greenwood: This morning before 11 in Marquet just south of Oxford 2 W. As Ivan passed them, and pulled into lane in front of them, they shot both barrels of the shot gun at the car. He had already moved ahead and back into lane. They punctured his tires and he drove on it for about 20 minutes. Slow leak on tire and he was able to shake them. Bee-net-see White late model car with 2 whites in it circled the car very slowly today. License had 'governors staff' on it. Numar: 501-046. Came from Carl Young at 3:05 as quoyed from Greenwood.

Triels are still in process in Greenwood city court. Had been told were called off by Judge Claytons Clerk; but then hears till going on. People are being convicted t of violatio of picketing law. Sentence of 30 days and 100 fine. Defednets are standing mute on basis that have not had right of private legal councel but are being convicted ay anyway. The lawyers are supposedly on their way from Oxford -- had gone there to file petition for removal. Had to correct an "error."
McComb: 5:00 - want off and forgot me!

Batesville: 5:15 The Sheriff was down taking pictures of the office. The minister took pictures of the Sheriff taking pictures. Was a small minox camera. The Sheriff wants the film from the camera. Worth antagonizing the Sheriff? He did actually arrest some whites once.

Greenwood: What to know if someone on policy can make a statement about the illegality of what went on today? Trial started at 1:00.

As of this morning the lawyers were supposed to go to Oxford to get Judge Clayton to approve the amendment of the original petition. They were in Oxford. 12:15 heard would try at 1:00. In Greenwood were waiting for the lawyers. Trial was to be in city court. When seemed that lawyers would not make it, called Jackson and explained. Could no do nothing cuz could reach nobody in Oxford.

Thought all the time that we were under Federal custody and jurisdiction. The original petition was granted Friday; today was being amended.

2:30 got a report from Larry Warren from Oxford that the Oxford officials called the Greenwood officials to stop the trial. The District Clerk at Clayton's office had talked to the city prossector in Greenwood. City District Clerk told the city pro. of Greenwood that the people were in Federal jurisdiction and the trial should be stopped.

The city prossector said ok, according to Warren.

At 3:00 the cases were still going on. After tried tried the first gus court, found out that all had stood mute and that all had been convicted of unlawfully picketing, fined $100 and sentenced to 30 days in jail.

No one was allowed into the trial. No witnesses. No law students, no parents. The kids told staff themselves as they were getting back into bus. Not one lawyer in Greenwood the entire day. Still under the impression that the lawyers were going to come and stop the whole operations.

Can not get into court jail or farm to see anybody now. Were told by the sheriff, deputy - 2-3 on Wednesdays the visiting hours at jail; are none at Farm. As far as can tell the people at the farm are held in non communicado. The lawyers were at the farm Friday night. They might have gone in Sat. Greenwood does not know. No one went in on Sunday. Ben Smith should not see the guy in charge of the Farm on Monday.

If it is true that were under Fed. protection - then trial illegal. WANT A STATEMENT FOR THE WIRE.

Greenville: 6:00 - John Sawyer - 59 people took the test in Greenville today - Washington County. 30 are from Hollandale. 5 from Metcalf.

Ruleville: 33 people tried to register, everyone got in, no incidents. Distributing food shipment, 15 or 20 families from rural area. Far sort of demand. Yesterday, Fred Brown, 16, picked up for driving w/out licence. One of those arrested in Drew. Jail door was left unlocked. 150 police were in home.
McComb: George Green arrived; Staughton arrived. Radio people left. Stranded again!

Tupelo: Steve - did speak with contacts. Hadley, one guy, is very eager to work with program. -- canvassing. A school teacher also, he did show some interest. He may come through. Rev. Pulliam - very influential - about precinct meeting. He will preach about the program. Got names of 2 other preachers who will also push. He is a real organizer.

Had a visit from Holly Springs - new Albany & HS - spoke about what they had done. Also, showed concern about position of Tupelo. They have worked the county and will continue. They offered some help with car, perhaps. They expressed desire that we have a precinct meeting and spread outside of Tupelo. NEED CAR if are to achieve this.

