Precinct and County Meetings

Time and Place

1. Use a regular county meeting that people are used to attending where possible.

2. If there is enough community organizations hold separate precinct meetings in each precinct. Otherwise, just break a county meeting into precincts, and hold precinct and county meetings in the same place one right after the other.

3. Seek to hold the county meeting in the county courthouse--one's right as a citizen.

4. Convassing, letters, telephones--all should be used to announce meetings and encourage attendance.

5. Anyone can attend the meeting. At the meeting people who are not already Freedom Registered should be registered before the meeting starts.

Content

1. Election of Delegates:
   At precinct meetings you can elect up to 10 votes to go to the county meeting. You can split votes, using the same procedure as that used in regular Democratic party meetings.

   You can secure the number of delegates and alternates to elect from county conventions by calling Jackson.

   Election of good delegates is extremely important. People should be encouraged to nominate a strong delegation. The person nominated need not be present. An integrated delegation, where possible, is ideal.

2. Election of the County Executive Committee
   This committee, composed of 15 people, can serve as a political education committee for the county. If we can get these committees elected in each county, they can serve as a unit of county organization for later party work. They normally control voting.

3. Passing Resolutions
   This is a valuable experience, even though the resolutions have no binding effect. Resolutions on supporting National Democratic Party candidates, civil rights, or any others can be passed and brought to the state convention. You do not have to have resolutions.

4. Records
   Keep careful records of who attended, what business was transacted, who were the delegates elected, any unusual occurrences. Send a copy of this information to Jackson and keep a copy for your files.