

Shooting.

Jewett

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John O'Neal has a message for FOREMAN. The players are supposed to be in McComb tomorrow (Saturday) night, but they cannot leave unless they have the car that was promised to them. WHERE IS THE CAR? Foreman, please contact them and tell them about the car. Message taken from O'Neal about 1:30 a.m.

Batesville Three shots were fired past the home of Robert Miles in Batesville where two white summer volunteers are living. The house was not hit. No one was injured. The shots were heard at 11:25 p.m. Kathy Amatnick and Claire O'Connor, both summer volunteers, were sitting in a lighted kitchen when the shots were fired. The kitchen is directly behind the left front bedroom where the girls sleep. The bedroom was also lighted. Kathy thought the first percussion she heard was a tire blowout. A second percussion was heard, and Kathy was looking towards the kitchen window. She saw a blue streak at the same time she heard the noise. Kathy immediately turned out the light, and both girls dropped to the floor. Robert Miles, who was sleeping in the right front bedroom, was awakened by the second shot. He says he saw a flash coming from the road when the second shot was fired. After the second shot the girls yelled to him, and he heard no more shots. Mrs. Miles, however, reports hearing a third shot. A next door neighbor who found the Miles five minutes after the incident reports she heard three shots also. Mrs. Miles called Panola county sheriff Earl Hubbard at 11:50 p.m. A police car which Kathy believes might be the sheriff arrived at 12:10 a.m. As this car was stopping in front of the house a black and white '57 Chevrolet passed the stopped police car. The police car started again the same direction as the Chevrolet. It had been the third time the Chevrolet had passed the house after the shots were fired. At 12:20 the police car returned, coming from the opposite direction. Kathy reports that on July 26 when the Miles home was teargassed from an unidentified car a similar '57 black and white Chevrolet was seen around the Miles home. She was standing in the driveway talking with Hubbard when the car passed the house and stopped 200 feet down the road. Hubbard asked "Who are They?" and Kathy replied that she did not know. A few seconds later the car started up again.

Two weeks ago a local white told the same neighbor who called the Miles home tonight that unless Miles got rid of the white people in his home he would be killed. The next night Mrs. Miles received a call from an unidentified man who said "You better not go to sleep tonight if you know what is good for you."

A third paragraph on VR work can be gotten from Greenwood if so desired.

Ed Rudd phoned this in at 3:10 a.m. He called the FBI in Memphis, spoke with agent Johnson. He called Atlanta, AP, and UPI.

Airport 4 a.m. Ed Spannaus, a summer volunteer from Chicago, called from the airport. He had just arrived by plane and was anxious to have someone come get him. I told him that there was no one with a car available at this hour but that perhaps later in the day we could come get him. He agreed to sit and wait until someone came for him. He said he would call the office again about 8:30 or 9 a.m. if no one had shown. SEND A CAR TO THE AIRPORT TO PICK HIM UP AS SOON AS A CAR APPEARS IN THE MORNING.

Jackson: 8:15--called airport and had Ed Spannaus paged--told him to take a cab.

McComb: 8:35--Jessie Morris call Dennis Sweeney as soon as you get in.

Canton--for Joe White--meeting in Canton starts at 10:30 --be there 9:00

Jackson: packages at Conynental Trailways.

Moss Point: Fred Neally wants his stuff. They will send it to 611 Wall St., S.

Yesterday had a Pascagoula meeting. The building were going to use was not available, so used a lot of Dr. Morris. Had to clear the lot all afternoon. Began the meeting at 5:30. Had notified the police. Met for 45 minutes before sheriff came and brok up the meeting. The idea was that even on private property could not hold it iwht out a permit because so many people around. The meeting was a mass meeting to talk about the precenct meeting which will be hld at 4:00. There were about 50 people last night. -- Have a building in Moss Point for the meeting this afternoon.

Columbus: 9:25 - Incident yesterday around noon. -- Empty bottles and bricks were thrown at a group of kids outside a cafe near the Freedom House in Columbus shortly after lunch. A car driven by a white male and 5 others, college age went by the cafe and then returned in a different car, a 1956 green and hwite chevy. As they passed the 2nd time they threw out the empty bottles and bricks. About 15 - 20 Negroes were standing by the roadside when things thrown. No one was hurt. -- The cafe owner reported the incident to the police shortly afterwards. The police came on a routine check. -- It is place where workes frequently go. Cafe is called the Three Oaks.

