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U R G E N T 9/27/63 6-04 PM CST CCM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

Racial Matters

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.
REMOTELS TODAY.

NO ACTIVITIES OCCURRED IN DIRECT ACTION DEMONSTRATIONS,
WHICH ACCORDING TO SOURCES ARE BEING HANDLED BY SNCC UNDER
LEADERSHIP OF JAMES FORMAN, UNTIL ABOUT FOUR PM CST FIVE
PICKETS ARRESTED

Student Non Violent Co-ordinating Committee

CENTRAL STANDARD TIME

[REDACTED] NEGRO MALE

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JUVENILES. SOURCE STATES NEGRO MEETING SCHEDULED FOR EIGHT PM
CST TONIGHT AT EITHER BROWN-S CHAPEL AME CHURCH OR FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH. COVERAGE OF MEETING TO BE AFFORDED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES.
DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY HENDERSON ON SCENE AND COGNIZANT OF ALL
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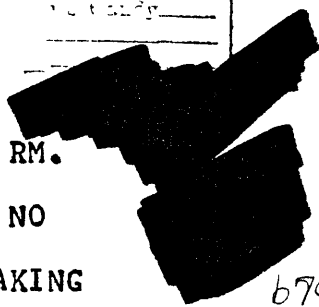
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U R G E N T 9-30-63 6-08 PM CST VFP
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

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RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.
NEGRO SOURCES CONTACTED TODAY SELMA, ALA., STATE NO
ACTIVITY PLANNED FOR TODAY DUE TO COURT PROCEEDINGS TAKING
PLACE DALLAS COUNTY COURT, SELMA. VOTE REGISTRATION MEETING
TO TAKE PLACE SEVEN THIRTY PM CST TONIGHT. PRINCIPAL SPEAKER
IDENTIFIED AS EMORY O. JACKSON, EDITOR OF QUOTE NEGRO WORLD
UNQUOTE, BIRMINGHAM, ALA. BUREAU AGENT S WILL COVER MEETING.



ONE CASE DISPOSED OF DALLAS COUNTY COURT TODAY, WILLARD COLUMBUS
GRAYSON, ARRESTED SEPT. TWENTYFOUR, SIXTY THREE, FOR QUOTE
UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLY UNQUOTE. HE WAS FOUND GUILTY, FINED ONE
HUNDRED DOLLARS AND COSTS, CASE APPEALED, APPEAL BOND SET AT
THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS, AND REMANDED TO JAIL IN LIEU OF BOND.

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NEXT TERM OF DALLAS COUNTY COURT SET FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER TWO,
SIXTYTHREE. SELMA RA IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CLAIMS WILL ADVISE WHEN FURTHER DIRECT ACTION
DEMONSTRATIONS TO TAKE PLACE AT SELMA.

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U R G E N T 9/28/63 5153/// 5-53 PM CST
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.
REMOTELS TODAY AND BUTEL TODAY.

NO DIRECT ACTION DEMONSTRATIONS OCCURRED TODAY AT SELMA, ALABAMA.
BROWN-S CHAPEL A M E CHURCH OPEN BUT NO RALLY OCCURRED. SMALL
GROUPS OF NEGROES OBSERVED ENTERING AND LEAVING CHURCH.

PICKETS ARRESTED AT DALLAS CO. ALABAMA COURTHOUSE YESTERDAY
PM IN JAIL AT SELMA. BOND SET AT FIVE HUNDRED POLLARS EACH.
BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF ANY AND ALL PERTINENT
DEVELOPMENTS.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

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RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. R M.
ATTORNEYS RUBEN CLARK CONNECTED WITH FIRM WILMER, CUTLER
AND PICKERING, TRANSPORTATION BUILDING, WASHINGTON, D. C. AND
JOHN MC KEE PRATT REPRESENTING COMMISSION ON RELIGION AND RACE
FOR NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES, FOUR SEVEN FIVE RIVERSIDE DRIVE,
NEW YORK CITY, PRESENTLY IN SELMA, ALA. ABOVE ATTORNEYS ACCOMPANIED
BY A REV. ARTHUR THOMAS. ATTORNEYS HELD MEETING WITH LOCAL
OFFICIALS AT SELMA REGARDING RACIAL SITUATION. THEY ADVISED
NEWSPERSONS THEY ARE MAKING INVESTIGATION OR ASSESSMENT OF RACE
RELATIONS IN SELMA AND DESIRE TO INSPECT DALLAS COUNTY JAIL, BOTH
ALA PRISON ROAD CAMPS, CAMP SELMA AND CAMDEN, ALA., WHERE NEGRO
DEMONSTRATORS PRESENTLY INCARCERATED. CLARK STATED TO NEWSPERSONS
HE WAS SENT TO SELMA, ALA., BY MEMBER OF WHITE HOUSE STAFF TO
FURNISH FIRST HAND REPORT OF SELMA SITUATION TO PRESIDENT.

BOTH STATE THEY MAY CONTACT COL. RICHARD AULT, CRAIG AFB,
SELMA, ALABAMA IN THEIR ASSESSMENT OF SITUATION.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *Alb*

DATE: 9-25-63

FROM : A. Rosen *R*

SUBJECT: ~~X~~ RACIAL SITUATION
SELMA, ALABAMA
RACIAL MATTERS - MOBILE

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Negro youths in Selma, Alabama, have been conducting sit-ins, picketing demonstrations and attending youth rallies since 9-16-63 under the leadership of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC). The youth rallies have been held at the First Baptist Church in Selma. Our Mobile Office has been observing this racial activity at the request of the Civil Rights Division.

On 9-24-63 an informant of the New York Office advised that Clarence Jones, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) attorney in New York had been informed that John Lewis, SNCC representative, and about 1,400 Negroes were surrounded in the First Baptist Church in Selma by local and state police and citizens summoned by the Sheriff, and further, that the minister of the church and Worth Long had already been dragged out of the church. It was indicated that telegrams concerning the situation were going to be sent to President Kennedy, the Attorney General and Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall.

Mr. John Murphy, Civil Rights Division, advised that the Department had received similar information from the NAACP in Washington on 9-24-63 and that Lewis claimed that 1,000 Negroes had been in the church since the night of 9-23-63, that the church was surrounded by State Troopers and deputized citizens and that Negroes were being prevented from leaving the church.

Information was previously received from the Mobile Office concerning the youth rally held at the First Baptist Church on the evening of 9-23-63 and Agents observed that the meeting ended at 11:00 p.m. (Central Standard Time) that date at which time all of those in attendance departed from the church. No violence occurred and the police who were at the scene did not interfere with their departure, although at the request of

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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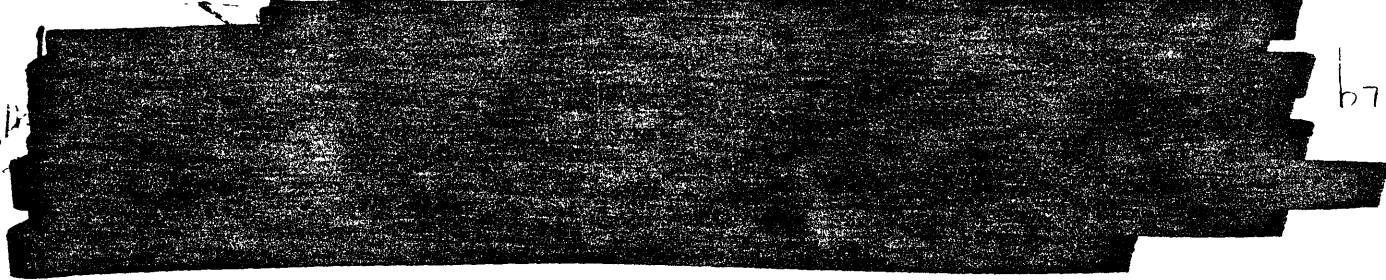
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RE: RACIAL SITUATION, SELMA, ALABAMA

Sheriff James Clark approximately 50 Alabama State Troopers drove around the church in caravan style in a show of force. The only other incident was the moving of about 200 of the Negroes from the main auditorium of the church to the basement by the Fire Department as a safety measure because of the overcrowding of the main auditorium well beyond its legal capacity of 350.

Another Negro youth rally was held at the church beginning at 8:00 a.m. 9-24-63 with approximately 400 Negroes in attendance. The majority of Negro youths involved are students at the R. B. Hudson High School in Selma. Approximately 20 law enforcement officers including city police, sheriff's deputies and Dallas County posse members were at the scene but there were no Alabama State Police on duty at the church. Bureau Agents observed that the Negroes were allowed to come and go as they desired from the church in small groups throughout the day.

STUDENT NONVIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE



Later in the afternoon, 600 to 700 Negro youths left the Hudson High School and proceeded in the direction of the First Baptist Church in groups. The members of one group of approximately 30 to 40 youths who were singing freedom songs were arrested by local police and charged with unlawful assembly. Shortly after, a group of 100 youths, who left the First Baptist Church and marched down the street, were stopped by local police. The youths knelt on the street and sang at which time they were placed under arrest and charged with parading without a permit. All of those arrested, a total of 139, were transported to jail in buses. Bureau Agents observed no incidents of brutality occurring in their presence in connection with the arrests.

The arrests of the Negro youths took place immediately adjacent to a Negro housing project and approximately 50 Alabama State Troopers arrived on the scene and notified all residents

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RE: RACIAL SITUATION, SELMA, ALABAMA

who were in their yards or on the sidewalks viewing the arrests to go into their homes. They forced Negroes off the streets into their residences.

The Negroes arrested, all of whom are juveniles, were taken to Camp Selma, a state prison road camp on the outskirts of Selma

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Youth activity at the church ceased at about 5:45 p.m. The only later activity at the church on the evening of 9-24-63 was a meeting of approximately 75 Negro adults. This meeting ended at 10:00 p.m. and no incidents or violence occurred.

ACTION

The Civil Rights Division has been advised of the above and the information will be forwarded in writing to Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall.

[Handwritten signatures and initials]

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U R G E N T 9-30-63 11-40 PM CST VFP
TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 1 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.

NEGRO VOTER REGISTRATION RALLY AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
TERMINATED ABOUT TEN THIRTY PM CST TONIGHT.

NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED WITH EXCEPTION/LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS
STATIONED INSIDE CHURCH WERE REQUESTED TO LEAVE CHURCH AT NINE TEN
PM CST AS NEGROES OBJECTED TO THEM RECORDING MEETING ON TAPE.

REPORTED TO SELMA SRA TELEPHONICALLY
AT APPROXIMATELY EIGHT THIRTY PM CST THAT HE OBJECTED TO LAW
ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS RECORDING LICENSE TAGS OUTSIDE OF CHURCH.
AT NINE PM CST HE REPORTED THAT HE OBJECTED TO OFFICERS TAPING
MEETING.

BUREAU AGENTS OBSERVERS ON SCENE. ATTENDENCE ESTIMATED FOUR
TO FIVE HUNDRED NEGROES, SEVENTY PERCENT TEENAGERS.

LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT COVERAGE OF MEETING HANDLED BY APPROXIMATELY
FIFTEEN SHERIFF- S DEPUTYS AND POSSE MEMBERS COMBINED, SIX SELMA
PD OFFICERS, ONE ALA. DPS INVESTIGATOR ON SCENE AND INSIDE MEETING
UNTIL ASKED TO LEAVE AT NINE TEN PM CST.

WHEN OFFICERS IN CHURCH ASKED TO LEAVE THEY LEFT CHURCH AND
SHERIFF CLARK ENTERED CHRCH AND MONOTORED MEETING FOR REMAINDER
OF MEETING.

LETTERHEAD MEMO FOLLOWS.

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WA 1-45 AM OK FBI WA JR

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Date: 9/27/63

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6-61)

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-367) (P)

SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

RM *U RACIAL MATTERS - mobile*

Photo
CC TO: *see 47*
REQ. REC'D *26.67*
FEB 1. 1967
ANS BY: [redacted]

Transmitted herewith to the Bureau are 8 copies of letterhead memorandum re activity in captioned matter on 9/25/63 at Selma, Alabama.

Observing Agents mentioned in this memorandum were SA [redacted] and SA [redacted]

Copies of this memorandum have been disseminated locally to intelligence agencies.

Photo
CC TO: *see Army*
REQ. REC'D *11.23.66*
DEC 7 1963
ANS BY: [redacted]

Agency C.L. O.L. C.C.I. CRD
Date *10/2/63*
How *rel*
By *1cc - Cag. Unit*
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Photo
CC TO: *see 47-15736*
REQ. REC'D *9/14/64*
SEP 18 1964
ANS BY: [redacted] *b7c*

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CC TO: *ASC - 115.09*
REQ. REC'D *8.18.66*
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ANS BY: [redacted] *12*

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Approved: *EMD*
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Mobile, Alabama
September 27, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

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Throughout the morning of September 25, 1963, groups of Negro youths were observed going in and out of the First Baptist Church, corner of Jeff Davis Avenue and Sylvan Street, Selma, Alabama, by a Bureau Agent. There were no law enforcement officers observed stationed around the scene at the church and very little activity occurred. At about 1:00 p.m. C.S.T. information was received by radio that activity was beginning to form around the First Baptist Church. Also radio traffic carried information that picketing would take place at the City Hall or the Dallas County Courthouse. It was observed that Negroes were leaving the First Baptist Church in twos and threes and dispersing in various directions from the church.

The assembly at the church was estimated at 12:40 p.m. C.S.T. at approximately 100 Negroes. There were about 50 local police officers around the scene which were all local police department officers, sheriff's deputies and posse members. No Alabama State Troopers were present on

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SELMA, ALABAMA

the immediate scene. Twenty-three Alabama Highway Patrol Trooper cars were parked at the National Guard Armory, Highway 22, South, Selma. According to radio traffic and observation by Agents, Colonel AL LINGO was in Selma and in command of a force of State Troopers numbering about 50 men. At about 2:00 p.m., C.S.T. picketing began in front of the Dallas County Courthouse by Negroes who appeared to be adult Negroes and not juveniles. Sheriff JAMES G. CLARK, JR. was on the scene; police department officers and 25 to 30 posse members were on standby inside the Dallas County Courthouse. The pickets were allowed to picket for about 10 minutes. The Alabama State Troopers appeared on the scene, alighted from cars, and formed a line in the middle of Alabama Avenue in front of the Dallas County Courthouse. They were armed with clubs and sidearms. No carbines or shotguns were displayed by the Troopers or local authorities at the scene. Photographs were obtained of the picketers and law enforcement officers at the scene. After about 10 minutes of picketing, Sheriff JAMES G. CLARK, JR. announced over the public address system in his car that he was arresting them for "Unlawful Assembly and Inciting to Riot". The pickets' signs were confiscated, they were marched onto a bus, and taken to jail.

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STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

activity was taking place and as of 5:00 p.m. C.S.T. only about 50 Negroes remained congregated at the church but no meeting was taking place and activities were at a standstill.

On September 25, 1963, [REDACTED] advised that a meeting was taking place at the First Baptist Church at 8:30 p.m. He stated that some 400 to 500 Negroes were in attendance at the church and they were singing songs and listening to speakers.

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At 10:45 p.m. C.S.T. [REDACTED] advised that the meeting had terminated at 10:30 p.m. and the Negroes had dispersed peacefully and gone to their homes. No violent activities had taken place and no other incident had been reported.

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URGENT 10-2-63 11-35 AM CST TEK
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 2 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA.,
RACIAL MATTERS.

UNSCCHEDULED NEGRO YOUTH RALLY HELD IN FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH NIGHT OF OCTOBER ONE, SIXTY THREE FROM EIGHT P. M.,
CST, TO TEN P. M. BUREAU AGENTS OBSERVERS, NO INCIDENTS
OCCURRED. LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS COVERED MEETING AND
OFFICERS STATIONED INSIDE MEETING AS FIRE MARSHALS.

THREE CASES DISPOSED OF IN DALLAS COUNTY COURT,
SELMA, ALA., AS OF ELEVEN A. M., CST

AL
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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AS OF ELEVEN A. M., CST, TWO PICKETS STANDING ON
FEDERAL PROPERTY AT FEDERAL BUILDING, SELMA, WITH SIGNS
URGING VOTER REGISTRATION.

NEGRO SOURCE STATES THIS IS ONLY ACTIVITY SCHEDULE
AT SELMA TODAY, HOWEVER IS MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH SNCC
OFFICIALS AT SELMA TO DETERMINE ANY OTHER ACTIVITY
PLANNED.

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cc. [REDACTED]

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-367)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

Photo
CC TO: *Chc-10*
REQ REC'D *11-27-63*
DEC 13 1967
ANS BY: [REDACTED]
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Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of letterhead memorandum reflecting activity regarding captioned matter. Local military authorities have been advised.

The observing agents on the scene at the churches on 9/26/63 and night of 9/26/63 and spotchecking on the morning of 9/27/63 were SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

SA [REDACTED] observed and photographed arrests of pickets at 4:00 PM (CST) on 9/27/63. *b7c*

The Selma Resident Agency source is [REDACTED] *b7c*

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Date Forw. *10/3/63*

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How Forw. *As...*

By [REDACTED]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Mobile, Alabama
September 28, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On September 26, 1963, [REDACTED]

and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised periodically throughout the day that no activity was taking place in Selma with the exception that Negro youths had begun congregating around the Brown's Chapel AME Church on Sylvan Street at approximately 7:00 AM (CST) and small groups came in and out of the church during the day.

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Bureau agents observed at about 3:00 PM (CST) at R. B. Hudson High School that it appeared Negroes were holding a rally inside the school and singing. Shortly after 3:00 PM, about 1,000 students dispersed from the high school in numerous small groups and proceeded to Brown's Chapel AME Church. At about 4:20 PM (CST), 60 to 70 Negro youths massed on the steps of Brown's Chapel, sang songs, and clapped hands to rhythm of freedom songs. At about 5:00 PM (CST) they dispersed and activity ceased.

On September 26, 1963, [REDACTED] alias [REDACTED] County Court, Selma, advised that County Judge HUGH MALLORY had handled three cases involving the following individuals in County Court on that day:

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RACIAL SITUATION
SELMA, ALABAMA

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On September 26, 1963, [REDACTED] advised that a Negro youth rally took place at Brown's Chapel AME Church beginning at approximately 7:30 PM (CST) and lasting until 10:15 PM (CST). Approximately 250 to 300 Negroes, mostly teenagers, were in attendance at the rally.

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Negro attorneys PETER HALL, Birmingham, Alabama, and FRED GRAY, Montgomery, Alabama, appeared to be the main speakers at the meeting and the general tenor of the meeting dealt with mass marches by Negroes. These marches possibly would begin on September 27, 1963.

Bureau agents surveilled the meeting and observed the above coverage at the meeting. No incidents of violence occurred.

On September 27, 1963, Bureau agents spotchecked Brown's Chapel AME Church throughout the morning and afternoon. No activities occurred until approximately 4:00 PM (CST) when five pickets were arrested while picketing the Dallas County Courthouse. No incidents occurred in connection with the arrests; they were arrested by Sheriff JAMES G. CLARK, JR. and his deputies, and taken to Dallas County Jail.

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RACIAL SITUATION
SELMA, ALABAMA

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On September 27, 1963, a source of the Selma Resident Agency at Selma, reported as follows at about 10:30 AM (CST):

JAMES FORMAN, who is the titular head of the Student Nonviolent Co-ordinating Committee from New York City, is presently on the scene in Selma and is making all decisions as to the direct action demonstrations by Negroes. Also in Selma is PRATHIA HALL, Field Secretary, Student Nonviolent Co-ordinating Committee from either Philadelphia or Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. FORMAN is distrustful of all whites and would probably not furnish any information concerning any planned activity directly to a white man. He plans to have mass marches, pickets, and other type direct action demonstrations beginning September 30 through October 4, 1963. Also on the scene was LILLIAN ESTELLE GREGORY, wife of comedian DICK GREGORY of Chicago.

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The source reported at approximately 4:35 PM (CST) that DICK GREGORY will probably appear in Selma this weekend or next week since his wife was arrested and a Negro rally was

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SELMA, ALABAMA

scheduled for 8:00 PM this evening of September 27, 1963, at either Brown's Chapel AME Church or the First Baptist Church in Selma. The source stated that the speakers at the rally would be the Student Nonviolent Co-ordinating Committee representatives presently on the scene in Selma.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : The Director

DATE: 9/20/63

FROM : N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Original Matters - Mobile

Page 10674. Congressman Grant, (D) Alabama, spoke concerning the proposed march on the state capitol in Montgomery, Alabama. Mr. Grant stated, "This is a time for outside agitators to stay out of Birmingham and out of Alabama. Practically everyone in Alabama deplors the deaths caused by the recent bombings in Birmingham. The Governor of Alabama and all law enforcement officers of the state, county, and city governments are doing everything within their power to bring those guilty of these crimes to justice. All of these agencies are diligently working with the FBI in an all-out effort to solve the crimes. - - - In the city of Montgomery, the capital of the state of Alabama, the two races are living in peace and harmony, and the citizens of both races there do not approve of this senseless march."

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In the original of a memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record for *9/19/63* was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that portions of a copy of the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate Bureau case or subject matter files.

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Local military authorities have been advised.

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To: SAC, Mobile (157-367)

From: Director, FBI (157-6-61)

RACIAL SITUATIONS
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RACIAL MATTERS

Reurairtel 9/20/63 which enclosed letterhead memorandum dated 9/19/63.

Page two indicates that on 9/18/63 a picket at Carters Drugstore was arrested upon instructions of Blanchard McLeod, Circuit Solicitor, Fourth Judicial Circuit of Alabama, who was present on the scene and instructed a police officer to make the arrest for "unlawful assembly."

The Department desires the identity of this arrested picket and additional details concerning the disposition of his case.

Sutel results and follow with letterhead memo suitable for dissemination. Advise all persons interviewed that investigation being conducted at specific request of Assistant Attorney General Marshall.

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NOTE:

The above request was made by Mr. Irving N. Tranen to [redacted] this date.

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RM.

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RE MOTEL TODAY.

TWO PICKETS RETURNED FEDERAL BUILDING, SELMA, AT
APPROXIMATELY TWO PM, CST. ONE STOOD ON STEPS AT
ALABAMA AVE. ENTRANCE AND ONE ON STEPS AT LAUDERDALE
STREET ENTRANCE UNTIL APPROXIMATELY FOUR PM, CST, AND
LEFT SCENE. NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED.

DALLAS COUNTY COURT, SELMA, HANDLED EIGHT OTHER
NEGROES TODAY IN ADDITION TO ONES SET FORTH IN RETEL.

ALL CHARGED WITH QUOTE UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLING AND INCITING
TO RIOT UNQUOTE. ALL FOUND GUILTY, FINED ONE HUNDRED
DOLLARS AND COSTS, CASES APPEALED AND APPEAL BOND SET
AT TWO AND THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS.

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QUOTE CONTRIBUTING TO THE DELINQUENCY OF MINORS UNQUOTE
IN THAT HE HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN MEETINGS THAT WERE ATTENDED
BY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, APPEARED PROBATE COURT TODAY
AND ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS APPEARANCE BOND SET WHICH BOND
HE MADE.

ALL OTHER INDIVIDUALS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF JUVENILES
HANDLED IN DLLAS COUNTY COURT AND PROBATE COURT THIS DATE
STILL CONFINED DALLAS COUNTY JAIL IN LIEU OF BOND.

