11 IN SIT-IN OUSTED FROM THE CAPITOL

Carried Away as Congress Is Readied for Johnson

(AP) — The police carried 11 sit-in demonstrators out of the Capitol today as the building was being prepared for President Johnson's appearance before Congress. The demonstrators had come

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to the Capitol in the early afternoon, declaring that they would stay in the building until Congress reduced the size of the

Alabama delegation because of racial discrimination.

They went limp but offered no

resistance as they were hustled out the Capitol door. Ten minutes earlier, after sit-

ting and lying quietly in alcove, they had risen and begun a handclapping rendition of freedom songs. The ejection of the group was carried out swiftly while

The demonstrators continued

crowd of newsmen, photographers and the curious looked on.

singing as they were carried out. One white youth was dragged backward part way down the marble steps of the building, bumping on each one as went. He continued singing. About halfway down a police-man grabbed his legs and helped carry him the rest of the way.

Talked to McCormack

talked with House Speaker John W. McCormack of Massachu-

Earlier the demonstrators had

After shaking hands with the demonstrators, Mr. McCormack

setts.

cautioned them against "taking the law into your own hands" and urged them to leave the building "in a gentlemanly and ladylike manner."

With this advice, he left the group and went to his office. The demonstrators then sat down. They were in the alcove

of a corrider near an entrance to the House Chamber. A spokesman for the biracial group, Carl Speight, 22 years old, of Wheeling, W. Va., said

it represented the Congress of Racial Equality and the Stu-

dent Nonviolent Coordinating

Committee. As about the same time, an unidentified Negro who was distributing civil rights pamphlets on the steps of the House Office Building was seized by a halfdozen policemen, wrestled to the ground in a brief scuffle, and taken away in a police car.

While the struggle was going on, a girl nearby shouted: "Police brutality . . . I hope you

all hang."

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