Jackson: 1:50:11: The two lawyers who were in HCCoab are back—Neil Tenon and Frank Jones.

Jackson: 1:50:11: Will Henry Rogers come in and tells us that Jimmy Shmak has been arrested. The two of them were in the car when arrested by accident division police for reckless driving, speeding, bad brakes, running a red light, (which Will says he didn’t), and not having a drivers license. Now in the Hinds Co. Jail.

BREAKER

Jackson: 1:50:11: Roselary Freedman 8:15-- The neighbors report this morning that last night the cops were shooting over and around the office. The workers said that they heard some shots, but didn’t pay to much attention to them. Robert Bass has gone out to get full story from the neighbors.

Koss Point: 9:25-- Two arrest last night.
Robert Smith, local volunteer, ran over a stop HING sign. He was charged with reckless driving and destroying public property. His bond was set at $200.

Mr. C.H. Burton, local Negro who works with CCEO was arrested for assault with the intent to do bodily harm. He was in his car and backed the car a few feet away from some white people. They shouted that he came at them with a butcher knife. The charge is a felony, so the bond won’t be set until Monday.

They: Both Smith and Burton are in the Pascagola City Jail. The LCDC lawyers are on the case.

Jackson: 1:50:11: Fred Brown 11:10: Mrs. Essie flea, local Negro woman, reported to the worker this morning that at about 2:25 am a car load of city police men drove up in front of the freedom house. They got out of the car and stood in front of Mrs. Lee’s house, (She lives next door to the freedom house,), and shot several shots at the house. Mrs. Lee identified the guns as 22 rifles.
The police then left the in front of the house and went around to the back and fired more shots.
At the time of the shooting, there were seven voter registration workers in the house asleep. They heard the noise, but thought that it was just rocks being thrown at the house.
The freedom house is outside the city limits, and city police has no authority.

Lilliesburg: Joyce Brown; 11:20-- Called the attorneys concerning the Hilton H Hancock and Charles Glenn cases. The attorney for both of them is Ben Smith. Trials will be held on August 21, before Judge Cox.

Two cross burnings near Lilliesburg.
A cross was burned in Petal, Miss., a few miles from Lilliesburg at between 9:35 and 9:45 at the foot of a bridge. This was reported to the office by Rev. Cameron.
Ruleville: Gerry Tecklin - 3:15 -- At 7:30 last night, Len Edwards, Gerry Tecklin and John Edmond, LCDC lawyer, met with the Board of Aldermen and the City Attorney, Townsend, of Drew with regards to the ordinance that was passed on August 14, stating that white civil right workers found in Negro neighborhoods after dark will be arrested.

Townsend: A suit had been bought in Federal court and Judge Clayton advised the workers to meet the Board of Aldermen and try to reach an agreement.

He expressed his opinion that the proclamation was unconstitutional, but declined to rule on the matter.

At the meeting, Townsend announced that the Board of Aldermen had decided to recommend that the mayor resend his odious proclamation.

COFO workers are planning to move into Drew with a freedom schools and voter registration drive.

Canton: Maryann Shapenko 3:00 p.m. -- At 5:30 p.m. this evening James Anderson, a local person, head of the student union in Canton, went into the Necca Cafe, an all-white cafe, and asked to be served. He ordered two hamburgers and a drink. A young man who was cleaning up with a broom (a white) brandished the broom over his head but did not hit him. The manager then told him he could not be served.

He said that if James went to the back door he would serve him, but not otherwise. James said he wished to be served now. He was again refused and so then left. An affidavit is being prepared on this and will be sent to M. Wright. A witness was Roosevelt Thomas.

Indianola: George Witter 9:30 p.m. -- They say that the trial has been set for Monday morning at 10:00 a.m. George said that there is indication that the trial time might be set earlier. He said that the lawyers should definitely get there well ahead of time to speak to those involved. They have pretty complete info.

Jackson: at around 9:30 p.m. this evening Clarence Bracey was walking about a block from here -- he was walking alone when he heard people behind him. He looked back and promptly got slapped hard across the mouth by a negro cop. There were two of them. The one who hit him he would recognize, he is tall, big, dark, and has a big mouth. After he hit Clarence he asked him why he had looked back. Clarence did no really answer. The cop tried to hit him again but Clarence dodged. Clarence had has a bruised mouth - bruised mostly on the inside. I said we'd inform legal about this incident.

Laurel: 9:30 p.m. Gwen Robinson. A local person has heard from three different people that there may be bombings at several specific houses there tonight. They have been holding block captain meetings. They have notified the FBI who
Laurel cont'd. in turn had notified the police. Earlier this evening around one of the houses mentioned for a possible bombing, several carloads of whites circled around and threw rocks. The local people were in the house. No damage was done. The FBI has been informed about this too. As the line is tapped no further information was given to us.

McComb: Ira Landis. John O'Neill and J. Stewart are staying at Steptoe's house tonight. They plan to return to Jackson in the morning. We should look out for them...

Laurel: Called again from here in Jackson at 11:00 p.m. per agreement. No new news.

Shaw: Mary Galatli. 11:10 p.m. They called this afternoon to ask say that they need mimeograph supplies—paper and stencils—they are down to 200 sheets, they need negro history books and would especially like "Before the Mayflower." They also need a car. Their one and only car which belongs to a minister is leaving in two days. And they are 13 miles away from the courthouse.

