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JULY MEETING OF RESIST, JULY 31, 1971
at NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Present at the meeting were Paul Lauter, Wendy Buzon, Jennifer Riley, Barry Wingard, Shawn Donovan, Florence Howe, Hilda Hall, Wayne O'Neil, Ken Hale, Doug McKay, Frank Joyce, Tony Avirgan, Todd Mayes, Claudette Piper, Sue Boxen, Fred Brandman, Bob Rosenthal, and two unnamed guests.

STAFF REPORT: STAFF will supply each steering committee member with 25 copies of the flyer advertising the Movement Security Kit. STAFF will send a kit to Net Hofmann and to Nicholas von Hoffmann, and send one to NSA headquarters in Washington, D.C. and to the reporters who received copies of the Media papers from us. STAFF will send some of the old-style addressing places to Florence Howe, since Feminist Press may want to have Resist's old machine for addressing.

DAVID DEPECH of the Boston Globe will keep in touch through the office staff about his project to start an alternative to the straight press coverage in Boston. Resist will offer assistance, if asked, perhaps will invite David to some future meeting.

FRED BRANDMAN and PROJECT AFFAIRS: Fred outlined his project to publicize the automated warfare concepts now so prevalent in foreign policy planning and conduct. He wants Resist to support his efforts (and those of two other staff members) with money. See more on this under CHAMPS below.

BOOK REPORT: Proposal by three staff members to have Resist support a book-writing effort to assimilate and edit the results of several years of research on police intelligence operations provided a long and inconclusive discussion as follows:

Paul Lauter believes it better advised to follow operational model of political work, such as organizing local committees to combat the FBI, instead of a long research project on a book. Florence Howe suggested that the staff go to Nova Scotia and visit Rick Pires, who has been considered the most successful of the political work. Paul Lauter suggested a News-Report, magazine model—would have staff or someone doing out a monthly on-going analysis of surveillance and how to mobilize against repression. The discussion then became a very philosophical one about how long one might expect an office staff of politically sophisticated people to be happy doing full-time bureaucratic office work. Various alternatives were discussed, including enlarging and moving the office to a quieter spot, have the large people contribute more time and energy doing more of the boring, boring office routine, even having the steering committee people do it when they can. Florence Howe suggested that the staff juggle the work week so that each person only spend four working days in the office, the other doing his or her own project outside the office... the conflict remains unsolved... STAFF will try to formulate their collective judgement about the book project before the next meeting.

CLDF: Bob Rosenthal of the Civil Liberties Legal Defense Fund reported on their activities. Money is down, much of the reason being that Ben Spock no longer is in demand as a speaker. Bob Rosenthal and NOAM CHOMSKY should try to determine if Dan Ellsberg will do speaking engagements to raise money for CLDF or Resist or both. The focus of CLDF is broadening now to include more cases including women's rights and the rights of Indians suing for recovery of land. Rosenthal is not optimistic about the financial status of CLDF. He asks that we forward legal requests to their office when we get them.
Shawn Donovan and Florence Howe reported on the Johnstones: The Johnstones, an Irish
ingroup of three people who have done fundraising concerts for Angela
Davis in Europe, are coming to the US in late summer (late August or early
September). They have asked Resist to coordinate a tour of college campuses
for them in addition to their regular concerts, and they would agree to give some
of the money to Resist. STAFF will send recording to FLORENCE HOWE when we receive
it, and FLORENCE HOWE will write to Vanguard records to obtain schedules of
their US tour to distribute to steering committee members and to NSEP people;
SKIBE BERIN will contact OCMA CLAFFRY, a student of ROAM CHOSKY's, who is Irish
and may be interested in helping to set up such a tour. PAUL LAUTER will send a
list of Resist Speakers Bureau speakers and topics to the National Student
Association to ask them to distribute.

