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## COURT RULING DUE ON TRESPASS LAW

ROME, GA. - Attorneys for a former SNCC worker argued in Federal court here May 1 that the Georgia anti-trespass law is unconstitutional.

U.S. Judge Frank A. Hooper said he would devote his "full time" to studying the case before rendering a decision in the case of Thomas Taylor Tolg, 23, a graduate student at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio.

Tolg who is white, accused of violating that law when he was arrested in an Atlanta anti-segregation demonstration June 17, 1963. The trespass measure was passed in 1960 shortly after sit-in demonstrations began sweeping the South. It has been used since then almost exclusively against racial demonstrators.

Tolg's lawyers argue that the law involves state enforcement of private discrimination.

Attorney Howard Moore, appearing for Tolg, said Fulton County Superior Court Judge Durwood T. Pye had ordered a grand jury investigation of what he called "the flouting" of the anti-trespass law.

"Then," Moore said, "he (Pye) set a special calendar, to hear a misdemeanor case in Superior Court." Misdemeanors are usually heard in city courts.

Judge Pye is the same judge who sentenced Miss Mardon Walker and the Rev. Ashton Jones, both white, to maximum terms after they were arrested

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Nashville police pull protester during demonstrations.

## RIGHTS WORKER ASKS FOR BOND

NEW ORLEANS, LA. - A worker for the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee - held in a Hattiesburg, Miss. jail since Feb. 5 - has asked the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals to allow him to make bond.

Pete Stoner, 25, was jailed in Hattiesburg Feb. 5 when he tried to visit SNCC worker Lawrence Guyot in the Hattiesburg jail. He was charged with resisting arrest, breach of the peace and using profanity. An additional charge of contempt of court was added when he was convicted on Feb. 7 in a justice of the peace court. He was sentenced to 90 days in jail on all charges.

Attorney Benjamin Smith of New Orleans filed a petition to admit Stoner to bond and an application for *informa pauperis* (stating he is unable to pay court costs).

Mississippi Assistant Attorney General William Wells admitted Stoner, who is white, had been beaten by other white prisoners

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## STATE ACTS TO CURB COFO SUMMER DRIVE

JACKSON, MISS. - With the help of the State Legislature, Mississippi's police officers will be more than ready to deal with civil rights groups planning a "Mississippi Freedom Summer."

The summer drive, sponsored by the Council of Federated Organization (COFO), involves 1,000 workers in programs of voter registration, Freedom Schools, Freedom Registration and community centers.

Governor Paul Johnson has already signed into law five bills designed to halt demonstrations. They prohibit picketing, ban distributing boycott literature, allow cities to extend police aid to other municipalities, permit cities to restrict the movements of groups and to set curfews, and increase penalties for violating city ordinances.

Governor Johnson has asked the legislature to enlarge the power of the state police.

Newspaper accounts of state legislative sessions have cited frequent reference by legislators

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## NASHVILLE ERUPTS AS PROTESTS BEGIN

NASHVILLE, TENN. - More than 95 people - including SNCC Chairman John Lewis - have been arrested here in a week-long series of protests.

Lewis was jailed and roughed up by police April 28, and had his lip split by a policeman's club on May 1.

He was critical of police treatment of the demonstrators, and compared Nashville's police force with Birmingham's. A Negro policeman was driven away from a demonstration in a police car when he tried to stop a white officer from manhandling a Negro girl.

One protester, William Barbee, 22, a student at predominantly white Scarrit College, was knocked unconscious by a policeman's club when he tried to stop police blows on a

fellow demonstrator. He was hospitalized for at least five days.

Lewis and Lester McKinnie, chairman of the Nashville Student Nonviolent Central Committee, a SNCC affiliate, were jailed April 28, when they sat down on West End Avenue in front of a segregated Morrison's Cafe.

The protests are coordinated by the Nashville Student Committee and the Nashville Christian Leadership Conference.

In Atlanta, SNCC asked the U.S. Department of Justice and the Civil Rights Commission to investigate brutality charges against Nashville policemen.

The Student Nonviolent Central Committee has been waging

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SNCC WORKER ROBERT ZELLNER, A native of Alabama and former Chairman Charles McDew after their release from a Baton Rouge, La. jail. Zellner faces a May 7 trial in Magnolia Mississippi rising from his participation in a 1961 McComb, Mississippi demonstration. McDew, jailed during that same protest, has appealed his conviction.

