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Court Upholds Ban On Rock 'N' Roll In New Haven

New Haven, May 8 (UP)—Teen-agers here will have to spin records tonight to get their ration of rock 'n' roll music because this Ivy League city has booted "Big Beat" promoter Alan Freed and his troupe out of town.

Common Pleas Judge Sidney A. Johnson Wednesday upheld a police ban on the Freed group that planned to perform in the New Haven arena tonight.

Judge Johnson said Police Chief Francis V. McManus had a legal right to impose the ban and cancel a scheduled performance.

McManus told the judge that he would have banned the show even if rioting hadn't broken out after a Boston performance Sunday.

The chief said that after a similar performance in 1955, 15 persons were arrested. In Boston 15 persons were either beaten, robbed or stabbed on city streets following the session in Boston Arena.

The police ban had the backing of Mayor Richard C. Lee and the city attorney.