Ministers will get young people from their congregations. We need maps if are to work with the young people. 22,000 pop. of Tupelo. Negroes about ½.

Biloxi - Went to trial. Talked to JP. Removed. See Sherwin.

Clarksdale - Three girls trespass. Members of newly organized Clarksdale Youth Action Group. Were in Hamburger Cafe which is in Negro section of Clarksdale. They were asked to leave. When they tried to sit down the employee (Mitchell Samaha) snatched chair from under them. He called the police who asked him to make a formal demand they leave. Girls left and were arrested on sidewalk outside restaurant. They were taken to the city jail where they are being held on $51 bond. Trials Thursday at 9am. BHHX

Arrests were at 2:40 pm.

Meridian: call back

Hattiesburg: Arrest: Peter is detained in court and trial has been continued until Thurs at 4:30. Assailant pleaded not guilty. He is 45 years old. She doesn't have his name. Aberdeen:

# there is 369-4097. Aberdeen needs a phone. This phone is at Mr. James Carr's home. Address: PO Box 484.

Hattiesburg: JESSIE CALL SHELLA.

Slide projector came for Sandy Adickes. Shipped June 30. Arrived Atlanta and Jackson. "Not another sou until I get the verifax in Hattiesburg." Kadak verifax machine. Slide projector left in Jackson Saturday by Mrs. Reese. Where is Joe Harrison's car? It is at Casey's. Julius Lester had it there. It is sick and broken in the driveway. Joe will come fix it.

Peter went off to get his picture taken with fbi. Trial is Thurs. FS in Hattiesburg is doing in white america 2 days before the theatre comes.
Terri: Peter Werner got continuance until Thurs. NEEDS A LAWYER RIGHT AWAY.

At same trial Belieu paid $31.00 for traffic ticket.

Assailant is Houston Hartfield, 48. Judge pro tempore Frank Montague Jr. heard testimony and took it under advisement and will hand down decision Thurs. on beating. City prosecutor, Hoard L. Patterson Peter Werner defended by Karl W. Bopper, another city attorney.

Prime example of Southern demagoguery according to Terri. Testified: Leroy McBride, city policeman. (for prosecution) Peter Werner. Susan Patterson testified. But she had put her ear to courtroom door beforehand. She was eyewitness. Her testimony was expunged. William D; Jones testified. Jones called people he worked with comrades. Attorney asked if he was member of communist party. (very funny....?) 2 witnesses for defense--Hartfield (who was drunk) and L.W. McSwain. Hartfield's story--Peter came by in mixed group. Peter attacked him. And then ran away. Giggling. Found Peter in front of drug store. Beat him up.

Courtroom was segregated. Although not court of record, Ben Gershwin asked that Terri be allowed to take notes. Granted. She did.

Policeman said he didn't see Peter being hit.

They sent pictures of Peter to Atlanta air express.

Canton: Checking on Beamer.

Columbus: Dave Llorens will check in from West Point. about 8 each night. Mass rally there Wednesday night. Will try for week from Wednesday for FDP meeting.

Tupelo: 842-6676--wanted Jessie Morris. Contacted Holly Springs and there seems to be some mix-up about car. Tell Don White in Columbus to call Isaac at Vinewood 2-6676.

Cleveland: MacLaurin - 9:20) -Have a form requesting that the registrar give it back -- something going on in Indianola right now. The town wanted to tax the church which we wanted to use for a FS. Can you tax a church? Nobody in Jackson working on it. A legal opinion is that the church would have not have to pay the tax. REASSURE HIM THAT HE DOES NOT HAVE TO PAY THE TAXES. Len and LCDC will take care of everything.

Tupelo: bon nuit.

McComb: 9:30 - Had 2 movies tonight. Had 110 students on the front lawn and a few adults.

