

Canton

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February 10, 1965

Mr. C.O. Chinn
c/o Mr. George Raymond
838 Lutz Street
Canton, Mississippi

Dear C.O.,

I have talked with CORE national officers on how to reach an agreement between you and CORE about your building. As I understand it:

1. There was a verbal agreement between you and a COFO representative, early in 1964, that the building would be available for COFO use.
2. It was to be paid for by CORE, since it is in the 4th District.
3. Staff people began to clear out the inside of the building in preparation for repairs.
4. The city of Canton refused to issue a building permit for repairs.
5. Activity on the building then stopped, and nothing has been done there since.
6. No payments on the building, rental or otherwise, have been made by CORE for many months.
7. You would like to restore the building to usefulness, and estimate it would cost three thousand dollars.
8. You would like for CORE to pay the above amount.

CORE national office would like to explore the following points, after which we should be ready to reach an agreement with you.

1. Who first negotiated with you, and what terms were decided on?
2. Have there been any negotiations since, was any part of these in writing, and is there a copy available?
3. How much have you received, when, and who holds the receipts?
4. What person(s) should be consulted for further information?

CORE is certainly aware of the valuable services you have

rendered to the movement and to the growth of a free spirit in Canton. It is our intention to act in this matter in a way to be a credit to the movement and the part you have played in it.

Sincerely,

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