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DAILY REPORT

We have tried to open up the Canton mystery on welfare. To do this we have been recruiting ministers to canvass and conduct interviews in the Negro community. The initial effort is to get some sort of picture and data on welfare conditions in the community. The work will take at least two more weeks, and by then we should have a good idea of the exact economic condition and be able to publish a sensible fact sheet.

Frank Weil, an L.C.D.C. lawyer, addressed the Farmers' League on incorporation. He gained easy rapport with the League and they seemed anxious to cooperate. The meeting was a series of short speeches given by Otha Williams on the FDP progress and its meaning to the farmers; Claude Moore on the need of unity and membership; Eric outlining with a chart the A.S.C. elections; and James Mays on the A.S.C. elections, northern financial support for anyone jeopardized by the election, and the FHA grants of up to \$1000 for the disabled. The meeting was a bit too long but very successful. There were approximately one hundred and ten people and thirty new members were added. The membership is now eighty-six.

Mr. Weil acted as a catalyst. When the League members answered his questions about incorporating they were committing themselves to economic action. He made it clear to them he would work hard and draw up the plans. They are becoming aware that the League is going to engage in economic activity that will benefit them and give them a respected voice in the white community.