NEGRO LEADER STATES RALLY SET FOR EIGHT PM, CST,
TONIGHT AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. COVERAGE WILL BE
AFFORDED BY BUREAU AGENTS. LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND MILITARY
AUTHORITIES ADVISED.

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SELMA, ALABAMA
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Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies of letterhead memorandum reflecting activity regarding captioned matter. Local military authorities have been advised.

Bureau Agents who made spot checks, covered youth rally, and made photographs of pickets were SA'S [redacted] and [redacted]

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Date 10/4/63

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Mobile, Alabama
October 2, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On October 1, 1963, [REDACTED] Selma, Alabama, advised that no activity was taking place around the churches where the Negroes had been meeting, the First Baptist Church and Brown's Chapel AME Church, as of 12 o'clock noon CST, October 1, 1963. Bureau Agents continued to spot check these churches and other meeting places of Negroes throughout the morning of October 1, 1963, and early afternoon. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] R. B. Hudson High School in Selma, advised that attendance was almost normal at the high school on October 1, 1963, with only 193 students absent.

At approximately 3 p.m. CST, Bureau Agents observed that two pickets appeared at the U. S. Post Office, 732 Alabama Avenue, Selma, carrying signs urging voter registration. They were allowed to picket until approximately 5 p.m. CST when they voluntarily rolled up their signs and left the area.

At the same time as the pickets appeared at the Post Office, three pickets appeared at the Federal Building, corner of Alabama Avenue and Lauderdale Street, carrying signs urging registration to vote. Two of the pickets on the sidewalk in front of the Federal Building on Alabama Avenue side were immediately arrested by Dallas County Sheriff's Office under the direction of JAMES G. CLARK, JR., Sheriff. One picket was arrested on the sidewalk on the Lauderdale Street side, walking toward the corner of Alabama Avenue and Lauderdale Street, and one picket who was standing near the steps of the Federal Building was allowed to stand in this position with a sign urging voter registration until 5:10 p.m. CST, when she voluntarily left the scene after rolling up her sign. Five other pickets were arrested shortly after 3 p.m. CST while picketing around the Dallas County Courthouse. All arrests were made without incident.

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At approximately 7:30 p.m. CST, Bureau Agents in spot checking the scene at the First Baptist Church determined that a Negro youth rally was to take place that evening. The meeting began at 8 p.m. CST and terminated about 10 p.m. CST. Coverage of the meeting by local law enforcement officers was handled by eight members of the Dallas County Sheriff's Office, which included two posse members. One Selma Police Department car was on the scene with four officers. Deputy Sheriff WILLIAM AVERETT, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, went into the meeting in civilian clothes with the Fire Marshal. AVERETT was wearing a Fire Marshal's badge. The meeting was monitored by AVERETT and it appeared to be led by BOSSIE REESE, Negro male, nineteen years old. Approximately 250 Negro youths were in attendance, and the meeting terminated at 10 p.m. without incident.

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On October 2, 1963, [REDACTED] Dallas County Court, advised as of 11 a.m. CST the court had disposed of cases involving the following individuals on the morning of October 2, 1963. These individuals were all fined \$300, 180 days in jail, their cases appealed, appeal bond set at \$1,000, and all were placed under \$1,000 peace bond prohibiting them from engaging in a breach of the peace in Alabama for a period of one year.

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All of the above, according to [REDACTED] were charged with violation of Title 14, Section 407, Alabama Code. [REDACTED]

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SELMA, ALABAMA

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As of 9:30 a.m. CST, October 2, 1963, Bureau Agents observed two pickets standing on the steps of the Federal Building, corner of Alabama Avenue and Lauderdale Street, Selma, with signs urging Negroes to register to vote and obtain first class citizenship. One picket stood on the steps on the Alabama Avenue side of the building and one on the steps on the Lauderdale Street side. They ceased picketing at approximately 11:30 a.m. CST and voluntarily left the scene. No crowds gathered, no incidents occurred, and both pickets appeared to go unnoticed during the morning.

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U R G E N T 10-1-63 5-35 PM CST VFP

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 2 P

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0 RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.

NO ACTIVITY OCCURRED IN SELMA TODAY UNTIL APPROXIMATELY THREE PM, CST. AT THAT TIME NINE PERSONS WERE ARRESTED, ALL BUT ONE IN THE ACT OF PICKETING. TWO PICKETS CARRIED SIGNS IN FRONT OF U. S. POST OFFICE, SEVEN THREE TWO ALABAMA AVENUE, URGING REGISTRATION FOR VOTING. THEY PICKETED FOR A PERIOD OF ABOUT FORTYFIVE MINUTES, NO ARRESTS MADE, AND THEY ROLLED UP SIGNS AND LEFT. THREE PICKETS APPEARED AT FEDERAL BUILDING CORNER OF ALABAMA AVENUE AND LAUDERDALE STREET, WITH SIGNS URGING VOTER REGISTRATION. TWO WERE ARRESTED ON SIDEWALK BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND ONE PICKET STILL STANDING ON FEDERAL PROPERTY OUTSIDE FEDERAL BUILDING AS OF FOUR FORTYFIVE PM. BUAGENTS OBSERVED ARRESTS, NO VIOLENCE OCCURRED.
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ALL PICKETS CARRIED SIGNS URGING VOTER REGISTRATION ONLY
AND NONE CRITICIZED ANY ACTIVITIES ON PART OF FEDERAL
GOVERNMENT.

AS OF FOUR FORTYFIVE PM, EIGHT PICKETS BOOKED AT DALLAS
COUNTY JAIL, [REDACTED]

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 1 P

O RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.
REMOTEL TODAY.

NO FURTHER ACTIVITY OCCURRED AT SELMA, ALA. AFTERNOON
OCT. THREE, SIXTYTHREE AFTER USDJ DANIEL H. THOMAS, SDA,
COMPLETED HEARING AT NOON. NEGRO SOURCE STATES NO FURTHER
ACTIVITY PLANNED TODAY. WILL ADVISE OF ACTIVITY TOMORROW.
ONE DISPOSITION MADE ON CASE, DALLAS COUNTY COURT TODAY ON

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RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA, RM.
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REMOTEL SEPT THIRTY SIXTYTHREE AND OCT SECOND SIXTYTHREE.

TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED SELMA RA TONIGHT TO ADVISE HE LOCATED
A COURT DECISION OF FIFTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS, TWO NINE ONE
FEDERAL SECOND TWO ONE SEVEN, WHICH IN HIS OPINION AFFORDS LAW
ENFORCEMENT, AUTHORITY TO ATTEND MASS NEGRO RALLY.

AT EIGHT TWENTY SEVEN PM CST,

CAME OUT OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

WHERE NEGRO VOTER RALLY OCCURRING AND MADE COMPLAINT TO BUREAU
AGENTS WHO WERE OBSERVERS ON SCENE. HE STATED HE OBJECTED TO
LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS BEING INSIDE CHURCH

THEY REFUSED CLAIMING THEY HAD RIGHT
TO BE PRESENT.

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cc: McRaven

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CHURCH BROKE INTO INTERVIEW AGENTS WERE CONDUCTING WITH [REDACTED] AND REQUESTED LEGAL ADVICE AS TO WHETHER LOCAL AUTHORITIES HAS RIGHT TO BE IN CHURCH OR ON SCENE, SHE DESIRED FEDERAL AUTHORITIES SEARCH CHURCH AND GROUNDS TO ASCERTAIN IF PERSONS NOT CONNECTED WITH NEGRO VOTER RALLY WERE USING RECORDING OR

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LISTENING DEVICES. [REDACTED] WERE ADVISED THE DEPARTMENT WOULD BE FURNISHED ALL INFO CONCERNING THIS COMPLAINT AND ANY ACTION BY FEDERAL AUTHORITIES WOULD BE TAKEN UPON SPECIFIC REQUEST FROM THE DEPT. [REDACTED] STATED SHE WAS IN POSSESSION OF NAMES AND NUMBERS OF JUSTICE DEPT OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON AND INTENDED TO TELEPHONICALLY CONTACT SAME TONIGHT FOR ACTION IN THIS MATTER.

AIR FORCE BASE

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY ARVID SATHER PRESENTLY AT CRAIG AFB SELMA, ALA ADVISED LOCALLY.

VOTER RALLY TERMINATED TEN FIFTEEN PM CST. NO FURTHER INCIDENTS OCCURRED. COVERAGE MAINTAINED BY FIFTEEN SHERIFFS DEPUTYS AND POSSE MEMBERS ON SCENE WITH THREE SELMA PD CARS PATROLING AREA. WITH TWO OFFICERS IN EACH CAR.

LETTERHEAD MEMO FOLLOWS.

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TO SAC MOBILE
FROM DIRECTOR, FBI

R RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA. RM.

DEPARTMENT ADVISES THAT AT NEGRO REGISTRATION DAY SCHEDULED AT SELMA ON MONDAY OCTOBER SEVEN THERE IS POSSIBILITY THAT DEMONSTRATIONS WILL OCCUR AT THE COURT HOUSE. DEPARTMENT DESIRES IN ADDITION TO PHOTOGRAPHS WHICH SHOULD BE TAKEN OF DEMONSTRATIONS AS IN THE PAST BY AGENTS AT SELMA, THAT A MOVIE CAMERA BE UTILIZED TO RECORD ANY INCIDENTS AT THIS REGISTRATION. ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE MADE TO TAKE THESE PICTURES IN LINE WITH DEPARTMENT REQUEST.

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NOTE: Above request made by John Doar, Civil Rights Division of Department at 9:30 PM on Sunday October 6, 1963

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RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.

NEGRO MASS RALLY BEGAN SELMA, ALA., APPROXIMATELY SEVEN THIRTY PM CST AND TERMINATED ELEVEN FIFTEEN PM CST OCT. FOUR LAST.

JAMES FORMAN, SNCC LEADER AND DICK GREGORY, NEGRO COMEDIAN BOTH SPOKE AT MEETING URGING VOTER REGISTRATION AND EXPLAINING RIGHTS TO NEGROES.

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COVERAGE OF MEETING HANDLED BY APPROXIMATELY THIRTY MEMBERS OF THE SHERIFFS FORCE INCLUDING DEPUTIES AND POSSE MEMBERS COMBINED, APPROXIMATELY EIGHT MEMBERS OF THE SELMA PD, OUT SIDE CHURCH. ONE DEPUTY OF THE SO, ONE PATROLMAN OF THE SELMA PD AND ONE ALA. PUBLIC SAFETY DEPT. INVESTIGATOR, ALL IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES, STATIONED INSIDE OF CHURCH MONITORING MEETING. ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY NEGROES, APPROXIMATELY FIFTY PER CENT TEENAGERS. NO INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE OCCURRED.

LETTERHEAD MEMO FOLLOWS.

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Mr. G. J. [unclear]

URGENT 10-3-63 6-43 PM CST VFP

TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 2 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA. *RM*

RE TELCON SUP. RICHARD LAVIN TO SAC MOBILE.

AS PREVIOUSLY SET FORTH IN MOTEL TO BUREAU PICKETTS HAVE BEEN PRESENT AT U. S. POST OFFICE AND FEDERAL BUILDING, SELMA, ALABAMA FOR PAST THREE DAYS. NO ARREST OF THESE PICKETTS HAVE BEEN MADE BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES. THIS PICKETTING ACTIVITY HAS BEEN LIMITED TO SINGLE PICKETTS AT EACH OF TWO ENTRANCES OF FEDERAL BUILDING AND TWO PICKETTS AT U. S. POST OFFICE. NO WHITE ACTIVITY HAS BEEN GENERATED BY PRESENT OF PICKETTS AND THEY HAVE BEEN PRACTICALLY UNNOTICED.

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AS PREVIOUSLY ADVISED IN REMOTELS TODAY SITUATION IN SELMA IS
PRESENTLY QUIET . NO ACTIVITY OCCURRING OR CONTEMPLATED
ACCORDING TO SOURCES.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY FELTON HENDERSON PRESENTLY IN CONTACT
WITH NEGRO LEADERS AND CLOSE CONTACT WITH AGENT AT SELMA TO ADVISE
OF ANY ACTIVITY.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.

TWO PICKETS APPEARED AT FEDERAL BUILDING, SELMA, NINE AM
CST THIS MORNING. THEY WERE IMMEDIATELY INSTRUCTED TO LEAVE
SCENE BY U. S. MARSHAL, WHICH THEY DID WITHOUT INCIDENT.
US DISTRICT JUDGE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
USDJ DANIEL H. THOMAS, SDA, PRESENTLY HOLDING COURT HEARING
TODAY AT SELMA IN FEDERAL BUILDING.

TWO PICKETS ALSO PICKETED U. S. POST OFFICE, SEVEN THIRTYTWO
ALABAMA AVE. THIS MORNING WITH SIGNS URGING VOTER REGISTRATION.
THEY VOLUNTARILY LEFT THAT AREA AFTER PICKETING APPROXIMATELY
TWO HOURS.

FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU, *[Redacted]* OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATION
OSI,
[Redacted] AND *[Redacted]* ONE HUNDRED FIRST
AIRBORNE, FORT CAMPBELL, KY., APPEARED AT SELMA THIS MORNING.

THEY STATED THEY WERE ON SCENE TO ASSESS SITUATION PER REQUEST
OF THEIR QUOTE "SUPERIORS" UNQUOTE IN DEFENSE DEPT. THEY INDICATED
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THEY HAD BEEN INFORMED THAT THE RACIAL SITUATION IN SELMA

EXTREMELY QUOTE TENSE AND EXPLOSIVE UNQUOTE. THIS VISIT

BELIEVED RESULT OF HEAVY PRESSURE BY ^{STUDENT NonViolent Coordinating Committee} SNCC GROUP AND OTHERS ON

US Air Force

USAF AND DEFENSE DEPT. TO PLACE CITY OF SELMA OFF LIMITS TO

MILITARY PERSONNEL.

USDJ FINISHED HEARING AT NOON TODAY RE THREE VOTER
REGISTRATION CASES. HE STATES HE IS PRESENTLY UNDECIDED AS

TO WHEN HE WILL HEAR THE DALLAS COUNTY, ALA. CASE.

INFORMATION RECEIVED THAT DICK GREGORY, NEGRO COMEDIAN,
WHOSE WIFE IS STILL CONFINED AT THE DALLAS COUNTY JAIL, SELMA,
ALLEGED TO APPEAR SELMA ON OCTOBER FOUR, SIXTYTHREE.

NEGRO SOURCE STATES NO FURTHER ACTIVITY PLANNED IN SELMA
TODAY OTHER THAN ISOLATED PICKETING.

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On September 28, 1963, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that a REUBEN CLARK connected with the firm of WILMER, CUTLER and PICKERING, Transportation Building, Washington D.C., and JOHN McKEE PRATT, representative of the Commission of Religion and Race for the National Council of Churches, 475 Riverside Drive, New York City, appeared in Selma, Alabama, on this date. They were accompanied by a Reverend ARTHUR THOMAS, a Methodist minister. All were white males and a conference lasting approximately two hours took place between the above three and county and city officials of Selma:

Circuit Judge JAMES A. HARE, Probate Judge BERNARD A. REYNOLDS, and Mayor CHRIS HEINZ.

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[REDACTED] they were on the scene to assist the racial situation in Selma, Alabama. CLARK stated that he was sent to Selma by a "member of the White House Staff" to determine details of the situation in Selma and to report on same. They also requested of Sheriff JAMES G. CLARK, JR., Dallas County, Alabama, although they were unable to contact the Sheriff personally, to inspect the Dallas County Jail and the prisoners in the road camps, namely; Camp Selma, Selma, Alabama, and Camp Camden, Camden, Alabama, where racial demonstrators are presently confined. [REDACTED] stated that CLARK had sent word to them that no one was going to inspect his jail except the Federal Jail Inspector and no one would be allowed in the jail except attorneys representing clients lodged therein, visitors during regular visiting hours and FBI agents who desired to conduct interviews with prisoners.

[REDACTED] stated that he received the impression, although they did not specifically advise him of such, that these individuals had also contacted Colonel RICHARD AULT, Commanding Officer, Craig Air Force Base, Selma, Alabama, and discussed the existing racial situation with him.

On September 29, 1963, Bureau agents learned through a check with the [REDACTED] Selma, that reservations were being held for a Dr. JESS C. DIETZ and a Dr. W. D. PAINTER, who are also connected with the National Council of Churches.

On September 30, 1963, [REDACTED] advised that the week end of September 28 through 29, 1963 had been quiet with the exception of four Negro females attending church sessions at the First Presbyterian Church, a white church in Selma. These women attempted to go into the white First Baptist Church, but were turned away by members of the congregation. They then walked about one-half block and were admitted to the Presbyterian Church. The women were seated in the balcony of the church and shortly after they were seated

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about twenty-five members of the congregation got up and left the church. The Negro women were allegedly from Fairfield, Alabama, a suburb of Birmingham.

At about 10:00 A.M., on Sunday, September 29, 1963, about ten Negroes attempted to enter the white Catholic church, Church of The Assumption, Washington Street, Selma, however they were also turned away by the members of the congregation and they did not enter this church. No incidents of violence accompanied these actions on Sunday.

On September 30, 1963, [REDACTED] advised that a term of the Dallas County Court would be held on that dated in order to handle some of the backlog of cases resulting from the arrest of a large number of individuals involved in the demonstrations in Selma.

On September 30, 1963, [REDACTED] Dallas County Court, advised that one case had been handled that day.

Another case was started on [REDACTED] however his case was not completed when court dismissed for the day. The next court day for the Dallas County Court will be Wednesday, October 2, 1963.

On September 30, 1963, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] advised that a voter registration rally would take place on the night of September 30, 1963, at 7:30 P.M. (CST) in the

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Negro First Baptist Church, corner of Sylvan and Jeff Davis Avenue. [REDACTED] stated that no direct action demonstrations were to occur at Selma on September 30, as legal advise and discussion was taking place relative to the fact that Negro leaders who had been arrested who are connected with SNCC and whose cases have been heard in Dallas County Court have been placed under a \$1,000.00 "peace bond", which bond means that in the event they are arrested for a breach of the peace within a period of one year in the State of Alabama the bond will be forfeited.

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On October 1, 1963, [REDACTED]

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The meeting began with a songfest at 7:45 P.M. (CST) which continued until 8:20 P.M.

Reverend L. L. ANDERSON, then spoke to the crowd and urged people to register to vote. He stated the Negro wanted recreation facilities, decent homes and first class citizenship. He stated he did not intend to preach hate but Negroes intended to be free and register to vote. He told the crowd not to hate their "white brothers" but to "love them". "The Negro must not turn back from their purpose but go forward".

Mrs. MARIE FOSTER, Negro female, spoke on the fact that white children are being taught by elders to hate and refer to the Negro as "niggers". She stated that they do not know what they are saying, but have been taught this by their parents. This is the time for Selma Negroes to awake and strive for freedom.

Mrs. AMELIA P. BOYNTON spoke on the fact that LILLIAN GREGORY, wife of comedian DICK GREGORY, was

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presently being held in Dallas County Jail. She stated that the reason she was in jail was that she wanted to be free and that she has been deprived of her rights, also. She stated that money is coming into Selma and that the Negro "can get it". She also stated that children who were arrested in the demonstrations in Selma had been "beaten in jail and adult Negroes should now enter into the activity for freedom".

No further information was received [REDACTED]

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During the evening of September 30, 1963, at about 8:30 P.M. (CST) [REDACTED] telephonically contacted a Bureau agent and stated he objected to law enforcement officers outside of the church recording license tags in the area around the church. At about 9:00 P.M. (CST) he again contacted Bureau agent telephonically and stated that he objected to local law enforcement officers being inside of the church taking tape recordings of the meeting and that [REDACTED] would ask these law enforcement officers to leave the meeting. He pointed out that both of the above incidents are "nothing more than acts of intimidation by local law enforcement officers". b7c

Bureau agents observed the voter registration rally on the night of September 30, 1963, and the local law enforcement offices also covered this meeting. The crowd was estimated at 4,000 to 5,000, with about 70 per cent teenagers. There were about fifteen Sheriff's deputies and posse members on the scene and six Selma Police Department officers. One Alabama Department of Public Safety investigator was also on the scene and stationed inside of the meeting until 9:10 P.M. (CST) when asked to leave by [REDACTED]. The meeting terminated at approximately 10:30 P.M. (CST) and the Negroes dispersed from the church. b7c

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6-61)

DATE: 10/7/63

FROM : SAC, MOBILE (157-367) (P)

SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALA.
RM

Transmitted herewith are 2 sets of photographs depicting scenes of First Baptist Church, corner of Jeff Davis and Sylvan Streets, R.B. HUDSON Negro High School, First Avenue and Lapsley Streets, and mass arrests by local law enforcement officers on 9/24/63, Selma, Ala.

A. Photographs numbered 1-17 show the First Baptist Church and vicinity at Jeff Davis and Sylvan Streets and gathering of local officers after arrest of Negro leaders at church on 9/24/63.

B. Photographs numbered 18 and 19 depict the front of the R.B. HUDSON Negro High School, First Ave. and Lapsley Street.

C. Photographs numbered 20-39 depict Negro students in front of St. Elizabeth's Mission, Broad and Small Streets, 9/24/63 and local law enforcement officers moving in to place students under arrest, transferring prisoners to waiting bus.

D. Photographs numbered 40-59 depict marchers gathering at First Baptist Church, 9/24/63 & marching down Sylvan Street in the George Washington Carver project to where local officers assembled to make mass arrest while marchers knelt on sidewalk, praying and singing.

Photographs taken by SA [REDACTED]

One set of photographs furnished locally 10/3/63 to JOHN DOAR, Departmental Attorney.

