Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee

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"The bombing of the Black Liberation Center represents opposition to black people's demands for decent homes, better schools and black unity," said Phil Hutchings, Field Director for the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee in New Jersey.

The Liberation Center, located at 107 South Orange Avenue, was bombed early Monday morning, May 29. The front window panel was blown out and wreckage and debris littered the floor. Apparently the bomb touched off a fire which burned away the telephone and much of the inside office.

The Center has been active in the fight of neighborhood residents to prevent the building of the New Jersey Medical and Dental College in Newark's Central Ward ghetto.

Last week members from the Black Liberation Center, along with the Committee Against Negro and Puerto Rican Removal and other Negro groups protested the Medical School site at a City Hall Blight Hearing. The Blight Hearing was postponed because of demonstrations from angry citizens who claimed the Hanning Board did not represent their needs.