

Jackson 8:20: Money at Western Union for Glenda VanGelo, Ruandolf Glenn and Walter Harriss

Meridian: Lee Garrett: Ralph Featherstone: What about his check and package in McComb? Could you forward it? Also mail for Irad Valentine and Rich Reemeyr Lee doesn't have books Before the Mayflower and Pictorial Hist. of the Negro Yet.  
McComb

Meridian 8:35: Gave note to Lee Garrett.  
Don't know anything about sholting.

News release: In proearation for the first south west Miss. Freedom Day today, a meeting was held in McComb St. Paul's Missionary Chruch last night. This is the first church chich has opened its doors to MCComb Freedom Movement. In Spite of harassment, raids, and intimidation all day over 200 persons turned our to the meeting. Folk singer Len Chandler and Freedom Singer Cordell R<sup>E</sup>gan opened the meeting with singing. Testimonies were offered by members of the audience. Roy Lee, who was imprisoned the night of the last bombing, and who was released last evening, described what had happenend to him. Others, including delegated to the Freedom Dem. Convention in Jackson, spoke of the importance of the vote. The main speaker wzas project director Curix Hayes, a native of the Mc Comb area. He put the situation bluntly and demanded a choice//1 from each present.

The meeting was a good success both in numbers and in spirit. This is especially the case in light of continued recent intimidation. Plans for the Freedom Day were explained and people sighed up for today.

Plans for the Freedom day continue apace. Four cars will make runs all day between the Freedom House in McComb and the court House in Magnolia. 5 persons including 3 ministers will be stationed at the court house itself. In the

Vicksburg: Wayne Anderson-- Last night a bottle was hurled through the window of a barber shop owned by Eddie Thomas, one of the delegates ~~to~~ from Warren county. Police investigated.

Shaw: Group of students want to go down to the local library to integrate it. Can't hold the kids back. John should understand because he knows the kids. Want to be sure that John knows about this. Will get in touch with you as soon as you come back. Grace Morton is sorry but she doesn't see any thing that she can do.

McComb: Lee Garrett-- 11:25-- At 10:30 this morning, the first three people quietly entered the court house to register to vote. The chief of police of McComb said that there would be no trouble as long as there are no demonstrations and only three people go down to the court house at one time. Newspapermen, FBI and ~~state~~ helmeted police are on the scene. an officail ( city they belive) is taking pictures of everyone who going into the court house. The block around the court house has been blocked off, giving the worker free use of the street .

At 10:45 a green and white truck ~~no~~, no license, three or four men, two on the rear, began to follow a car driven by Marshall Ganz on his way to McComb from Magnolia. When Marshall stopped for a red light, one of the men jumped off the truck and started running toward the car. Marshall saw him in the mirror and took off fast. The truck then follow them all the way to the freedom house and throw a bottle that narrowly missed Pat Walker. Chief Guy was called and told of the incident. He said that when ever anything else happend, please let him know. Gen  
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Ruleville: Ericka Munk--12:15--Last night the theater group performed in Indianola. 25 members of the white community came to the performance. They were well-dressed quiet men. Looked like small business men, clerks, etc. They were very attentive. They also bought about 42 policemen with them. The police came up first and told the group that ~~there~~ there were 25 whitemen who wanted to see the play and could they come in.

The men came and all set in one section very close together. The place was very crowded.

Cynthia Washington, one of the members of the theater, kept a very close watch on the expression of the men during the performance. She said that at certain times during the preformance, the men were very moved, esp. during the Little Rock Scene.

During intermission, Ericka talked with one of the men. He sid a lot of nice things about the plays and their performance. He sais tht they came just out of curiosity.

The presence of the white men had a good effect on the players. This was the bes performance they have given yet.

Indianola is the birth place of the white citizen council.

