

JUDGE SENTENCES MAN WHO STRUCK NEGRO

By Associated Press

A white man accused of striking a Negro picketer with a dog chain was given a 60-day road sentence Thursday in Raleigh after the judge warned that his act could have touched off a serious race riot.

William Bradley Faulk, 25, father of four children, gave notice of appeal to Superior Court and was released under \$100 bond.

Assistant Raleigh City Court Judge Tom Ellis told Faulk "there could have been a serious race riot caused by the swinging of that one chain. The time has not yet come when the white citizens of Raleigh have to become vigilantes and take things into their own hands."

Faulk, a war veteran, was accused of striking Otis Clark, 20, Shaw University student, while a group of Negro students were picketing segregated lunch counters in the downtown Raleigh area Thursday.

Despite rain, Negro college students resumed their picketing shortly before noon. Virtually no hecklers were on the scene in contrast to Wednesday's situation. Police kept a close watch on the activities.

At Fayetteville, the management of two variety stores insisted they will continue to abide by local customs. A week's truce in the Fayetteville State Teachers College students' demonstration expired at midnight Wednesday.

Harvey Daye of Leesburg, Va., a student at the Fayetteville college, said he sent telegrams to the managers requesting that they consider ending segregation in the use of lunch counters, soda fountains and rest rooms.

Sitdown demonstrations by Negro students protesting segregated eating facilities began in Greensboro about two weeks ago, then spread to eight other Tar Heel cities and several states.

Brief Melee

Raleigh police said Faulk admitted scuffling during a brief melee in front of the Woolworth store Wednesday. He declined to testify or to offer any defense.

Clark testified he was walking in front of the Woolworth store when a white youth, identified as David Price, 19, truck driver, snatched a sign away from a picket. Price is facing trial in City Court Feb. 26 on a charge of assault and battery.

Clark told the court he grabbed the sign from Price "and we started walking on down the street when Faulk struck me across the naked hand and I tried to block the chain from my head."

Clark, a burly six-footer, allegedly retaliated by hitting Faulk with his fist and knocking him against a parked car.