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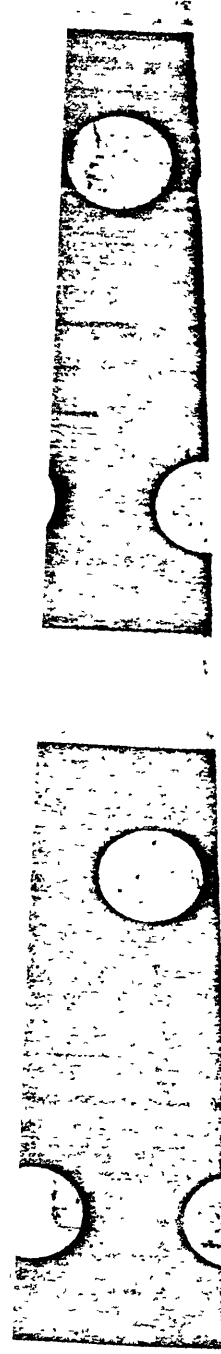
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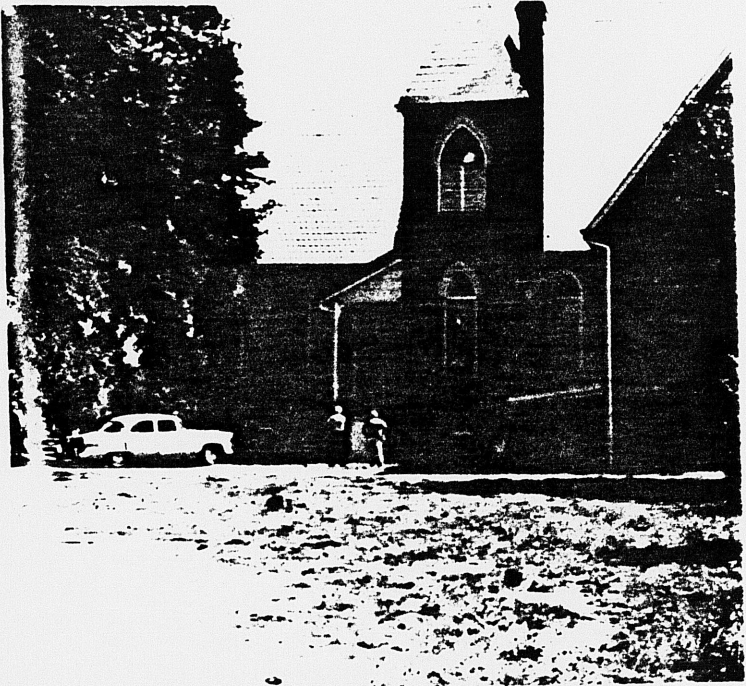
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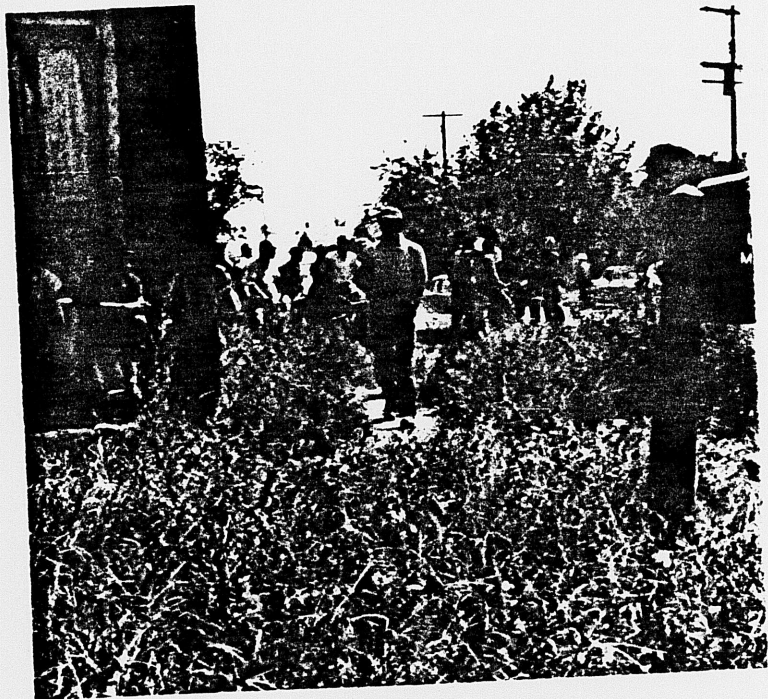
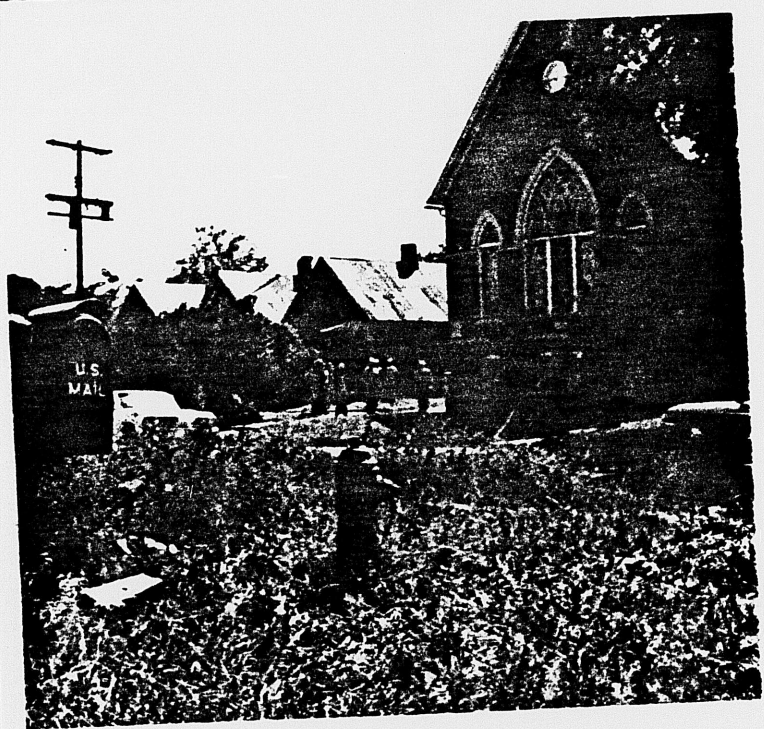
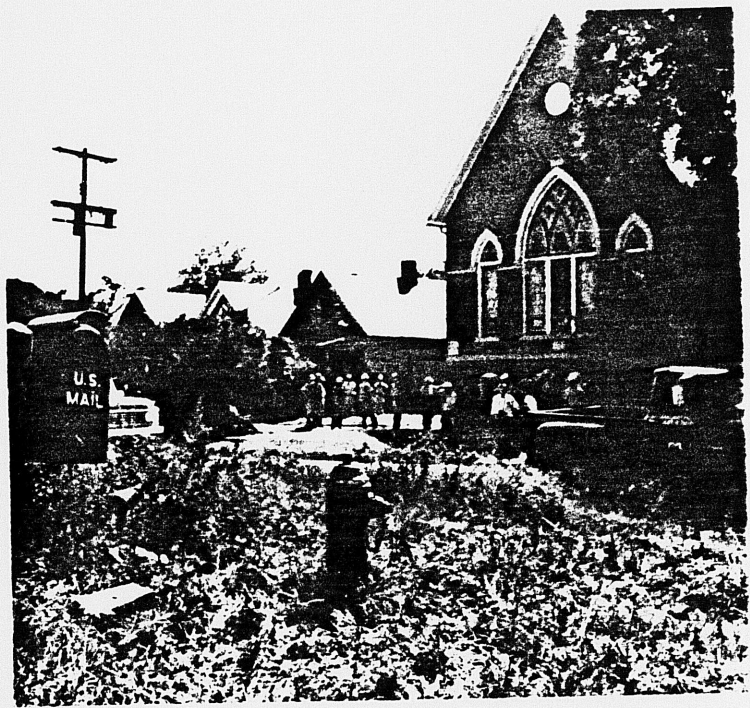
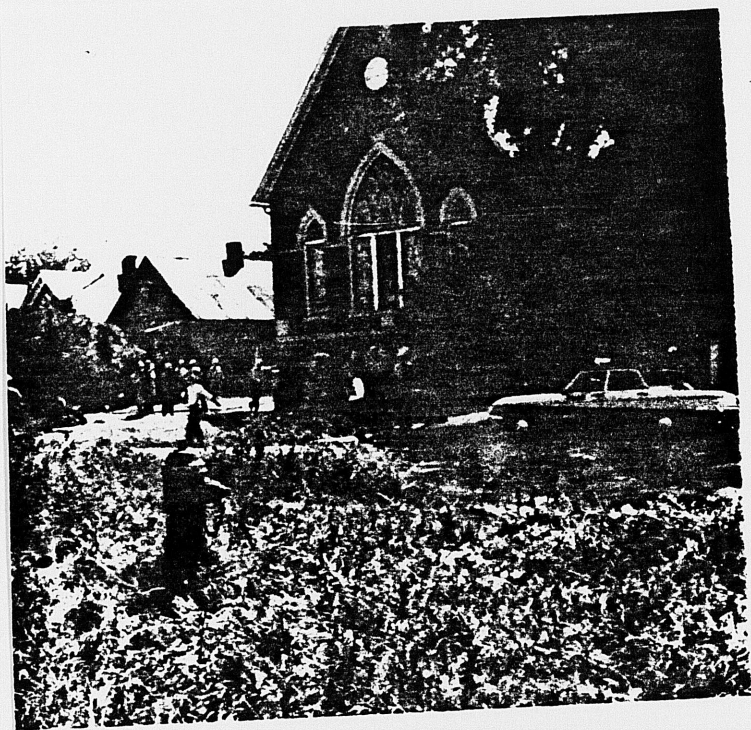
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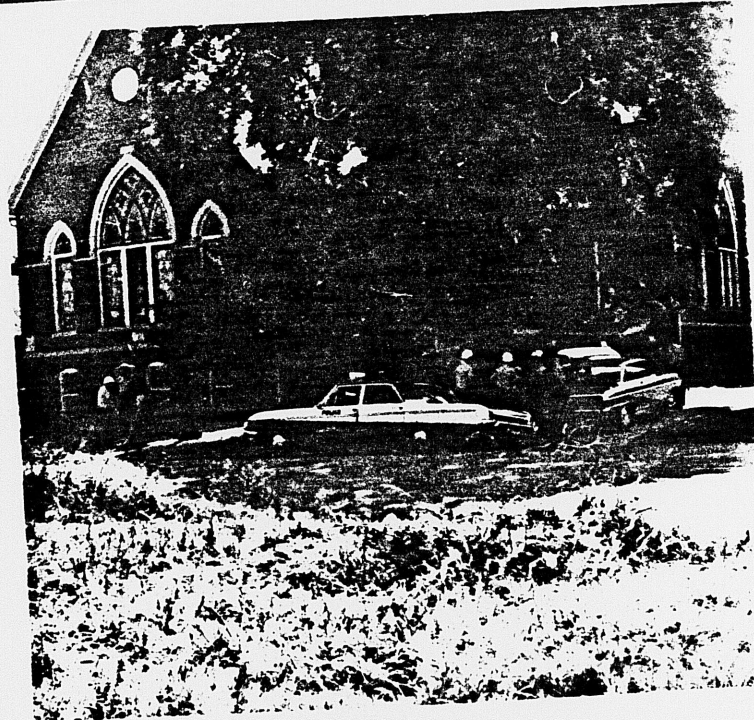
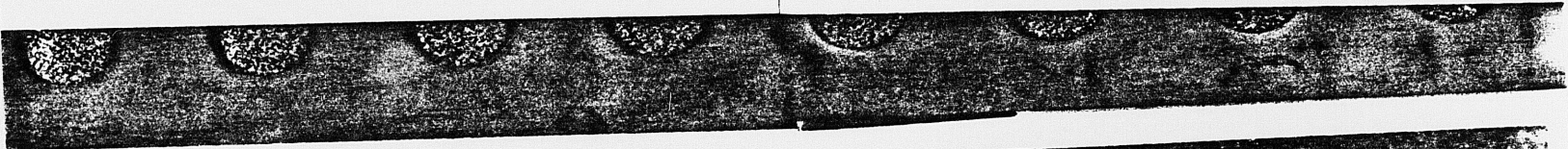
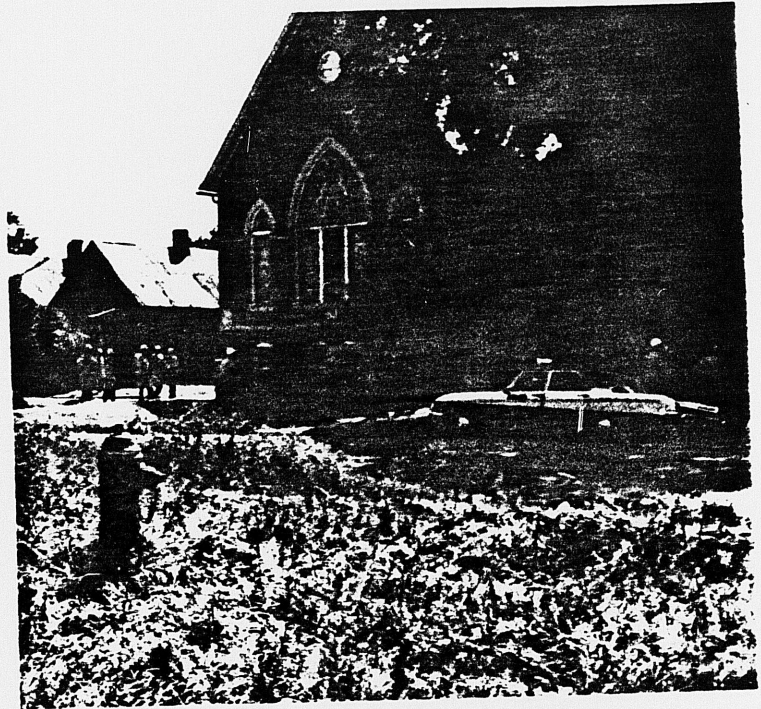
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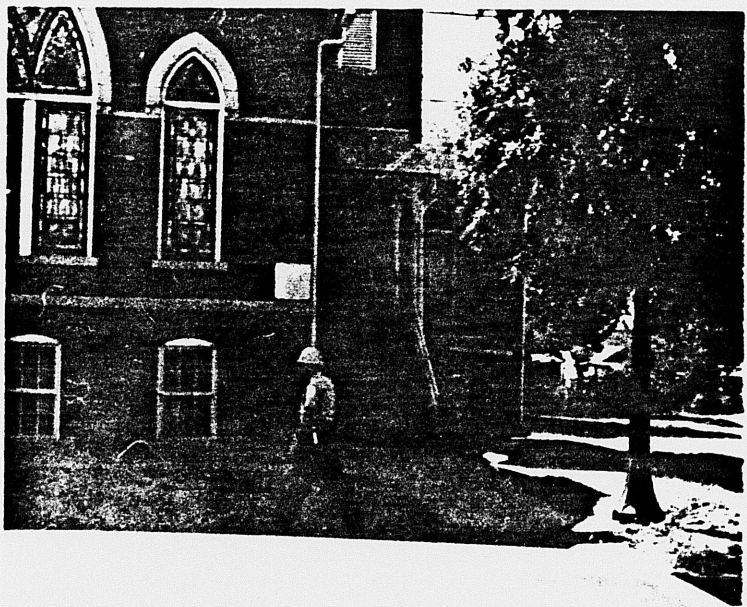
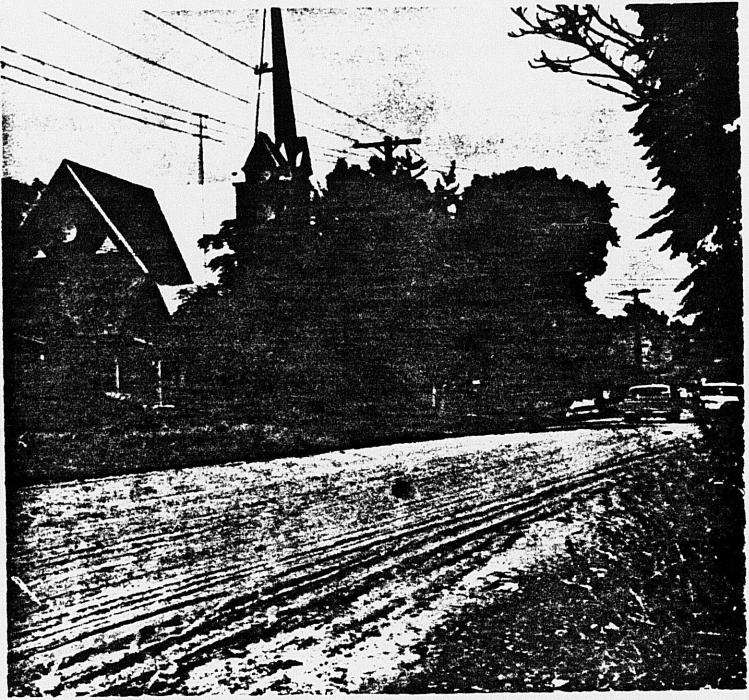
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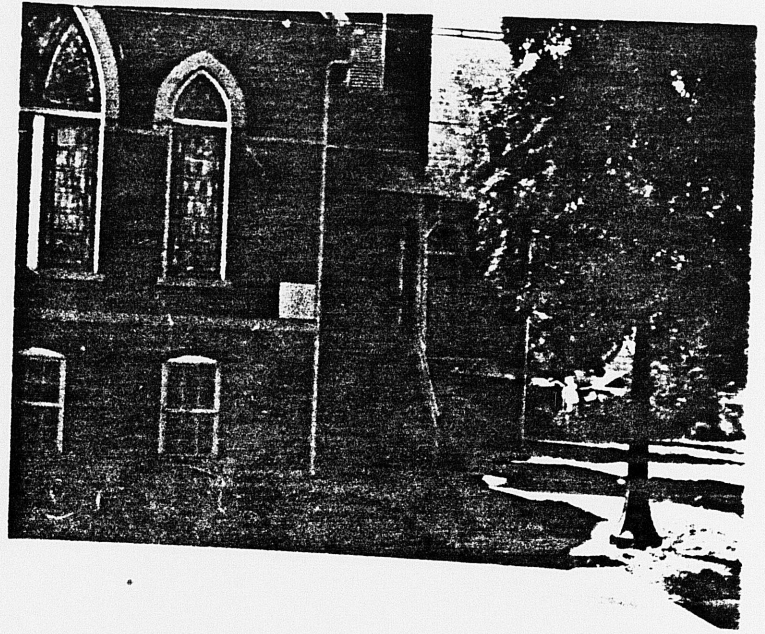
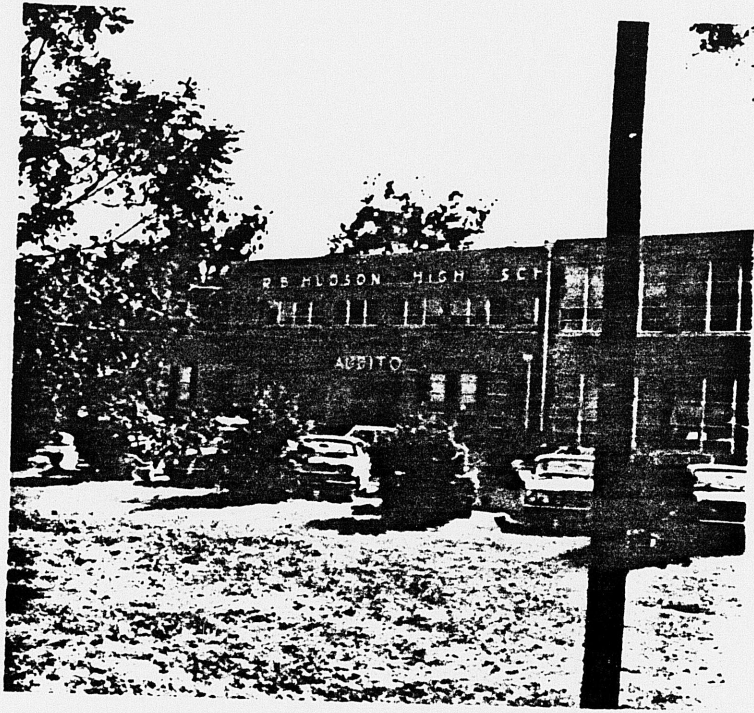


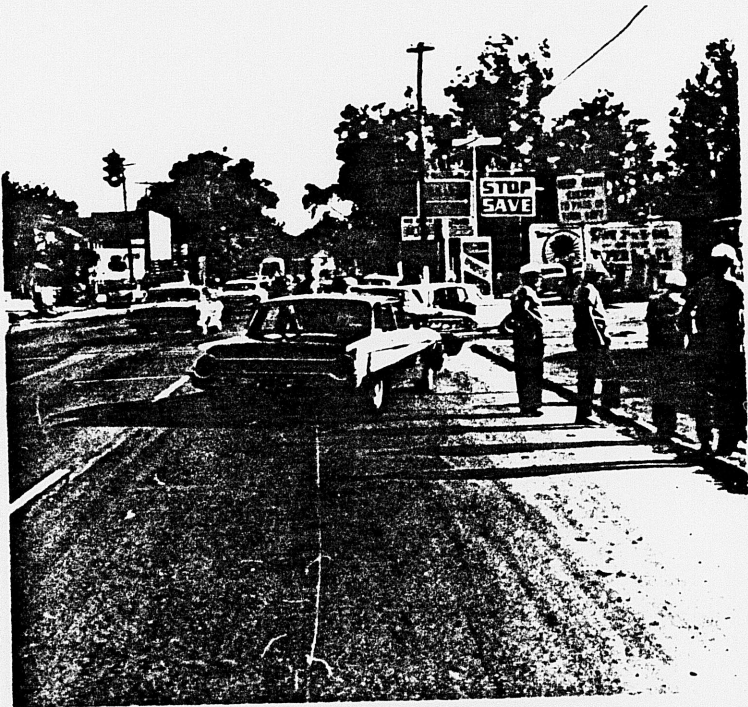
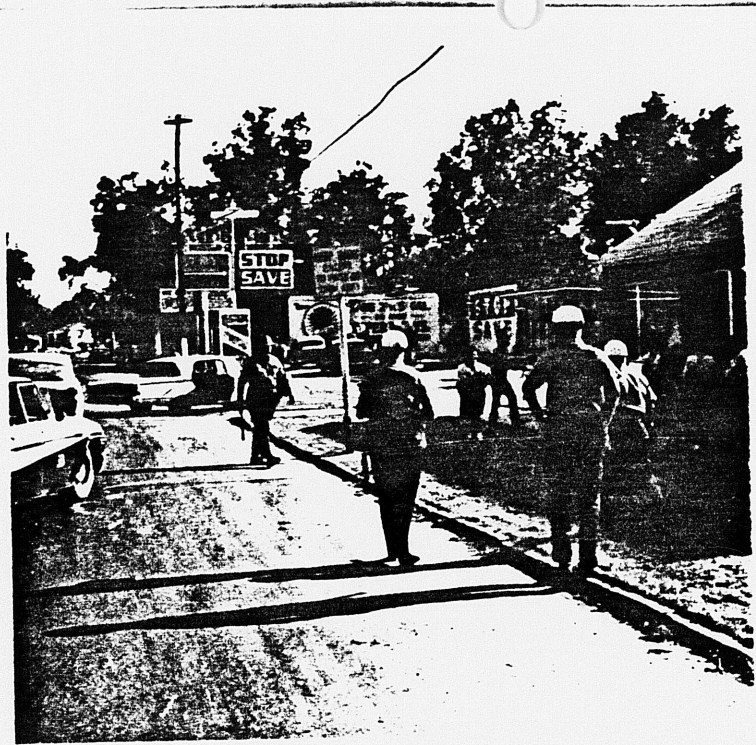