## ZELLNER TO BE TRIED FOR 1961 'DISTURBING THE PEACE' CHARGE

MAGNOLIA, MISS - A former SNCC worker, Robert Zellner, must face trial here May 7 on a 1961 "disturbing the peace" charge.

Zellner, who is white, and 102 Negroes, including several SNCC workers, were arrested in nearby McComb Oct. 4, 1961 following a student march to the city hall.

McComb was the site of the first SNCC voter registration drive. Sporadic acts of violence and frequent arrests of SNCC workers culminated in the shooting of Herbert Lee on Sept. 25, 1961. Students in McComb staged sit-in demonstrations at the local Greyhound bus terminal on August 30, and their subsequent dismissal from the local Negro high school triggered the protest march.

The cases of SNCC Mississippi project director Robert Moses and former SNCC Chairman Chuck McDew and vote worker Bobby Talbert, also arrested with Zellner, have been appealed to the circuit court.

Thirteen other cases, most local juveniles, have been continued in Pike County Court, and will not be heard until a decision is made in the circuit court.

## STUDENTS CALL FOR INTEGRATED SPORTS

KNOXVILLE, TENN. - An interracial student anti-segregation group at the University of Tennessee is circulating a petition calling on the school's Board of Trustees to "immediately authorize the athletic department to recruit and play athletes regardless of race, creed or color."

The group, Students for Equal Treatment (SET), an affiliate of Atlanta-based SNCC started the petition a month ago.

According to Marion S. Barry Jr., a university graduate student and SET chairman, the petition was started because of the inaction of school officials. "Kentucky's Board of Trustees has said that Kentucky will play Negroes and I don't see any reason why UT's Board can't do the same," Barry said.

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## NEGRO REGISTRATION INCREASES AFTER C.B. KING ENTERS PRIMARY

ALBANY, GA. - Negro voter registration in Georgia's 2nd Congressional District has taken a leap since Attorney C.B. King announced his candidacy for U.S. Congress.

According to SNCC workers here 319 Negroes qualified to vote in Albany alone between the time King filed for the national office race on April 4 and April 28.

King, this state's first Negro Congressional candidate in modern times, says he will seek to represent "underprivileged whites and Negroes" and will offer a "meaningful choice to South Georgia voters for the first time."

He opened his campaign in Cuthbert, Randolph County, with an open air rally April 17.

Attorney King, 40, has been active in civil rights cases throughout Southwest Georgia and handled many cases arising from the massive jail-ins here in 1962.



**C.B. King**

King told the rally he would "seek to extend Federal minimum wage laws to cover domestic and agricultural workers."

"No where in the nation is the basic exploitation of the have-nots by the haves more apparent than in the white kitchens of South Georgia, where Negro women slave away for 10 or 15 dollars a week," the attorney said.



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# OVER 800 ALCORN A&M STUDENTS SUSPENDED AFTER DEMONSTRATION

LORMAN, MISS. - More than 800 students have been suspended from Alcorn A&M College here April 28 after a night long demonstration protesting "violations of student freedom" on the campus.

A student said the protests began when students decided to boycott the school's student union, charging prices were too high.

College administrators ordered all scholarship students to report to the building on the night of April 28. They complied, the student said, but refused to make purchases. When the building was closed, the students marched to the home of the president and asked him to come out to hear their grievances. He refused, and they marched to the football stadium where they spent the night.

The marchers were joined later in the evening by other students who left their locked dormitories to become a part of the protests.

They had decided to return to their dorms and try to see school administrators later Wednesday afternoon, when they discovered 57 cars of Mississippi state troopers had surrounded the stadium.

When they tried to leave, they were halted, placed into busses and driven to their homes. They

were not allowed to go to the dorms to pick up clothing or other personal items, the source said.

Dr. E.R. Jobe, executive secretary of the State College Board, said the students had been suspended and "no definite time limit placed on the suspension."

"It is my understanding," he said, "That if they can make satisfactory statements before the school administration, their petitions for readmission will be heard."

A similar strike a few years ago led to the ousting of a former Alcorn president.

