

Students Continue Protests

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New demonstrations were staged Wednesday by northern college students over discrimination against Southern Negroes as Congress labored over legislation aimed at insuring civil rights.

Seven white girls, students at Skidmore College, picketed F. W. Woolworth's store in Sarasota Springs, N. Y., protesting discrimination against Negroes at the company's stores in the South.

The girls were taken to police headquarters, lectured by the police chief and returned to the college.

About 300 Yale University Divinity School students formed a long line and marched to a public square in New Haven, Conn., carrying placards. Their signs called for support of lunch counter sitdown demonstrations and for protection of the right of peaceful protest.

Reason Cited

A spokesman for the Yale students said their demonstration was to protest Southern discrimination and also to support efforts toward overcoming racial problems in the New Haven area.

In Clinton, N. Y., 30 Hamilton College students picketed the F. W. Woolworth store. This group included five Negroes.

In the South, Negro college students refrained from further widespread demonstrations, apparently content for the moment after dramatizing their protests against segregated eating places.

A dramatic plea for continued operation of public schools in Atlanta, Ga., was placed before a special committee of the Georgia Legislature. Atlanta schools are under federal court orders to desegregate, despite a state law forbidding race mixing in schools.

Danger Stressed

Spokesmen pleading for continuing public schools even if integration is the price outnumbered diehard segregationists 3-1. Educational leaders told the committee that losing the schools would be catastrophic in the Atlanta metropolitan area of one million persons.

In Montgomery, Ala., four Negroes applied for admission to the University of Alabama center, where six others sought enrollment Tuesday. The four filled out application blanks and left. The center is a night school for part time students and is a branch of the University of Alabama which is under court orders to refrain from discriminating against Negroes.

The drive for civil rights legislation in Washington included house approval of a ban on threatening letters in connection with court orders to desegregate schools. The House bill includes a provision for referees to help Negroes fight voting discrimination.