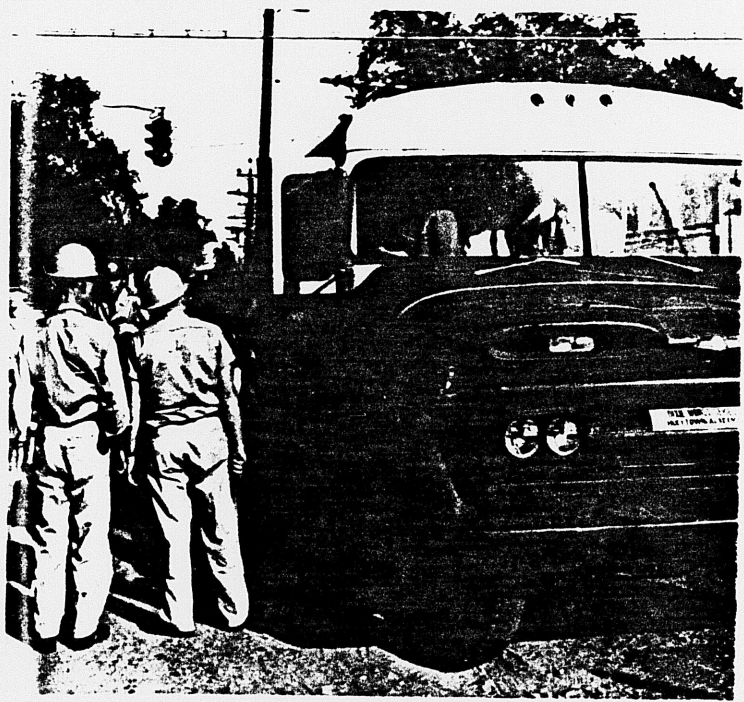
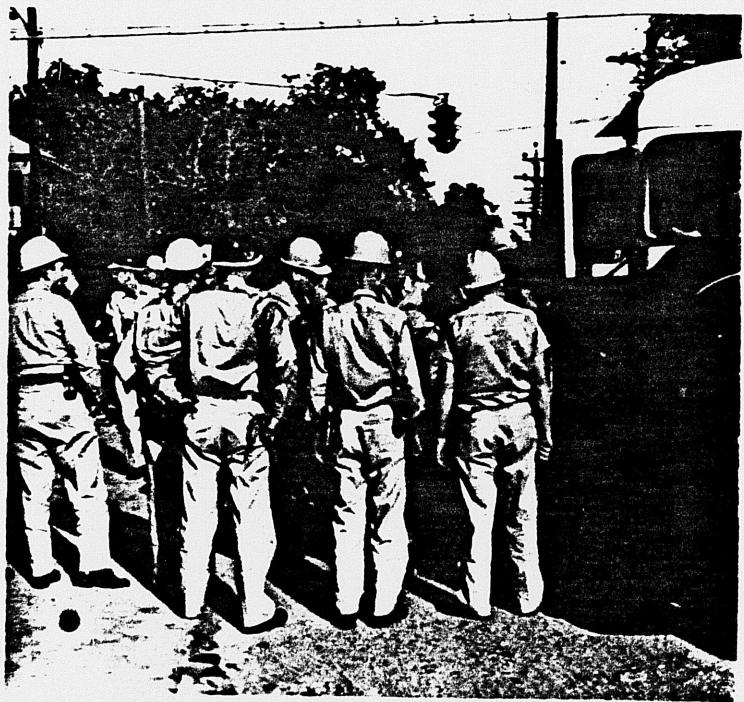


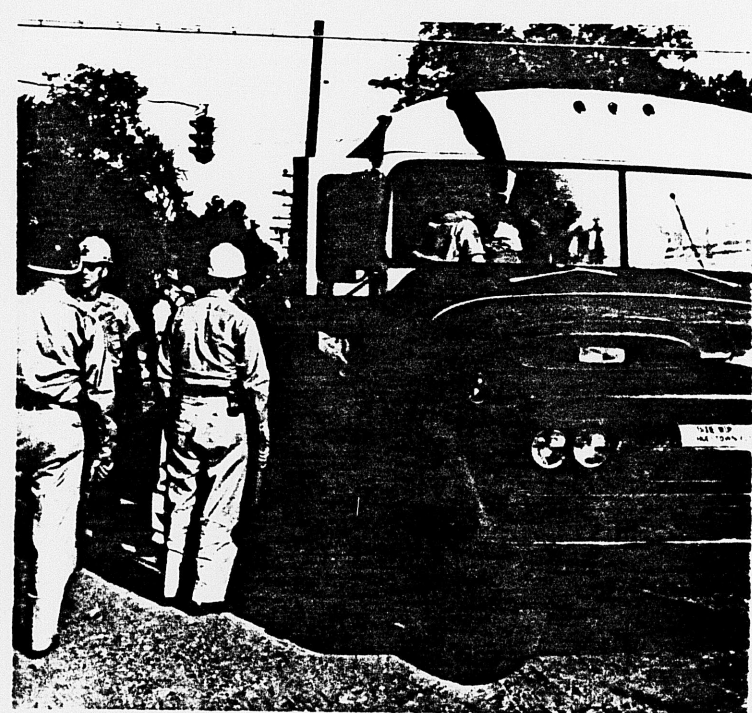
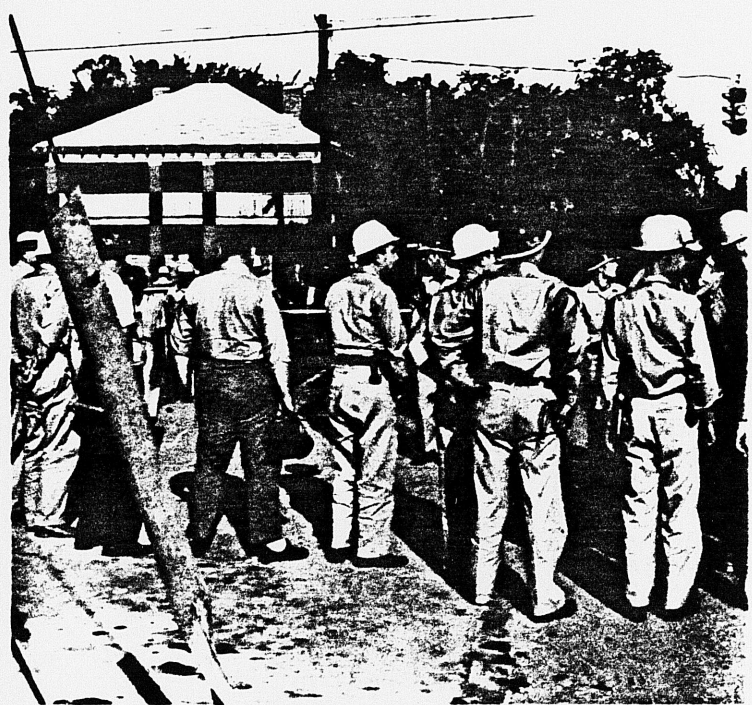
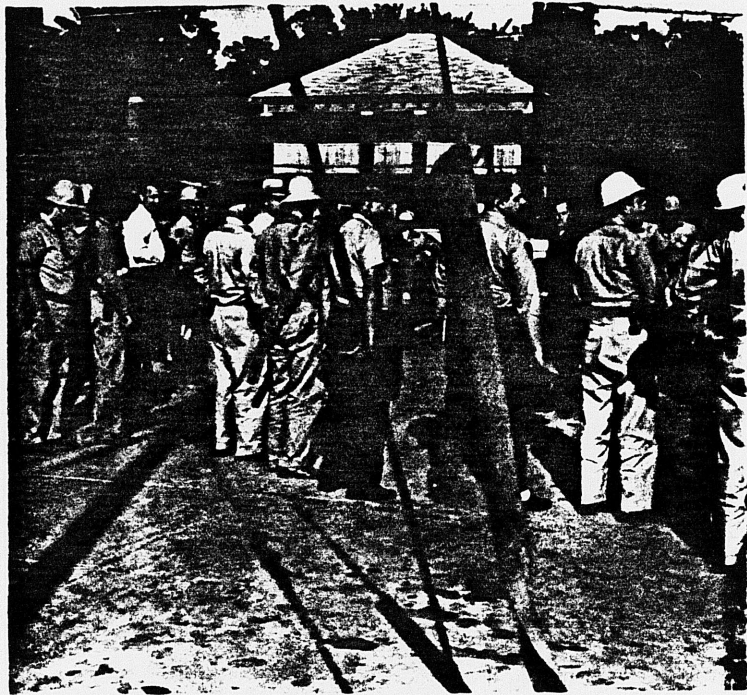


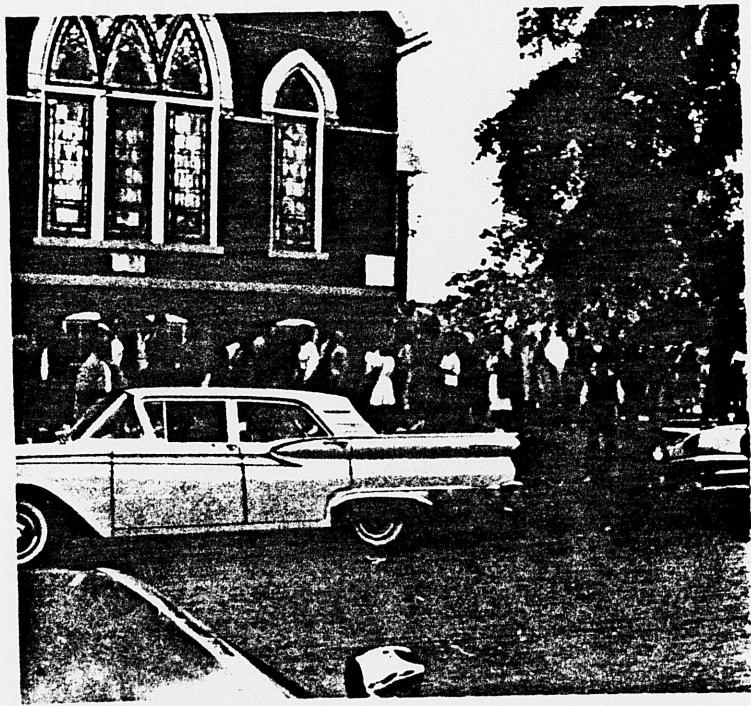
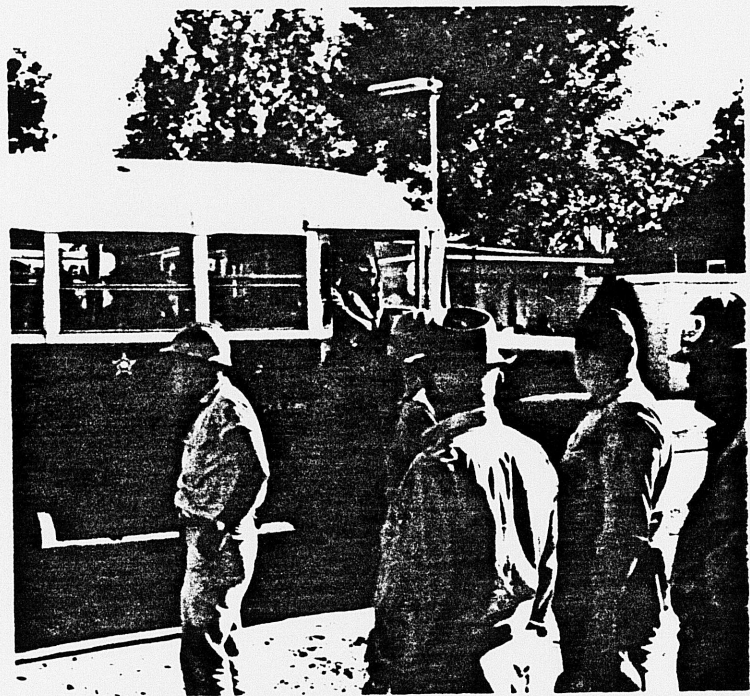


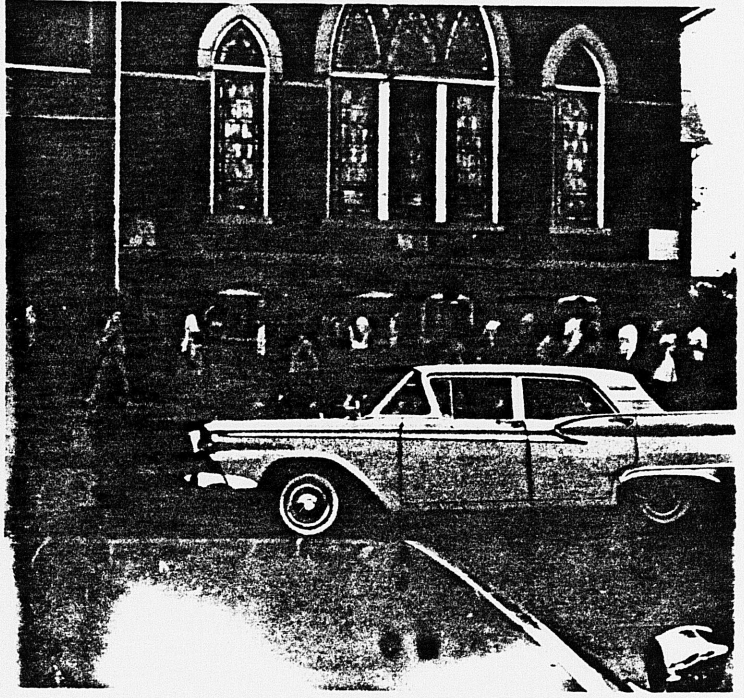
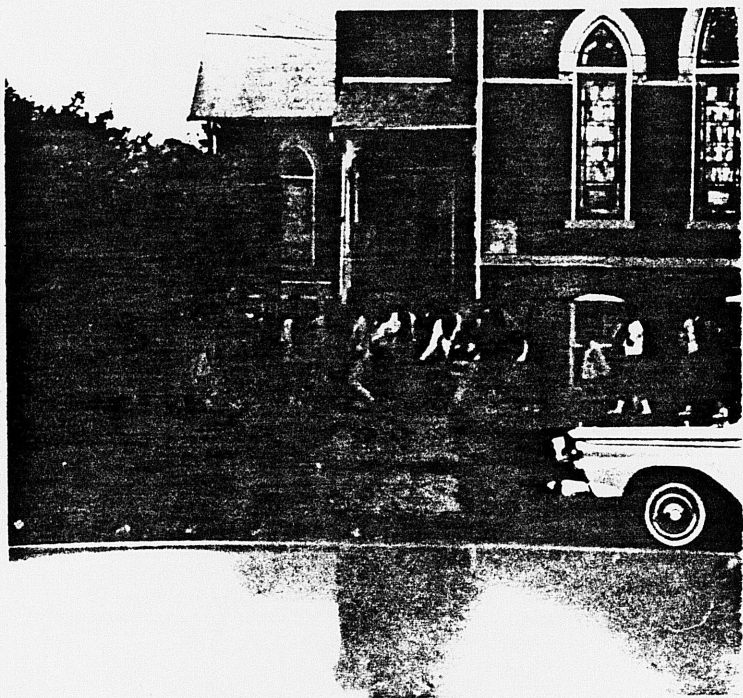


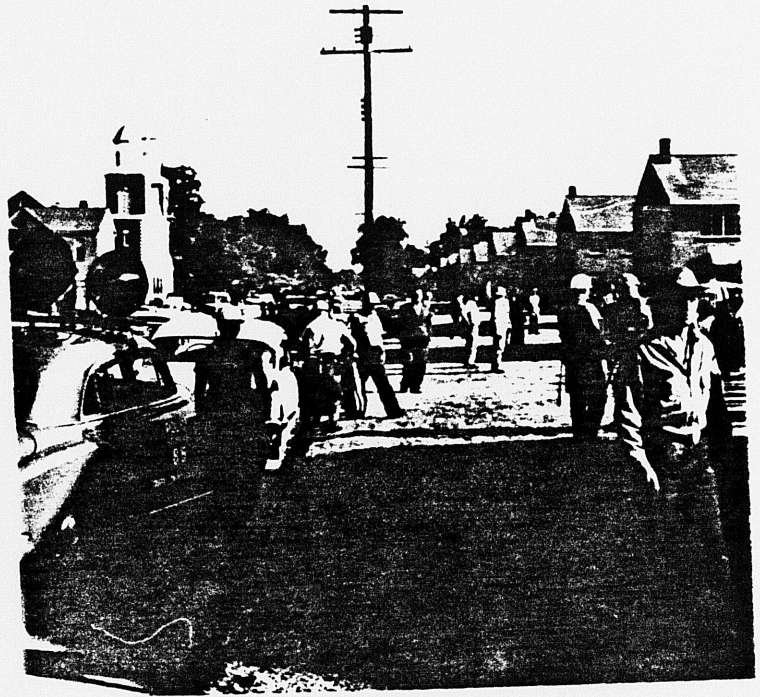
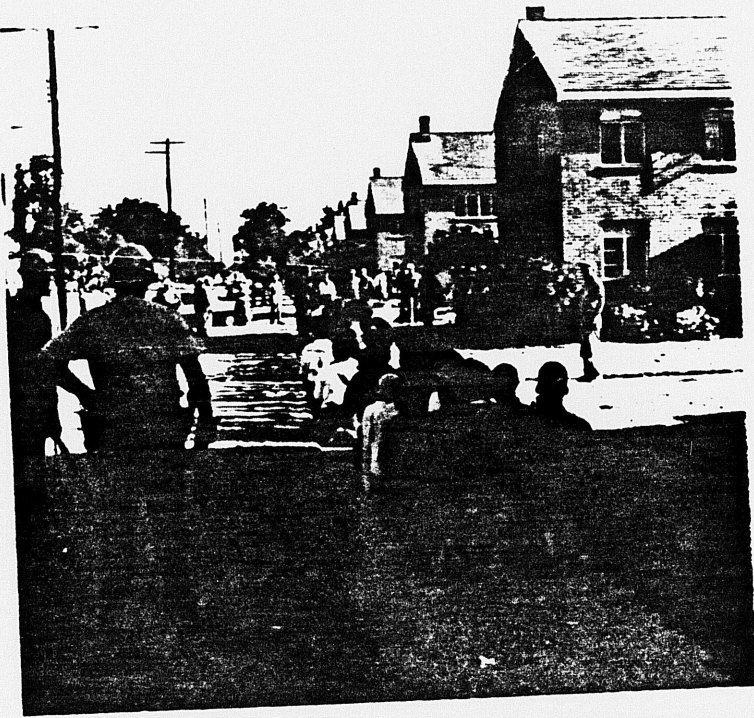




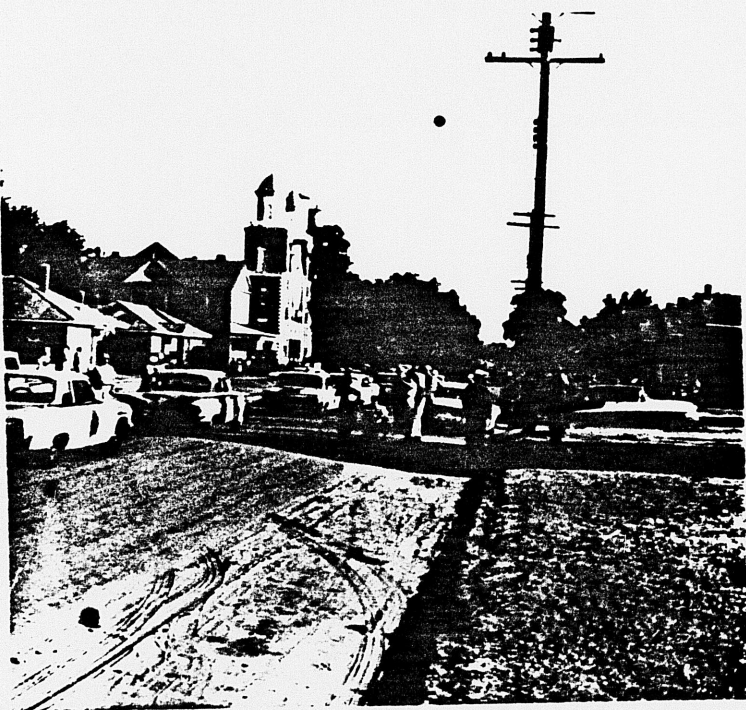


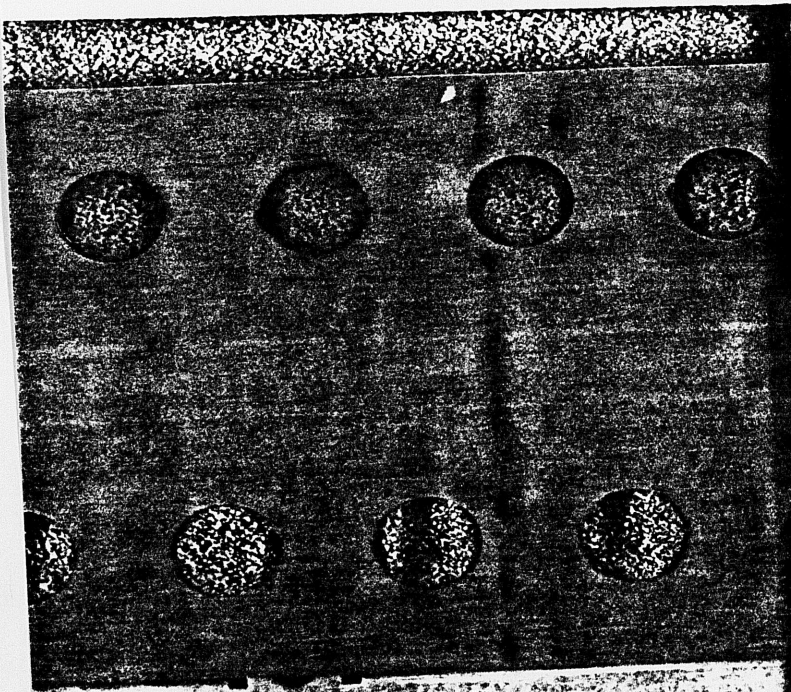












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STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALA.
RM

DATE: 10/7/63

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Photographs taken by SA [REDACTED]

One set of photographs furnished locally 10/3/63 to JOHN DOAR, Departmental Attorney.