So far no actual vr work of taking people to the courthouse. On Wednesday will start doing something on vr. Until then still concentrating on a Freedom Registration.

Rally last night, maas, bet. 60 - 70 people. In Turner Chapel, an African Methodist Church. In Columbus such meetings are not to keep people moving but to get people moving. Rev. Miles spoke briefly. A very articlue woman spoke. She is a delegate.

Aberdeen: Lat night had county convention. Elected 8 delegates - 4 delegates and 4 alternates. About 100 people in St. Pauls Methodist Church at 7:30. Went off without incident. -- Are going to have people who are afraid to come to Jackson, or more of a problem, people are afraid to lend thier cars to transport the delegates. Have one car. Need another. -- 13 people lelected on the executive board. -- Have a committee trying to get cars and also get to get money. Lat night raised \$56.61.

Need MFDP pamphlets; MSU material; Freedom registration brochure; info. on actual vr procedures. Buttons. Send all direct to Mr. James Carr, Box 484 Aberdeen -- in the future send to this address so don't have to chase to Columbus.



Shaw: 10:00 -- Would like ~~egged~~ handful of SNCC butoons. James Mayes is expecting John Bundy to bring him to Jackson today. -- Tell Staughton that Grace Morton is organizing the community center and seems to be going ok.

Canton: 10:15 - ~~6-people-arrested---correction-5-people-arrest-4-volunteers and-a-Rabbi~~ 3 ARRESTS IN CANTON.

Peggy Gunn, Martha Wright and Tom Foner were downtown canvassing with a larger group. Filling out FR forms downtown. City police now at office. Rabbi not arrested. Arrest was at 10:00 pm. No charges yet.

Are trying to take all the people who were down town to go to station for investigation. James Bennett, Rabbi Soloff, Alvin Paker, -- checking someone for a card indicating he is registered with police. -- Had no search warrant.

✓ Dave Dennis call Jerome if possible.

No body let the police in. They just entered to try to find the people who had escaped from the arrest - avoided arrest - downtown. Two city policemen came in. There were two police cars with one man each and a utility truck that was outside at that same time. Then a 3rd car with 2 men who came in.

Greenville: 10:30 - Need two 50' telescoping TV msts, and 2 high hy-gain mark 2 co-linear antennas. Can be got at Ellington Electronics Supply at 824 S. ~~Allison-St.~~ Ellington St., Jackson. Bill Light will know how to get the stuff.

Morty coming to Jackson tonight and needs to have the stuff so can leave early in morn.

✓ Check with Bob Moses about ~~the~~ the county maps. Costs \$82.00. Need them to mark location of stations.

✓ Call Greenville and say we are at first destination. Will contact them when get to ~~send~~ second.

Natchez: 10:40 - Talked with George Green  
\$27.00 for tags. Need money for. -- Are working to make the office like an office. Police are not so obviously on us as before.

Batesville: Clair O'Conner, Cathy Amatnik, Truman Morrison, Claude Weaver.  
✓ Lois Chafee call Clair in Batesville.

Greenwood: Has become (has become what ?)... John Cox.

Hattiesburg: Casey: Mrs Gray called to tell Sandy that Mrs. Gray's car is not ready yet. Had to have work done on it. Will not be ready before 4:00. She was supposed to be in Jackson to get a ride to Holmes County-at-all- She won't make it at all. (2) Have no one coming to Hattiesburg tomorrow. Feels stripped of any people. Lewis nor Forman available. JESSE CALL SANDY LETCH.

Canton: 6 in jail: Tom Foner, parnets, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Foner, 603-3834321 --- bond \$200.00 for every ne; Margaret Gunn, Mr. JL Gunn Tom Manoff, Bill Shore, N. Tarrytown. NY 914-ME1-0053; Jim Cobb, 914-ME 1-1317 = alternate for the first for bail.

