Hello Alica,

On my previous letter I stated that we were havi ng some difficulties here with the people of the community. Well that were just half of the story; this is the part that I didnt tell you about becau se thing wasnt to clear at that time; and isnt to clear at this point. the main issue is this; distrust among the leader of Laurel, althrough we knew ed that distrust exist among us and the leader of Laurel, along time ago. but this is what brought it out so that everyone would see it; a man came from L. A. Calif, with a proposition to build a community center for the people of Laurel, with no string attached he said; this man came as an re presentive for an organization named Laurel, Labor Union, and his jod cons isted of noting but to observe the work that we were doing; but he went a step farther then that. this man presented the plan to the community with out giving the full investigation that it require. he know noting of our relationship with the community and the glory seekers that call them self the Negro, leaders of Jones County, so the following dayes we helded a Me eting with the people of the community which I suggested; at the first me eting the people werent so radical as to speake out; and the local preache rs took the meeting over and made the small people feel inferiority by mak ing statements like thes; that the professional people should run the cente r if it should be builded. and the guy from Calif. he did worse by asking if there were any college graduates and doctors and others professionals i n the meeting. this really closed the meeting to the commons people, if yo u should come here you would see what I am talking about; so that meeting were lost as far as the commons man were concerned. a metting were sit for a week later to discuss the center farther; so the meeting night came arou nd and at thei meeting thing really got out of hand in fact it was nt a me eting but a witch hunt. Mr. rrank Young/ the Labor union, representive acc use one of the cofo worker of being a commie an threaten to slug her and t hat blowed the top of the house. because he was then looked up on as an tr ouble maker and we did so investigation about him; and the result came ver y promptly from his superior. the first thing this man wasnt respresenting anyone and he wasnt evean with the organization or noting like that. so we got this information and we begined to call people that this man had talke d with. and tolded them what a liar that this man is; but the people that rrank, had gotten too; they refused to belive any of the thing that we had told them dispite the letter that they got from the LLU, so this is where we are now. if the center dont be builded the people will blame us for the lost; the badest thing about it the LLU, office said that they didnt tell Fr ank, that they were going to build an center at all, but assite us and the one that we have already, and all this mean that we will be accused with t he lost of the center. and the people will stop coming aroudd to the meeti ng anymore and we will be tapoo to the community. and all of this came fro m Calif. this is all I have to write you about concerning the Calif. liar.

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