

Turned in by Office Manager Mary Ann Shupenko

This has been a marvelously quiet week as far as harassment goes. We have had only one incident--James Bennet was taken in to the Sheriff's office by the Highway Patrol and his car was confiscated in order to pay a supposed old grocery bill to a Mr. Renfro. We can do nothing till the lawyers are clear and can come up here. (Monday, Sept. 14, 1964) *This was taken care of by Dave Dennis,*

Our finances are being kept in half-way decent shape and ~~the~~ things are beginning to shape up. People are beginning to ask for receipts wherever they go rather than have me yelling all the time. This week my books balanced with the receipts, I think that is kind of a major victory.

I have made file drawers and tabs and the files are in pretty good shape. However, I am not a carpenter so the sticks and blocks I have holding the files up will not last forever. So, may I again stress the need for a decent metal office file. We could also use one good typewriter that really works. However, that is not a desperate need---~~THE FILING CABINET IS....~~

Yesterday (Monday, Sept. 14th.) Dave Dennis, Dick Jewitt and Jerome Smith came up for a CORE Staff meeting. All people working in this neck of the Fourth District (Madison, Leake and Rankin Counties were present and accounted for). It was a surprisingly good meeting and a great deal was accomplished. The minutes for the meeting will be turned into the files separately. *staff*

I am still hunting for a local girl I can train to take over this office so I can go and set up offices in the unopened counties. Dave Dennis and Dick Jewitt think it is a great idea. Until I find a girl though, things are at a stalemate. I have again enforced the ruling that "No people except authorized staff and personnel in the Freedom House." We have had way too many thefts. Someone took my wallet again and confiscated \$10.60. This makes a grand total of \$97.00 taken in the last 5 weeks. It obviously must stop...

All in all the office is running smoothly and I hope it will continue to do so. There are minor organizational problems which work themselves out.

Valley View no longer has a gas account. They bring in the receipts and I reimburse them. This was we won't have anymore ridiculous bills run up like the last one of \$89.00

One more thing on the Staff Meeting last night. I think a little more attention should go to the way people feel about working in a certain county before they are just told that they have to leave that county and go somewhere else. At least it can be talked over with the individual first.