Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee Fourth Annual Conference 'On Food and Jobs'



Howard University
Rankin Chapel
Washington, D. C.
Nov. 29-Dec. 1, 1963

Why a Conference on Food and Jobs?

The Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee's 4th Annual Leadership Conference will concern itself with some of the basic problems encountered by our workers in the field: providing jobs and food for the people of depressed rural areas. Aided by several consulting experts, the SNCC staff will examine the causes and possible solutions of these problems.

Even in the few areas where economic reprisals are not used in an attempt to supress voter registration programs, unemployment and proverty are so entrenched and extreme that it becomes necessary to develop programs to feed, house, and clothe the people with whom we work.

Machinery is replacing sharecroppers and unskilled industrial workers. In some communities, up to 50 percent of the Negro work force is unemployed. Most of the jobless are unable to obtain training which would enable them to move into "white collar" jobs, even if these jobs were open to Negroes.

Therefore, the primary goal of the conference is to acquaint our field workers with the existing programs in the areas of man-power re-training, job relocation, and economic relief to rural communities, and to instruct them on the procedures for getting them into a given community. We shall give consideration to the existing possibilities for getting Federal medical programs into communities which have no facilities, or inadequate facilities for medical care for Negroes. Speakers at the conference will also discuss the specific problems of the small farmer. Emphasis will be placed on the plight of the Negro in Mississippi.

This country is not now considered to be in an economic slump. Yet there are people — both Negro and white — who subsist at a starvation level, and who die of starvation. It is clear that the entire social and economic structure of the South must be changed, and that many new programs must be developed. At this conference, however, we will explore the possibilities that do exist under the present machinery, and the ways to effectively utilize them.

PROGRAM- Friday, November 29

A. M. 8:00 - 9:00	Breakfast* Baldwin Hall Cafeteria
9:00 - 10:15	Registration and Grouping for Work- shops: Rankin Chapel (basement)
10:30 - 11:00	Invocation
	Opening Remarks - John Lewis, Chairman Student Nonviolent Co- ordinating Committee. Rankin Chapel
7.77	Introduction of speakers and ex-
	planation of Conference procedure: E. Charles Brown - Program Chair-
	man of the Nonviolent Action Group ("N.A.G."), a SNCC affiliate.
1100 - 12:00	Keynote Address: James Baldwin, Writer- 50 b Mosos
12:15 - 1:15	Lunch - Baldwin Hall cafeteria
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130 - 2:30	Address - Norman Thomas, Leader of Socialist Party. Rankin Chapel
3:00 - 3:30	Coffee Break
3:30 - 4:15	Economic and Political Power
nowwa	Structure of the South: Robert P.
Paris	Moses, SNCC Field Director for Mississippi
4:15 - 5:15	General Discussion
5:30 - 7:00	Dinner* Baldwin Hall Cafeteria
7:00 - 9:00	Workshops - (place to be announced) Workshop leaders:
	N. Labossi U. S. Commission on Civil Rights
	Ben Segal, Education Director,
	I.U.E., AFL-CIO
	James Forman, Exec. Sec'y, SNCC
	Norman Curland, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights
	Tom Kahn, Workers Defense League
	Robert P. Moses, Director of SNCC's Voter Registration Project
(8:30)	Meeting of the Resolutions Com- mittee**
9:00	Rally - Shiloh Baptist Church,
,	9th. & "P" Streets, N. W. The Freedom Singers The Americus 4-recently released from capital charges in Georgia

PROGRAM - Saturday, November 30

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A.M.		
8:00 - 9:15	Breakfast* Baldwin Hall cafeteria	
9:30 - 10:00	Employment Retraining - Dan(
7.50 - 10.00	Schulder, Manpower Development	
	and Training Agency	
10:00 - 10:30	Area Redevelopment - Miss Ann	
20.00 20.50	Gould, Area Redevelopment Agency	
10:45 - 12:15	Workshops	
	Workshop leaders:	
	Tom Carter, Manpower Development and Training Agency)
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	ment and Training Agency	000
	Russ Allen, Industrial Union Dept.,	2 (
	AFL-CIO	1
	Emanuel Muravchik, National Di-	B
	rector, Jewis Labor Committee	0.1
12:30 - 1:30	Lunch * Baldwin Hall cafeteria	-3
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1:30 - 2:15	Federal Health Programs for the South	
	Helen Johnston, Migrant Health	
	Section; Health, Education, and	-
	Welfare Dept.	0
2:15 - 3:30	Field Reports	7
3:30 - 4:00	The Agricultural Dilemma	100
	Fay Bennett, National Secretary,	
	National Sharecroppers Fund	M
4:00 - 4:30	Address - Thomas L. Delton, Rural	_ '
	Areas Development freed regards	
4:30 - 6:00	Workshops	
	Workshop leaders:	
	Thomas L. Delton, Specialist in	
	Georgia for Rural Areas Develop-	
	ment Agency, U.S. Government	
	Mrs. Fay Bennett, National Secre- tary, National Sharecroppers Fund	
	Clay Cochrin, Legislative Rep-	
	resentative, I.U.D., AFL-CIO,	
	Washington, D. C.	Aur.
	Lewis Carliner, U.A.W.	
	Ernesto Galarzo, House Education	
	and Labor Committee, U.S. Congress	
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PROGRAM - Saturday Evening, November 30

6:00 - 7:00	Dinner* Baldwin Hall cafeteria
» 7:00 - 8:15	The Role of Labor in the Changing
	South
	Jack Conway, Executive Director,
	Industrial Union Department, AFL-
	CIO (UAW)
8:15 - 9:15	Workshops
	(Representatives of Labor will lead the workshops)
9:15	Meeting of Resolutions Committee
9:30	Entertainment
	Dance - Howard University Ballroom

Sunday, December 1

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8:30 - 9:30	Breakfast* Baldwin Hall cafeteria
10:00 - 11:00	New Perspectives on Civil Rights Bayard Rustin, National Deputy Director, March on Washington
11:00	Meeting of the Resolutions Committee
	(Those who wish to do so may attend church.)
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch* Baldwin Hall cafeteria
	Box Suppers may be picked up to take on trips home.
1:15 - 2:30	Problems of the National Economy
	Ray Brown, Crises Economist, Federal Reserve Bank
	(Address will be delivered by
	Stanley Aronowitz, Amalgamated
	Clothing Workers)
	Rankin Chapel, main auditorium
	Discussion - Rankin Chapel
2:30 - 3:30	Report of Resolutions Committee
4:00	Summary of Conference
	John Lewis, SNCC Chairman

*NOTE: Meal Tickets for all meals are to be picked up at the Registration Desk in the basement of Rankin Chapel.

Our Sincere Thanks...

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E. Charles Brown