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College students protesting segregation at lunch counters in Greensboro dimes stores are showing sitting at the counter of the F. W. Woolworth store. The "sit down" protest began Feb. 1 with students from A. and T. College taking seats at the counter and refusing to leave until served. Students from Bennett College quickly joined in the protest. Before the sitdown strike was three days old approximately 30 white students from Greensboro area colleges joined in the protest against racial discrimination. Members of the local chapter of Ku Klux Klan and other segregation advocates gathered at the store over the weekend and threatened 't'rouble". Several white persons were arrested.

The protest spread from Greensboro to Durham, Winston - Salem, Charlotte, Raleigh and Fayetteville during the week. Officials have threatened to jail the sit-downers on trespassing charges in some of the cities.

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