Letters from Mississippi / Document August 26, 1965: August Chronology

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The Mayor here is enumerating the civil rights actions we had taken up through August 26. Based on the long August 21 entry in my "August 9" letter, which covered both the first Sunflower grocery picketing and the same-day Saturday night Autry's event, the latter took place on August 21, not his seeming-afterthought August 24 date.

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August 2 - Library to check out books
Permission for five Books.

August 3 - Group of fifteen visit Library
for one hour sitting & Reading
material.

August 4 - Marion Theater approx fifteen
people refused. Discussion
at City Hall. Promise to see
Solomon.

August 11 - Eight went to Jee-Gee and
then to Marion Theater. Extra
Hwy. Patrolmen.

August 15 - Marion Theater in pairs
and single police in Theater
street cloths. Pv't Citizens Present

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August 13 - Trial of "Shop lifters" and
   resulting entry of Autry's &
    Grays.
 [side note]
    Judge M.R. Broom
    J.P. Court Dist #1
August 21 - Pickets Sunflower 10:00 AM
   till 3:00 PM. Autry's that
    night 11:00 PM approx 12
    people. Jee-Gee's All day
August 26 - Picket Sunflower & threaten
   arrest. Five Pickets. Draper
   came to town.
August 14 - Autry's Cafe ten persons
approx 11:00 PM Saturday
    night
   [?? - My letter had this happening on August 21.]
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