Greenwood, Miss. George Johnson/Brenda Travis

Five shots were fired in the direction of the Greenwood SNCC Office from a '60 light green Galaxie Ford with Carroll County plate around midnite. It was the second time the car had passed the office; The first time the car passed the office it turned off Highway 82 coming from Carroll County. It returned ten to fifteen minutes later coming from the same direction; Before reaching the S.E. corner of the building, it opened fire with what is believed to be a 22 caliber pistol. Five shots are reported to have been fired as the car sped past the office on Avenue N. The car continued to gain speed and ran through the stop sign at Avenue N and Broad. It then continued down Avenue N, to Barrentown.

Memphis and Greenwood FBI were called. Two agents from Greenwood interrogated people around the office. The Greenwood police were alerted, and responded with 2 patrol cars, Number 2 and 4. There have been no record of threats predicting any incident of this sort. A scant investigation by the FBI, working in conjunction with the SNCC staff, have found no trace of the bullets. A local Negro woman whose house borders on SNCC office property claims that bullets ricocheted her house.

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Greenwood: Judy Richardson

The report about the beating of William Hodes from last night was not correct. He was not beaten.

John Handy, who was arrested after Hodes, was beaten in jail. The following is an affidavit from him. He was arrested while standing on the corner of Avenue I and MacLaurin St., engaged in protest against Henderson's grocery which is being boycotted. The police chief pulled up in a car and told him he was under arrest. He asked the charges and was told 'disorderly conduct'. The officer put him in another police car which had driven up. On the way to the station the policeman said, "nigger I ought to make you a pet of mine." At the station the beating started. First they grabbed both of my arms, twisted them painfully behind my back and kicked me six times. Then they threw me up against the concrete wall so that my head hit the concrete three times. Then they opened the heavy iron door of the police station with my head. They slammed me up against the desk. One cop smashed me in the mouth with his fist. I was wearing a rather long goatee. They plucked it out with their bare hands. They shoved me up against the solid iron door of the cell, then opened it, shoved me against the bars, opened the barred door and kicked me several times so that I fell through the door into the cell. They started kicking me while I was down. I moaned please get me a doctor. This brought fresh kick kicks. They eventually got tired of kicking me and closed the door leaving me inside the cell. I was bailed out about three hours later and went to a doctor and got treatment for severe contusions and lacerations as well as the internal damage from the kicks.

Handy's arrest was seen by one of the kkkkkk radio cars and his arrest was reported to the office. He was one of the people who had been encouraging local kids to go to Charmaine's, a drive in restaurant which is a white hangout. It is felt that both the white community and the police are after him for this.

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Holly Springs: from Judy Richardson

Yesterday afternoon summer worker Wayne Yancey, Negro, Chicago, was killed in an automobile accident. Charlie Scales, in the car with Yancey, and Isaiah Richmond, in the other car involved in the head on collision are both hospitalized in Memphis. Memorial services are being held for Wayne at Rust College, 8pm this evening



Canton: (con't)

Alvin E. Paker - Dave Dennis or Jesse Morris for bail.; Rabbi Rav Soloff, Harrieta Soloff, 609-492351; Martha R. Wright, Dorothy Weller, 408-2516372 .. alternate Mrs. Willima Mcavoy 408-4563003. Charge is distributing literature without a permint. They were Freedom Registration not voter registration.

Girls will go to county jail; men remain in the city jail. Were on Hickory St. - the main Negro business St. in Canton -- when were arrested. Went down in 2 small groups totalling 6 people. -- Bennett not taken as originally indicated. Only Negro in the group is Alvin Paker.

Tchula: Is Mrs. Divine coming to speak at the County meeting? Informed them that Mrs.. Gray is not coming.

Hattiesburg: Call Laurel and remind Larry Spears and David Owen that are supposed to appear before Grand Jury Monday morning. Should be there at least by 8:30 cuz have to get supenoa from Sheriff's office.

## Rabbi Levyfeld is wanted for the hearing. Don't think can get an inditement without him . He had said he was willing to come down.

Have a girl who seems like very good material for the Work Study project. Please send more info. on it. Send it care of Terri Shaw.

Meridian: 11:40 - call back.

Jackson: Janice Grant, a Negro volunteer with a car who will be teaching in a Freedom School, was last seen at Smackovers around midnight last night. She had dropped John Bundy off at the office in the late evening. She has not been seen or heard from at Tougaloo.

