

Jackson 3:35 am, The WATS line just rang, WHILE I WAS TALKING ON IT, about ten times and then stopped.

Jackson: 3:40 am, I reported the Meridian shooting to Agent Keyes, (nobody else was there.) He appeared to take it all down, and was his usual jovial self.

McComb: 3:50: Sepus: A lot of auto activity. At least 4 unmarked (unofficial cars), especially a blue 56 Olds, haven't the tags numbers. It has ft stoopped several times and conversed with a city police car. There are two city cop cars, and one unmarked county car, in addition to the other cars. The olds doesn't want us to get a good look at it. When we tried to shine a flashlight on it, it backed up for a block and went around a corner. The blue olds has (fifteen minutes ago), parked two houses up, on Wall street, facing south. and was hust sitting there with lights out, motor running. Then we shined the flashlight and he cut out. backwards. FBI has been alerted. Don't see weapons, civilians, excepting the official cars. They wfive by very slowly, peering at the house, a lot of hornblowing, and just ~~fx~~ after, there seemed to be an accumulation of cars just over the RR tracks. The cars are going around the block. This all started about 12:30, continuous since then.

Sepus says that they tried to reach us a few minutes ago but there was no answer. Greenwood phone on 9788 to ell me to call McComb, and they also reported that they had tried to reach us ~~by their~~ but there was no answer, although the phone appeared from their end to be ringing. I know, however that the phones did not ring in this ~~fx~~ office. I reported this and the business with the WATS line to The chief operator, Miss Morris.

McComb: 4:30 am: Cephus: We haven't seen anything since last call.

McComb: 5:04 am: Cephus: Joe Martin was sitting outside on what watch, when one of the marked cop cars, containg three cops, stopped to ~~talk~~ talk to him. The drive asked joe if he had seen a white 51 ford. Joe answered no. Then the cop said, be on the lookout for this car, and if yousee it, get in touch with us. Then they drove off. When they pulled up, Joe was eating a bowl of ice cream, and they thought it was a gun, and asked him about it. They have also drivine by one other time since the last call.

McComb: 5:35: nothing new.

Jackson: 6:23am: Jimmy Wilcox and Roosevelt Yarn have been raising hell all night. Several times I asked them to leave. They refused. A number of times they were threatening each other with coke bottles and baseball bats. Twice I took the weapons from them. I finally got them outside and locked the door. The thing finally became a ~~big fight~~ actual fight, and immediately the cops swooped down and arrested them both. I ~~sim~~ strongly suggest that they be left in jail and serve out their sentences. There are 63,000 names in our files that the cops would love to find an excuse to come in and take. Yarn is 18 years old. Bob Moses could be busted on a contributing charge just because the cat is around here allnight. He has been giving me much headaches for over a week. The thing this morning was as much Wilcox's fault as Yarns. They can both go to hell as far as I am concerned.

McComb: Seephus Hugh-- 8:25--Mrs. Arlene Quinn's cafe was raided by the police last night. Mrs. Quinn, local Negro, usually cash checks for the workers. On some occasions she has housed the workers. Seephus spoke to her yesterday about the possibility of the police raiding her place. She said that there was nothing there. The police claimed that they found some liquor. Evidently, the claim was false. The police tried to carry her to jail, but she managed to get \$300 bail money.

Meridian: Mike Churchill-- 9:10-- Mike went down to the jail to try and see Joe Morse. The jailer wouldn't let him see him because he wasn't a lawyer. Said that they could hold him for 72 hours.

McComb: Percy McGhee-- 9:35-- Lawyer is needed for Mrs. Quinn's case. Her trial is tomorrow morning at 7:30.

Clarksdale: Zora Zema- 10:05--The city engineer ~~came~~ ^{and} to the freedom for the fourth time yesterday. The first time he came, he came with the chief of police and the meter reader// who had been threatening Lafayette. He wanted to know if anyone was sleeping in the office. He said that this was against the law. Made the workers get a window for the bathroom. The second time he came to the community center during one of the meetings. asked if he could sit in. He was told that it was alright with the workers. Left when they started singing freedom songs. The third time he came to the community center and told them that if they didn't clean up the front of the place, they would be arrested. He came again yesterday to the freedom house and told Zoya "Look at that mess out front". He told her if it wasn't cleaned up, she would be arrested. He then called for the sanitation man. The man came and said that he didn't know why he was called. He gave them the name of the city engineer. His name is Bobby Miller. The sanitation man's name is L.W. Denluy.

Hattiesburg: Joyce Brown-- 11:20-- Another cross burned last night. It was found on highway 49, near the place where the one was burned ~~the~~ night before last.

Meridian: 8:40-- Joe Morse was released from jail at about 10 this morning. There were no charges against him. Wants to know from legal if some type of action can be taken for false arrest,

Ruleville: Gerry Tecklin-- 12:00-- This morning, Rev. Leonard Tinker, Methodist minister with COFO, along with his wife, was turned away from the Ruleville Methodist Church where they had gone to worship. They were stopped at the door by ~~by~~ ^{by} several of the leading laymen of the church. After conferring with them, the ~~mi~~ ^{mi} were asked to leave. Mayor Charles Dourrough, leading layman of the church, informed the couple that ~~the~~ their disturbance can be remedied by a city ordinance. Dourrough called

Belzoni: check radio workers, arrived safely. ~~12:25 PM~~. 1:25 PM.

Clarksdale: Doc. wants Bob Moses to contact immediately.

