

"DON'T APPOINT RACIST", JOHNSON ASKED

ATLANTA, GEORGIA - The Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) has asked President Lyndon B. Johnson to refuse to appoint a segregationist judge to fill the vacant seat of U. S. District Judge Ben F. Cameron.

Judge Cameron, who issued three orders to keep James Meredith from entering the University of Mississippi, and who was frequently at odds on integration questions with members of his own 5th Circuit Court of Appeals, died in Jackson, Mississippi April 5.

"The time has come for you to show that your words are more than rhetoric," SNCC Chairman John Lewis told the President. Judge Cameron was appointed to the bench by former President Eisenhower in 1955. "We urge you to immediately appoint a judge whose rulings will not be influenced by racism - as properly befits a federal judge," Lewis said.

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T V STATIONS CHARGED WITH JIM CROW

WASHINGTON, D. C. - Petitions filed before the Federal Communications Commission April 15 charge two Jackson, Mississippi television stations with discriminating against Negroes.

The United Church of Christ had asked to intervene in the applications of WJTV and WLBT for license renewal stating the stations fail to give fair representation to controversial issues, address white persons with courtesy titles but refuse to do so for Negroes, and give news accounts of state maintenance of segregation but do not include "balanced statements" about Negro grievances.

Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) workers in other areas of the deep South hope to make use of FCC provisions, especially for equal time when movement efforts are slandered. Workers in Dawson and Atlanta, Georgia have successfully approached stations under FCC rulings.

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SNCC S. W. GEORGIA DRIVE TO EXPAND

ALBANY, GEORGIA - A three-year-old voter registration campaign sponsored by the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) will expand into 22 Southwest Georgia counties, it was announced here.

Donald Harris, 23, director of the SNCC vote drive, said the expansion would take place around the congressional campaign of Attorney C. B. King of Albany.

SNCC workers first went into this area in the fall of 1961. Their voter registration efforts soon precipitated massive jailings and other harassments from local law enforcement officers.

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