

NEGRO ENROLLS; VIOLENCE -ARES; WALKER ARRESTED

GUARD VS. CIVILIANS

Neighbors Fight in Rioting

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UNIVERSITY, Miss., Oct. 1.—Mississippians fought Mississippians in a wild night of rioting on and near the campus of the University of Mississippi.

The showdown came at 4 a. m. Monday when about 600 members of the Mississippi National Guard fixed bayonets and backed the crowd of several hundred more than half a mile east on University Ave.

The march was interrupted with many halts and brief countercharges by the rock-throwing mob.

Several hundred members of the unruly crowd gave up the fight for the time being, however, dropping out of the melee and wandering off toward the adjoining town of Oxford.

By daybreak the violence had subsided.

However, the town of Oxford was packed with men of all ages who started walking and driving toward the campus at about 6 a. m. in anticipation of further excitement caused by events leading up to the enrollment of James Meredith, 29-year-old Negro, in Ole Miss.

500 MARSHALS ON SCENE
Brig. Gen. Charles Billingslea, commander of the 2nd Infantry Division at Fort Benning, Ga., arrived during the early morning to take command of all military personnel.

He led an undetermined number of combat-armed troops from his own division to this battle scene.

Five hundred marshals and deputies from all parts of the nation were in and around the Lyceum, administration building at Ole Miss, along with the federalized National Guard and regular Army troops.

Nicholas Katzenbach, deputy U. S. attorney general, commanded the marshals.

Memphis Naval Air Station listed Monday the following persons brought here with injuries received in the rioting at the University of Mississippi:

Deputy U. S. Marshal Graham Same, gunshot wound in neck, condition satisfactory.

Border Patrolman Stephen C. Donnelly, gunshot wound in right hip, treated and released.

Deputy Marshal William S. Whiteman, laceration, lower left cheek, treated and released.

Border Patrolman Orvan C. Brandon, possible fracture right knee.

Deputy Marshal Alexander C. Kiernig, possible fracture left ankle.

BLAME PLACED ON MARSHALS
Demonstrations by the crowd began getting violent at about 8 p. m. Sunday.

A member of the Mississippi Highway Patrol, G. E. Lansing of Magnolia, said as long as the state officers were in charge of the crowd there was no trouble.

The officers, unarmed, held the crowd at a safe distance from the concentration of marshals, he said. Although there were a few bottles thrown there were no serious outbreaks.

Lansing said the real trouble started when marshals, standing behind the highway patrolmen, started shooting tear gas bombs into the crowd.

Ex-General In Custody Of Troops

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1 (AP)—Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy announced the arrest Monday of former Army Gen. Edwin Walker on charges of inciting a rebellion or insurrection.

Kennedy said Walker was arrested at a military roadblock near Oxford, Miss., and would be arraigned later Monday.

Earlier in the Senate, Walker, who had participated in the rioting at the University of Mississippi, was described as possibly a "sick man" who "ought to be committed" and was linked with "violent segregationists or psychopaths."

Kennedy said these charges also have been filed against Walker.

Conspiracy to incite a rebellion or insurrection.

Conspiracy to hinder federal officers in the performance of their duties.

Assaulting a federal officer.

Justice Department officials said the conspiracy to incite rebellion charge carries a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison and a fine of \$50,000.

Execution of such a conspiracy, as distinguished from the act of conspiring, involves a maximum penalty of 10 years and \$10,000, they said.

The penalty for conspiring to hinder a federal officer could be up to five years in prison and \$5,000 for assaulting a federal officer could be three years and \$5,000.

The Justice Department said Walker's arrest came at about noon Monday on the outskirts of Oxford, Miss., and an immediate arraignment before U. S. Commissioner Omar Craig was being arranged.

For his first statement on the Oxford situation since Sunday night's bloody rioting, Kennedy stood in a Justice Department corridor in shirtsleeves, surrounded by newsmen.

Senator Wayne Morse, Oregon Democrat, told the Senate that if Walker led students in rioting against federal authority he should be charged with "inciting an insurrection."

Walker is an ex-Army officer, Morse said, "Walker's conduct is all the more reprehensible."

Maybe he's a sick man, Morse continued. "If he is, he ought to be committed — he ought not to be at large."

Senator Stephen M. Young, Ohio Democrat, told the Senate this is a time for cool heads, and not for "the rantings of violent segregationists or psychopaths such as ex-Gen. Edwin A. Walker."

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WALKER ARRESTED . . . U. S. marshals guard former general at Oxford

LITTLE ROCK SKIRMISH; OXFORD WAR Walker Stirs Up Frenzied Mob on Ole Miss Campus

Editor's Note: Reiman Morin of the Associated Press won a second Pulitzer Prize for his coverage of the 1957 Little Rock desegregation crisis.

BY REIMAN MORIN
OXFORD, Miss., Oct. 1 (AP)—Little Rock was a skirmish, Oxford is a war.

The riots just five years ago in the capital of Arkansas were ugly and dangerous. In Oxford, the ugliness and danger is magnified to a gigantic scale.

And one of the ironies of the situation here Monday is that former Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker, who commanded the

federal troops that took over Little Rock, is on the opposite side of the fence here.

Walker whipped up the students and others on the campus of the University of Mississippi Sunday night, when it became known that James H. Meredith, Negro, was on the campus.

After the Little Rock riots, Walker said that he found his duty there distasteful.

However, at the time, he was the crisp and professional soldier who gave no sign of his feelings.

The contrast is most marked by the size of the operations here. In Little Rock, it was

largely quiet if you were three or four blocks from the school. In Oxford Monday, there is little quiet anywhere. On the contrary, there is a brooding sense of disaster.

Several days ago, Walker said he planned to lead "tens of thousands" of volunteers to aid the cause of Gov. Ross Barnett.

