

Dr King

The above-named organization has proven to me like millions of other Americans to be a very dedicated group of young people. There is no doubt in my mind concerning their sincerity, will power, desire to be free and their utmost determination to free the minds of both black and white citizens.

To be a little more specific, let's come to Southwest Ga, a little town approximately 175 miles south of Atlanta. SNCC came here in 1961 through the dynamic leadership of Charles Sherrod, Charles Jones, and Cordell Reagon, later the relentless Donald Harris. These leaders of SNCC left Albany with an arrest that will never lie still until we have all been free. Surely there were some casualties that we cannot forget that should or would have been avoided with experience, but what war has there been waged without casualties.

Yes, SNCC laid the foundation but the question arises in my mind "Where does SNCC go from here?" I would not like for SNCC to fold up or be indoctrinated with ideas totally impossible to achieve but I do think at this point there is a need for serious thinking, concentrated effort, and seasoned counseling. I do not profess to be able to do any of these but in my little humble way, I would make the following proposals for SW Ga.:

1. Continuance of effort in voter-registration
2. Make better impression in local eyes through:
 - a. Personal appearance
 - b. Social actions and activities
 - c. Give-and-take attitude instead of always giving
 - d. " closer scrutiny of personnel sent into area
3. Work closely with students in hope to create a desire within them to be free
4. Help in the promotion of integrated schools
5. Become not only a political figure in the city but help promote the religious and social atmosphere as well
6. Believe any personnel who condone violence or instigate it thereby among teenagers.