Dear FSNNCC

Here I sit in Smith Grocery Store poll watching for the Freedom Vote. Ole Miss is something else - everything is upside down in this state. Last week they released 4 white men who confessed to bombing homes and churches & 2 days later, they arrested 14 COFO workers for running a "food handling" establishment without a permit. This charge was based on the fact that all the workers ate together, rotated cooking & serving in a restaurant, according to the McComb Sheriff. About 11:30 on the night they were arrested the Jackson office got a call from the Stanford Daily reporting that they had called the jail & the jailer said that Deyniss Sweeney (a white worker) had broken jail. We called the jail to verify story. They said it was true & that they had the blood-hounds after them. Because we knew Danny, we knew he wouldn't have broken jail and we were afraid
they were trying to set him up— that is shoot him up— while he was escaping. We began calling FBI, Justice Dept., Burke Marshall & John Doar at home & every white Congress man & official we knew. About 3:30 John Doar called back & said the escape story was untrue & the jails had perhaps fell harassed by people calling in about Dennis. Can you beat that, the sheriff in jail, people jails them & then feels "harassed" if you call to find out about the sneak— but that's Miss.

It's very strange to be in a state in which there is no one you can call if you're in trouble. Once they know your with the movement you can't step across the street without looking 10 times. The other evening 2 friends both whites were in a cafe, one drinking beer the other coffee (the coffee drinker doesn't drink at all). Two white cops walked in & arrested them for public drunkenness.
One of the teachers physics at Tongass College also set up the short-wave radios here. It was a little difficult but luckily we were able to get him out before his 8:30 class.

Well must say so-long now + return to "getting out the vote" write soon & let me know what's up in Wise. Also let me know which groups are supporting SNCC workers—I may be able to write to some personally + help from her Freedom.

Theresa

P.S. Messages
- Austin! I need the $30.00
- Theresa: hi— and send my maroon wool shirt
- FSNCC FREEDOM