Greenw. Message for John Paul who works in Itta Bena from Willie McGee. Do not leave Jackson before McGee gets to Jackson Because McGee needs a ride.

McComb: Deputy Seriff of Summitt questioned the giving out of leaflets. There is a city ordinance... checking it out. Give priorpity to McComb calls today.

Holly Springs: 12:36 - \$150.00 for tags. \$350.00. Would like \$75. for project.

At 10:45 last night went 2 miles down the dirt road toward Oxford and wer stopped by 2 deputies in plain clothes armed with pistols. They checked the lead car's drivers license and told us to go on ahead and that they would follow behind. (Did know who they were at first. FBI? Becuase had notified them earlier of the meeting in Lafayette county). The first 2 cars thought was police and 3rd car thought was FBI. As drove through Oxford Court house Square. Were stopped by the 2 deputies. All 3 cars stopped. In front of P.O. Checked the identifiecation of all 16 people in the cars. Snide, foolish questions etc. A crowd of about 100 people gathered. Stopped at 11:20 and released at 12:30. Sheriff Bratton conducted the question. Jones, Chief of Police of Oxford, there with 4 armed deputies. One highway patrol men. --- Were leaving the Mound lHope Baptist chuech in Taylor, south of Oxford going toward Holly Sorings. They told Ivanhoe that if he brings back the Plymouth with the temporary lincense he had better have a Miss. plate on it.

As we left, 15 cars and 2 pickups followed us with the highway patrol car bet. us and them. At city limits the police stopped the cars following us. We stepped on it. 100 mph as soon as outside of Oxford City Limits.

The meeting concluded our series of precinct meetings and county conventions. FBI had been notified in advance.

from Clarksdale: Tunica County is pulling off a precinct and county meeting today. Expecting trouble. James Jones is staff person there. Will file their reports thru Clarksdale. mk

Canton: Hunter arrived with the lawyers. James Brown is on his way to Jackson from Memphis with cars. He checked with Canton by radio.

The girls are in county jail, men in city.

Tchula: How to get to county meeting: Take rt. 12 to Yazoo st.; go out Yazoo st (turn right on to) to a fork in the road; go right at fork 2 miles and there is a sign by the road that says West Grove Baptist Church.

Tupelo: Seems as if a John Watson from Tupelo cut off by operator who refused to cooperate on discovering that the calls were bet. 2 pay phone.s

Canton: The police took away from the canvassers the forms which they had. They were doing Freedom Registration. Had been there last week and been very successful. #

Natchez: 1:20 - All's well. George in office others out about town getting stuff for the office. George to pick up furniture etc.

Jackson: The FBI was notified about the Holly Springs incident last night.

Tupelo: Stu Ewen: Parked by service station in the new Plymouth in Gene Wheeler's name. Had the paper signing it over. He said it was not official because not notarized. As we were driving away from gas station passed the same cop talking to another guy who then this morning got in contact with us through some one else and said that the police had been trying to instigate him to get a group of people to beat up Harold Roby. Harold is going to help them get papers notarized today.

Also the police have been in the Negro area looking for a Pontiac. There is someone who works for us who drives a Pontiac. The police are circling.

Bolton will send by wire \$250.00

Meridian: Sue Brown what time will soft ball team from Jackson supposed to arrive? We thought it was 1:00 and they are not here at 1:55.

Clarksdale - Will have Freedom Day August 11.

Columbus: Mike Hickson: Columbus City Board of Education has called a meeting for Monday at which we think they will try to get Negro parents to sign forms saying they are satisfied with the state of education in Columbus. Negro high school teachers are believed to have received a directive from Mr. Goolsby, City Supt. of Schools, not to leave Columbus over the weekend. The meeting will probably be held at a high school in Columbus. We are trying to find out which one. Jessie, do you have suggestions for action? They are thinking of picketing. Call them.

Meridian: Baseball team arrived.

Canton: 3:05 - George raymond would like Hunter to call as soon as he gets in.

Ruleville: Len Edwards for legal. Tom Wahman call Rulville community center and ask for Lucsha or other community center people.