Gulfport: Ellen Lake-1:00-- The man who ~~#####~~ beat Steve Miller yesterday was arrested by the police. The man is James Robert Thomas of Gulfport. He was charged with assault and released on \$200 bond. The reason he was only charged with assault is because Charles Wheller swore out a warrant, and he had only taken a swing at Charles. When Steve gets out of the hospital, he will ~~###~~ also swear out a warrant. Steve will be in the hospital until Thursday. He can't have any visitor and is still suffering from amnesia.

Natchez: Metcalf-- Saturday night a bomb was found underneath the # Blue Moon bar. The bomb was a 5 gallon can of gasoline. The bar belongs to Jake Fisher. Fisher's brother's place was bombed in Louisiana over the weekend.

Meridian: No project director now. No one there in authority. Needs some one to make decisions.. Two kids are going around collecting money to go to Atlantic City for the convention (Young Democrats~~##~~). Rudy should call Mark Levy about this. Tom Harris should call about these kids also because he is the one who talked to them.

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Yazoo City 2:30: TJ and a girl (Negro ) went into the library without incident today. They were told they couldn't take out books until their cards were approved, but they did file application for cards. The police talked with them for awhile and were as "genial " as can be expected. They talked later with T.J.'s mother.

Clarksdale 3PM: Call Ruleville and tell them theater group arrived. No such person as Waborn (L.H.) who was supposed to be a delegate.

McComb: Lee Garrett- 3:45-- 26 people now going to court house. 12 have been through the process and are back home. Tell Mendy to call.

Philadelphia: Ralph Featherstone: 4:10--Saturday night at 10:55 a car pulled up across the street from the office. Two white men sat there for 5 minutes. the driver of the car pulled out a single barrel shot gun and pointed it at them. They then left and came back and sat there for a few minutes and then left again.

Ralph and Walter ~~#####~~ Kaufman went to the DA's office to swear out a warrant. The DA put in the affidavit the Ralph was a COFO worker who made \$9.64 a week, lives off the people in the community, and has no other visible mean of support. Ralph would ~~##~~ not sign the affidavit. Kaufman signed one and they are now waiting to see if any action will be taken. They know the name of the man who pulled the gun.

Sunday night rumor was started that the office and the motel across the street would be bombed. ~~#####~~ The motel is where the workers eat.

Last night the rurom was even stronger. The lady at the motel was threaten. She told the workers that she couldn't feed them anymore. The rurom was really strong. The FBI and the local police were notified. The FBI kept watch on the office all night. The local police didn't do anything.

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Philadelphia con't: This morning Deputy Price, the man who arrested Chaney, Goodman and Schwerner came by the office shooting films of all the workers. He came by three times. He has also been talking with the local Negroes trying to find out what is happening.

Today a local Negro who is extremely fair and could really be mistaken for a white person went into a store with a Negro girl and was beaten by a white person. The workers believe that he was mistaken for one of the white workers. The guy ~~is~~ is really scared. He came by the COFO office after coming from the doctor. He wouldn't let the workers call the local police. The FBI were notified. One of the agents was very hostile. They questioned him for about an hour.

Greenwood: Willie Blue--4:50-- Jake McGee was arrested this morning for a traffic violation. Mrs. McGee went to jail to see about getting him out. The desk sergeant hit Mrs. McGee in the chest and she hit back in the nose. The police went for his gun. George Greene and Ed Rudd held the policeman's hand. Another police came out and cooled the guy off.

Greenwood believes that there is a warrant out for Mrs. McGee's arrest.

Jake was fine \$100. He is out now.

Jake was fined for impersonating another person and having no driver license. Warrant is out for Mrs. McGee for assaulting a police officer. ~~DO NOT~~ DON'T GIVE THIS TO THE ~~NEWS~~ YET UNTIL SHE ARRESTED.

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Greenwood :6PM: Delegates of FDP on way to Jackson

'63 Fairland Ford, lt. blue on bottom, white on top, NB 1397 Leflore, 2 white men and big dog passed them. Mary Lane was getting in back of car. Brown was driving. Pulled off from side of road and on way tried to pass blue.

