

**HATTIESBURG, JUNE 29: SNCC STAFF WORKER, PETE STONER, ARRESTED**

White SNCC staff worker, Peter Stoner, 25, of ~~Chicago~~ <sup>Berlin, Penna.</sup>, was picked up by police about 3 PM and taken to the Forrest County Jail in Hattiesburg. He was arrested by Constable Humphrey of the 4th Beat.

Stoner was not informed of the charges against him until he reached the jail. He was charged with reckless driving and failure to give the proper signal.

No definite ~~HEARING~~ trial date has yet been set. A \$100 property bond has been required. The sheriff claims Stoner cannot be released between 7 PM and 7 AM. There are rumors to the effect that he is in jail with hostile white prisoners.

Stoner will be arraigned at 2 PM before Judge Hopstein tomorrow.

Stoner was just released on May 21 from a previous sentence served in the Hattiesburg jail. He was jailed February 5 on charges of resisting arrest, breach of the peace, ~~and~~ using profanity, and contempt of court.

Stoner was badly beaten by other white prisoners while he was being held in a Jackson jail awaiting a judgment by a Federal judge. Stoner was also beaten in the Hattiesburg jail.