Columbus: 3:20 - Starkville police held Steve Fraiser, summer volunteer, for 2 to 3 hours this morning on a traffic charge. He was released after Ron Bridgeforth paid a \$12.00 fine. Fraiser was driving the project car at Starkville when he was stopped by the police. He is not being held. in the Starkville jail, but he was earlier.

For Jesse Morris from Jerry Austin: Have Jesse call 3625966 for Mrs. Austin and tell her Jerry did not come home because Andy's father had a heart attacked and he had to go to South Carolina.

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Canton: Alvin Paker is in jail. Have money but a question as to whether will wait until bail set before Federal Commission. Delay because the City Attorney is out of town. Need to know from Jesse about bond in case can get him, Alvin, out of jail.

Meridian: Would like to have a law student for about a week. Concerning the Civil Rights Commission meeting need help. Spoke with Bill Robinson and stressed importance of having a person to work on legal matters who is able to establish rapport in the community. -- Request of Louise Hermey.

Shaw: For FDP.

Vicksburg: Paul Cowan for Emmy.

Canton: 4:30 - Bob Watkins - Bill Carney drove into Canton COFO parking lot. Canton city police drove in to and asked him to come on. Took his license. Asked if was under arrest and said get in car for time being. Police car out front with Bill in it. Have called for more police cars... Take us all away? Police man said 'you are under arrest for the time-being.'

CALL IN AN HOUR AND SEE WHAT HAS HAPPENED. Police now gathering around the house. 2 cars out in front and a truck. One other car beside the one Carney in. Believe Carney under arrest for incorrect license after 30 days in state.

The police followed Carney from downtown to the parking lot. The first police car called for a second; a third cruised by. Tried to speak with Carney but were not allowed to. -- 2nd police car has pulled away.

Holly Springs: Six miles no. of HS on 78, Wayne Yancey and Charlie T. Scales met a head on collision with a Mercury. Yancey was killed. Scales is in critical condition. They were driving a UFT rental car, 1964 Chevy. Were on their way from Memphis to Holly Springs.

Have contacted only Greenwood. Both are at the Holly Springs Hospital. Scales is local from Benton County. Know nothing about the other car. One witness to the accident.



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Hospital: Yancey was not brought into the hospital. Taken to Funeral Home. The doctor is working on Scales. -- Cathy Doll --- They have rented an ambulance, have paid for it, and are on their way to Memphis right now.

Canton: Bob Watkins wants a lawyer or two up there. Sherwin looking after. All ok there.

Holly Springs: re the first call --- it was received from Cleveland Sellers by Bill Robinson.

Nancy Jefferson is the sister of Yancey in Chicago. She has been contacted. She will get in touch with Yancey's mother who lives in Tenn. Nancy was contacted through Greenwood.

Wayne Wilson Yancey, 21, 2841 W. Jackson, Chicago. Ill. Negro. Michigan at Ann Arbor for 3 yrs.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Yancey, 338 W. Rison, Paris, Tenn.

Holly Springs: Highway Patrol, Patrol Warren is at the hospital investigating. (New Albany). Speaking with Mr. MacAllister of Highway patrol, who told Bill Robertson, "I'll give you a tip: he was one of those freedom workers."

Holly Springs Hospital: Patrol J.W. Warren : 3:30 this afternoon one mile east of Red Banks, highway 78. A car driven by Charlie T. Scales rt. to Holly Springs passed another vehicle at approach to Hill Crest over a yellow line and hit another vehicle going west head on. Hit a '62 Mercury. Only one passenger. He is in emergency room. Scales has a broken jaw. -- Isaiah Richmond Jr. 1873 Kendall of Memphis was driver of the Mercury. -- Wayne W. Yancey killed. Richmond is 29, toher two 21.

Scales has been charged with man slaughter... Highway patrol has made the charge.

Scales' wife in ambulance with him. Cleve spoke to Charlie in AMBULANCE as he was leaving hospital. Cleve and Kathy Dahl were bodily thrown out of hospital. Officer threatened to hit Cleve with nightstick. Ambulance came by house.