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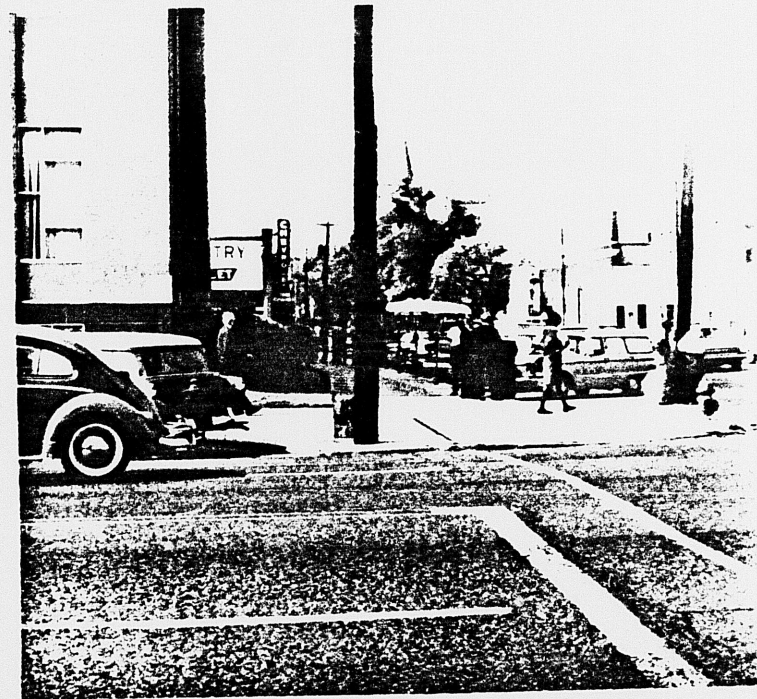
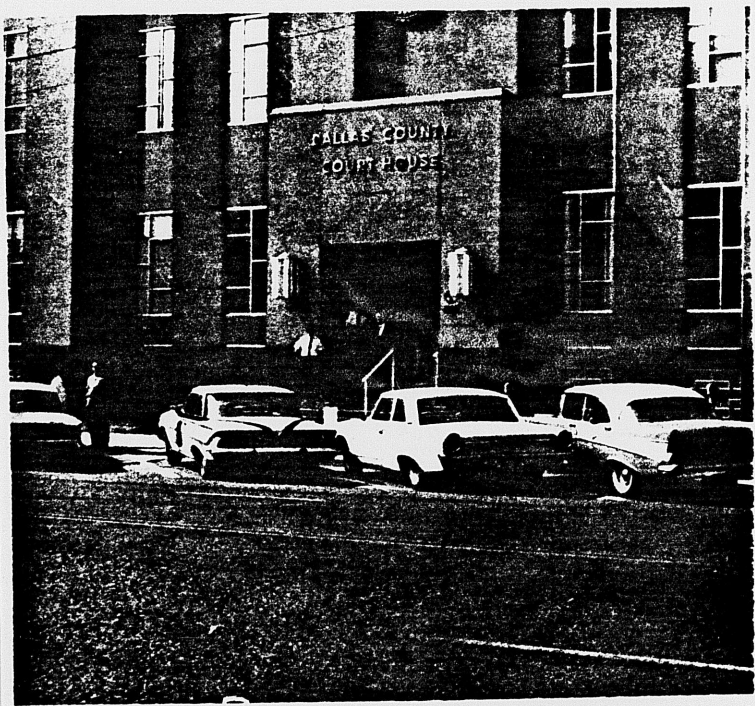
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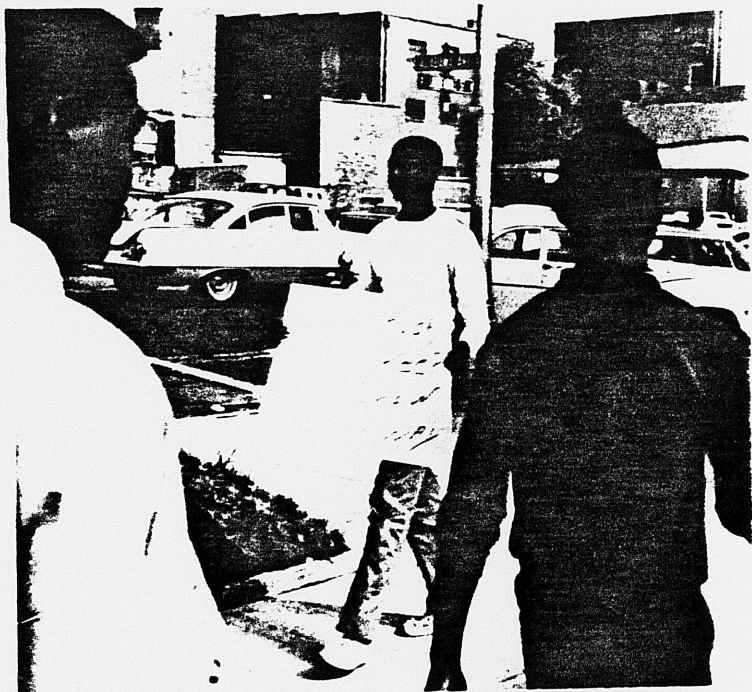
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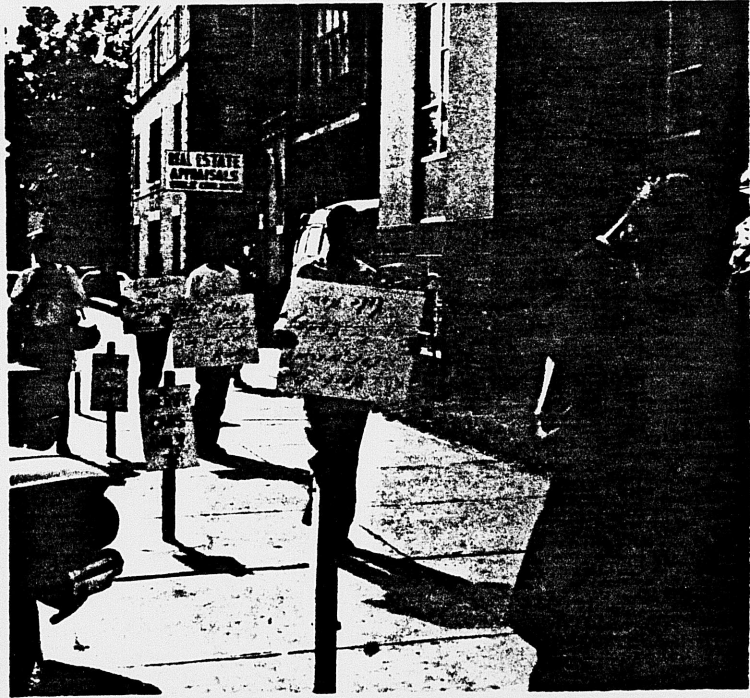
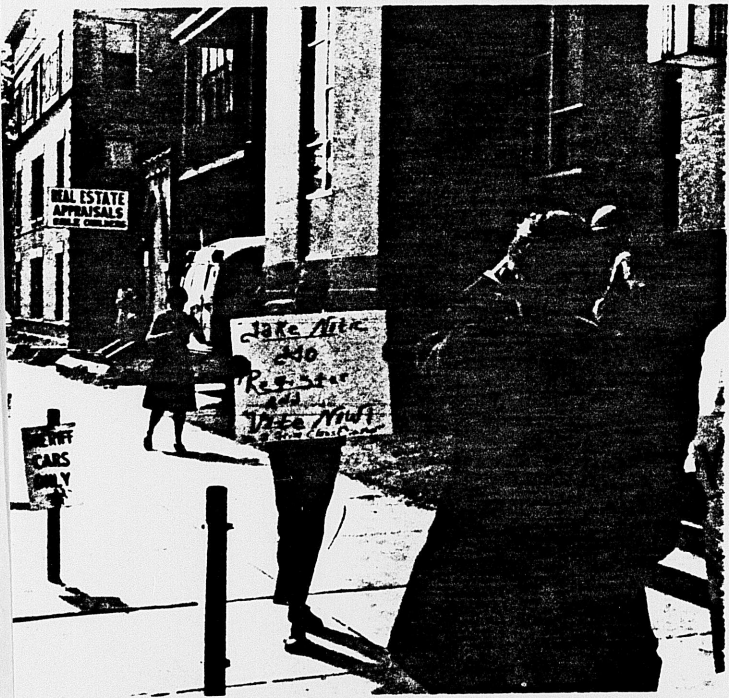
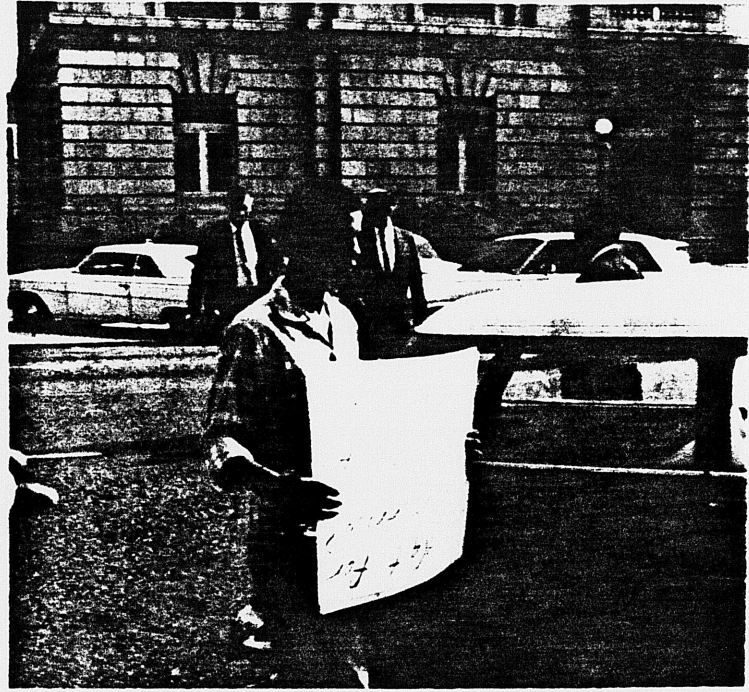
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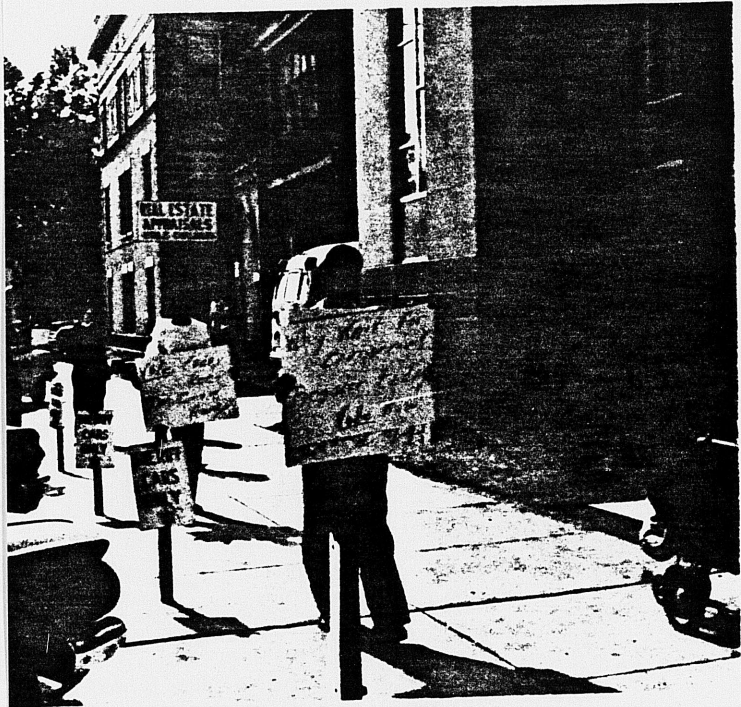
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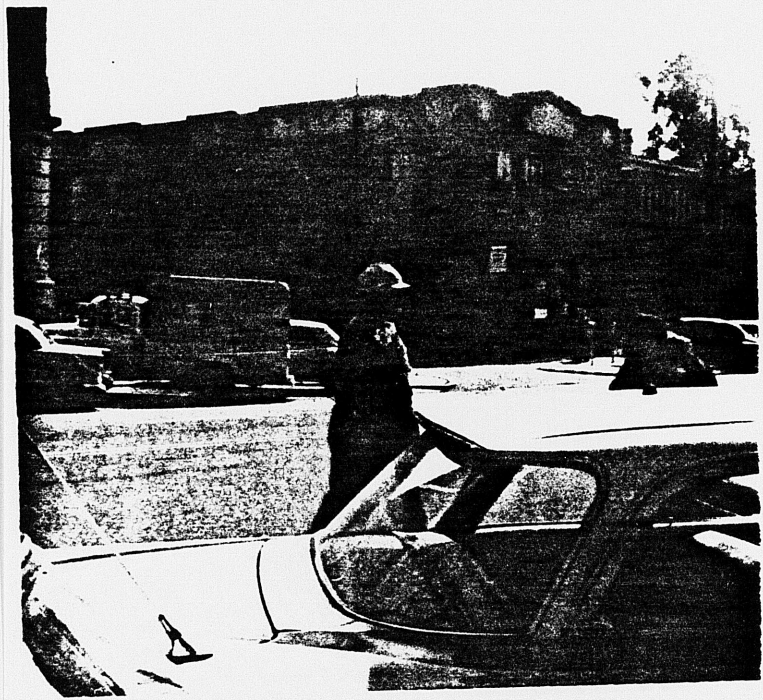
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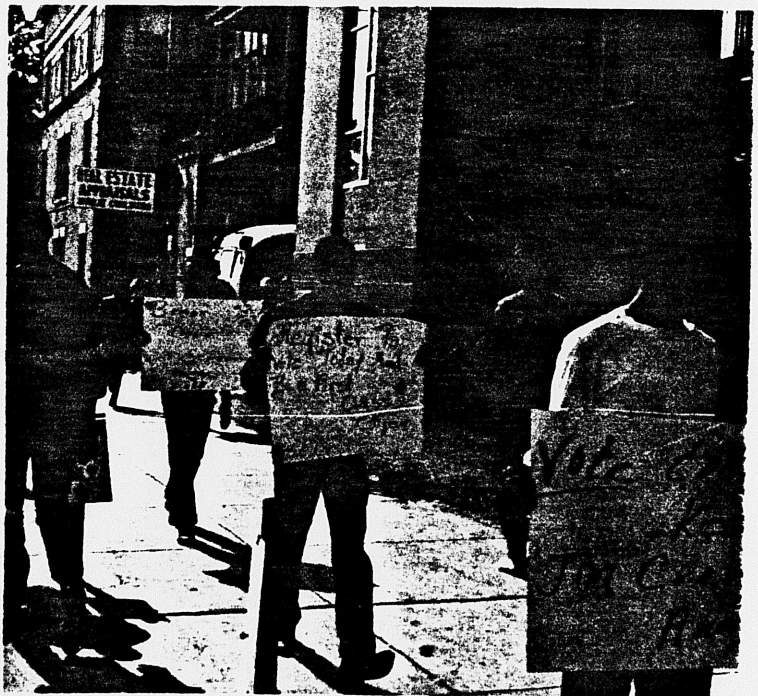
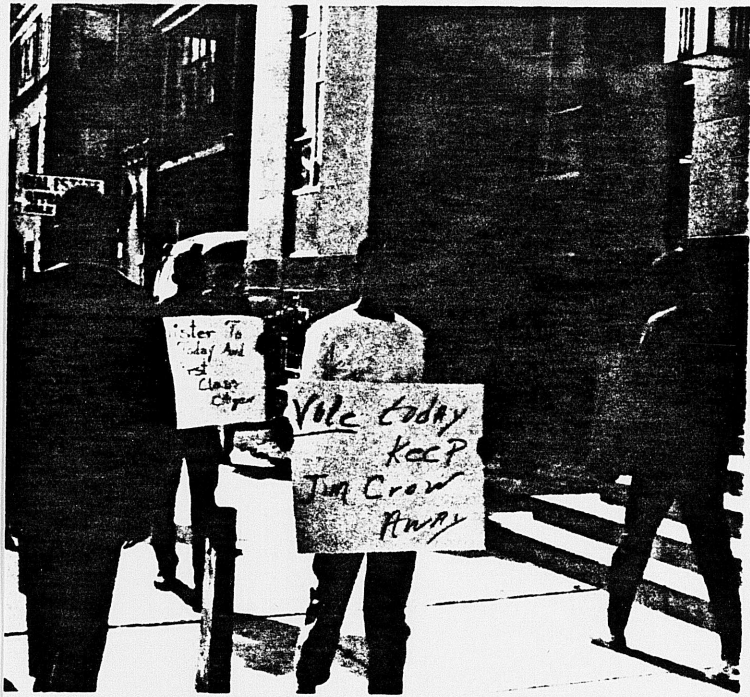


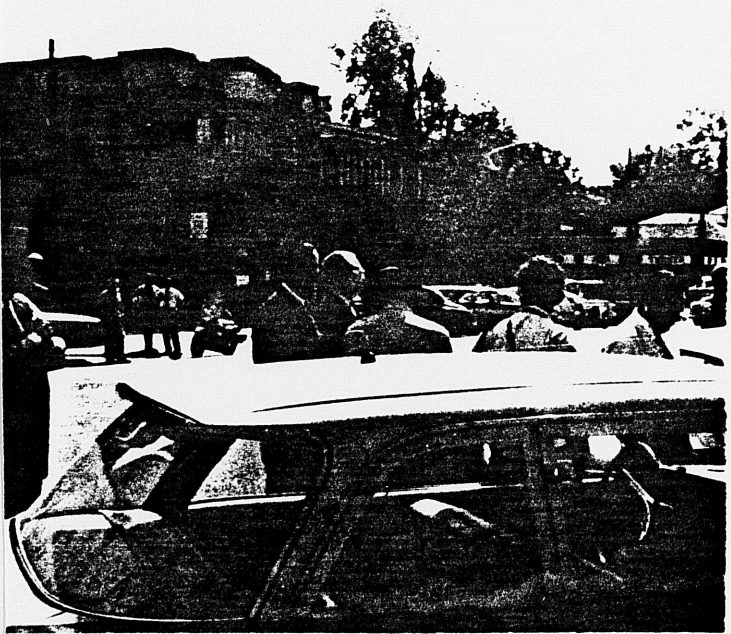










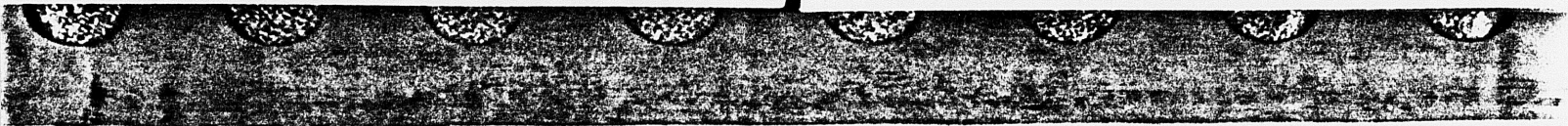


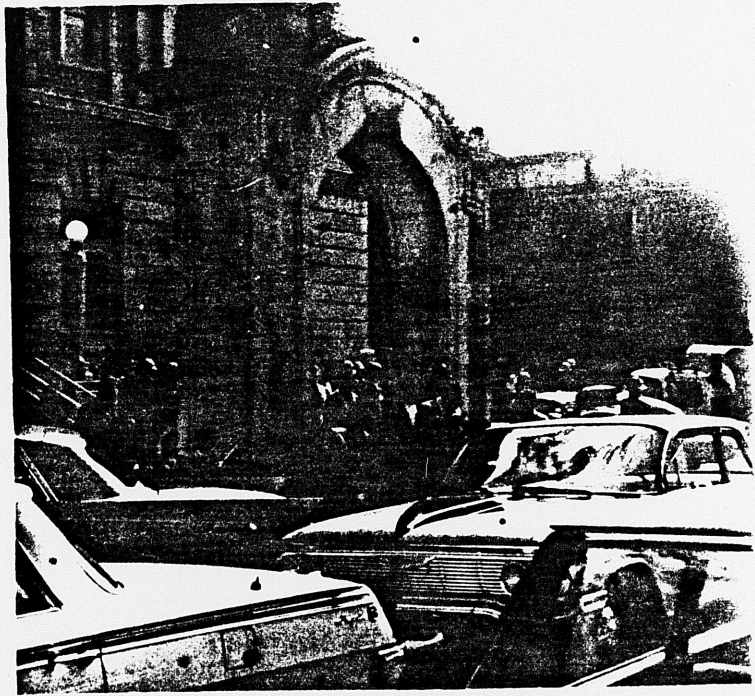
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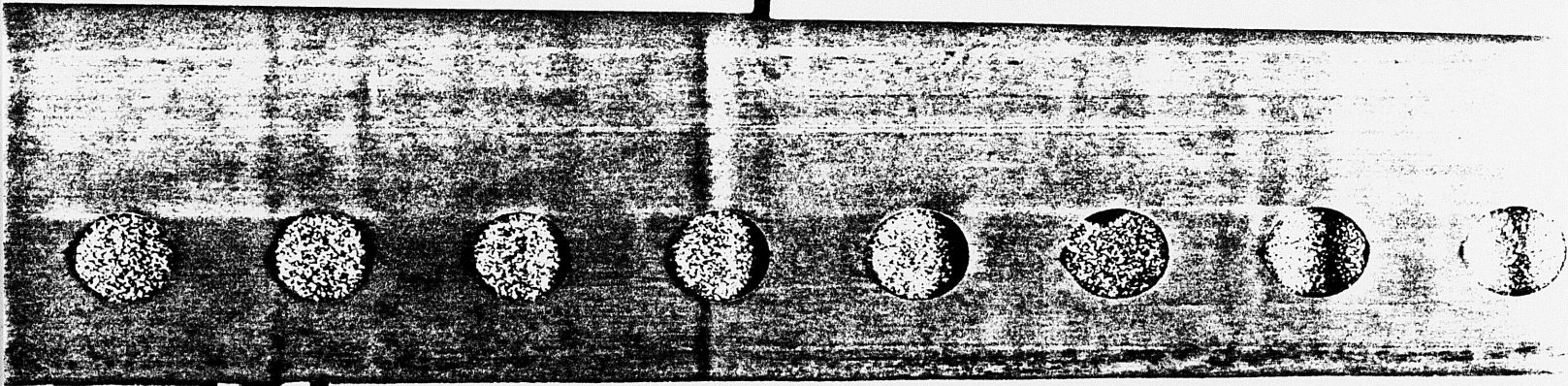
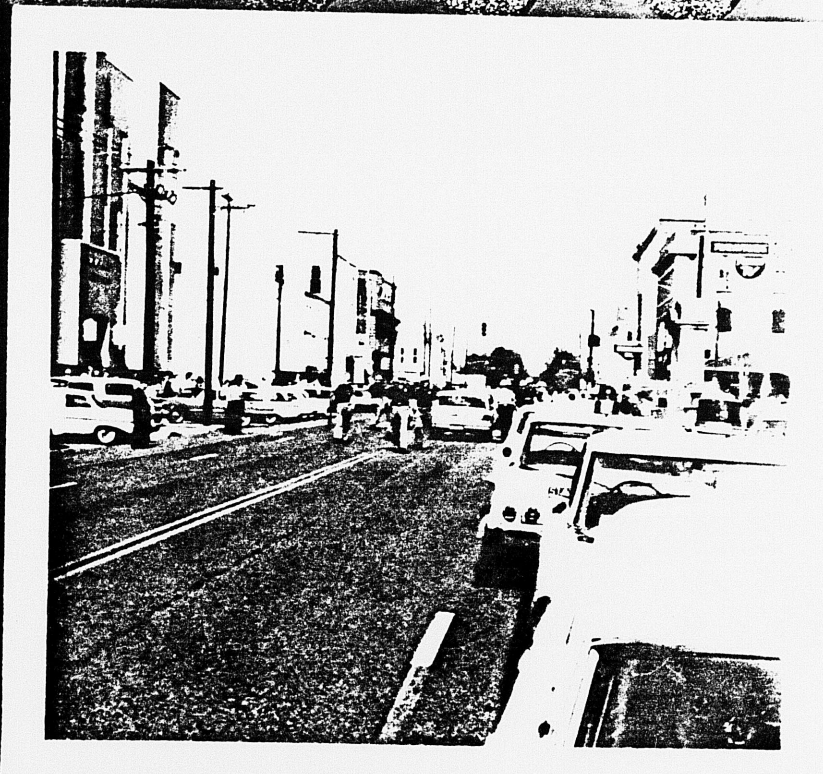
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 157-6-61
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RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.

AS OF ELEVEN AM, CST, TWO HUNDRED TWELVE NEGROES IN VOTER
REGISTRATION LINE OUTSIDE DALLAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE AND APPROXIMATELY
FIFTEEN TO TWENTY INSIDE BUILDING. b7c

AT ELEVEN THIRTY FIVE AM, CST, [REDACTED]
ARRESTED BY DALLAS COUNTY SHERIFF/S OFFICE ON WARRANT CHARGING
QUOTE "CONTRIBUTING TO DELINQUENCY OF MINORS." UNQUOTE. u

AT TWELVE ZERO FIVE PM, CST, THREE PICKETS APPEARED AT
FEDERAL BUILDING WHICH IS LOCATED DIRECTLY ACROSS STREET FROM
DALLAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE WITH SIGNS URGIN VOTER REGISTRATION.
ALL ARRESTED BY SHERIFF CLARK AND DEPUTIES CHARGING QUOTE,
"UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLY AND INCITING TO RIOT." UNQUOTE. b7c
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JAMES FORMAN, SNCC LEADER, ON SCENE AND DIRECTED PICKETING
OPERATIONS. AGENTS OBSERVED AND PHOTOGRAPHED ARRESTS OF PICKETS
AT FEDERAL BUILDING AND DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEYS ALSO ON SCENE AS
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AT TWELVE TWENTY PM, CST, TWELVE TO FIFTEEN STATE TROOPERS UNDER COMMAND OF JOE SMELLEY, NA, CHIEF, ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, ARRIVED ON SCENE AND ARE AIDING SHERIFF CLARK, DEPUTIES, POSSE MEMBERS AND SELMA POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS IN MAINTAINING ORDER.

