

3 Are Fined In Sitdown Incidents

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Three student participants in sitdown protests against lunch counter segregation were fined a total of \$160 today at Nashville, Tenn., where thousands of Negroes sang church hymns and the national anthem outside the city courtroom.

The two Negroes and a white youth were the first of 80 such cases to be heard individually by Judge John Harris who threatened to slap a contempt of court fine on a Negro attorney who charged the cases were "prejudged."

Harris had dismissed loitering charges against the defendants and permitted the warrants to be amended to include disorderly conduct charges.

While the trials were going on more than 700 students of the Alabama State College for Negroes met at Montgomery, Ala., and pledged to resign from school if any student is expelled for participating in the sitdown protests.

A student leader told the group, "We can't expect anything but brutality. Some of us might be killed. The opposition is tremendous, but offer no resistance."

In Nashville, John Ira Nye, 20-year-old white Fisk University student, was fined \$50 for refusing an order to leave a dime store lunch counter. He received the maximum disorderly conduct fine.

Albert Keith Guy of Chicago, 26-year-old Negro student from Fisk University, was fined \$10 for disorderly conduct. Police said Guy created disorder by walking into the police station and insisting he be arrested so he could be with student friends already in jail.

Hardy Woodward Hunter, 22, Negro from Tennessee A&I University, was fined \$50 each for disorderly conduct and resisting arrest.

Hunter said a white youth harassed him while he was sitting at a lunch counter and then pulled him from his counter stool and kicked him. Police said they grabbed both Hunter and the white youth, there was a struggle and the white youth got away and Hunter was jailed.

A bomb threat occurred at Fisk University, a predominately Negro school in Nashville early Monday and a women's dormitory was evacuated. The threat turned out to be a hoax, but officers believed it was connected to the interracial disturbances.

In Rock Hill, S.C., scene of recent "sitdown" demonstrations, a robed but unmasked Ku Klux

Klansman paraded on the main street Monday, visiting two variety stores and two drug stores which were targets of the lunch counter protests by Negro students.

The Klansman, who did not identify himself, promised "another demonstration a week from Thursday."