

rural registration need not be considered as antagonistic to that in the cities. They are complementary: (1) The current events of a rural registration drive shall serve as the most dramatic "neon"light" imaginable to highlight the kinds of conditions the vote seeks to change. (2) The atrocities likely to accrue from a rural campaign will add stimulus to the urban people to turn out in indignation. (3) Hopefully the open communication between the Negro communities of the country and the cities will inspire recruits to come from the cities to help. Finally the point should be made that it is only in a campaign in the rural South that the truly revolutionary aspects implicit in the nature of the project can be realized. The problem is one of massively winning the ballot -- now or never -- for the unschooled, economically dependent, property-less, unsophisticated Negro of this generation. The revolt must be their own; we are only agents of stimulation. Without an immediate prospect of hope for these people, they shall continue to migrate to the North and lose once and for all the chance of building democracy in the South.

Our prospectus outlines certain political, sociological and psychological reasons for working in proposed areas. It deals with certain considerations which we hope will reveal the coordinated relationship between the cities and the rural areas. Means for finance must be created.

PURPOSE

(1) To set up contacts in every county of the second and third congressional districts for next year. (2) To work actively in eight central counties during the summer -- Baker, Dougherty, Worth, Early, all of the 2nd congressional district; and Terrell, Lee, Beach and Marion, of the third Congressional district. (3) To confront the segregationists and the Negro community with a realistic attempt in the deep South at intergroup cooperation and assimilation.

MODE OF OPERATION IN ALBANY FOR PROJECT

(1) The volunteer workers will include both black and white living together, initially in Albany. (2) We will report to the office at 8 o'clock Tuesday through Saturday. (3) We will be in our lodging at 11 o'clock PM unless the group is engaged in some activity after that hour. (4) We will be relatively free on Sunday and Monday, which is to say there will be church gatherings, mass meetings, and staff evaluation of the past week and proposals for the coming week. (5) At some point this summer "whites" will be living in other counties. (6) On Mondays the whole staff will come to Albany. (7) The project will be self sustaining.

INDUCTION

June 10th participants will be in the Atlanta SNCC office for introduction to staff and general instruction. They will be in Albany on the 11th where a working schedule will be drawn up for the week's instruction. A syllabus, which would be basically the same as the details earlier in a proposed program, will be enlarged upon and mimeographed along with the Albany story acting as an introduction. The Terrell story should also be included.

BASIC POINTS IN THE ORIENTATION

(1) Historic development of fear in area -- (a) Police brutality in this area (b) our efforts in Albany, (c) Our efforts in Pike, Amite and Walthall counties in Mississippi

(d) criticism and evaluation. (2) Our purpose as SNCC (a) we are not an "organization" (b) we are concerned with community mobilization and identification with the "Movement" (c) We are committed to sacrifice and teach the people through this challenge.

PHILOSOPHY OF REVOLUTION

(1) Ground rules (a) define objective (b) Be honest (c) Love your enemy (d) give your opponent a way out.

(2) Strategic steps (a) investigate (b) negotiate (c) educate (d) demonstrate (e) resist

(3) Personal Conduct (a) Be creative (b) be firm (c) be humble (d) be forthright (e) be calm (f) be helpful (g) be forgiving (h) be friendly

STAFF DECORUM (confirmation by group consensus)

(1) There will be no consumption of alcoholic beverages. (2) Men will not be housed with women. (3) Romantic attachments of "girl-boy friend" relations will not be encouraged within the group. (4) The staff will go to church regularly. (5) The group will have the power of censure.

STATISTICAL EVALUATION

(1) Evaluation of court decision for reapportionment. (2) Evaluation of non-white voter strength and its potential in the State, and especially the 2nd and 3rd congressional districts.