

June 13, 1964

Meridian: Hickey Schwerner

By 12:35pm (Atlanta time) 35 people had been arrested while attempting to picket Woolworth, Kress and Newbury's in Meridian. The first group of 17 arrived at the stores at 9:30am and were arrested as they got out of their cars. They were not even able to take their picket signs out of the cars. The second group was arrested by 12:35. Their has been a boycott of ~~these~~ these schools for three weeks which has been fairly successful. Last week some people were arrested for 'talking on the streets' though they hadn't intended to picket at the time.

Attorney Larry Warren is in Meridian now and ~~will~~ will be working on the case. The 35 arrested will probably not be bonded out before the trial and the question of appeal bonds is still undecided. They may attempt to have the cases removed to federal court though there are no definite plans yet.

One 12 year old ~~girl~~ girl has been released. Among ~~those~~ those arrested only 10 ~~are~~ are adults. Schwerner has not gone down to the jail on the advise of Attorney Warren in order to avoid contributing charges.

Trial date is not yet known.

Selma: Benny Tucker

Last night at about 3am a white dodge station wagon, lic. # 304053, Seaboard County, drove by the Freedom House and the white occupants of the car threw acid at the car of Mr. Shamon, the man living upstairs in the Freedom House. Alvery Williams was walking toward the Freedom House at the time and though he was unseen by the ~~people~~ people in the white car, he saw them throw the acid. He said that their car was full of chemicals.

The ~~FBI~~ FBI man in the area, Dick Fry, was called, and he sent police over this morning to inspect the car. ~~When~~ When police Chief James Clark was called by ~~our~~ our staff people he told them that he couldn't come by because he was booking a drunk.

This morning they tried to sweep the acid out of the car (it was a dry acid) but were unable to because it burned their eyes and nose.

Last night there was a mass meeting in Selma. About 250 people attended and alot of policemen were there. There will be a other meeting on Monday.