

Feb. 8, 1964

Hattiesburg: Sandy Leigh

Guyot was moved out to county farm the day before yesterday. They expect him to be out today -- but are having trouble with the property bond because the tax assessor is also the sheriff.

Pete Stoner's sentence was ~~120~~ 120 days and fines amounting to \$380 - his charges were disturbing the peace, disorderly conduct and ridiculing an officer. He was tried yesterday before a justice of the peace. He is also out on the county farm.

Moncure Fortnot, 20, Hattiesburg was arrested yesterday for standing on the courthouse steps (disorderly conduct). The cops have been harrassing him and he has been talking back while on the line instead of remaining silent. Yesterday he 'decided' to go up to the courthouse steps and cops arrested him. An 'edict' came out yesterday saying that no one could stand on steps and take names of those who were waiting to register (this edict came out after Fortnot was arrested). Fortnot's trial is Monday.

J.V. Henry

Today the Chapel Hill Freedom Committee gave Chapel Hill a taste of what a massive nonviolent seige could be like. After a march of about 400 persons walked thru the downtown area a smaller march of 120 persons returned to the downtown area, sat in the main intersection of town until ordered to move on by police. This march separated into five groups which sat at the town hall and four segregated restaurants until ordered to move on by police. At the same time five other groups blocked three highways into ~~Chapel Hill~~ Chapel Hill and two groups sat in the parking lots of the university gymnasium where a basketball game was getting out. A few minutes later another group of eight persons laid down in the main intersection of the town blocking traffic again. About 35 arrests resulted. There will be more action tonight.

von was in the march today.

Several of the leaders may be arrested by the Carrboro police because the march began there and they have very stringent anti-demonstration laws.

Voter registration activity is planned for Carrboro.

Some violence did take place this afternoon. The group on the Pittsboro Rd. was attacked by a white mob (about 20-30 people Henry thinks)--there were about 10 demonstrators. One newsmen from WSOC TV was injured (Robert ~~Morse~~)- he was not injured badly. Police finally got the whites under control.

State highway patrol was in force in Chapel Hill, but they made no arrests, but ~~handled~~ handled traffic while local police made arrests and took photographs of the demonstrators (concentrating on leaders).

Board of aldermen are meeting Tuesday night-- Henry hopes they'll discuss public ~~accommodations~~ accommodations ordinance, but doubts it.