MARCHERS STAGE MISSISSIPPI RALLY

Dr. King Addresses 1,000
From Courthouse Steps

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GREENWOOD, Miss., June 17—Seventy-five black marchers on the green lawn in the hot sun, and for the second consecutive day, had a cool down with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The trouble came when a white police officer pointed a tear gas gun at the marchers, then ran out with his pistol and blackjack after a woman marcher who claimed to have been shot by him.

More than a hundred Negroes had been arrested since April 4, the day of Dr. King’s assassination, and the marchers rounded the green- waving men.

Andrew Young, one of the marchers, said: "I was hurt when the police pointed a tear gas gun at the crowd and then ran out with his pistol. We were supposed to be marching to the Courthouse to present their case to a jury at the courthouse, but nothing happened."

Dr. King turned the marchers away from the courthouse after discovering that the police had not decided to arrest them.

"We’re ready to let you fill up all the greenhouses in Leflore County,” said a member of the Mississippi state legislature.

"Thank you, Mr. King," said the marchers.

"I’m tired, too,” said the marchers.

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The marchers were led away from the courthouse by the sheriff’s deputies.

Many marchers and local Negroes were chanting "Black power, black power," as Dr. King walked past them.

"Stop shooting black men," said a marcher at a rally last night when he said: "They are carrying on in Mississippi and they ought to be buried down in the sand and put all of the dirt on the top of the grave."