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The STEERING COMMITTEE of the Parents Mississippi Emergency Committee, met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Seigel on July 18th at 2:30 PM.

Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Hunn, Wilson, Seigel, Brill, Leiber, and Newman, Mrs. Hard, Joanne Sitzer, Dr. Carstens, Mr. Singleton, Mr. Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Light from the San Francisco Parents Group, were welcomed.

Mr. Wilson reported on highlights of the called meeting, held on Tuesday evening, July 14th, the reason being the arrest in Greenwood of James Dann of Venice. Telegrams were sent to all California representatives, senators, President Johnson and the Attorney General. (Copy is here-with attached).

Mr. Light spoke on whether or not to form a delegation of parents to Mississippi, representing all parents groups in the U.S. Discussion brought out the following ideas:

- 1) Put the emphasis upon parents' INTEREST rather than checking up on the 'children'.
- 2) Slant appeals toward poverty program.
- 3) Circularize each parents group (Pa., N.J., N.Y., and 2 Calif. are the only known groups)
- 4) Organize and get a group to Mississippi at the end of the Summer Project, following which, a visit would be made to the Democratic Convention in August at Atlantic City.
- 5) Get teachers and spiritual leaders to go with the delegation.

The following volunteered to go with the delegation, settle upon dates, etc.: Mrs. Newman, Mrs. Hard and Mrs. Light. Mr. Light agreed to serve as general chairman of the tour to Mississippi.

Social activities for raising funds was next discussed. It was announced that the garden reception, originally planned for July 26th, was changed to August 2nd. Mrs. Wilson was asked to head the Social Committee, and tentatively agreed, upon condition that it be subject to her work.

Also discussed, was publicity; Mr. Singleton urged wider use of public media; Mr. Light proposed asking various city councils to pass resolutions; Dr. Carstens reported a call from the administrative assistant to Congressman Don Edwards, stating that Cong. Edwards was working full time on the Mississippi problem. The Publicity Committee agreed to meet at 7 PM, Monday, July 20th, preceding the next meeting of the entire parents group, at the Grahams home.

The meeting adjourned at 5 PM.

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 Respectfully,
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