

TO: HOSEA WILLIAMS

Tues. July 6, 1965

FROM: Kit Clarke

Report from Tim Quinlan from Camden, Ala. (Wilcox County) 205-MU-2-9113

Tim has been getting interviews from people in SCOPE projects around Wilcox, mostly in Camden. Has interviewed 2 Negroes beaten up in Antioch Baptist Church, taped a mass meeting last night in Camden, and has interviewed the head of Monroe county SCOPE chapter (whose name he can't remember). ~~whom~~ (The latter is part of group kicked out of Monroe. They have now gone back and are working to set up a freedom house or office (?).)

He is also taping an interview with an 18yr old SCOPE worker in Clark c  
Tim says he will be able to do alot of counties by using Camden as sort of a base of operations. He plans to get all the counties within driving distance of Wilcox - i.e. Marengo, Clark, Monroe, even Mobile. About 8 counties altogether by the end of week. He would like to be able to stay in one spot longer than the evaluation teams are doing, so he can get a feel of the town and judge which projects would be good to document in depth.

He plans to drive to Marengo (Demopolis) tonight to get something on the arrests of the pickets there.

He will definitely be back in Camden on Saturday because he wants to cover the attempt to re-open the SCOPE office in the Antioch Baptist Church which will occur Sat. or Sunday.

He said Gov. Wallace will speak in Camden on July 8 (Thursday).

Tim has a problem with Clint Loggins and would like to send him back. He fouled up a mass meeting; instead of singing & playing the guitar, he started bawling out the field staff. Did this twice, tho Tim told him not to. Yesterday at the park, he also acted strangely in throwing people out of the pool.

Tim would like to talk to you about this, and I told him to try calling you tonight. If he doesn't reach you, he will be calling me tomorrow, Wed. at 4 p.m.

TO: Hosea Williams  
From: Kit Clarke

Tues. July 6, 1965  
8:40 p.m.

REPORT FROM DANIEL HARRELL, P.O. Box 511, Camden, Ala.

telephone: 682-9113 (Camden Academy)-  
682-9341 (Antioch Baptist Church)

Barbour

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Harrell is in charge of the following Alabama counties:

687-3128

Barbour  
Henry  
Wilcox  
Geneva  
Monroe  
Pike

Eufala

Selma

Geneva City

Scopren

also: Russell (but nothing has been done yet)

Voter Registration Activities:

Barbour - Approximately 250 people went down to register today. About 204 were processed, and 22 people passed the test and were registered.

Wilcox - Approx. 200 people went down to register, and 100 people were registered today.

Henry - no report as yet. will have report tomorrow

Geneva - " " " " " " "

Monroe - " " " " " " "

TO: Hosea Williams

Thurs., July 8, 1965

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Wed, July 7 -- Marengo County (Demopolis)

- taped
1. mass meeting last night
  2. interview with head of SCOPE chapter - Dave or Dick Reavi
  3. 2 interview with girls who were squirted by acid from a passing car with whites in it. (3 or 4 separate incidents of this involved)
- (attempted to get interview with people (local) in jail - fair)

Thurs. July 8 -- Choctaw County

- taped
1. interview with Bond Perry on SCOPE chapter there. (they are doing fair work; it is quiet county. have succeeded in getting 70-80-100 people a day down to register).

-- Clark County (Jackson).

- taped: 1. interview with Mike Farley who got beaten up ~~in~~ in jail in Wilcox county last week. (Mike now has mononucleosis now, is under dr's care.)

-- Wilcox County (Camden)

- taped 1. 3 or 4 interview with local Negroes outside Registrar's office. fairly good. done with hidden tape recorder.

(Tues. July 6 -- M re: Monroe County.

interview recorded with Terry Lamm, head of SCOPE chapter there. was run out of Monroe ))

Problems of Itinerary: Tim says he was not given a definite itinerary by Hosea Williams. It is impossible to follow the evaluation team's route. With tape recorders, one can not just record interview and run out. Procedure he is following is to check in at as many counties as possible a day, get an interview with the SCOPE chapter head or spokesman, find out when the mass meetings are, then arrange time to go back and get these. As he understands it, he is to get mass meetings, incidents, interviews with SCOPE heads, & with people registering. The simple report on a project is being gotten by the evaluation teams.

Itinerary for Rest of Week:

Fri. July 9: will cover Hale county, Perry county, and as many others as he can that have not been covered. He will interview the chief SCOPE worker & find out when mass meetings are.

Thurs. July 8: Camden - will get:

1. interv/ with SCOPE project dir., Joyce Brians.
2. Wallace speech, if they can get in.
3. mass meeting. (needs to get a better one, since Clint fouled up the other one he recorded.)

Sat. July 10: Wilcox (Camden).

record attempt to re-open Antioch Bapt church SCOPE offic  
will also try to hit 1 or 2 other counties.

Sun., July 11: possibilities. Choctaw City mass meeting.  
Marengo (Demopolis) - interv. with white  
man (retired Air Force man, insurance salesman, who agreed  
to have taped discuss. with Tim & Scope workers & many local  
Negroes.