Greenwood: Ed Dubinski. General message. Stokely's radio was stolen and he needs a new one. (12:30 a.m.)

Canton: 1:00 a.m. Sears Buckley Jr. The mother of Jo Lee Watts and Co C. Chinn came to the office tonight about half an hour ago to say that they understand that Jo Lee Watts has been transferred from the County jail. No one knows where he is. Jo Lee had been arrested on charges of having been involved in the church burning at Gluckstadt. Jo Lee together with Sears, Jim C. and Mark Leper had gone to the church to investigate the burning. There they had spoken to the caretaker of the church. When they said they were there to investigate the burning he interpreted—or rather said later to the police that they had said they were there to investigate the church which he had burned. Jo Lee he was. This person gave the police the names of the whole group who was there, but only Jo Lee was picked up. The Canton people are very worried for Jo Lee's safety.

Jackson re Canton: 1:18 p.m. George Keys of the FBI called to say he was about to call Canton on this.

Meridian: 12:45 p.m. Michael Churchill. Jo Morse, a white volunteer was arrested tonight. He was going into the Plantation Club on Old Rte. 80 West together with Mrs. Chaney and four other negroes. Three constables were killing in a car and when they saw this integrated group going into a negro club they arrested Jo. He is now being held in Lauderdale County Jail for investigation. No charges. No bond. The sherriff's office has said that visitors would see Jo at 2:00 p.m. tomorrow—rather today, Sunday. If a lawyer would be there they could see him at 8:30 a.m. Michael asked if he, a law student would be able to see Jo at 8:30. The sherriff's office said they didn't know.

Canton: 1:30 a.m. Mary Ann Shapenko. The story above is not quite accurate. What happened was that Jo Lee's mother and Mrs. Chinn went over to Jo Lee Watts wife's home. They told her that Jake a cousin of Jo Lee's, saw "them" take Jo Lee from the County Jail at 12:00 a.m. We don't know who "them" is. The chief of police has said that he has no connection with the sherriff's office. The sherriff's office has not yet been called.
Canton, cont'd. According to Kelly Ann, when she called the FBI they and asked whether they would call back on results, they said "hell no", and something like "you see we can't give you the results of our investigation—if we happen to investigate. But if anything happens you will probably hear about it."

Canton: 2:00 a.m. The latest from Canton. Bill Light called the Jailer this morning. He spoke with both Mrs. and Mr. Thompson. Mrs. Thompson said, "He's here. He's absolutely alright. There is nothing wrong with him." Mr. Thompson said, "If I ever heard of a bunch of communists, this is one." He also said that there would be a hearing on Monday.

Canton: Bill Light called Canton and spoke to Sears Buckley. Sears has said that he has learned that Herbie Evans brought Joe Lee back to the jail. Presumably Jake observed this. But details are unclear. Evans is a local constable.

2:10 a.m. Michael Churchill.

Horidian: We have given them the message that Bill Robinson will be in early in the morning to Jo Horse in Jail. No lawyer can possibly be there in 2:30 a.m. Michael reported a shooting. It occurred at 1:30 a.m. at a house on 4404 Main Paulding Street where white staff members Freeman Cocrift and David Griffiths are staying. Freeman is well known, has been there all summer and is the head of the community center. He was sleeping in a second floor room when four paces on the windows were shattered by bullets. No have been dug from the ceiling and there may be more bullets. Kind not clear. Only Freeman was in that particular room. Horidian is planning to call the police. They have tried the FBI but none has answered. No one hurt, just the windows broken. Freeman did not hear anything. JJ.

2:15 a.m. Jackson FBI: Agent Keyes. They don't know anything more. His entire investigation seems to consist of trying to get hold of Jake, the guy who reported that Joe Led had been taken out of the jail. He is having the Canton office try to get Jake so the FBI can talk to him. He says he also called the sheriff, with the same results I had when I called him and said Sheriff, his wife answered and saying the sheriff is not in, can't be reached... He said he had not called the jail, because they never give us any information anyway." I told him what Thompson had told me. He said," Well, I guess that's it— if they said he was there it must be true." I indicated that I was not so satisfied and that I didn't think that the investigation was over. I asked him three times to continue to try to get the sheriff and have him tell me what we wanted to hear, but he was steadfast in saying he would not do so, and that as far as he was concerned, that was the end of the whole matter. He has not have me a smoothing over, telling me how much he sympathized, and in some how he understood how concerned we were, and that he had every right to be concerned after what happened in Philadelphia and all,

Horidian: Churchill: 3:25: Two investigators from Horidian police have been there. A shotgun was fired at a room in which white staff member Freeman Cocrift was staying, 4404 Paulding St. White worker David Griffiths also stays at that house. A shot gun blast broke 12 panes in the window. Shot has been recovered from inside the house. The cops reported that 3 cars drove away as they drove up. Landlord also reported that he had seen a white Chevy pulling around the house. Driving past the house earlier this evening. (Freeman has had trouble with an identified man who drives a white Chevy.) Police have stationed a car in the neighbor hood, their suggestion!!. Freeman says they are very cooperative. Occurred at 1:30 a.m. Aslo found a screen with a large hole in it on another window next to it. This window was broken, but only the outside window (the interior window was up.) Looks like either the wadding fell or somebody gone up to...