

JONES COUNTY

In connection with my work for the COFO project in Laurel, Mississippi, I became aware of the following facts:

On the night of July 18, 1964, at approximately 9:30 P.M., a rock was thrown through a back window of the office of Dr. T. J. Barnes, M.D., at 426 Front Street, Laurel, Mississippi. Wrapped around the rock was a note, written on the back of a blank check, and the note had the following message: "If you don't want the same thing to happen to you that happened to the three civil rights workers in Neshoba County, then stop working with the NAACP." The note was signed "KKK." Although Dr. Barnes is not connected with the NAACP in any way, Dr. Murph, the dentist who has the upstairs office, is president of the local NAACP chapter and advisor to the NAACP youth council.

These facts were related to me by Dr. Murph, who could not be reached to make a deposition.

SIGNED: *Geoffrey R. W. Smith*