

PROPOSED 1965-66 SOUTHWIDE VOTER EDUCATION INTERNSHIP PROJECT

The first period of the 1965 Voter Education Internship Project is scheduled for July 12-24 at the Sea Island Progressive Club Center on Johns Island, South Carolina. The first workshop and internship period will be continued after the pattern of the past several years.

The second period which will run for two weeks starting July 26 will be modified as follows:

The residential staff and interns will work with the Voter Education Schools and the Citizenship Schools which are demonstration classes for the internship period of the project, and, in addition, run Charleston area workshops which can reach several hundred adult students in regularly scheduled classes.

The first period will be limited to twenty-five adults. The second period will include many of the several hundred part-time participants of the past two years. Esau Jenkins will be the Project Director. The project will be financed by a special two-year grant from the Field Foundation.

PROPOSED VOTER WORKSHOPS FOR 1965-66

A two-year Field Foundation grant will finance the continuation of ten Voter Education Workshops to be held in as many states as possible using centers that already provide facilities for resident workshops. In addition to residential workshops at Highlander Center, plans include the use of the Sea Island Center, facilities at Fitzgerald and Americus, Georgia and at Edwards, Mississippi in co-operation with the Delta Ministry.

These workshops are designed to build on the foundation of the Citizenship Schools which prepare people to register to vote. The aim of this program is to help people understand and assume civic responsibility for the community in which they live.

PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTARY WORKSHOP

The International Voluntary Service has again offered the service of a workcamp at the Smoky Mountain property. A small, integrated group of young men will work at finishing the water storage system, complete buildings on the property, relocate toilet facilities, rebuild damaged tent platforms and improve the entrance road. A lease will be drawn up for the workcamp period to insure against any legal involvement on the part of Highlander Center.

PROPOSED HIGHLANDER FOLK SCHOOL LIBRARY AND RESEARCH CENTER

The Highlander Folk School and related records, including tapes and movies, need to be organized and catalogued for use. It is proposed that a research center and library be established at the Horton's house on Little Switzerland Drive to house this collection. This project will require the help of a part-time person who will work under the supervision of Myles Horton and who will be available to assist researchers and writers interested in Highlander's history and educational programs. Furthermore, it will require the authorization for payment by Highlander Center of a proportionate share of rent, utilities, cleaning, phone bill, etc., not to exceed \$150.00 per month.

PROPOSED CO-DIRECTORS FOR HIGHLANDER CENTER

The proposal is made that the Board ask Conrad Browne to be Co-Director of Highlander Center. The responsibilities of fund raising and over-all programing will be shared. Myles Horton will have specific responsibility to develop special projects such as Appalachian and SNCC educational programs and to supervise the Highlander Folk School Research Center. Conrad Browne will be responsible for managing the Center, including office, building and properties owned or leased by the school; to run established programs and handle public relations and Knoxville programs. He should be authorized to act officially for the Center and for the Board in all matters and should, therefore, be made a member of the Board and of the Executive Committee.