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FRIDAY, JUNE 26
JACKSON 6:45 pm Atlanta time From Hunter Mprey Another Disappearance
Law student Mike Smith, 23, law student, from Manhattan Beach, Calif., goes to
University of California Law School

Left Jackson on bus at noon for Batesville. Supposed to arrive about 3:00.
Batesville people thought he would arrive by noon, and waited bus station till
2:00 and left. They returned 4:45 and saw sheriff sitting outside bus station in
car. After 3 minutes the sheriff left. White bus station attendant told them,
"He's not here." They found out from a witness (not to be named on phone) that
Smith's bags had been gone through while he was making a phone call at the bus
station and some papers had been taken from bag. Kathy Amatniak handling
Communications Batesville - 563-9491. Jackson told her to call police and sheriff
and see if they know of his whereabouts, if not to request help in locating him,
and to call local contacts and then to call Jackson back with any info.

7:00pm Jackson to Atlanta
Mike Smith was located,

Taken by Ron Carver:
JACKSON : From Bill White

10:00am A bus-load of staff people and Bob Bolden's car have arrived in
Jackson.

11:30 pm Jackson reported two telephone threats:
3:30 pm (Jackson time): Someone called and asked for Ed King.
"If you see him, tell him we're going to kill him. He's a
damn son of a bitch and so are you."
7:10 pm (Jackson time) The caller was not the same man who
had made the first call. He had a very heavy southern accent.
"You damn white sons of bitches, we're going to kill you all."
He was referring to his "gang, the Desperadoes".
"We shot our way through Laurel" When asked if they were the
ones who bombed the newspaper office, he proudly replied
"yes." "I've been through two wars. You can bet your life
is short."

12:00 pm Ron Carver called the New Orleans FBI. The above threats
at the Jackson office were reported.

TV networks NBC and CBS spent a good deal of time filming
Ed Hollander, victim of a beating by police in jail on
the morning of June 26.²⁷ He was interviewed by ABC, AP,
UPI, and The New York Times.

Bond was set for the three white men arrested June 25²⁶ in
Ita Bena by the FBI. McGraw--\$1,000; \$2,000 each for the
two other men who were arrested. They have since been re-
leased.