Saw man had pistol pointing out window and saw it as were just about to pass.

Brown stopped just in time, put on breaks and fell behind car. Car continued and turned off on left down dirt road. They came back to Greenwood and reported and must wait on FBI there.

Please notify people Mary was going to N.Y. iwth they should go ahead without her

Atlanta 6:15: Theater group get in touch with Atlanta. They want you to play there.

McComb 6:30; busy

McComb 6:45: Lee Garrett: Freedom Day is over. Had 32 at court house. Those

who couldn't go today will go in the next week, Voter registration drive went well. Police were cooperative more than expected. One minor incident and one chase incident. ~~isnt xps~~ Local radio reported that only 6 had gotten in by noon, insinuating that only 6 went at all. AP report said that only a few got in, because of the interminable process of slow admittance. 25 got in, however, in total. 2 legitimately disqualified and the rest took the test. Photographer reported sheriff said "I hope they'll be happy when they receive their search warrant" (referring to those who took the test).

McComb: 9:30:

Call Sandy Leigh: Bob Stone came to McComb. That eve. at Bob's request Sandy asked for McComb volunteers for Aug. 21 thru Sept. 1 and for Sandy then to contact Mendy or Curtie Hayes or Bob Stone. They have heard nothing and must. Tell him: How many coming, what kind are they? They will take what ever available. If there are those who will come permanently very good. No white women. Only volunteers. McComb must have full staff during the convention.

Rachel Brown: Call David Gerber.

Cleveland 9:45: Lois checked back.

Two volunteers should come back independently: Larry Archibald should come back by bus. John McAuliffe come back some how.

Batesville 9:55: busy

Shaw cont. 10:PM: ....the one room building by the librarian and county librarian, the students: James Johnson Jr., Eddie Shrot, Willy Wright checked out a recent novel, and books on sports, radio and electronics. After 20 minutes James Johnson left the library followed by 4 police men. 10 minutes later, the others left with 2 volunteers: Mel Sahnspock, Grace Morton followed by more police sheffiff Caps, another group of police and a number of bystanders watched, were appalled and confused.

Freedom Reg. Forms? Should they be sent to Jackson after tomorrow?

Batesville 10PM: busy

Biloxi Kitty Kat: Al Versin 10:10: Complaint has to be filed about tonight's accident to Highway safety Dept.

Batesville 10:30: Doug Sorenson driving, correction. Our car damaged quite badly. Don't know about theirs.

Kathy must talk with Claude Weaver, Emmie and Casey.  
Photograph with some clother from Minnesota sent to Jackson by mistake. Send to Batesville.

SNCC in Atlanta: Willy Blue must be found and sent to Albany tonight. Call Atlanta first.

Biloxi 11:05: Bob Williams coming in tomorrow morning instead of tonight from Bil.

Meridian: 11:00PM: Preston Ponder must pick up these three people or get in touch with the Meridian office. ~~EX~~ Otis Milsaps, Macy Hardaway, M. L. Kirdland. They are to be advised that the bus leaves for Atl. City at 10:00PM: tomorrow night. Call Tougaloo.

Vicksburg: 11:20PM: We called them and they report that no one had called from there (Vicks.)  
NOTE TO WATS OPERATOR: MAKE SURE YOU KNOW WHO IS GIVING JOHN CALLS WHEN YOU TAKE THEM  
TRY TO HEAR THEIR VOICE.

Batesville: 11:00PM: Rev. Middleton to an Oxford specialist in Lafayette county. Have Jim Foreman call Mr. Wasburn in Memphis at the Plymouth place and ask that they give an honest appraisal.

Greenville: 11:50PM: Larry Brenton and Bob Dolgoff will be coming into Jackson tomorrow on the 5:00 AM bus. They will be going to Tougaloo.