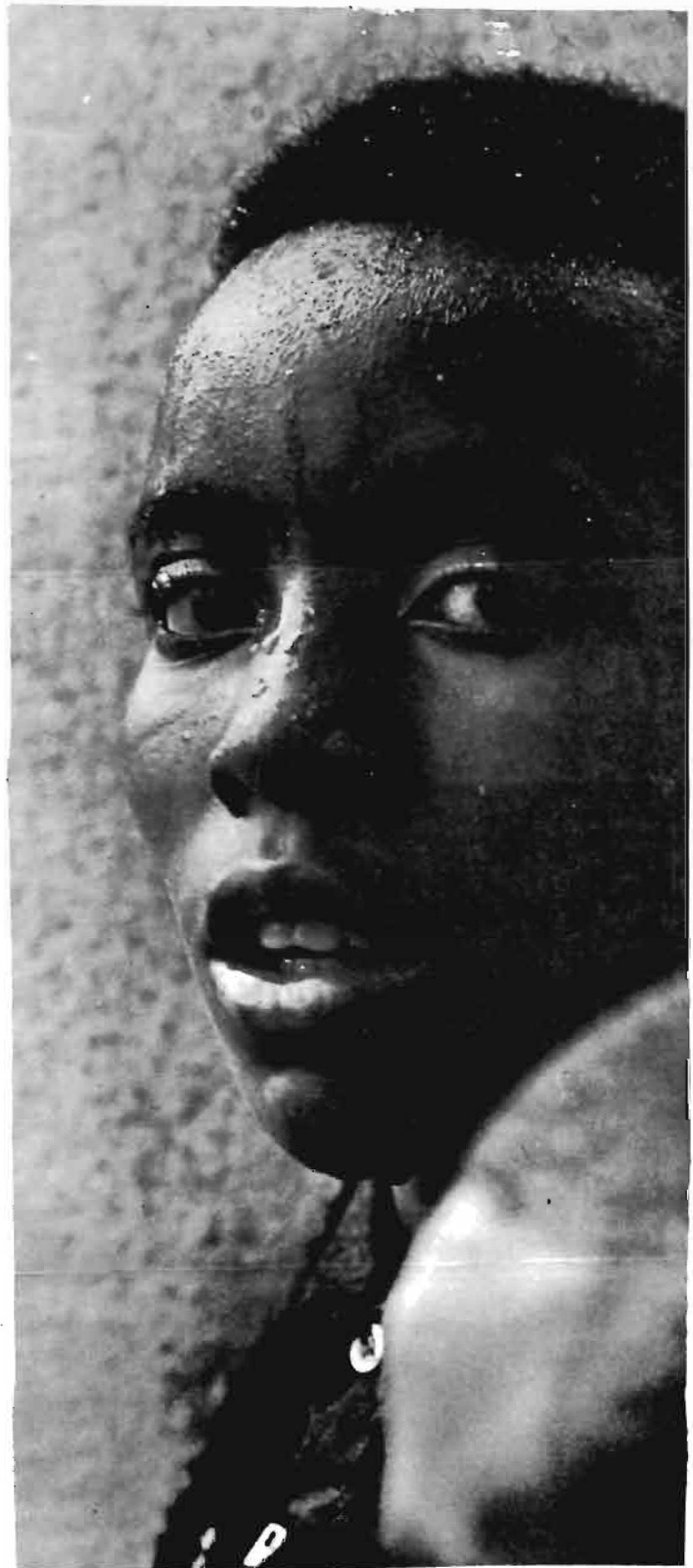
The students said they wanted "adult treatment, more social freedom, better school buildings and teachers."

There are 1,400 students at the state school.

## FORMAN IN EUROPE, MAY VISIT AFRICA

ATLANTA, GA. - James Forman, SNCC Executive Secretary may tour Africa following a four-day International Conference on Economic Sanctions Against South Africa in London, England.

Forman represented the student anti-segregation group at the London conference, held April 14-17.



# SUPPORT SNCC NOW

ATLANTA, GA. - The Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee needs your help.

Since 1961, SNCC workers have lived - and in some cases, nearly died - with the disenfranchised, dispossessed Negroes of the Black Belt South.

Our staff has grown from one to 136. Presently we have workers in Arkansas, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Georgia and North Carolina.

For two months now, no one on our staff has been paid regularly. Most receive only \$9.64 a week when they are paid.

This summer in Mississippi, we intend to have 1,000 workers manning a Freedom Summer Campaign. In Southwest Georgia, our project is ready to encompass every county in the 2nd Congressional District. In Arkansas, our workers want to expand their voter registration drives. From all across the South, we receive pleas for help.