Injuries: broken jaw and possibly rib. Bleeding from mouth and nose. No doctor with him in ambulance. Doctor Jones went in but was told that Charlie had been released by another doctor. (possibly Dr. Bryant)

Dahl is white. Threw both of them out of hospital and then waited 10 minutes and put him in ambulance. Ambulance is from funeral home. He asked it to come by house. Rev. Whitney and Kathy Dahl are trailing ambulance. Whitney is minister at Rust.

John Gaston Hospital--in Memphis--being taken there.

Charlie is from Benton County. Local volunteer. Rural area near Ashland. Freddie Scales is his brother. They will try to contact brother.

He wants a doctor from here (or Jones) to come up and see he gets proper treatment. Ivanhoe is at Gaston Hospital. We should call him--have him paged --he is in car behind ambulance. Ask Ivan to go see Wayne's mother. Charlie has been working with them very hard for 3 weeks. He is delegate to convention. He had planned to be on work-study.



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Canton: Mary Mc: One of the boys in jail, Tom Mannoff fr. NY, is associated with the parents group. The kids fr. NY left a contact list for lbail and contacts with senators. Senators were contacted and senators brought pressure on to JD lwho got in touch with FBI who have been called in Jackson and they are supposedly going to interview the boys in jail tonight in Canton. -- Mrs. Manoff will call Canotn if lthe FBI did not follow though. Will let us know. -- Will Dick Jewett be at the District Meeting at 3:00 tomorrow? Should get to Meridian COFO before 3:00 so we can get to the place.

We cannot even contact Valley View nor Carthage on our radio. Send Peter Oriss fast!! Radio simply unselss at this point.

Medical Committee: (Jackson, Claire Bradley) Dr George Kauffman of the Clarksdale or Greenwood Med Comm team is en route to Memphis John Gaston Hospital. Will arrive about 5am, report directly to Dr Chas Goodrich (now head of medic comm) at the Sun & Sands. Any later info should go to Dr Goodrich. Dr Jones in Holly Springs told medic comm he thought other car contained elderly white couple.

Gulfport: no word.

Greenw. Willie Shaw called at 7:45. Robert Earl Bath, ~~##~~ Ellis Jackson and J.L. Stigler left in a car at 4:30 pm for a barber shop in Belzoni from their house on the outskirts of town. They were due back at their home at 5:30. Shaw has called Chief Nicholes who claims he has none of the 3 in his jail. Shaw tried to contact the Sheriff but he was out. (Willie Shaw was back at the house not having gone into town).

Meridian: Thinks that the Minister, Rev. Anderson, has told the police. The New Era Baptist Church was the victim of the 4 shots fired on Tuesday night. Had been a precinct meeeitng there and shots came when supposed closed. 6 shots --

Re-church burning on Wednesday night. West Mt. Moria Baptist Church. The boys who looked at it said there was a gas tank on one side of the church. It looked like part of the equipment of the church. Was all bunred around the tank except for the side facing the church. It seems strange... Found pieces of tar under the tank that had been burned.

Since the church had not been used for CR activities. Have not r ported it to FBI. Legal mihgt want to reconsider.

Churches that were going to be used for precinct meetings but because of threats were not used. Louise will lsend in registered mail the details not appropriate for the phone.

Columbus: ~~###~~ Speaker for tommorow - Bob Moses.

McComb: Call at 11:00 pm tonight when the play is over.

Holly Springs: Cleveland arrested while inspecting the wrecked car. Charge of threatening an officier. A guy ye did not know was an officeir who was saying "you should have been in the car..." And Cleve said... "WE better get out of here." "Cleve said wait here until I get back." Cleve got in car with 5 others. The officier then revealed himself. - To jail. He is out now.

McComb: Lee Garrett--This am about 11:30 Marshall Ganz and local teenager were distributing leaflets re the theatre group performance. Were in Summit in federal housing project. Middle aged white man pulled up in truck. Was deputy sheriff. He told them they weren't to hand out leaflets. Garrett said it was his legal right. Ganz asked if they were being ordered to leave. The cop left. Came back in about 10 minutes with town marshall in a police car. Ganz gave him legal arguments. Which he got ~~xxx~~ via the radio from Clint Hobson (including supreme court citations). Cops said they would talk to the mayor. Came back and ~~skid~~ circled but didn't make arrests. They feel they got the right to distribute literature in Summit. Thanks to Clint Hobson and radios.....

