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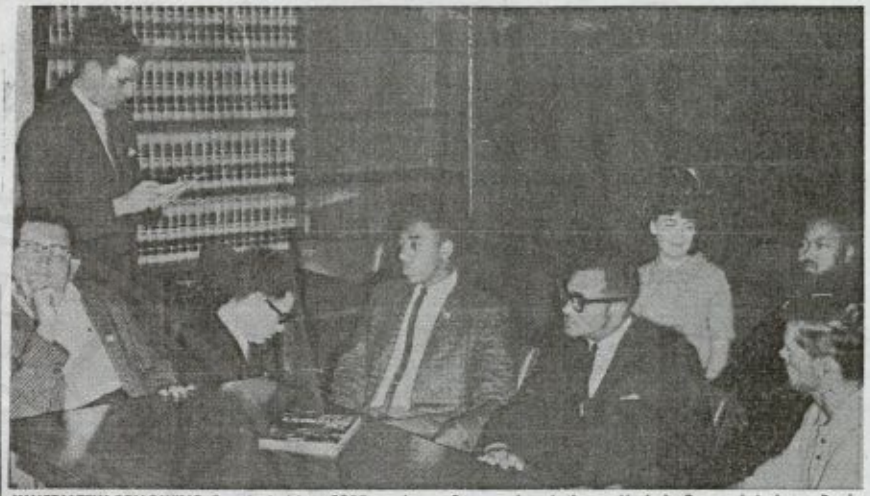

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING Court's decision, CORE members spoke to press. Central figure is Harold K. Brown, official spokesman. Seated from left are Bill Beard, George Stevens, Lee Anthony, Marjorie Poe and Ambrose Brodus. —Staff Photo by Sherman S. Skeete

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OF PARTICULAR interest during the proceedings were observations made by the Probation Department which recommended an effort for more understanding.

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THIS PLEA for understanding seemed to be directed to the fact that at the outset of picketing, the Bank of America had only a two per cent employment of minority groups, and that since demonstrations, the figure has risen sharply to a noticeable 37 per cent. It was considered that this was a mitigating circumstance as, regardless of inconveniences, great results also according to FEPC.

Disposition of the cases of the six pickets was as follows:

- **Harold K. Brown**, 30, of 762 Bollenbacher St., school teacher, $300 fine, suspended. 30 days imprisonment to be served on weekends. Two years probation.
- **George Luther Stevens**, 32, of 6571 Armitage St., engineer at General Dynamics - Astronautics. Six days incarceration.
- **Marjorie Ruth Poe**, 19, of 6866 Saranac St., student at San Diego State College. Six days incarceration. She was privileged to take her books while imprisoned, to keep up with her studies.
- **Lee Carroll Anthony**, 24, of 1367 Felspar St., student at San Diego State College. 15 days incarceration.
- **Ambrose Rodgers**, 39, of 653 San Miguel St., engineer at General Dynamics - Astronautics. Fifteen days incarceration.
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215 Bramson Place, chauffeur, 5 days incarceration and $75 fines.

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ALL SENTENCES were appealed immediately.

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AT A PRESS conference held subsequent to the trial, Brown expressed satisfaction with the actions of the judge who, he said, had been placed "in an awkward position, when it is considered that the American flag is to protest injustice."

Brown told of three rebuffs by the San Diego Zoo which has failed to sanction talks on job discrimination. This matter, he said, will be brought before City Council for the mayor to effect a confrontation between CORE and the Zoo officials. Failing cooperation, "a different tack will be taken that is found to be effective," he said.

As the civil rights movement becomes further accelerated, Brown states he is resigning as chairman of the local chapter. He intends, however, to retain his regional affiliation and work for total community involvement in the present "social revolution."