All this takes money. It takes cars, and pencils, and paper, and telephones and mimeograph machines and hard work.

We have been working for three years.

We need your help now to continue.

I pledge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee.

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## SNCC INITIATES MAIL-IN TACTIC

ATLANTA, GA. - SNCC has initiated a campaign which includes a massive "mail-in" aimed at securing Federal protection for summer civil rights workers in Mississippi.

The campaign asks Southern and Northern college students to circulate petitions asking President Lyndon B. Johnson to "provide guarantees that summer workers in Mississippi will be offered full protection."

The SNCC drive calls on students to "Mail-in" thousands of letters to Johnson on May 17, tenth anniversary of the Supreme Court decision outlawing school segregation.

Civil rights groups working in Mississippi are sponsoring a "Freedom Summer" campaign that involves 1,000 summer workers on programs of voter registration, Freedom Schools, Freedom Registration and community centers.

Petitions are available from Betty Garman, SNCC, 6 Raymond Street, Atlanta, Ga. 30314.

## TRESPASS LAW

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in separate integration attempts.

Tolg worked for SNCC during the summer of 1963 in Atlanta. Judge Pye sentenced him to 18 months in jail and a \$1,000 fine, the maximum under the trespass statute.



Guy Carawan

## FOLK MUSIC SESSION TO BE HELD MAY 7-9

ATLANTA, GA. - A three day learning and singing session featuring "songs of the Southern Negro" will be held here May 7-9.

Directed by noted folksinger Guy Carawan, the combination concert - workshop session will be held at Gammon Theological Seminary.

It will feature Freedom Songs, and work and prison songs.

## COFO DRIVE

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to projected plans of SNCC for the summer program under COFO.

COFO is composed of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).

## HELP THE STUDENT VOICE

Last week's issue of the STUDENT VOICE was the first since early March.

Publication was resumed only because we have begun to inch out of a financial crisis which kept our staff without regular subsistence pay for two months. The Atlanta office staff voted last week to take a voluntary half-cut in wages (already below subsistence.)

In addition to our civil rights and political programs in six Southern states, SNCC attempts to provide educational programs and emergency relief of food and clothing of the local people with whom we live and work.

And because of the sacrifice asked of each SNCC worker, we try to provide our staff with some otherwise unavailable services. SNCC pays med-

ical bills or all of its 136-man staff, and allots funds for personal emergency travel needs.

When workers leave the staff, SNCC may assist with scholarship funds so they can return to school.

Large items in our total budget include postal expenses and the cost of a special trunk telephone line so we can be in constant communication with our workers across the South, and relay information to Northern contacts.

Although the STUDENT VOICE is just a small part of our total operation, it has been impossible for us to spend the \$470,00 which is required for its weekly printing and distribution.

We hope to continue sending you the STUDENT VOICE regularly but that depends on your continued support.

## SNCC CHAIRMAN RAPS

### FBI ON 'RED' CHARGE

ATLANTA, GA - SNCC Chairman John Lewis said this week Federal Bureau of Investigation Director J. Edgar Hoover is "merely seeking appropriations" and "giving aid and comfort to racists" in charging Communists have infiltrated the civil rights movement.

Lewis said FBI agents "could more wisely spend their time finding the bombers, midnight assassins, and brutal racists who daily make a mockery of the U.S. Constitution."

## NASHVILLE

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a campaign against segregation here since 1960. Most Nashville restaurants and dime stores have integrated their facilities, but Morrison's and Krystal's have been persistent holdouts.

An injunction against further demonstrations, obtained by the Morrison's management, was issued May 1 against NCLC the student group, Lester McKinnie, Freddie Greene, a student committee member, and SNCC head Lewis.

## WORKER

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in a Jackson jail while he was waiting to learn whether Federal Judge Sidney Mize would grant him a writ of habeas corpus. Mize denied the writ, but instructed Forrest County (Hattiesburg) Sheriff W.G. Gray to "look into the matter" after Stoner's lawyer complained the Pennsylvania youth had been beaten there also.

## BUMPER STICKERS

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BUMPER STICKERS READING "One Man - One Vote" are available for \$1.00 from SNCC 6 Raymond Street, Atlanta, Georgia.

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