

ALBANY MOVEMENT MASS MEETING PROGRAM

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 SPEAKER ----- REV. THOMAS BLUE
 SONG ----- WE SHALL OVERCOME
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THERE ARE STILL SOME CLOTHING IN THE OFFICE OF THE MOVEMENT FOR THOSE THAT NEED THEM. THE OFFICE IS OPEN FROM MONDAY ---FRIDAY FOR GETTING CLOTHING. WE HAVE MORE ADULT CLOTHING THAN CHILDREN CLOTHING, BUT WE DO HAVE A FEW FOR CHILDREN THIS WEEK. IF YOU HAPPEN TO KNOW SOME ONE THAT NEED THE/SE CLOTHING PLEASE BE KIND ENOUGH TO LET THESE PEOPLE KNOW THAT THEY MAY GET SOME FROM THE OFFICE. THANK YOU.

STUDENT VOICE

What you ought to know

You may not know that on Saturday night 12:30, there was a near riot in the Six Point area. Two men began fighting and the police were called to them and others. There were six to twelve officials' cars.

One 17 year old boy, high school student was handcuffed, thrown against the paddy-wagon. Another boy from Monroe Vocational was choked from behind by an officer. Two girls who were trying to get out of their way had their arms twisted behind them and were arrested. One lady was arrested on her front porch and snatched from the door. One boy was shot in his hip and put in a paddy wagon. A large number of persons were arrested who stood by. It has also been reported that two persons have been beaten in jail and are not being properly fed.

ALBANY --

Some of us are slacing, just a small group is keeping up the fight! 15 Albany students have contacted close to 1,000 residents of East Albany and East Dougherty since Dec. 7 as part of the Delta Voter Registration Drive. 50 people have registered from East Albany, and many more have promised to go down -- BUT THEY NEED A WAY. The Students have sacrificed an hour each afternoon during the week, Saturday mornings and Sunday afternoons to walk the streets and complete the survey. Now we must have cars to complete the drive. Sacrifice use of your car for a couple of hours -- THEN those who wish to register can go down. We will pick up students at Carver and Monroe each afternoon at 3:15 -- join us! We will soon be moving into Northside.

Want to canvass?

Want to lend us a car?

CALL 504 S. Madison Street -- 6-4902

-- So those of us who feel the fight is over must come quickly to realize that we have just begun to fight.

There is so much news to tell that we will save some for next week's mass meeting. But you ought to know this much. The most important development in our fight will be coming up in Americus the week of January 21st. About one hundred and fifty subpoenas will be given to persons in Dougherty, Terrell, Lee, Mitchell and Sumter counties. These persons will have to appear in court. One of the cases will involve the striking of CB King on the head, by the high Sheriff, another and another will follow. This may last a week, or two weeks or or three weeks, but they will sit before the Grand Jury and a United States federal district lawyer. We ought to know these things. Radio and Television seem to be mum on this. The officials uptown know that it won't be long now. They know that if we stay away from uptown, somebody's pocket will not be as big and deep as it has been. We must make it our business to know these things.

We are still meeting in the counties and invite you to come to Gasser on Wednesdays, Lee County on Saturdays and Sumpter on Thursdays. The meetings are held at eight and we leave from the Movement house between six-thirty and seven. We ride the bus, our red white and blue bus. We need you to go with us and stand people to people in Terrell, Lee, Sumpter and soon, Baker. You ought to know more about these things.

PROBLEM IN LEE COUNTY

In spite of the more subtle attempts on the part of county authorities to maintain control over the system, more and more Negroes are becoming full fledged citizens of Lee County. Early in the voter-registration project in Lee County the registrar decided that his "official duties" as tax collector kept him so busy that he would only have time to register Negroes on one day of the week. Recently he turned away six people who went to register on Friday, the appointed day, saying simply that he didn't have time. All six reported that he did not have a thing to do except read a newspaper. Affidavits were taken immediately taken; they were sent to the Justice Department. Still the people of Lee County insist that their right not be denied and the list of registered voters grows. The system of segregation is already singing its swan song in Lee County and its final death draws near and with each passing day--HEARER.

SUMTER, The Brave New County --

We began meetings here Nov. 8, although we could not send in field workers. The meetings are always well attended - 50 people or so - and the students from Albany bring new hope with them each week. 20-25 have applied to register in Sumter since Nov. 8, even though people have been threatened with arrest, loss of jobs, even though a house was shot at. If you can join us, come around to 504 S. Madison any Thursday at 6:00 PM.

LEE COUNTY: TEENS TACKLE SMITHVILLE

Nine students from the Lee County Training school began voter registration work in Smithville last week. They contacted fifty-one residents, asking these people to overcome their fears and register to vote.

Three of the group went to the courthouse in Doosburg and attempted to register. But the registrar said he was "too busy collecting taxes", and gruffly turned them away. The teen-agers said that he wasn't doing any thing but reading a newspaper. They all expressed fear of the registrar, but pledged to return.

Teen-agers are the greatest asset we have in our Movement. While the so-called adults confusedly vacillate and hesitate from taking action - teenagers just ACT.

Smithville is called "a bad town" in Lee County. Many of the older people in the Lee County Movement just sadly shake their head when they think of the work that's needed there. They remember the violence of this summer when voter registration workers tried to canvass in the town. But the teenagers went there and started to work. They faced the angry white men who followed them throughout the day with automobiles.

The actions of these young people should be an inspiration to all of us. It's not enough to be inspired, though. We must support them. All the people in the counties look to Albany for support. We must give it to them. We should attend every mass meeting that we can, in Lee Terrell, and Sumter Counties.

SNCC will be glad to drive all to the meetings. Just call the office.