

Woolworth Is Target

Store Closed While Officers Hunt For Bomb

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DURHAM, Feb. 8 (AP)—Negro students filled the lunch counter of a variety store here today in a peaceful demonstration against segregated service.

But the dime store, F. W. Woolworth Co., was closed shortly after noon while officers searched the building. The police received a telephoned report that a bomb had been placed in the basement of the store.

The demonstrators, more than 40 Negro students from North Carolina College following a pattern set last week in Greensboro, then moved to the S. H. Kress and Co. store to demonstrate. They were accompanied by four white students from Duke University.

TAKEN INTO CUSTODY

However, officers took one of the whites, a divinity student, into "protective custody." The police did not elaborate on the reason for this action.

The move is similar to a daily demonstration conducted last week at two stores in Greensboro. The demonstrators at Greensboro have agreed to a two-week cooling off period.

A spokesman for the Negro students, who declined to identify herself, predicted more NCC students will join in a protest movement in other Durham stores this afternoon. The move followed the pattern set by Negroes at Greensboro stores last week.

MORE EXPECTED

"More of the students at the college have classes in the morning," she said, so "we expect more this afternoon."

The goal of the movement, she said, is to "break down racial barriers."

"We consider this racial discrimination. If we can stand up and be served, why can't we sit down and be served?" she added.

There is no organization behind this movement, "just students in general," she said.

The spokesman added that she and the other students were instructed by the leaders of the movement not to identify themselves by name.

One of the white occupants of a lunch counter seat identified himself as Carl Hickey, a senior at Duke University. He declined to give his home address but officials said their records show Hickey gave Baltimore, Md., as his home.

Hickey said he was sitting at the counter because "I feel it is a good place to get some coffee."