Meridian: The baseball team left at about 5:30.

Jackson: Medical Committee reports that Dr. Jones said Charlie had one possibly two broken jaws. and pelvic injuries. Claire at medical committee thinks Wayne was driving, can't see why Charlie is being charged with anything. Jones says Charlie will get adequate care.

Memphis: 6:10 Jerry Gutman - Reported that Memphis LCDC would be willing to work with Ben Smith on the case. They agree the case will ast a long time and require continuity of council and an att. experienced in civil rights law. George Zeiden-  
man, LCDC Mamphis, gave the highway patrol man his card at the scene of the accident. He said he would be representing Scales. He was infromed that there would be a hearing Tues. to fix bail. Z. has done an investigation of the accident which will be  
turned to us..

Sanchez: Chuck McDew has left for Jackosn. He will then go on speaking tour. There are now 5 people in the project: Goerge, Dorey, Janet, Fred, and Arthur Jackson and Greenwood. -- The office is all set up. Things ok.

Greenw: Chicago Friends of SNCC perhpas contacted the parents or perhaps Nancy Anderson did.

Meridian: Last Tuesday night after a precinct meeting in the New Era Baptist Church in Meridian, six shots were fired into the church. Rev. Anderson, the pastor of the church did not tell anyone about this incident until today. Meridian will talk to him tomorrow to get more details.

Call Gulfport 863-5678

Holly Springs 7:20--Walters-- Worker there was told by man who towed away cars that driver of car was killed; Yancy only one killed--had a report form another staff person who said that a thrid passenger was picked up in Memphis. Charlie Scales is reported to have said that this thrid passenger was driving the car; no one knows who this was. She thinks best info is from man from wrecking co. who said driver was killed. Police deny presence of thrid person.

In Geo Kauffman (Greenwood & Clarendale train) to Memphis' Tom Gaston Hosp. Will arrive about 5:00 am. In Goodrich in Jackson.

In Jones (Neyn dr. who was contacted in mid.) said elderly white couple in other car



Belzoni

Shaw via Greenw. - Have checked barber shop. All Cafes and in the Negro neighborhood They are not to be found. Have called all the jails also. Not there. The group is all Negro. They never even got to the barber shop. (9:15)

McComb: Ralph would like us to check him in with Holly Springs.

Greenw. 9125 is Willie's number in Belzoni. 64 Plymouth dark brown was the car they were in. Do not know the plate number. House is located about 6 miles from where they were going. Rt. 3 south of Belzoni is what they traveled.

Batesville: Maurice Webb is at the meeting tonight = the message to give to Pam Jones in Crenshaw. The number is 4282.

Crenshaw: Gave message to Pam Jones.

's restaurant in Greenwood  
Greenw. - One of the 3 was seen in Blood's today. Left around 8:00 this eve. Jackson was seen leaving for Belzoni. They should have arrived soon.

Atlanta - Foreman reports from Greenwood sources that John Handy beaten in jail and just returned to office all bloody. Betty Garman indicates he was thrown against cement steps and wall. They are taking affidavit now and will have Handy photographed.

Cleveland: John Black wants to speak with Dona.

Columbus: A white volvo '61 or later left for West Point at 8:15 and it takes about  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour to get there. They have not called. 494-9820 is the number to call. Three people: Neil Eklund, driver and owner of car, Silvia Woog and Lincoln Robbins -- all three white. -- They had been in Columbus for a meeting and were returning home. -- Bruce Amundson, reports.

West Point: 10:00 - They are there.

Gulfport: Florence Jones called back to Tom Harris. No prospects of Young Democrats. Sam Walker would know more about youth politicians than Florence.

Greenw.- 10:10 - ~~At 9:40 talked to mobile unit two. Were in downtown Greenw.~~  
Ellis Jackson was in it. Bob Zellner saw Jackson in Blood's and said were going to Belzoni. Left there about 7:30. The last time were seen.

John Handy has a busted lip. He is a local Greenwood guy. Is 20. He was picked up...

Greenw. The Belzoni kids are found.. Had a nice drive in the country.

Cleveland: 10:40 talked with David Wolff about Freedom Day plans.