NO INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE ACCOMPANIED ANY ARRESTS.

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U R G E N T 10/5/63 - 5-10 PM CST CCM
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., R M.
NO PICKETING OR SIMILAR ACTIVITIES OCCURED AT SELMA, ALA.,
THIS AFTERNOON. NEGRO YOUTHS DISTRIBUTING HAND BILLS ANNOUNCING
NEGRO RALLY TONIGHT AND IDENTIFYING SPEAKER AS DICK GREGORY,
NEGRO COMEDIAN. ALA.

SHEFFI CLARKE, DALLAS CO. ALA., AS OF FOUR FORTYFIVE PM CST
HAS NOT AS YET MADE ANY ARREST OF [REDACTED]
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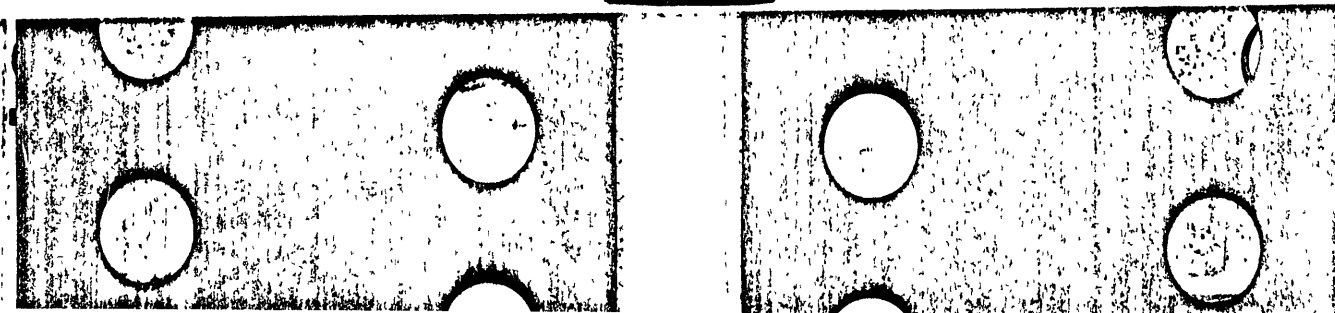
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M. J. [Signature]

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.
REBUAIRTEL OCT. THREE, SIXTYTHREE.

THE BUREAU-S ATTENTION IS CALLED TO MOBILE LETTERHEAD
MEMORANDUM DATED SEPT. NINETEEN, SIXTYTHREE, PAGE ELEVEN,
WHEREIN THE IDENTITY OF ONE [Redacted] IS SET FORTH. [Redacted]
IS THE INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS ARRESTED IN FRONT OF CARTER-S DRUG
STORE ON SEPT. EIGHTEEN, SIXTYTHREE IN THE ACT OF PICKETING
BY LT. T. L. PYRON OF THE SELMA PD.

THE BUREAU-S ATTENTION IS ALSO CALLED TO MOAIRTEL DATED
SEPT. TWENTYFOUR, SIXTYTHREE, WHEREIN VARIOUS PHOTOGRAPHS WERE
SUBMITTED. AS NOTED PHOTOS NUMBERS EIGHT THROUGH SIXTEEN ARE
A SERIES OF PHOTOS OF [Redacted] INCLUDING SOME DEPICTING
HIS ACTUAL ARREST. THESE PHOTOS WERE MADE BY SA [Redacted]

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THROUGH PROBATE COURT, SELMA, ALA, AS A JUVENILE AND IS ON
PROBATION FROM THAT COURT AT THE PRESENT TIME. THE PROBATE
COURT RECORDS ARE PRESENTLY CLOSED AND COMPLETE DETAILS OF
THIS DISPOSTION WILL BE SET FORTH IN LETTER HEAD MEMO TO FOLLOW.

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Mr. Conrad	_____
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Mr. Gale	_____
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U R G E N T 10/6/63 12-13 AM CST
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., R M.
NEGRO MASS RALLY TERMINATED ELEVEN PM CST TEN FIVE SIXTYTHREE.
ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE THREE HUNDRED NEGROES, ABOUT FORTY PER
CENT TEENAGERS.

COVERAGE OF MEETING HANDLED BY SELMA PD WITH SIX OFFICERS
IN TWO CARS. NO SHERIFF'S CARS OR POSSE MEMBERS ON SCENE.
NO INCIDENTS OCCURED AND CROWD DISPERSED PEACEFULLY.

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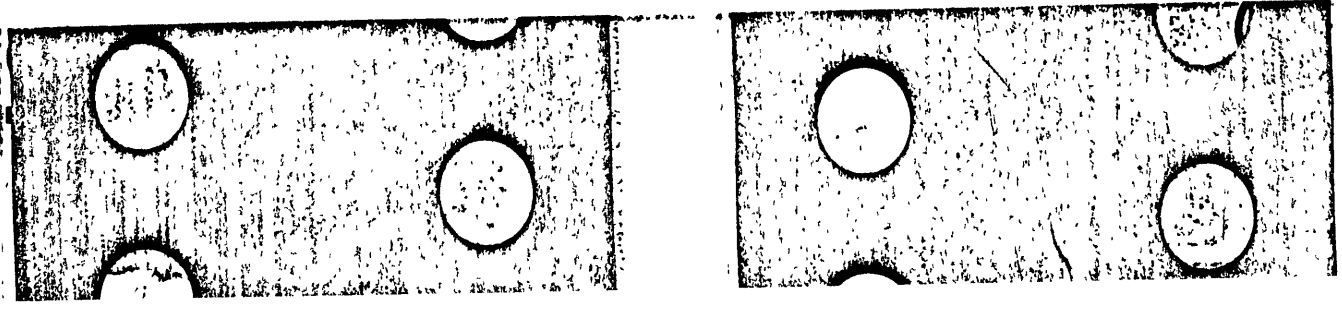
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URGENT 10/4/63 6-20 PM CST CCM
TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

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RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA. RM.
NEGRO COMEDIAN DICK GREGORY, CHICAGO, ILL., AND JAMES
FOREMAN, SNCC, SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE THREE TWENTY PM CST,
MONTGOMERY, ALA. ACCOMPANYING GREGORY AND FOREMAN IS ONE
JULIA HIGHT /PHONETIC/ FROM THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO
WOMEN, AND A SHIRLEY PAINE /PHONETIC/ AND ANOTHER UNKNOWN
WOMAN FROM THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON CIVIL RIGHTS. ACCORDING
TO NEGRO SOURCE, THESE INDIVIDUALS WERE TO DRIVE STRAIGHT TO
THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN SELMA WHERE A MEETING WOULD BE
HELD WITH NEGRO YOUTHS AT FOUR PM CST. AT THIS MEETING
JAMES FOREMAN WAS TO MAKE DECISION AS TO WHETHER A LARGE NEGRO
RALLY WOULD BE HELD TONIGHT. CONTACTS BEING MAINTAINED WITH
SOURCES. BUREAU AGENTS OBSERVING SCENE AND SITUATION BEING
FOLLOWED. NO PICKETS PRESENT IN SELMA TODAY.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 1P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA. RM.

NO PICKETS APPEARED AT FEDERAL BUILDING, USPO,
OR OTHER PLACES IN SELMA, ALA. TODAY. NO OTHER ACTIVITY
OCCURRING IN SELMA AND NO CONGREGATING BY NEGROES AROUND
CHURCHES OR OTHER MEETING PLACES IN SELMA.

SOURCE STATES DICK GREGORY, NEGRO COMEDIAN FROM CHICAGO,
ILL., DUE IN SELMA AT TWO P. M. CST, TODAY. HE WILL
ALLEGEDLY SPEAK AT NEGRO MASS RALLY AT SEVEN THIRTY P. M.,
CST, TONIGHT AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

SOURCES REPORT MARTIN LUTHER KING TO APPEAR IN
SELMA, OCTOBER FIFTEEN, SIXTY THREE, AND FRED SHUTTLESWORTH
TO APPEAR OCTOBER TWENTY TWO, SIXTY THREE, HOWEVER STATE
THIS IS TENTATIVE AND WILL OBTAIN FURTHER VERIFICATION
OF THESE DATES. IT IS NOTED THIS INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY
REPORTED IN LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM IN CAPTIONED CASE AND
SITUATION BEING CLOSELY FOLLOWED. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED.

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U R G E N T 10/3/63 12-50 AM CST CCM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA, RE
REMOTEL AND BUTELCON FROM SUP. TRAINOR, TEN TWO LAST.

MOBILE HAS NOT REVIEWED COURT CASE REFERRED TO IN REMOTEL
TEN TWO LAST AS [REDACTED] DID NOT ADVISE RA OF EXISTANCE OF COURT
DECISION UNTIL APPROXIMATELY EIGHT PM CST, HOWEVER IT IS
UNDERSTOOD CASE PERTAINED TO DECISION IN CASE ENTITLED "SHUTTLESWORTH
VS CONNOR" IN NINETEEN SIXTYONE, FIFTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS.

[REDACTED] WAS ADVISED THAT AGENTS NOT IN POSITION TO
FURNISH LEGAL ADVISE AND AS NOTED WAS ADVISED HER COMPLAINT WOULD
BE REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY AT SELMA WHEN ADVISED OF COMPLAINT DID
NOT REQUEST ANY FURTHER ACTION. JOHN DOAR, DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY,
EXPECTED MOMENTARLY AT SELMA FOR CONFERENCE TEN THREE INSTANT
AND WILL ALSO BE ADVISED OF COMPLAINTS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: October 4, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RACIAL MATTERS - MOBILE

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Belmont	_____
Mohr	_____
Casper	_____
Callahan	_____
Conrad	_____
DeLoach	✓
Evans	✓
Gale	_____
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Sullivan	_____
Tavel	_____
Trotter	_____
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Holmes	_____
Gandy	_____

On the evening of 10/3/63, Assistant Attorney General (AAG) Marshall expressed to Mr. Evans some concern about the racial situation at Selma, Alabama, where Negroes have for the past several days been picketing two Federal buildings, the Federal Building and the Post Office. Mr. Marshall is concerned that since this is Government property the local authorities might refuse to take any action if violence breaks out between Negroes and whites. The pickets have been urging Negro voter registration.

It was pointed out to AAG Marshall that Negroes had picketed the Federal Building at Selma on 10/3/63, where U. S. District Judge Daniel H. Thomas, Southern District of Alabama, was holding court. The U. S. Marshal (USM) instructed two Negro pickets to leave the scene which they did immediately. Mr. Marshall indicated that this might be true while court is in session but that after court is over the Negroes might return there and the problem would again be presented.

SAC Dalness at Mobile was contacted for an up-to-date picture of the situation at Selma and he advised that there would be no problem at Selma since Chief of Police E. W. Mullen, a National Academy graduate, and Sheriff James G. Clark, Jr., of Dallas County in which Selma is situated would preserve order. The picketing activity at the Federal Building and Post Office has been limited to two pickets at each building. No white activity has been generated by the presence of the pickets and they have been practically unnoticed. No arrests of these pickets have been made by local authorities.

SAC Dalness indicated that [redacted] there would be no possibility of any violence being permitted at the buildings. [redacted]

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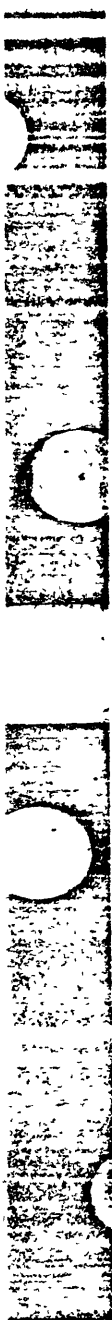
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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA

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Inquiry was made of SAC Dalness concerning USM personnel and General Services Administration (GSA) personnel in Selma and he indicated that the USM along with five of his deputies are presently in Selma but that the usual complement of marshals in Selma is one man. There are no GSA guards in Selma.

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SAC Dalness advised that John Doar and several other Departmental Attorneys are in Selma, Alabama, at the present time and are fully aware of the situation. He indicated that John Doar is extremely angry at Judge Thomas due to the fact that Judge Thomas is presently undecided as to when he will hear the voter registration case concerning Dallas County, Alabama.

SAC Dalness also indicated that no further Negro activity occurred in Selma on the evening of 10/3/63 and the situation is presently quiet. A Negro source will advise the Mobile Office 10/4/63 what the future plans of the Negroes are.

ACTION:

We will keep the Department advised of the situation at Selma, Alabama.

Mr. Marshall was advised of the above this morning.

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Or
- 2 - Jim Cox
R [REDACTED] ✓ [REDACTED]

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10/8/63

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W. J. [unclear]

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.

MASS NEGRO RALLY AT BAPTIST TABERNACLE CHURCH, CORNER OF BROAD STREET AND MINTER AVENUE, SELMA, ALABAMA BEGAN SEVEN THIRTY PM CST AND TERMINATED ELEVEN FIFTEEN PM.

PRINCIPAL SPEAKER JAMES BALDWIN, NEGRO AUTHOR.

FOR INFO BUREAU DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY THELTON HENDERSON WHO HAS BEEN IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH BOTH BALDWIN AND JAMES FORMAN, SNCC, LEADER DESCRIBES BALDWIN AS A "FIERY" SPEAKER WHO HAS NO USE FOR THE WHITE MAN.

ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE AT MEETING SIX HUNDRED NEGROES, FORTY PERCENT TEENAGERS.

NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED.

NO COVERAGE AFFORDED MEETING BY SO. SELMA PD COVERED MEETING WITH THREE CARS PARTOLING AREA ONLY.

NO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS INSIDE MEETING. ONLY WHITES PRESENT AT MEETING WERE NEWSMEN.

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10/7/63 9:00*

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URGENT 10-7-63 9-45 AM HRT
TO DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM SAC, MOBILE 157-367 1-P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALA., SELMA, ALA. RM.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED VOTER REGISTRATION BEGAN EIGHT THIRTY

cc A. M., C. S. T. TODAY AT DALLAS CO. COURTHOUSE. AS OF NINE FIFTEEN,
A. M., C. S. T. THERE ARE TWO LINES APPARENT AT DALLAS CO.
COURTHOUSE, ONE IS FOR VOTER REGISTRATION AND ONE IS FOR
AUTO TAG REGISTRATION. APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED TWENTY
FIVE INDIVIDUALS STANDING IN VOTER REGISTRATION LINE AND
APPROXIMATELY FIFTY PEOPLE IN THE TAG REGISTRATION LINE.
NO SEGREGATION IN EITHER LINE AND BOTH WHITE AND NEGROES
STANDING TOGETHER. REGISTRATION ORDERLY. NO DEMONSTRATIONS
OCCURRING AND SHERIFF/S DEPUTIES MAINTAINING ORDER.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA

RE MOTEL OCTOBER FOUR LAST.

PRATHIA L. HALL, SNCC LEADER STILL PRESENT IN SELMA AS OF

ELEVEN AM C. S. T. [REDACTED]

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STRATEGY MEETING

PLANNED BY SNCC AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH THIS MORNING, HOWEVER AS OF ELEVEN THIRTY AM CST, NO ORGANIZED MEETING OCCURRING. SMALL GROUPS OF NEGRO YOUTHS MILLING AROUND CHURCH. ONE AUTOMOBILE PARKED AT CHURCH. ANOTHER NEGRO RALLY TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR SEVEN THIRTY P. M. C. S. T. TONIGHT. SOURCE STATES NO MASS DEMONSTRATIONS PLANNED FOR SELMA TODAY BUT POSSIBILITY EXISTS ISOLATED PICKETING OR SIMILAR ACTIVITIES BY NEGRO YOUTHS COULD OCCUR. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TO ADVISE OF PERTINENT PLANS ALTHOUGH SNCC HAS BEEN GENERALLY UNRELIABLE WITHIN PAST WEEK IN FURNISHING INFORMATION TO BUREAU AGENTS. ALL PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS BEING FOLLOWED AND BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED.

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Attorney John Doan advised 10-6-63

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- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. DeLoach
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Casper
- Mr. Callahan
- Mr. Conrad
- Mr. Felt
- Mr. Gale
- Mr. Rosen
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TO SAC, MOBILE (157-367)
FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6-61)

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA.

RACIAL MATTERS.

BUREAU IN RECEIPT OF ADVICE FROM CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION TO EFFECT VOTER REGISTRATIONS MAY TAKE PLACE TOMORROW AT MARION JUNCTION, ALABAMA, AND ANOTHER NEARBY LOCALITY.

CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION REQUESTS BUREAU AGENTS OBSERVE THESE REGISTRATIONS IN MANNER SIMILAR TO OBSERVING DEMONSTRATIONS AND PHOTOGRAPH ANY DISTURBANCES.

MOBILE CONTACT DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY RICHARD WASSERSTROM FOR IDENTITY OF COMMUNITY WHERE OTHER REGISTRATION TO TAKE PLACE. MOBILE HANDLE IN LINE WITH CRD REQUEST.

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NOTE: Request of Civil Rights Division set forth herein made to SA [redacted] at 9:20 p.m., 10-8-63, by Mr. John Doar, CRD. This request cleared through SA [redacted] and Section Chief C. L. McGowan, Civil Rights Section.

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URGENT 10-4-63 *XX10/7/63 5-45 PM CST VFP

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 3 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA. RM

NO FURTHER INCIDENT OCCURRED AT SELMA, ALA. DURING VOTER REGISTRATION UNTIL ABOUT TWO TWENTY PM CST TODAY. JAMES FOREMAN, SNCC LEADER, JAMES BALDWIN, NEGRO AUTHOR, AND LOCAL NEGRO LEADER APPROACHED SHERIFF JAMES G. CLARK AND REQUESTED THEY BE ALLOWED TO SERVE NEGROES STANDING IN THE VOTER REGISTRATION LINE WITH FOOD AND DRINK. SHERIFF CLARK REFUSED, STATING THAT PEOPLE STANDING IN THE VOTER REGISTRATION LINE WERE NOT TO BE MOLESTED IN ANY WAY. AFTER CONFERENCE, JAMES FOREMAN INSTRUCTED TWO NEGRO MALES IN EARLY TWENTIES TO SERVE NEGROES STANDING IN VOTER REGISTRATION LINE WITH SANDWICHES. THEY CROSSED STREET AND ATTEMPTED TO START SERVING INDIVIDUALS WITH SANDWICHES IN THE REGISTRATION LINE, WHICH AT THAT TIME WAS COMPRISED OF APPROXIMATELY TWO HUNDRED NEGROES. THESE NEGRO MALES WERE IMMEDIATELY MOVED ON BY ALA. STATE TROOPERS AND WERE SURROUNDED BY ABOUT TEN TROOPERS. BOTH NEGROES FELL TO GROUND AND DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY DICK WASSERSTROM, WHO IS ON SCENE, STATED THEY WERE BEATEN BY

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TROOPERS. HE REQUESTED STATEMENTS TO BE TAKEN IMMEDIATELY FROM AVAILABLE WITNESSES. ^{ONE} NO WITNESS STATES HE OBSERVED ONE BOY BEING PRODDED WITH STICKS, ANOTHER WITNESS STATES HE SAW BOTH NEGROES BEING STRUCK WITH STICKS ABOUT ARMS, LEGS, AND SHOULDERS. ONE OTHER WITNESS STATES HE OBSERVED STATE TROOPERS KICKING BOTH BOYS. AGENT OBSERVED INCIDENT AND PHOTOGRAPHED SAME. AGENT STATES FIRST NEGRO FELL TO GROUND WHICH APPEARED TO BE PROTEST TYPE OF DEMONSTRATION. SECOND NEGRO TRIPPED OVER FIRST AND IMMEDIATELY WAS HELPED UP BY APPROXIMATELY FIVE STATE TROOPERS AND LED OFF. STATE TROOPERS WERE ATTEMPTING TO PICK UP FIRST NEGRO THAT FELL AND HE STARTED STRUGGLING WITH TROOPERS. THEIR HATS WERE FALLING OFF THEIR HEADS AND HITTING ON SIDEWALK. SINCE THEY WERE WEARING HARD HATS, THE NOISE OF THEM STRIKING SIDEWALK SOUNDED LIKE BLOWS BEING STRUCK. HOWEVER, AGENT SAW BLOWS BEING STRUCK WITH NIGHT STICK BY TROOPERS ON LEGS AND ARMS OF NEGRO AS HE WAS STRUGGLING AND KICKING AT THEM. BOTH NEGROES ARRESTED AND TAKEN TO JAIL.

AT FOUR FORTYFIVE PM CST, THE SCENE CLEARED AT THE DALLAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE AND ONLY NORMAL ACTIVITY PRESNETLY OCCURRING.
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PAGE THREE

THE GOVERNOR- S OFFICE HAS BEEN NOTIFIED CONCERNING A
PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION BEING INSTITUTED REGARDING INCIDENT
REFERRED TO HEREIN AND MOBILE IS OPENING NEW CASE ENTITLED
QUOTE, UNSUBS, AKA ALABAMA STATE TROOPERS INVOLVED IN ARREST
OF VICTIMS ON OCT. SEVNEN, SIXTYTHREE, SELMA, ALA. CARVER
NEBLETT, AVERY WILLIAMS- VICTIMS. CR, UNQUOTE AND INVESTIG-
ATION CONCERNING THIS INCIDENT WILL BE REPORTED IN THAT FILE.
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Date: 10/3/63

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-NEW)(P)
SUBJECT: UNSUB; Reported Possible Bombing
of Residence of [REDACTED]
Tuskegee, Alabama
RM RACIAL MATTERS

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Enclosed to the Bureau are eight copies of
letterhead memorandum concerning the above.

Local law enforcement agencies and military
authorities have been advised.

② - Bureau (Enc. 8)
2 - Mobile
[REDACTED]
(5) **ENCLOSURE**

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Agency C2, ONI, OSI, CRD

Date Forw. OCT 8 1963

How Forw. RM

By [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] b7c

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Approved: [Signature] Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Mobile, Alabama
October 3, 1963

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
REPORTED POSSIBLE BOMBING OF
RESIDENCE OF [REDACTED]
TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA

At 12:20 PM, October 3, 1963, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Tuskegee, Alabama, advised that her mother had received an anonymous telephone call earlier this date informing that their residence would be bombed at 10:00 PM on the night of October 3, 1963.

[REDACTED] informed she has no idea who may be responsible for the telephone call or who might desire to frighten her. Her house is occupied by her, her mother, [REDACTED] and two children. The telephone call was not threatening and the caller informed he overheard the information in a barber shop.

