

July 16Report to Ron by Howard Kirschbaum.....

Bowie, Fred, John, Charles, Linda, Mennie, Mary L., Nedra, and three local people Willie Reese, J.C. Riggs and Corn Allen left for Greenwood at 3:00a.m. Wed. morning, in two cars. Both cars stopped up a private driveway between Biloxi and Gulfport so that the lead car, driven by Reese, could exchange drivers. A highway patrol car drove by, circled and returned and stopped the cars after they had begun moving. The lead car was being driven by John now and the tail car was driven by J.C. Cop took the carloads to the Biloxi court house police station for illegal parking. Riggs and Reese were inside police station for 45 minutes while the others were still in the cars. Everyone was then told to come inside and be checked out. Reese was charged with: illegal parking, vagrancy (he had \$57), no inspection sticker, and no license tags (the last two are legitimate).

J.C. Riggs was charged with illegal parking and vagrancy. Bond was set at \$200 for Reese, cash; \$125 cash for Riggs. Trial was set for 4:00p.m. that day. The GCFs went to the Biloxi office to begin raising the bail. Property bonds were finally secured. Willie was released about 1:00p.m. and J.C. about 2:30p.m. Louis Stern, authorized to take the case, saw local lawyer Walker, came from New Orleans to try the case. Plea for continuance was denied appeal will be requested. \$100 bond increase for both defendants demanded..... GCFs went to get bond. Got it in Gulfport by 6:00p.m. But couldn't find the sheriff to sign the bond. Thus the two defendants had to spend the whole night in jail.....Charlie and Roger went to Biloxi this morning to clear things up.....