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SENATOR HUMPHREY

A delegation of parents from our committee had an opportunity to meet with Vice-President-elect Hubert Humphrey, the day before the national elections, at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles. Congressman Gus Hawkins made the arrangements and joined Mrs. Bridgeforth, Mr. Harold Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Davidson and Mrs. Eva Zirker to ask Mr. Humphrey what he thought the Democratic Party and the Federal Government could do to alleviate the terrorism and intimidation directed against the civil rights workers and participants. He and his staff were well aware of the present day situation in Mississippi as well as the continuing incidents of harassment. There was an indication of a direct program by the administration after the election that would challenge the Democratic Party of Mississippi. Let's keep reminding the administration through letters of its responsibility in bringing equal rights to all Americans.

INCORPORATION

THE PARENTS MISSISSIPPI FREEDOM ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA is in the process of becoming incorporated. We are now waiting for the papers to be approved. Officers have been elected and chairmanships appointed, and the Board of Trustees was selected from this group. The officers' names were published in the October 12th bulletin. The following are the appointed chairmanships:

- Legal Advisor & Bail Fund Chairman - Ed Wilson
- Bail Fund Ass't. Chairman - Sidney Harris
- Legislative Chairman - June Owen
- Ways & Means Chairman - Sue Davidson
- Membership Chairman - Clare Harris
- Budget & Finance Chairman - Ray Owen
- Education & Scholarship - Martha Hard - Co-Chairman Evelyn Carstens
- Editor of Newsletter - Neodros Bridgeforth

TIME - OUT

Judy Newman who has contributed in so many ways to the success of our Parents' Committee has asked for a leave of absence due to ill health. We do hope this forced rest will quicken her recovery.

MEMBERSHIP

Enclosed are membership applications. If you have a son or daughter who participated in the Mississippi Summer Project or the Mississippi Project now in progress, and your son or daughter is either a resident of California or goes to college in California, then you are eligible for membership. Please fill out the form and mail immediately. If you've already paid your dues, please fill out form also, and write "paid" next to dues.

GOOD LISTENING

Every Saturday night at 10:00 p.m. and on repeat broadcast Sunday night at 8 p.m. KRHM-FM (94.7) presents "Mississippi Project" with current incidents and happenings in Mississippi. If you have received letters from your son or daughter who is now in Mississippi, please send a copy to Mr. Joseph Maizlish, 760 Holmby Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. 90024., then you may hear your son's or daughter's letter read over the air.

These broadcasts are taped and sent to radio stations and colleges all over the United States, free of charge. If you know of a radio station, especially college radio station who might play these tapes, please help Mr. Maizlish make the contact.

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F L A S H - NEXT MEETING AT THE HOME OF Dr. & Mrs. A. Carstens  
 December 9, 1964 (o v e r) 15216 Bortalin  
 8:00 p.m. Encino, California  
 Telephone 783-4959

## MISSISSIPPI, NOW!

### Southern California Volunteer and Staff Workers now in Mississippi:

Allenstein, Linda	Graham, Buz (Batesville)
Bridgeforth, Ron (Starksville)	Koonan, Karen (Indianola)
Brown, Candy (McComb)	Schwartz, Joseph (Hattiesburg)
Dann, Jimmy (Indianola)	Weiss, Marc (Clarksdale)
Davidson, Marion	Winans, Nedra
Ganz, Marshall (McComb)	

### Northern California Participants:

Garman, Betty (Atlanta, Ga)	Light, Bill (Jackson)
Hogan, Valerie	Winters, George (Indianola)
Jennings, Mary (Greenwood)	Winn, Fred (Indianola)

If you know of any other Californian who is now participating in the Mississippi Project, please send us his or her name. We also would like to have the mailing addresses of all volunteers and staff workers so that we can send them our newsletters.

### ART SHOW - Sunday, December 13, 1964 - 2-6 P.M. - Benefit for SNCC - Donation \$1.00

Paintings - Sculptures - Drawings - Lithographs - Ceramics - Enamels.

Everything sells for \$100 or LESS, mostly less.

At the home of Dr. and Mrs. Seymour Bird

447 No. Kentor Avenue (Kentor Canyon) off Sunset  
Brentwood - GR 2-8090

### NEW VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF WORKERS:

Koonan, Karen	Weiss, Marc	Schwartz, Joseph
Zirker, Joe (F), Eva (M)	Syd (F), Mae (M)	Leon (F)
122 Thornton, Venice	16243 Gledhill St.	2969 Sunnybrook Dr.
396-9314	Sapulveda, EM 2-7789	Beverly Hills
		Bentrice (H)
		1716 Francisco St.
		Berkeley

### CONFERENCE

Mrs. Eva Zirker and Mrs. Silvia Ganz from Southern California attended state-wide SNCC Conference in San Francisco on November 14 & 15, 1964, in which Robert Moses gave keynote address.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, December 9, 1964. Place to be announced.

### S O S - BAIL FUND

Loans of \$100.00 or as much as you can afford needed IMMEDIATELY to impliment operating bail fund. Make check payable to Parents Mississippi Freedom Association, Bail Fund. Indicate whether loan or contribution on check. Mail to Parents Mississippi Freedom Association, P.O. Box 2212, Culver City, California.

### HELP! HELP!

Several tons of food and clothing have been gathered but we need to get them to Mississippi before Christmas. Plans for trucks or shipment to leave by December 15th are in process. Does anyone have contacts with either - Trucking Firm, Teamsters, Van lines or any leads at all to help reduce cost? If so please contact Mrs. Bridgeforth, 756-5279 or Jimmy Garrett at local SNCC.

### LETTERS

PLEASE write President Johnson.

Request (1) In appointment of Federal Judges in the south - make every effort to appoint fair-minded judges.

(2) Support charges in rules of Conference to reduce influence southern representatives have due to their seniority.

### WRITE TO JUSTICE DEPARTMENT (Katzenbach)

General type of letter - Identify yourself as parent - that you want them to investigate harrasment of citizens.

### WRITE CONGRESSMEN

If your Congressman is a Democrat - please ask that rules in House of Representatives be changed so that chairmanships not all be in hands of southern segregationist. Emphasize that you and your friends realize that the Democrats have been responsible for this one party rule in the south. Relate the shock that friends register when they find out the real situation that exists there. Stress, if you are writing to a Democrat, that NOW is the time to ACT.