But his only troops Sunday night were a band of students and other persons whom he led in a charge on the positions of the federal marshals.

They got within 100 feet, but tear gas fumes repelled them.

Walker appeared on the Oxford town square during the disturbance there Monday.

He marched ahead of a file of soldiers as though he were their inspecting officer.

Finally, an Army officer asked him to move. He refused. The officer ordered several soldiers carrying rifles with bayonets alongside Walker.

The soldiers held their bayonets within inches of the former general, but did not touch him. The officer said something to Walker, and he walked off through the crowd.

Angry Crowd Blasted With Gas at Oxford

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OXFORD, Miss., Oct. 1 (AP)—James H. Meredith, a Negro, enrolled in the University of Mississippi Monday under the bayoneted rifles of the federal government. Minutes later, renewed violence began in downtown Oxford.

The new outbreak of disorder came after a lull in night-long rioting in which two persons—a newsman and an Oxford resident—were killed.

Federal troops—beefed up to 4,000—took over the courthouse square of this seething town of 5,283. With bayonets at the ready, they blasted groups of angry youths into rout with tear gas.

Business ground to a virtual halt in the heart of town. Doors to many shops were locked tight.

Federalized Mississippi troops fired over the heads of an angry mob in the streets of Oxford as a pitched battle broke out.

Troops of the 108th Armored Cavalry, headquartered at near-by Tupelo, advanced with drawn bayonets and rifles at the ready as the rioters began firing.

The encounter was about a half block off the town square, which had been sealed off earlier.

The soldiers bolted from their trucks and, on orders shouted by their officers, sprinted toward the firing. The battle-garbed troops pushed the crowd steadily down the street away from the square, firing in the air. No one was injured.

Arrests jumped to 112. Officers of the riot-trained military police said many of those taken into custody lived up to 500 miles away.

PLACID SMILE MASKS NERVOUSNESS
Roving groups of incensed Southerners vented their passions in bitterness over the registration of the 29-year-old Meredith—the first Negro knowingly admitted to Ole Miss in its 114-year-old history.

Meredith registered as a student in a 35-minute session with Registrar Robert Ellis that began at 8:15 a. m. during which angry students gathered around the street.

Meredith emerged smiling — his customary placid smile that seems to mask any nervousness he might feel. Immediately he got lost with his marshal escort on route to his first class, returned to the scene of his registration and left soon thereafter in a caravan of Army vehicles.

In New Orleans, Jack Greenburg, attorney for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, told the New Orleans States-Item Monday that a second Negro—a girl—is in process of applying for entrance into the University of Mississippi.

The girl's application, Greenburg said, was being processed. He would not identify the girl, nor would he give added details.

Tangible evidence that the passions of the night hadn't blown away came from jeering, shouting students.

The 11 hours of violence on the campus during the night officially ended at 6:15 a. m. when Brig. Gen. Charles Billingslea, commander of the federal troops in Mississippi, said: "I now declare this area secure."

BOTTLES CRASH THROUGH WINDSHIELDS
But, in fact, the bayonets and the gas launchers of his men cleared only the campus, and 45 minutes later the first of the resurgent trouble hit the streets of Oxford, close to the guarded fringes of the school itself.

After some building of momentum, unnumbered groups of men and youths—many carrying six-pack soft drink cartons as ammunition holders—spread at many intersections. The bottles began to fly through windshields and bang against the side of Army jeeps, even the cars of the passing citizens of Oxford itself.

In Washington, the Justice Department said that Meredith's entry into the campus Sunday came only after Gov. Ross Barnett, leader of his state's resistance, had capitulated by telephone to Attorney General Robert Kennedy Sunday morning.

Justice officials said the Mississippi governor promised: (1) That he would see that U. S. marshals and Meredith would be admitted to the campus without opposition.

(2) He would "guarantee" to preserve law and order with state police or in co-operation with U. S. marshals against any violence which might erupt.

At the outset of Sunday night's violence, the Mississippi Highway Patrol withdrew from the gas-fogged

THE WEATHER

Pollen count Monday 144. Hay fever discomfort starts at 10. Rainfall to date 32.36; normal accumulation through October 28.32, for the year 31.33. Sun sets 6:13 Monday, rises 6:23 Tuesday.

High temperature Carter Field and downtown Sunday 86; low Carter Field and downtown Monday morning 58. Trace of rain at Carter Field and 05

inch downtown. Relative humidity at 11 a. m. 39.

Fort Worth and Vicinity—Fair through Tuesday. Cooler Monday. High Monday middle 78; Low Monday night lower 56; High Tuesday upper 70; Wind northerly 15 to 20 m.p.h., diminishing Tuesday.

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ARRESTED RIOTERS . . . Army troops herd Mississippi prisoners down Oxford street to National Guard army

Council Votes in Week On Cookingham's Fate

City Council is scheduled to vote next Monday on whether to retain City Manager L. P. Cookingham.

The manager is beyond the normal retirement age of 65 and his term must be extended by the council or he will be out of office Nov. 1.

He asked that the council meet secretly to discuss the problem, but Councilman Gene Cagle objected, saying that whatever he had to say about the matter he would say it into the microphone in the City Council chamber.

Mayor Pro Tem J. Frank Keeton brought up the matter Monday, saying in all fairness to Cookingham the council should let him know his fate.

Keeton said frankly, "All things considered, I think the council ought to start looking for a new manager."

One council member has said the council is split 4 to 4 and one member, Moore, reportedly undecided over retention of Cookingham.

Opposed—Keeton, Cagle, Mayor John Justin and T. D. Thompson.

Actually only Keeton has a stated publicly how they feel on the matter. Thompson has said he is for retaining the manager.