

FIRST SITDOWN STAGED IN DEEP SOUTH

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Feb. 25 (UPI)—Negro students staged the deep South's first segregated lunch counter "sitdown" demonstration today by taking seats in a snack shop in the Montgomery County courthouse.

They requested service, but the shop closed immediately and Sheriff Mac Sim Butler, brandishing a club, arrived and ordered the 35 Negroes to line up single file against a wall.

Pistol-carrying deputies patrolled halls outside the basement shop and state highway patrolmen arrived to take pictures of the Negroes who stood quietly against the wall, reading text books, for 45 minutes.