

Mayor Ivan Allen

Carmichael Is Ordered Held In Riot Case; Bond Spurned

ATLANTA (UPI) — Controversial "black power" leader Stokely Carmichael was bound over to a Grand Jury Friday on a charge of inciting a riot and then was returned to his jail cell. Bond for Carmichael, 25, was set at \$10,000.

Associates of Carmichael said that he would remain behind bars as a "political prisoner." "Mr. Carmichael is a political

prisoner captured by Atlanta police and chooses to stay in jail," James Forman, acting chairman of the Student Nonviolent Co-ordinating Committee said at a news conference.

Forman, who came here from Philadelphia to take command in Carmichael's absence, and other SNCC leaders issued a barrage of bitter statements against Atlanta Mayor Ivan Allen, the Police Department and the United States war effort in Vietnam.

Forman said Atlanta can count on intensified demonstrations in the near future but gave no details.

The SNCC spokesman charged that Allen is "a pawn in a national conspiracy to destroy SNCC and a growing militancy in the black community."

"Every white racist politician in this country would like to see SNCC crushed for its stand against [President] Johnson's policies in Vietnam and the sending of black mercenaries to fight an illegal war," SNCC Program Director Cleveland Sellers said.

Police arrested Carmichael about midnight Thursday night. He is accused of inciting an outburst Tuesday in which 1,000 Negroes pelted police with stones and bottles and toppled Mayor Allen from a car when he tried to reason with them.

Denounced by many of his own people, Carmichael returned to the riot-scarred district Thursday and went from door to door telling residents he was not responsible for the riot.

But his troubles continued to mount during the day. First, he was denounced on the floor of Congress as an "anarchist,"

then his one-time associate Julian Bond, the Negro representative-elect the Georgia House refused to seat, announced he was pulling out of SNCC, and finally he was taken into custody.

Original 'Snick' Dead, Publisher McGill Writes

In Friday morning editions of the Atlanta Constitution, Publisher Ralph McGill devoted his front-page column to what he termed "The Story of the Two Snicks."

"Snick today," McGill wrote, "is Carmichael saying that when you talk of black power 'you are talking about building a movement that will smash everything Western civilization has created.'"

"* * * This new Snick has killed off the original Snick—the one that attracted the idealistic college students of both races to share jail, fear, terror, and to work together."

"This Snick is no longer a civil rights organization * * *."

Carmichael appeared undaunted by the turn of events. Asked what Carmichael had to say when he was led off to jail, Howard Moore, Carmichael's attorney, reported that the Negro leader urged his followers ("to keep fighting.")

Later SNCC called a news conference at which it handed out a blistering statement in Carmichael's name. It accused Mayor Allen of being a racist, and added: "Ivan Allen is not a white king and we are not his black subjects."

The statement claimed the riot was a revolt against the mayor "and his corrupt Police Department." It also accused



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Carmichael (right) sits in courtroom with lawyer.

Allen of saying that SNCC has run out on the black community, but declared: "We are here—here, baby! We will stay and shall keep on fighting racism, including the racism of Mayor Allen and his lies."

Since last January 6 when deposed SNCC Chairman John Lewis publicly denounced the United States war effort in Vietnam, Carmichael has risen to top man within the organization. "Black power" became his symbol and only the most militant have stuck by him.

Under his direction, the organization stepped up a campaign of speaking out against United States foreign policy. It has alienated other civil rights organizations.

Dr. Martin Luther King's Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the NAACP and the National Urban League quickly abandoned any pretext of sympathy for SNCC. Only the Muslims and the Congress of Racial Equality remained friendly.

On advice of Moore, Carmichael waived a preliminary hearing Friday in Municipal

Court, and the case was transferred to jurisdiction of Superior Court, a state court.

In addition to inciting a riot, he also is charged with disturbing the peace.