

INCIDENT SUMMARY--JANUARY 22

GREENWOOD: Negroes line up at the court house to register as 20 people picket in Freedom Day here. The registrar test applicants in groups of three.

Mixed testing teams are denied service in all downtown eating places in the Freedom Day desegregation effort.

HATTIESBURG: A local Negro, arrested for stealing, is beaten in jail and hospitalized. Negroes report overhearing detectives brag about how they "made him confess."

WINONA: COFO office under constant surveillance by teams of whites.

BELZONI: Four highschool students, active in civil rights, arrested. Police refuse information on charges.

ITTA BENA: COFO workers forced off the road by a white man in a pick-up truck.

GREENWOOD: Three Greenwood white men plead not guilty to a charge of conspiring to deny a Negro of his civil rights. The men are arraigned for allegedly having beaten Silas McGehee, a Greenwood civil rights worker. The judge agreed to consider a motion to dismiss the case.