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**Natchez: George Greene**

Last Tues a Negro man was beaten in Natchez. George has been able to get almost no information about the beating. On Friday night, a taxi driver, Lee Moon, was beaten. Some say he was beaten by a white, some by a Negro. George was told that he is in the hospital, but he is listed in none of the hospitals in Natchez. George feels that these beatings are part of an attempt by the local whites to intimidate Negroes so they won't organize.

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**Greenwood: Dick Frey**

Today Willie McGee was supposed to be sentenced in the appeal of a charge in Greenwood from last spring. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ The trial was last week, and his case was to represent those of all ten ~~XXXX~~ on trial. The judge refused to sentence McGee, and said all ten must appear next Monday to be sentenced, or forfeit bond. The ten are: James Sanders (works for Gregory), Rev. Kintlock, (W.Y.) Ostar Broom, Lavone Hampton, Milton Hancock, Eric Rainey, Henry Smith, Willie McGee, Mathew Hughes, Henry Gilmore.

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**Hattiesburg: Sandy Leigh**

last week a 17 year old high school student was expelled from her church for asking to have it opened up for Voter Registration activities. The girl had been a member of Greater Mt. Bethel Baptist. A number of people went to the church yesterday and had a kneel-in outside.

A large number of congregants joined them, refusing to attend services (only 20 of about 100 attended services). The kneel-inners told the deacon that he could come to discuss the situation with them if he wished, but they had said all they would by their demonstration.

Saturday about 170-200 people were down at the courthouse. About 40 registered. Most of the people picketing on Saturday were adults. Police are annoyed with the demonstrations, but they are treating demonstrators with exaggerated politeness.

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**Princess Anne, Md.: Gloria Richardson**

Yesterday there were about 300 demonstrators. Someone threw eggs at a NBC reporter from a window and threatened to overturn his camera. A demonstrator was punched in the stomach. Last night an anonymous man bailed out the four arrested on Sunday. John Morris has said they will not negotiate with the biracial committee until charges on the four are dropped. Today demonstrations were resumed and warrants were sworn out against John Wilson and Rev. Addison Cash for destruction

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Princess Anne, Maryland: John Wilson--Student Appeal for Equality.

While a biracial committee was meeting to discuss integrating public facilities in the town a cross was burned on the Maryland State College campus and a home was bombed. The cross was eight feet tall and had been wrapped in rags and soaked in kerosene. The bomb went off, around midnight, in front of the home of Leon Gates, Wilson's uncle. Wilson has lived there most of his life and lived there last year. The force of the bomb blew out the front windows of the house.

SAFE had been demonstrating at ~~xxx~~ Muir's, Long's, and Tull's/out restaurants called a one-day truce tonight (which will end Wednesday) before the bombing occurred.



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of property while trying to enter a restaurant. The charges were false. Students blocked the campus to prevent the state troopers from getting John.

Cambridge: Demonstrations will probably begin in Cambridge tomorrow.

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Last Thursday night when George was driving Dr. Bond to speak in Natchez he was arrested for speeding and having improper muffler, and fined \$56. He put up \$56 appearance bond and is to be tried tomorrow morning. When he left the jail he was told that they didn't care if he appeared since they had his money. 200 people were there to attend the meeting for Dr. Bond, but he and George were unable to make it.