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Date: 10/4/63

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO : Director, FBI (157-6-61)
FROM : SAC, Mobile (157-367)(P)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION-
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RM

Photo encl
CC TO: NACC Army
REQ. REC'D 6-27-66
JUL 11 1966
ANS.
BY: [Redacted]

Attached hereto are eight copies of letterhead memorandum re captioned matter.

Local military intelligence agencies advised.

The Agents who observed the pickets at the Federal Building in Selma were SAs [Redacted] and [Redacted]

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. [Redacted])
- 2 - Mobile [Redacted]
- (5)

ENCLOSURE

Photo encl.
CC TO: CSF - USPA
REQ. REC'D 8-18-66
SEP 21 1966
ANS.
BY: [Redacted]

Photo
CC TO: NACC Army
REQ. REC'D 11-23-66
DEC 7 1966
ANS.
BY: [Redacted]

Agency G-2, ONI, CSI, CRD
Date Forw. OCT 8 1963

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OCT 7 1963

By [Redacted]
In cc Org. Unit
2 cc's dest'd

C.C. Wick

Approved: [Signature] Special Agent in Charge
OCT 17 1963

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Mobile, Alabama
October 3, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On October 2, 1963, Bureau Agents observed two pickets at the Federal Building, corner of Lauderdale Street and Alabama Avenue, one standing on steps at entrance to building on Alabama Avenue and one standing on steps of Lauderdale Street side, with signs urging registration to vote. The two pickets appeared at about 9:00 a.m. Central Standard Time (CST) and left the building voluntarily about 11:30 a.m. At about 2:00 p.m. CST two different pickets returned to the building and picketed by standing on the steps at the two entrances until about 4:00 p.m. CST. No arrests were made; pickets went unnoticed, and they voluntarily terminated picketing activities and left the scene.

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On October 2, 1963, [REDACTED] Dallas County Court, advised that the following individuals, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] were handled in Dallas County Court on the evening of October 1, 1963. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Two university students who refused to plead guilty and pled not guilty were found guilty by the Dallas County Court

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

Tolson	_____
Belmont	_____
Mohr	_____
Casper	_____
Callahan	_____
Conrad	_____
DeLoach	_____
Evans	_____
Gale	_____
Rosen	_____
Sullivan	_____
Tavel	_____
Trotter	_____
Tele Room	_____
Holmes	_____
Gandy	_____

TO : Mr. Belmont *at*

DATE 10/4/63

FROM : A. Rosen *Rosen*

SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION - Mobile
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RACIAL MATTERS

With further reference to my memorandum this morning, SAC Dalness has advised that all is quiet in Selma as of 10:15 A. M., Central Standard Time (CST), (12:15 Washington, D. C., time). No pickets have appeared at any of the Federal buildings and a rally is scheduled tonight for the Negroes at 7:30 P. M. at the First Baptist Church. Negro comedian Dick Gregory is scheduled to arrive in Selma at 2 P. M. CST, today, reportedly for a speaking engagement. *acc*

SAC Dalness indicated that the Selma Police Department consists of the Chief of Police, E. W. Mullins (NA), and a complement of 26 officers.

[REDACTED]

SAC Dalness indicated that Departmental Attorney Thelton Henderson, (a Negro), is on the scene in Selma and is working closely with the Negro community. Mr. Henderson has assured the Mobile Office that he will stay in close touch with the office and the Negro community and will advise the office of any problems that may arise. *b7c b7D*

The U. S. Attorney at Mobile has advised SAC Dalness that he has looked up some law on the subject of jurisdiction over Federal buildings, and that in the case of buildings constructed prior to 1940, the Federal Government has primary jurisdiction; however, will always accede to state control. Those buildings constructed subsequent to 1940 are under state jurisdiction. Of the two buildings involved in Selma, the Federal building was constructed prior to 1940 and the Post Office Building subsequent to 1940.

1 - Mr. Evans

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: RACIAL SITUATION; STATE OF ALABAMA

ACTION:

The above information is being furnished to the Civil Rights Division and will be furnished in writing to Assistant Attorney General Burke Marshall.

Mobile is continuing to watch the situation closely and will keep the Bureau advised.

R *Chen* *V.* *James* *H. H. De* *[Redacted]* *b7c*
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

URGENT 10-8-63 11-41AM PAM MMA

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA., RM.

NO ACTIVITY OCCURRING SELMA, ALA., TODAY AS OF ELEVEN
O/CLOCK A.M. , CST. SOURCE STATES JAMES BALDWIN, PRINCIPAL
SPEAKER AT MASS RALLY LAST NIGHT, SPOKE TOO MUCH ON PHILOSOPHY
AND WAS UNABLE TO REACH THE GENERAL UNDERSTANDING OF AUDIENCE.

CONTACT BEING MAINTAINED WITH SOURCES RE SITUATION.

BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED.

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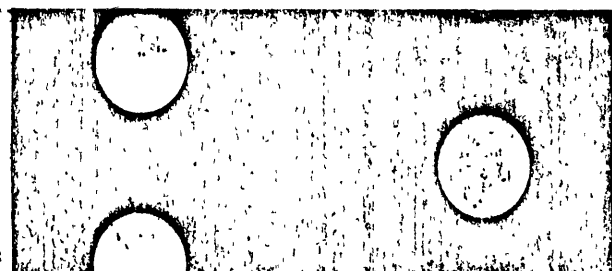
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URGENT 10-9-63 2-33 PM JEB

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/

FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 3P

ACRACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA. RM.

REBUTEL TODAY REQUESTING INFORMATION CONCERNING REGISTRATION
DATES OF DALLAS COUNTY BOARD OF REGISTRARS, SELMA, ALA.

CONTAINED IN SELMA TIMES JOURNAL, DAILY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED
AT SELMA, UNDER DATELINE SEPT. EIGHTEEN, SIXTYTHREE, IS THE
FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT CAPTIONED REGISTRATION NOTICE.

QUOTE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE REGISTRATION
LAWS, TITLE SEVENTEEN, SECTION TWENTYSIX, CODE OF ALA., NINETEEN
FORTY, THE REGISTRARS OF DALLAS COUNTY, ALA. DO HEREBY GIVE
NOTICE THAT THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS ARE SET FOR THE PURPOSE
OF REGISTERING THOSE QUALIFIED UNDER THE LAW TO REGISTER AS
ELECTORS. PRECINCT NO. TWO THREE AT MEMORIAL GARDEN, SELMA, ON
OCT. ONE, SIXTYTHREE - AM. PRECINCT NO. TWO FIVE AT SAFFORD,
ALA. ON OCT. ONE, SIXTYTHREE - AM. PRECINCT TWO THREE AT B. C.
AND G CONSTRUCTION CO., SELMA, ON OCT. TWO, SIXTYTHREE - AM. OCT 10 1963
PRECINCT NO. EIGHT AT ORRVILLE, ALA. ON OCT. TWO, SIXTYTHREE -
PM. PRECINCT NO. ONE ONE AT PINE FLAT ON OCT. THREE, SIXTYTHREE -
AM. PRECINCT NO. TWO NINE AT BROWNS, ALA. ON OCT. THREE,

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SIXTYTHREE - PM. PRECINCT NO. FOUR AT VALLEY CREEK ON OCT.
FOUR, SIXTYTHREE - AM. PRECINCT NO. ONE AT PLANTERSVILLE, ALA.
ON OCT. FOUR, SIXTYTHREE - PM. PRECINCT NO. THIRTY AT KINGS ON
OCT. EIGHT, SIXTYTHREE - AM. PRECINCT NO. THIRTEEN AT PLEASANT
HILL OCT. EIGHT, SIXTYTHREE - PM. PRECINCT NO. TWO AT SUMMER-
FIELD OCT. NINE, SIXTYTHREE - AM. PRECINCT TWO EIGHT, MARION
JUNCTION, OCT. NINE, SIXTYTHREE - PM. PRECINCT NO. TWO TWO,
BURNSVILLE, OCT. TEN, SIXTYTHREE - AM. PRECINCT NO. THREE
FIVE AT MITCHELL, OCT. ELEVEN, SIXTYTHREE - PM. PRECINCT NO.
THREE TWO AT CARLOWVILLE, OCT. FOURTEEN, SIXTYTHREE - PM.
PRECINCT NO. THREE SIX AT COURTHOUSE ON OCT. SEVEN, FIFTEEN,
SIXTEEN, SEVENTEEN, EIGHTEEN, TWENTYONE, TWENTYTWO, TWENTYTHREE,
TWENTYFOUR, TWENTYFIVE, TWENTYEIGHT, TWENTYNINE, THIRTY,
THIRTYONE, AND NOV. ONE, FOUR, FIVE, SIX, SEVEN, EIGHT, AND
EIGHTEEN, SIXTYTHREE. SIGNED V. B. ATKINS, CHAIRMAN, A. C.
ALLEN, J. R. BIBB, REGISTRARS, DALLAS COUNTY. NO PERSON SHALL
BE REGISTERED EXCEPT AT THE COURTHOUSE OR THE PRECINCT OR WARD
WHERE HE OR SHE RESIDES. UNQUOTE.

END PAGE TWO

PAGE THREE

ABOVE CLIPPING HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM NEWSPAPER AND IS
RETAINED IN MOBILE FILE, COPIES OF WHICH CAN BE MADE AVAILAELE
TO THE BUREAU IF DESIRED.

SOURCES AT SELMA TODAY ADVISE NO ACTIVITY IS PLANNED BY
NEGROES FOR AFTERNOON AND EVENING BUT WILL ADVISE IF INFORMATION
DEVELOPED OF CONTEMPLATED ACTIVITY. MOBILE FOLLOWING.

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RADIOGRAM

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1 - [redacted]

TO SAC MOBILE
FROM DIRECTOR FBI

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA, RACIAL MATTERS.

REURTELS OCTOBER SEVEN AND EIGHT, SIXTYTHREE.

IF NOT PREVIOUSLY DONE, STILL FILM AND MOVIES OF ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY FORWARDED FOR DEVELOPING, ESPECIALLY THE FOOTAGE COVERING INCIDENTS IN VOTER REGISTRATION LINE AND REPORTED BEATING OF CARVER NEBLETT AND AVERY WILLIAMS. DEPARTMENT INTERESTED IN VIEWING THESE FILMS AT EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY. ANY MOVIE OR STILL PHOTOGRAPHS OBTAINED IN CONNECTION WITH REGISTRATION AT MARION AND SUMMERFIELD SECTION JUNCTION/SHOULD LIKEWISE BE FORWARDED BY MOST EXPEDITIOUS MEANS.

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NOTE: Departmental Attorney John Doar advised on 10/9/63 he was interested in viewing the photographs of the racial incidents which occurred at Selma especially the alleged beating of Williams and Neblett.

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URGENT 10-9-63 11-29 PM CST VFP

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 1 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.

AT SEVEN FORTY PM CST INSTANT DATE, NEGRO VOTER REGISTRATION AND INTERCARTION RALLY HELD AT SHILOH CHURCH IN ISOLATED AREA NEAR BOGUE CHITTO, ALA. ABOUT FIFTEEN MILES SOUTH OF SELMA.

APPROXIMATELY SIXTY NEGROES IN TEN CARS ATTENDED, INCLUDING ABOUT THIRTY SNCC YOUTHS FROM SELMA.

PRINCIPAL SPEAKER REV. L. L. ANDERSON, TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH / NEGRO/ OF SELMA. RALLY ENDED NINE THIRTY PM CST.

TWO DALLAS CO SHERIFFS DEPUTIES AND ONE ALA SATE TROPER/ INVESTIGATOR/ ON SCENE.

BUAGENTS COVERED MEETING.

FOUR AUTOS AND NO PEDESTRANS APPEARED ON ROAD DURING MEETING.

NO INCIDENTS OF SUSPECTION.

LETTER HEAD MEMO FOLLOWS.

END AND ACK PLS

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Date: 10/7/63

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FROM : SAC, MOBILE (157-367)(P)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

Agency G-2, ONI, CMI, CRD

Date 10/10/63

How Re

By [Redacted]

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2 CC's - Destroyed

Re Bureau airtel to Mobile, 10/3/63.

Transmitted herewith to the Bureau is original and seven copies of letterhead memorandum reflecting information concerning the arrest of a single picket in front of Carter's Drug Store on 9/18/63. This individual as noted is named [Redacted]

Mobile's letterhead memorandum dated 9/19/63 contains information pertaining to the arrests of all pickets on 9/17/63 and 9/18/63, wherein a description of [Redacted] is set out, which shows his age and address.

The Bureau is also referred to Mobile airtel dated 9/24/63 in which photographs were transmitted to the Bureau and photographs numbered 8 through 16 are photographs depicting the picketing activities of [Redacted] and his arrest.

Local military intelligence agencies advised.

3 - Bureau (Encs. 8)
2 - Mobile
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E C. Wick

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Mobile, Alabama
October 7, 1963

RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA

On September 18, 1963 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that at approximately 11:30 a.m. CST, Lieutenant T. L. Pyron arrested a single picket in front of Carter's Drug Store, Selma, Alabama, while he was in the act of carrying a sign and picketing. [REDACTED] stated that Pyron made the arrest on specific authority of Circuit Solicitor Blanchard McLeod, Fourth Judicial Circuit of Alabama, who was on the scene and directed the arrest be made.

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DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEYS REQUEST INTERVIEWS WITH WITNESSES AND
[REDACTED] RELATIVE TO THIS INCIDENT.

MOBILE OPENING NEW CASE ENTITLED QUOTE [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] SELMA, ALABAMA. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] DASH VICTIMS. CR. EL. UNQUOTE AND INVESTIGATION
WILL BE REPORTED IN THAT FILE.

COLOR PHOTOGRAPHS OBTAINED OF BRUISE ON [REDACTED] ARM.

UACB, MOBILE CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION REQUESTED.

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cc [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO
FROM
SUBJECT

Mr. Belmont *W*

DATE 10/8/63

A. Rosen *A. Rosen*

RACIAL SITUATION - *Mobile*
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RACIAL MATTERS

- Tolson _____
- Belmont _____
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UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; MEMBERS
OF THE ALABAMA STATE HIGHWAY
PATROL; CARVER NEBLETT;
AVERY WILLIAMS - VICTIMS
CIVIL RIGHTS

On 10/7/63 voter registration proceedings were held in Selma, Alabama. Two Negroes endeavored to serve sandwiches to individuals in the line and were forcibly removed by state police. Some witnesses reported the Negroes were beaten by night sticks and cattle prods. Department has requested Bureau to conduct investigation.

John Doar of the Civil Rights Division has advised that [redacted] of the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) took photographs of the incident yesterday in Selma. According to Doar, this film has been sent to CBS in New York City to [redacted] b7c

Doar has requested that the Bureau obtain the film so that same might be reviewed by the Department.

ACTION:

The New York Office has been advised of the above information and requested to obtain the film from CBS in New York.

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach

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John Doar

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FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-367)
SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
STATE OF ALABAMA
SELMA, ALABAMA
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Mobile airtel to Bureau, 9/20/63.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two sets of 42 photographs each taken at Selma, Ala. and described as follows:

Number 1 through 19 - photographs of crowd at Brown's Chapel, 508 Sylvan St., Selma, Ala., and of police coverage there, taken 9/19/63;

Number 20 through 21 - photographs of Carnegie Library, Selma, Ala., taken 9/20/63;

Number 22 through 23 - photographs of two Negroes being turned away from Carnegie Library, Selma, Ala., by white male, taken 9/20/63;

Number 24 through 28 - photographs of officers of Selma, Ala. Police Department talking and walking away with white male taken 9/20/63;

cc - Wick

3 - Bureau (RM) Enc. 84) ENCLOSURE
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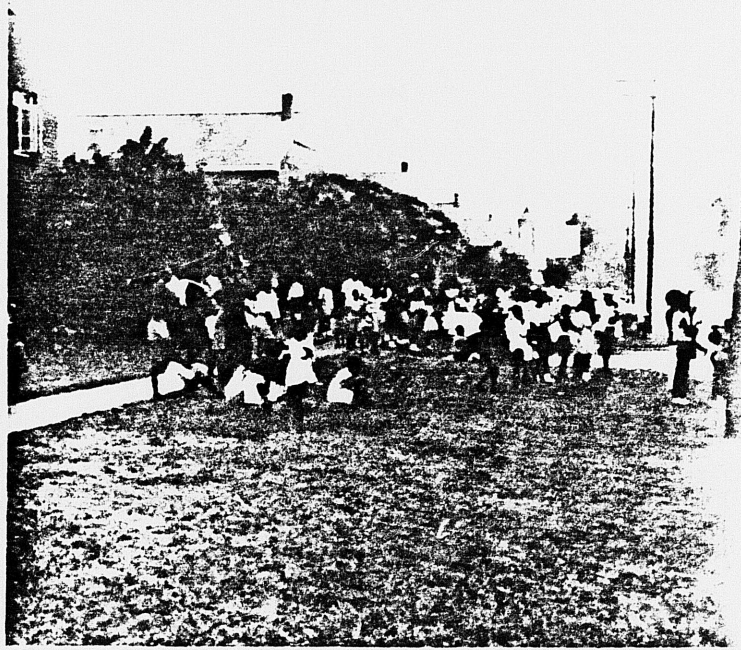
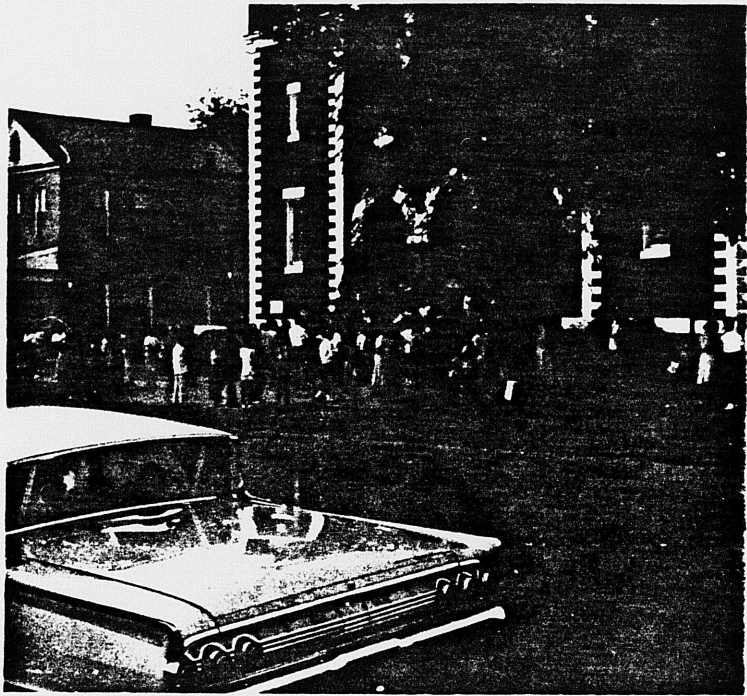
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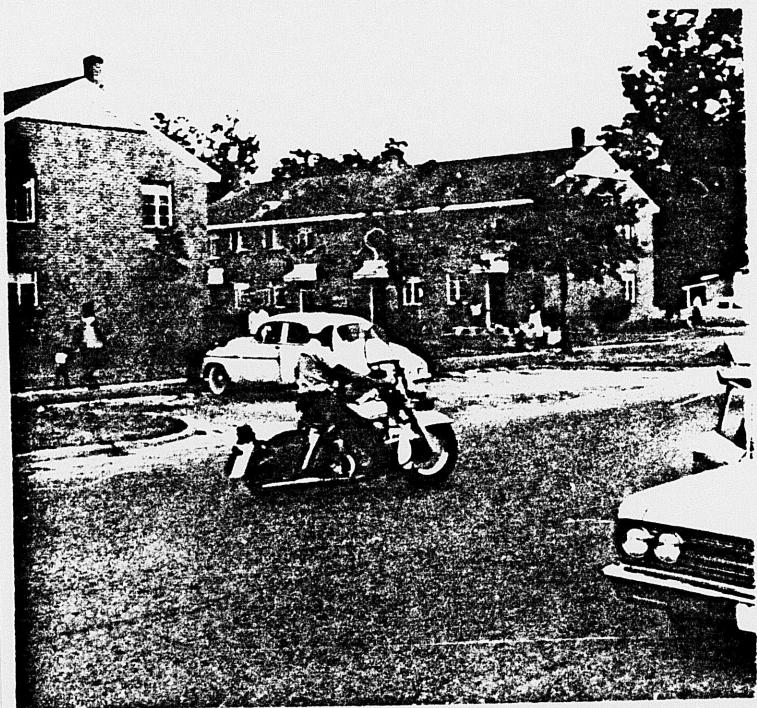
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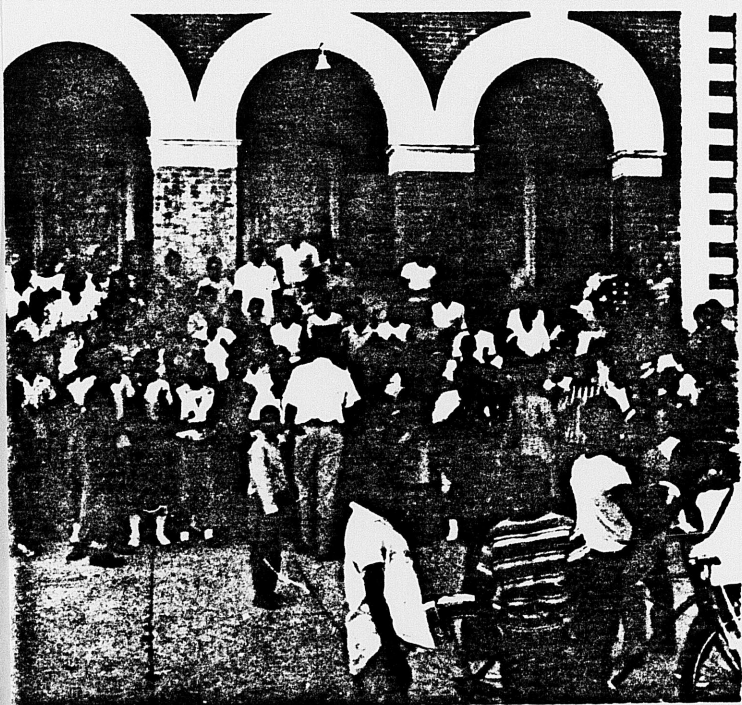
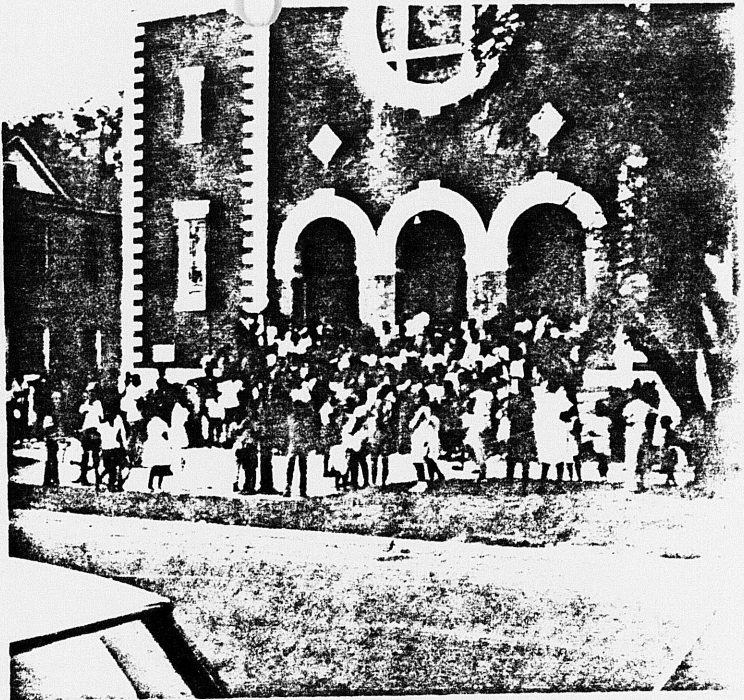
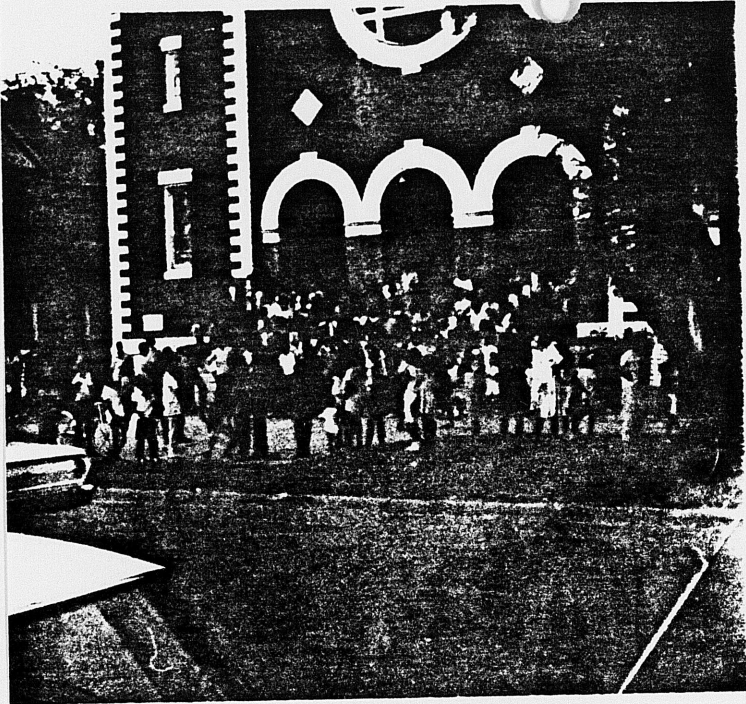
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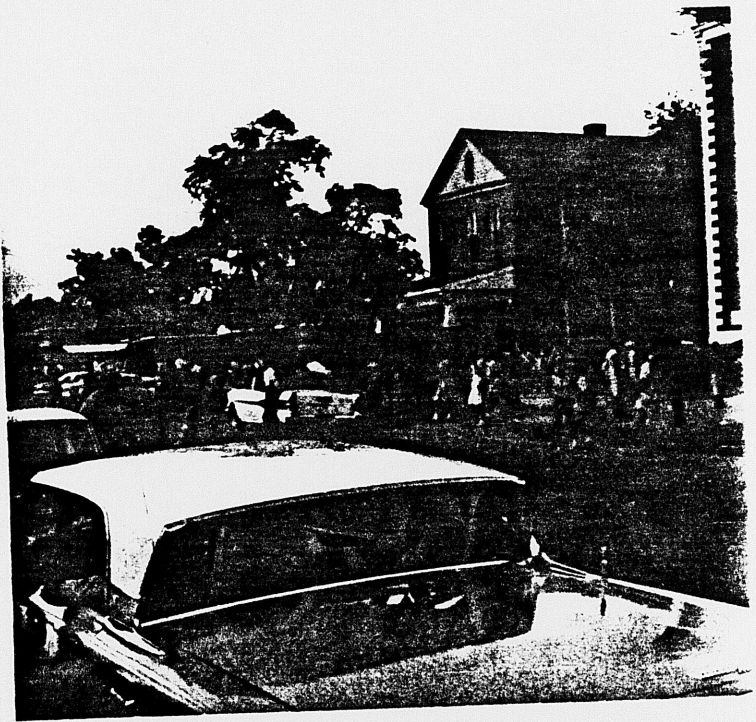
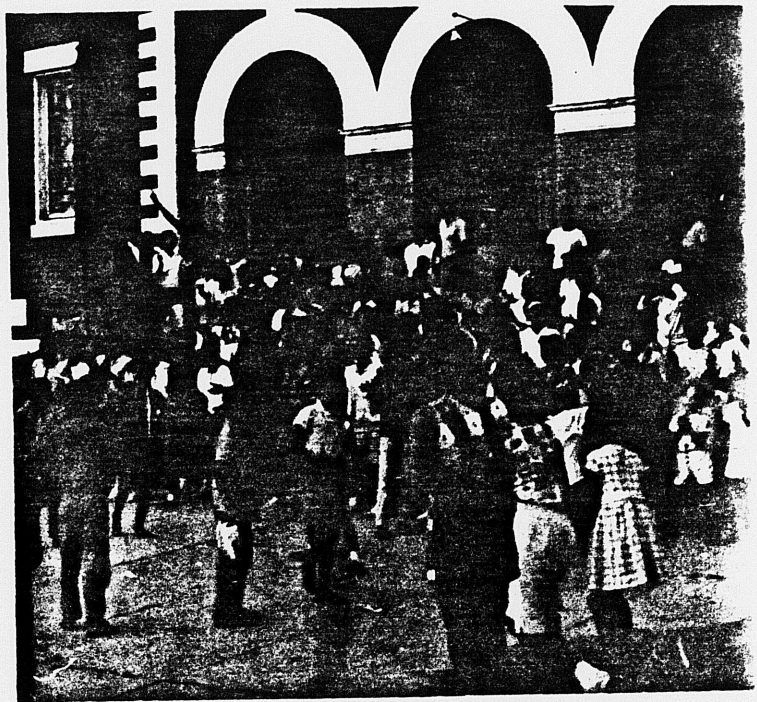
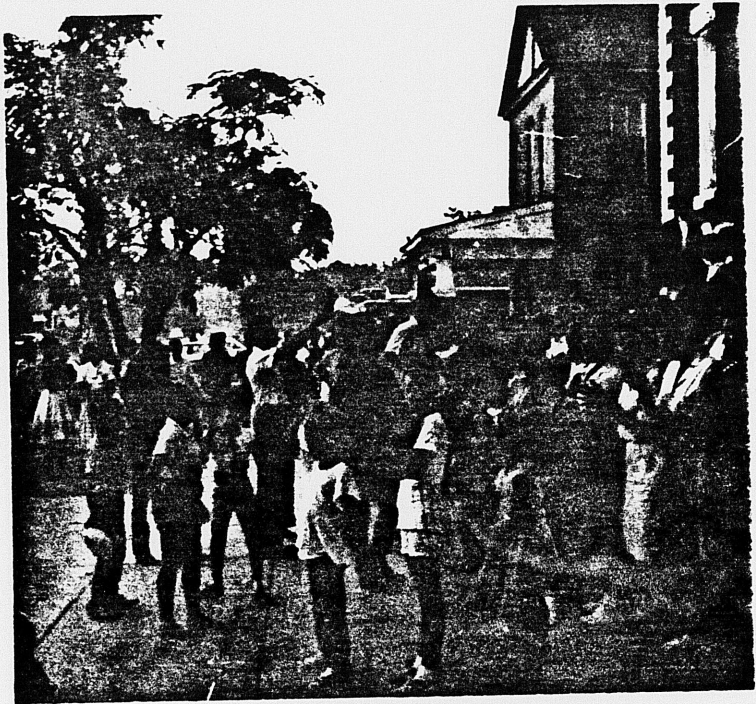
Number 29 through 42 - photographs of young
Negroes entering Carnegie Library, Selma,
Ala., taken 9/20/63.