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Mayor Charles Dourrough, leading laymen of the church, informed the couple that their disturbance can be remedied by a city ordinance. Dourrough called the police to the church. ~~and~~ Mrs. Tinker was arrested in the church and removed forcibly by the policeman. The mayor ~~that~~ ordered that she be released if a pledge not to come back was ~~made~~. The police than released her in the custody of her husband, but no pledge was ~~signed~~ made.

~~for~~ Rev. Tinker's request to speak with the minister of the church, Rev. E.S. Spencer was brushed off by Mayor and fellow laymen with "This is our church, we just hire the minister." Both Mr. & Mrs. Tinker were called communists and informed "this is our God, this is our church. Your church is on the other side of town with the Negroes."

Mrs. Tinker graduated from Scarritt College for Christain Workers attending there on a Southern Methodist Women Scholarship. She was raised in South Texas.

Mr. Tinker recalls that ~~in~~ four years ago at a church convention in Denver, Colorado, Judge Scatterford of Yazoo, a guilding light of the White Citizen's Council in Mississippi, had invited the ministerial group to come down to Mississippi to see how things are for themselves.

Clarksdale: 1:05-- Two new workers: Ron Glick and Steve Goldschmidt. More staff is needed this week.

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STARKVILLE: Rev. Amos Rice was arrested today as crossing main street, They say he threatened the man at he billup, servis station that he would blow the town up. His bonds set for \$500. Dillups station is on #12 highway between Nelson an Vine St.. Rice say he went to buy cigs. They asked if he was in the movement, Rice says yes. The man said you better get out of town and pushed him, Rice said you dont hav to push me I am going. He pushed Rice again, then this same man called police. The p police refused to tall charge.

BOBBY SPENCER: We need more people to work because three people are leaving,

CHICKMOSS: This morning a 70 yr. old color woman was threatened that the people who had stop shopping at ICES would not live, so she want CCC workers to stay with her, so they will start tonight. She say that someone was around her house this morning between land 2 1/2. Another color woman relayed this threat to her.

Canton : Mary Saponko: Frank Woyl will go to Canton for the Joe Lee Watts trial tomorrow. Tue they are attempting to integrate the white schools. Change Mary's bail reference from her unel to William Messing, 17 E. 49th, New York 17 New York, 214 -pL 11760 Yesterday a man came in who was supposed to be a witness but it was delivered to the wrong man --- nothing can be done against him. Valley View found the remains of a b home made bomb this afternoon .It must have been thrown last night. They willl bring in the remain to the canton office.

ESLON: Jessie Allen alocal negro was beaten by police. Saturday August 29, 11:50 PM The police

Tallahatchie County - First report from Atlanta at 9:40 Miss. time saying that the Greenwood office had received word from Web, Miss. that there were armed whites in Tallahatchie. Greenwood (Janet Jamotte): Tango radio base. Margaret Block apparently driven to Web, Miss., about 30 miles from Tango base, don't know by whom. From Web she called Greenwood and reported that two truckloads of armed whites had been seen in Tango, also seen were some on foot; that she had to get out of Tango. She then hung up. As it stood then when she said they were surrounded it was not clear whether she was talking about Web or Tango. They contacted to Jackson FBI, Gwd FBI does not answer. Then talked to sheriff's wife in Charleston, and also talked to Danziger at the JD. Margaret is back in Tango, Mary Lane says, but she is still expecting trouble, she's safe. - king -

Belzoni - ~~Robert Bannerson in from Belzoni this zone~~ Belzoni calling in on ~~radio~~ a John Smith emergency to Greenwood. Two people left Jackson at 6pm and have not arrived. Info from Jesse and Bolton indicates we should wait longer since they may not have left on the dot. hold off on this mk

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Margaret was not in any difficulty in Web, had gone there to make the call re Tango. What probably happened was that they saw the whites, drove thirty miles from Tango, made call, and hung up too fast. They are expecting trouble. All authorities have been contacted. Sheriff's wife (Sheriff Dogan) told Janet she had been contacted by FBI and her husband was investigating. ~~There are only two people~~ The only people in law enforcement in Charleston are the sheriff, a couple of deputies - one not in the area the wife says, and the other covering the lower half of the county. mk Highway patrol was not contacted by Greenwood, they will do that now, in Greenwood. Radio into Tango has been jammed. The only listing for lawmen in the county was Sheriff Dogan on hand with the FBI. Note: no answer at Greenwood FBI, they are supposed to be open till midnight every weekday. Memphis FBI has ~~been called~~ not been called. Margaret Block is the only staff in the county. Radio is done thru Ruleville to Tango

Hattiesburg: 10:30 Doug Smith was arrested at 9th. Accused of running 4 stop signs, only charged with one. Posted bond of \$4.50. Will have to appear in court Thurs..

Ruleville - Radio is broken. we called Indianola to ask them to stay on all night since they can raise Tango from Indianola.

Greenwood The Ruleville radio is not broken.

Canton--did WAF's line know that Houston Howard had been arrested for reckless driving at 5:20 PM--line set \$4.00, George Raymond took money down. Raymond could not find judge or sheriff. 6:20--Housgon still in jail. James Bennett, local Negro with COFC, arrested. COFC has no idea when or why. His car is in front of the county jail (Campbell Parking Lot) and he is in jail. Wrecking Service.

Maryann Shepente called jail, said she'd like to inquire...and the man hung up.. can't find anyone who will say why Bennett is in jail. Eric Orr, a COFC worker, went to inquire personally. Jailer refused to cooperate, said we'd have to ask the sheriff (who has conveniently disappeared).. This is what usually happens.

Indianola--12:05--the car arrived.