

For WATS report

To Dinky from Jim, July 2, 11:45 pm. New York

James Forman, Executive Secretary SNCC, witnesses signing of civil rights bill.

Forman left Jackson this morning to attend a meeting of the Council of United Civil Rights Leadership in New York. As the meeting was about to begin at 3 pm, the Council received an invitation to attend the signing of the bill. They flew to Washington D.C. at 4:45 pm to attend the ceremony. Present to witness the event were: Randolph, M.L.King, Witney Young, Roy Wilkins, Dorothy Height, Burke Marshall, Katzenbach, Bobby Kennedy, Lee White, Louis Martin (Presidential aide) and Jim.

After the ceremony the group met with the President and there was a general discussion of the bill.

They then went back to New York and the Council meeting will resume tomorrow (Friday) morning at 9 am. As Jim has a TV show on Sunday, he will probably remain in N.Y. for the weekend.