Monday, July 12: Mobile county.

week of July 12: will hit road to cover Alabama counties near the  
Georgia line, and following that it will go to Florida.

Sometime during this weekend, he would also like to go back to Monroe  
county. Situation there is that SCOPE workers were told not to come  
back by Mayor of town and also by the NAACP. SCOPE workers went to  
Camden, decided to join forces with SNCC workers who had also been  
kicked out, went back in together, rented a house for freedom house  
for \$12. a month. The combined operation has now been kicked out  
of Monroe by the NAACP.

Tim would like to go back to Monroe to get an interview with the  
NAACP on why they drove SCOPE & SNCC workers out;

Tim will call you tomorrow (Friday) at 10-10:30 a.m..

TO: Hosea Williams

CC: Junius Griffin

FROM: Kit Clarke

Date: July 10, 1965

RE: SCOPE Public Relations

There are several possibilities for covering PR from now on. As for personnel, the immediate needs are for some detail work to be done on Hometown Releases (this I have detailed in attached outline), some investigation of Negro newspapers in SCOPE project counties, and college newspapers, and perhaps some simple writing of releases on SCOPE staff and personnel.

The above could be handled beautifully by either Susan Williams, or by Mary Swope, p - both new volunteers who will be staying in the Atlanta office. Susan majored in creative writing, and Mary is an older, recent college graduate who is planning to teach English.

I'm sure either could handle PR at least for the next 2 weeks.

As for long-term possibilities, I talked with Kay Segal before her departure for Houston County, Georgia. She is a lady with at least 7 years Public Relations and Writing experience and seems like the ideal person. She is willing to come back to the Atlanta office to do this at the end of this week, if you ask her to. She would be available for the entire summer, with the exception of 2 days off around August 1st, when she must go back North to have her cast removed. She would be most interested in doing PR for SCOPE after she gets a taste of the county project for 5 or 6 days.

She will await a call from you.

#### Suggestions for Future SCOPE Public Relations:

1. List of Negro newspapers in states where we have projects should be compiled. (Perhaps some of these are already on the SCLC addressograph list.)  
Selected (white) county newspapers where we have projects should also be picked out of list already made.
2. A list of college newspapers for colleges which have SCOPE chapters which are working in counties should also be compiled. Some, if not all, of these are publishing this summer.
3. Items of interest about particular SCOPE projects should be fed to both Negro papers, certain local white papers, and to specific college papers. To begin with, a general story on each project, introducing the volunteers there and their particular work in the county, and also introducing the local Negro leadership directing project.
4. Original & more expansive home-town releases should be written on SCOPE staff - beginning with one on Gwenn Greene, who should be interviewed and written up for the Los Angeles & other Calif. newspapers.

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Perhaps a special story could be written on the Savannah people on the SCOPE staff - George Shinhoster, Ben Clarke, Charles Clarke, Lenore Clarke, Lester Hankerson, Henry Brownlee, Willie Bolden, Eula Hicks, Barbara Williams..

A good story could be written on the travels & work of the evaluating teams.

Attached is list of other staff people who might be written up for their home-town papers.

5. General story written up by Aug. 1st on progress to date in SCOPE projects - numbers of people registered so far, kinds of classes conducted, effects in various communities. --Such a story might be done in conjunction with passing of Voting Bill, if this occurs.
6. A special effort should be made to report on the activities of the large SCOPE chapters -- such as:
  - Brandeis University -- in Richland County, S.Carolina
  - Columbia University -- in Orangeburg County, S.Carolina
  - Johnson C. Smith Col.-- in Bertie County, North Carolina
  - Amherst College -- in Martin County, North Carolina
  - U.C.L.A. -- in Bibb County, Georgia
  - St. Mary of the Woods-- in Dougherty County, Georgia
  - Univ. of Minnesota -- in Peach County, Georgia
  - the 2 Univ.s of Illinois-- in Green County, Alabama
  - Carlisle, Pa., Chapter- in Barbour County, Alabama
  - Immac. Heart & Loyola - in Geneva County, Alabama
  - U. of Calif at Berkeley -- this is split up between 4 counties: Charleston & Berkeley in South Carolina, and Clark & Richmond onties, Georgia.

An attempt should be made to get one person from each of these groups to write up events in these counties, send them in to SCOPE & SCLC PR, who will in turn send them on to both local papers in South, national papers, but especially to the college newspaper concerned. This reporting from the county project to the college paper should be particularly important for the long-range aims of SCOPE.

It might also be a good idea if the traveling documenting teams hit some of these county projects first.

The counties with chapters made up of individuals or of split-up college groups will have to rely on traveling teams for reporting, unless a unusual events occur, or unless a person emerges who is able & interested in writing accounts of project activities.

~~Summary~~

7. I don't believe there will be a need for someone to receive and distribute the documenting teams reports (written, tape, etc) for at least 2 weeks. By this time there should be a functioning PR person at SCOPE who would have taken care of

the preliminary PR work outlined above, and would have an idea of some outlets for the reports & stories that are sent in.

These are just a few suggestions, not a complete outline, for SCOPE P.R. I hope they might be a starting point, at least, for whoever takes over the job.