Mendy was driving alone out by the intersection of highway 51, 98 and 44 (last 2 state). He stopped first at Texaco station where they see integrated cars going b each day. Two men in a car came up while he was in gas station. He looked over and it was clear it might mean trouble. About 200 yards down the road he stopped at a red light and the guy calmly got out of his car, calmly walked over and swung at Mendy sitting in the car. Four times. Didn't say a word.

He tried to get at the radio get, the 2nd and 3rd swings. He hit Mendy on the side of the head. Not marked. He was a husky, strong guy. He finished and walked calmly back to his car where another man had been sitting through out the entire incident.
Mendy then went to the courthouse and filed an affidavit with the police. Told the Mayor too. He had 4 witness which he got at the red light. Car that beat-up in: 1960 white ford s65, Pike county. The guy that did the swinging was about 40, in working clothes. The man in the car was elderly - straw hat. The feeling is they work in a nearby oil field. It has been reported to FBI and they have talked with Mendy. "I did not have time to say I was a VR worker."

Greenwood: 9:50 - Trials ended at 6:30. Started at 1:00. City Judge is Kimborough. On Sat. 98 people who were arrested Thurs. were to have been bonded out. Since the cases have been removed to Federal Court. However, Hardy Lott, Byron DelaBeckwith, lawyer, refused to accept the removal petition orders on the basis that there was an error. The US Commissioner also agreed that it was an error. The prepartions were made to file supplemental and amendmentary petition. Lawyers worked in Oxford, Miss. all day to have the necessary motions perfected. The removal petition was filed at 9:30 am this morning. However, the City of Greenwood refused to recognize the removal petition and tried the prisoners all day today. (1:00 pm-6:30 pm) Convictions were given all; all sentenced to 30 days. And a $100 fine. The trial is null and void. The prisoners stood mute during the trial and refused to speak on the basis they had been denied counsel.

No visiting hours allowed - no personal items or food allowed to be taken to jail etc. No medical attention allowed. They will be bonded out tomorrow am.

Paul Klien, the first, before the judge, also stood mute. He was asked whether or not he had picketed. He said yes and the judge found him guilty of charge. And fined him $100# and 30 days in jail.

Written by Judy Richardson.

Columbus- Steve Fraiser - Steve had Ron Bridgeforth went to Stockville today. Usual police harassment. Name calling etc. Made contacts. At 6:00 had a meeting with Kids. Left at 6:30 were going back to main road to get to phone so could get ride back. Walking up highway 82. Passed a gas station and as passed a Negro kid, big, followed us. Mentally retarded very sick. Had a rubber hose. Cursed at us. Get out etc. Owner of gas station, white, began following after the kid and us in his car. He cursed and followed. Had put the kid up to it obviously. Decided to split up. Ron turned around and Steve went across the road. The Negro guy has followed Steve. Followed the white boy. Slashed at Steve with the hose. Things got quite after that. Went to the Negro section of town. - Got the phone call to Columbus in. Were very worried because the white owner of gas station came by in car. Went into a Neg cafe after phone call. 4 policeman arrived with the chief. He said nothing about the beating and we did not mention it. Usual speech: get out of town. - A.C. Peeks, a city policeman, old, short - is out for Steve - slapped Steve twiice in the ribs and told him to rink his coke. Take the police dog with them outside the door. Took down names Steve had in a folder. The car came to get us. City police asked for all the usual id. On 82 stopped by highway patrol. Don White talked to the cop. Got a ticket for no brakes. - In Columbus followed by one guy in a car. Turned off.
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Hade contact with Lomax the cafe owner. Sat. Knight he had asked to leave. Had threatened to kill Lomax, the police. Sunday told him that he could not have dancing in his cafe even tho he has a license for.

In Stockville essentially trying to find a house to live in.

** A WRITTEN COMPLETE FORM WILL BE SENT IN. DO NOT CONTACT FBI YET. **

But note the incident of the cop slapping the sorker twice.

Biloxi: 10:35 - Barry, for Hunter. Got the guy off on a $25.00 fine.

Canton: Two people going from Jackson to Valley View are all rights.