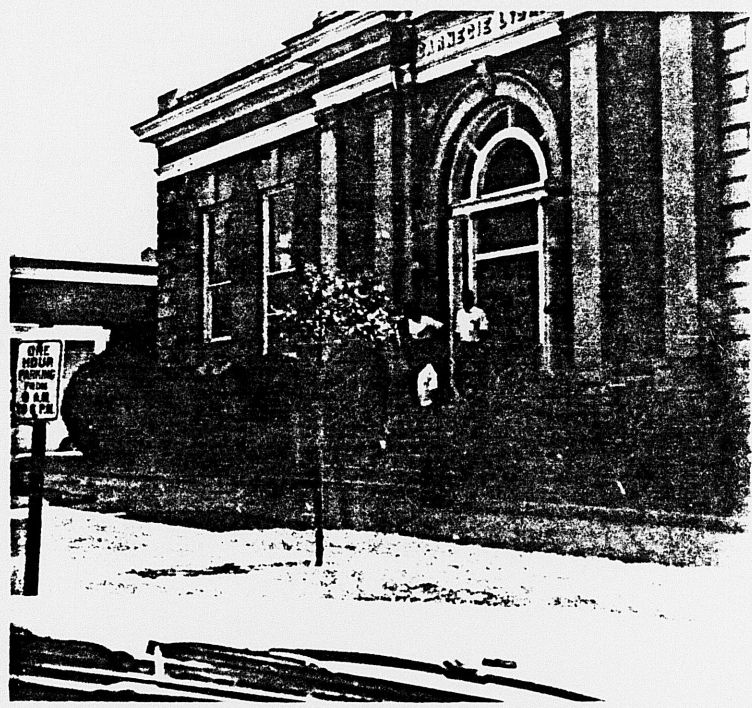
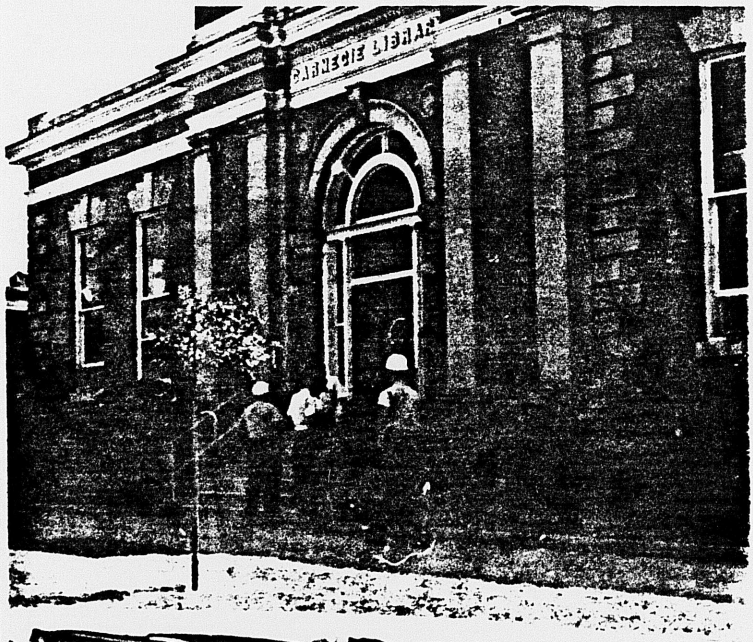
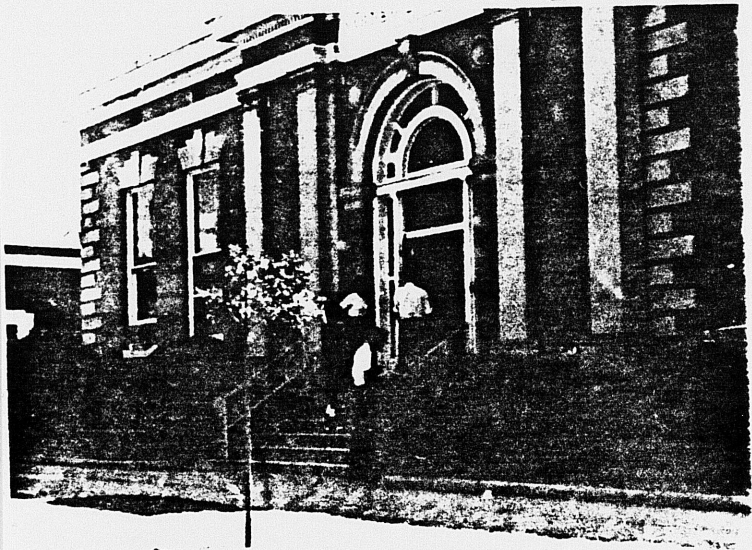


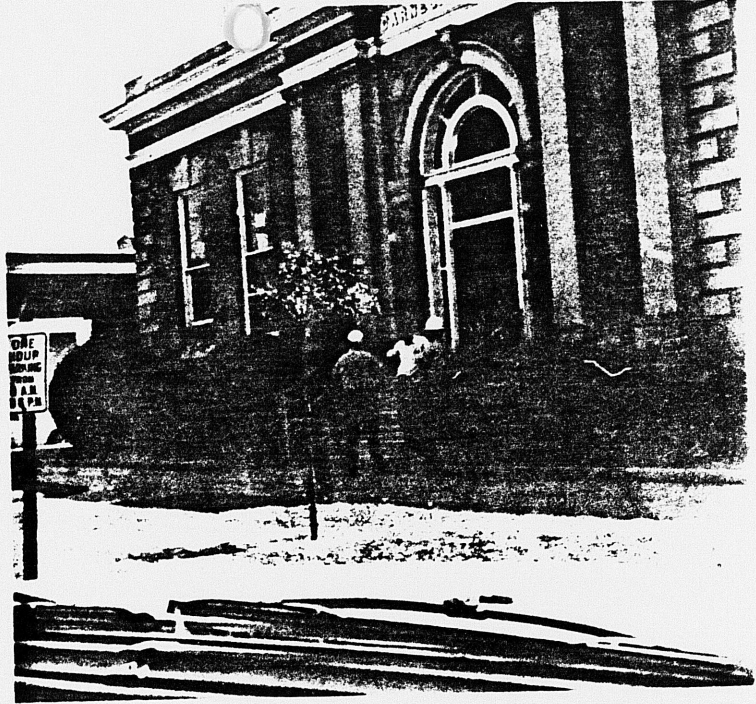


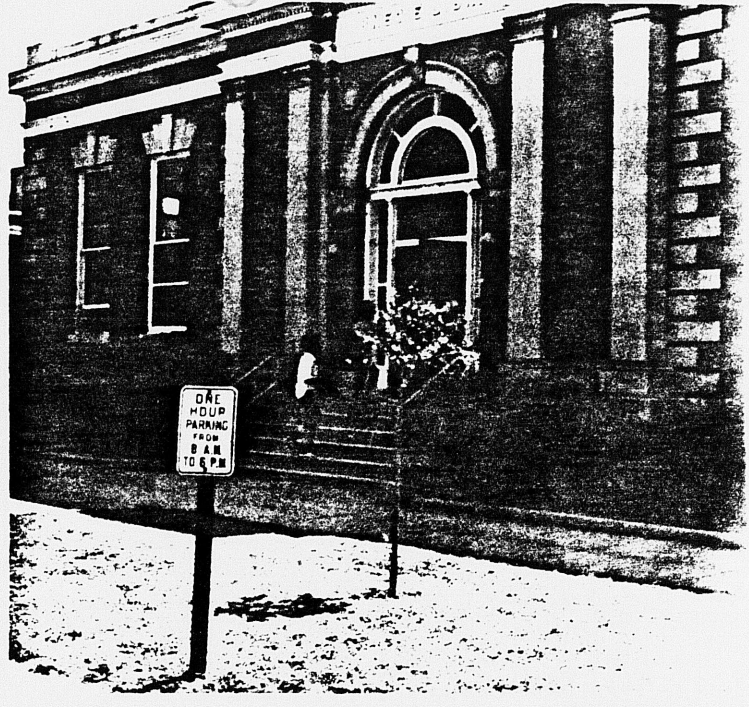


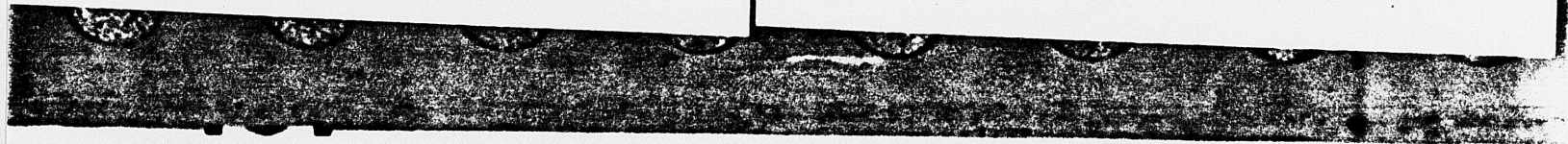




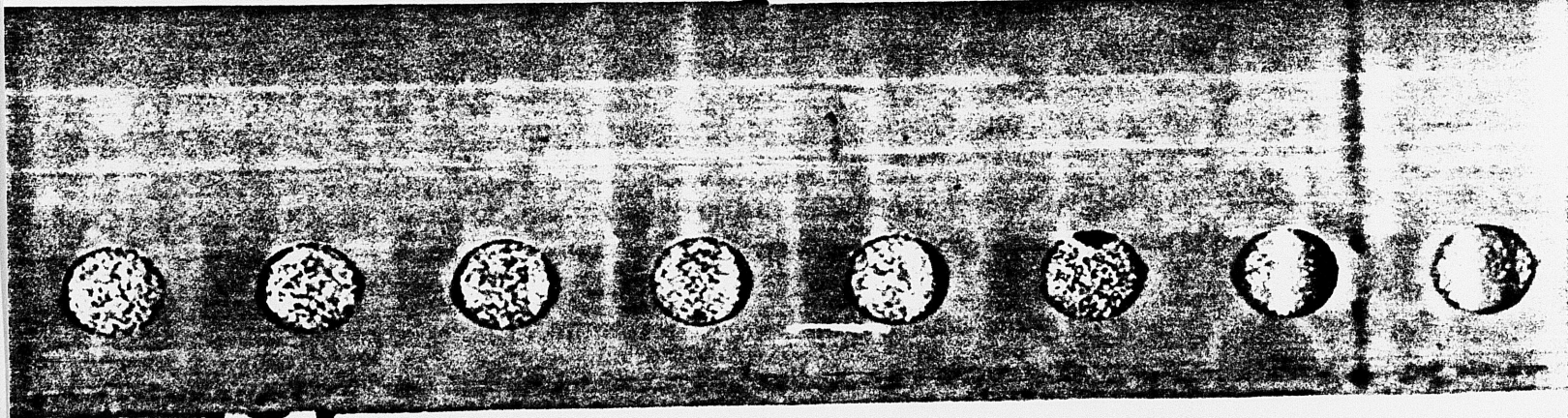












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TO SAC MOBILE (157-367)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (157-6-61)

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA,
RACIAL MATTERS.

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DEPARTMENT HAS ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS QUOTE ROUGHED UP UNQUOTE BY A
STATE TROOPER DURING THE ACTION OCCURRING YESTERDAY AT THE
VOTER REGISTRATION PROCEEDINGS. INTERVIEW [REDACTED] FOR
INFORMATION HE HAS REGARDING THE INCIDENT AND OBTAIN AND
FORWARD TO THE BUREAU PICTURES TAKEN BY HIM.

DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY RICHARD WASSERSTROM HAS
REPORTED THAT THE DALLAS COUNTY WOMEN FOR CONSTITUTIONAL
GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION HAS ISSUED A LEAFLET STATING THAT
SPECIAL REGISTRATION WOULD BE HELD DURING OCTOBER AND
NOVEMBER ON FIFTEEN SEPARATE DATES. SUCH REGISTRATION
REPORTEDLY SCHEDULED TO BE HELD AT THE MEMORIAL STADIUM

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AND THE B AND G CONSTRUCTION COMPANY. IMMEDIATELY

ASCERTAIN IF ANY SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLANNED

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**TELETYPE TO SAC MOBILE
RE: RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA**

**THE BOARD OF REGISTRARS AND IF SO DATES AND PLACES OF
SUCH REGISTRATION.**

**SUTEL SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW WITH PHOTOGRAPHER AND
INFORMATION CONCERNING SPECIAL REGISTRATION.**

NOTE:

In connection with voter registration activities in Selma, Alabama, on 10/7/63, two Negroes who endeavored to serve sandwiches to individuals in the voter registration line were forcibly removed by state police. Some witnesses report that the Negroes were beaten by night sticks and cattle prods.

Information set forth in teletype was furnished by Departmental Attorney John Doar who requested that Bureau interview [REDACTED] and ascertain if special registration dates have been scheduled by the Board of Registrars in Dallas County as this might be in conflict with provisions of a district court injunction obtained by the Department.

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URGENT 10-6-63 7-12 PM CST VFP
TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 1 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALABAMA. RM.
SOURCES AT SELMA STATES DICK GREGORY, NEGRO COMMEDIAN, MADE
BONDS TOTLALING TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR WIFE LILLIAN ESTELLE
GREGORY ABOUT NINE PM CST OCT FIVE SIXTYTHREE. GREGORY DEPARTED
SELMA, ALABAMA MORNING OCT SIX ENROUTE NEW YORK CITY TO FILL NIGHTCLUB
ENGAGEMENT. SOURCES FURTHER STATE NEGRO AUTHOR, JAMES BALDWIN ALA.
EXPECTED TO ARRIVE SELMA, OCT SEVEN NEXT AND WILL SPEAK AT
NEGRO MASS RALLY NIGHT OF OCT SEVEN.

NEGROES ANTICIPATE LARGE TURNOUT AT DALLAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE
TEN SEVEN NEXT TO REGISTER TO VOTE AS TOMMORROW IS REGULAR REGISTRATION
DAY.

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URGENT 10-10-63 5-08 PM CST VFP

TO DIRECTOR FBI /157-6-61/
FROM SAC, MOBILE /157-367/ 1 P

RACIAL SITUATION, STATE OF ALABAMA, SELMA, ALA. RM.

NO RACIAL DEMONSTRATIONS OR OTHER ACTIVITY OCCURRED
AT SELMA TODAY. SOURCE REPORTS THAT A REVEREND NORMAN
JEMISON, WHITE MALE IN HIS EARLY THIRTIES, BAPTIST MINISTER,
HOMEWOOD, ALA., CONTACTED MAYOR CHRIS HEINZ, SELMA, ALA.,
TODAY RELATIVE TO SETTING UP A BI-RACIAL COMMITTEE. THE
MAYOR REFUSED. SNCC HAS MADE HEADQUARTERS IN SULLIVAN
BUILDING ON THIRD FLOOR, ALABAMA AVENUE, SELMA. SOURCE
STATES AS OF FOUR THIRTY PM, CST, NO ACTIVITY PLANNED
TONIGHT. CONTACT BEING MAINTAINED WITH SOURCE.

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To: SAC, Mobile
From: Director, FBI

RACIAL MATTERS
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Reurtel 10/10/63 captioned "Racial Situation, State of Alabama, Selma, Alabama," pertaining to setting up of a Biracial Committee at Selma.

This information is of definite interest to the Civil Rights Division of the Department and, as required when such data is received from sources and/or informants, a letterhead memorandum concerning the information should be immediately transmitted to the Bureau, if not already done.

Your teletype did not state "letterhead being submitted." You should in the future see that all personnel handling racial matters are aware of the necessity for indicating in the teletype the fact that a letterhead is being submitted, where such is pertinent, so it will not be necessary to follow each teletype with you individually for the purpose of insuring prompt receipt of the LHM.

Make certain all personnel are acquainted with and adhere strictly to the provisions set forth in Bureau airtel to Albany and all SACs 7/22/63 concerning the prompt submission of letterhead memoranda.

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