Greenw. John Handy statement: He was arrested at about 5:00 pm across from Ave. I and MacLaurin St. A police car with policeman Larry. came. Siad Larry was under arrest. Larry was standing alone. There was no singing at this time though there had been earlier. About 30 people around. John got into another car. Cop said to him " Nigger I ought to make you a pit of mine." While at the station 2 cops grapped both of John's arms and twisted them behind his back and kicked them each 3 times.

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Then they shoved his head into a concrete wall three times. Then they opened the door. His head was inside. One of them hit John on the mouth with a stick. They snatched at his goatee and shoved him into side door. They opened the door and then they kicked him and he fell forward into the cell. "Nigger get up off that floor." He asked for a doctor and was refused. They kicked him 7 times. So much so that his hemodies came down and then they closed the door.

Fred Harris arrested with John: He was also standing across from Henderson store on the corner of I and McLaurin. Chief Larry got out of the car and told him to move on. He left. Then the cops arrested John Handy. Then Fred went back to the store and was told by the police "don't move or you will be arrested." They waited for about 2 minutes and then arrested him. He was charged with disorderly conduct. At this point the bail for both Fred and John was \$50.00.

Bill Hodes: 6:00 pm - With the case of both Fred and John, this happened about against the background of their case. Both were involved in a group of young people who have been working around Henderson's store, owned by local policeman who dragged local woman on Freedom Day. Their activities have been to distribute STUDNET VOICE and to display pictures of the man dragging the woman. They had been doing this up  $\frac{1}{2}$  half an hour before the arrest. ---- Backg. on Bill Hodes. On Johnson Street have been doing FR work. Have been a series of incidents there - white harassment. Had been there from 11 and was now 6:00 pm.

William W. Hodes, summer vol. from NY was walking with a group of Negro st. on Johnson St. in Greenw. All except Bill yelled at the car who had been harassing them before during the day. About 30 seconds later the police came and got out. A white man said "He is the agitator. I will be a witness." They arrested him; twisted his arms; ran him across the street and threw him in the police car across the seat. He was hit in the ribs by a policeman. They pulled hair out of his arms, pulled of SNNC button and jabbed him in the leg. When got to the station he was pushed up closed door, pushed vs desk, feet stomped on and pushed and kicked into the cell. About 20 minutes later, 2 local people came up to the cell/ Door was opened. Cop said is this the one. The cop said no. and they closed the door. --- 15 more minutes the FBI came and asked him if he were brutally beaten. He asked to make a phone call and he was kicked (this apparently was later, assuming it is after the FBI left...) --- When office called in found the bail was \$50.00 for Fred and John and \$100 for Bill. -- George Johnson and Betty Garmen asked to bail them out and found that the bail was \$200.00 a piece. Asked to see Police Chief told; he was busy at a meeting. --- Were told by Simpson, who was sitting at desk, they could go if didn't like it. There were hordes of cops around. After Simpson's remark a cop said 'do you want them to leave and Simpson said yes. --- 4 policemen then came up to George and pushed him out of the office. Picked him up and pushed him down the steps. At the bottom of the steps George asked if Betty was coming she said yes and cop said if she hurries - and then a civilian holding a baby pushed Betty. They came back, got the money and they bailed them out!!

John Handy looks bad.

10:00 this evening. James Glover and Cleveland Anderson were on Johnson st. at 8:00 pm. and a station wagon gray with red streaks and a blue Falcon behind it, was coming toward Negro section of town and passed them. The Falcon stopped and a shot was fired from that car. Two shots - one to the trees, where other went unknown. All the men in car had sticks in hands. Ran into theater when shots fired. Car continued on. When this happened the other VR people were not around. Reported to local police and the local FBI office at 11:00 pm tonight.



McComb: Play went well. Had 75 local people. Had own 25 staff people. Packed house! Out on the lawn. Was on a rough piece of cement. No goofs at all. A train went lthrough the second act. Correction: no correction. It Whistled etc. --About 60 of the audience were freedom school kids. People listened very attentively. ---Played bet. the two house. It was sprinkling during the performance. People protected but not players.

Stribling

Holly Springs: 11:50 Cleve. Wanted to talk to Sherwin.