HARRY HUGHES suggested that Resist agree to set up several speaking engagements
for representatives of the Malcolm X United Liberation Front of Tallahassee, Florida.
American Documentary Films in New York has tentatively agreed to film an interview
with the Front's representatives should they come to New York. Several people
expressed an interest in setting up speaking engagements in their area. WENDY MATSON
suggested that steering committee members try to set up cocktail party fundraisers
during the time the Front's representatives will be in their area, as part of an
effort to broaden the ways in which Resist can help the projects we support financially.
No one was willing to assume responsibility for either a specific speaking tour or
cocktail parties, so the matter was dropped for the time being. The office staff
would like to pick up on this, but does not have the time to take on coordinating this
additional project.

PAUL LAUTER suggested a woman from a working class project in Baltimore who might
be interested in joining Resist. She will be invited to next meeting.

PAUL LAUTER will write to DICK O'BRIEN to get a draft of a new fundraising letter
to be used in a fundraising effort this fall.

A letter from BELL CHEVIGNY about the National Peace Action Coalition meeting in
New York in June was read aloud. FRANK EYTZ reported on plans for national marches
and actions in the fall by the People's Coalition for Peace and Justice.

GRANTS:

Grants were approved to the groups listed here in the amounts listed:

The Oleo Strut, Killeen, Texas. $100 emergency grant for expense incurred during
campaign to boycott Tyrall's jewelry store.
The Media Center, Cambridge, Mass. $150 emergency grant for payments on composer
used by many movement groups In Boston to print and layout a number of papers;
Project Air War, Washington, D.C. $900 over three months to support this research
project to uncover the nature and extent of the air war in Indochina.
Mississippi Draft Information Center, Biloxi, Miss. $165 over three months
for operating expenses.
Latin American Center for Draft Counseling, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. $25 to buy literature
American Documentary Films, NY. $150 for back expenses and a new film.
Milwaukee Newsaei. $200 for a new 16mm projector.
People's Free Ambulance Fund, Berkeley, Calif. $300 for a people's ambulance.
27th Street People's Free Health Center, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. $200 for examining table.
Shanti Community Co-op Bookshop, Framo, Calif. $50 for literature (credit at NSEP)
Motor City Labor League, Detroit, Mich. $750 over three months for operating expenses in maintaining their office.
Free China Committee, Boston. $235 for storefront expenses while they fight the growing influence of Yip Yiu Medical School in their community.
Resurrection City-People's Farm, Brownsville, Alabama. $250 for money for seed and other farm equipment.
Action-Africa Project, Philadelphia. $300 for research for exposing war research and development in industry in eastern Pa. and New Jersey.
United Front of Castro, Ill. in St. Louis, Missouri. $450 over three months for the expense of opening a new office in St. Louis.
Libero-Jibaro, Roxbury, Mass. $350 for three months' office rent.
Earth Union, Atlanta. $150 for travel and production costs to put on their show on military bases in the south.
Black Panther Party, Boston. $150 emergency grant to pay back phone bill.
Black Economic Alliance, St. Petersburg, Florida. $200 for research project into identifying sources of heroin flow into black community.
Black United Liberation Front, Philadelphia. $350 towards purchase of an electric stencil burner to be used in a stop-Dixie publicity campaign.
Laura X Women's History Research Center, Los Angeles, California. $100 to help pay the costs of storing and preserving her materials.

Repeating specific jobs to be done before the next meeting PLEASE!!!!

PAUL LAUTER will: check to see if we can use his mother's house for the Sept. 12th meeting.
write to DICK CRAWFORD to finalize a draft of a fundraising letter

FLORENCE HOWE will: write to Vanguard Records, 72 West 22nd Street, New York, NY 10010, to get a schedule of the Johnstone's US tour, then send it to the others on the Resist Steering Committee and to USSF.

HILDE HAYN will: contact OOMA CLAYTON to ask her if she will assist in arranging schedules with the Johnstone to do benefits for Resist.

STAFF will: send movement security kits to Nat Hanchoff, Nicholas von Hoffman, and the National Student Association.
send 25 copies of the flyer advertising the kit to each steering committee member when they are printed.
send old addressing plates to Florence Howe to examine.
Check out the book/magazine research materials.
send legal-type request on to CHLD

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON SUNDAY, THE 12th OF SEPTEMBER, AT 11 AM AT THE APARTMENT OF PAUL LAUTER'S MOTHER IN NEW YORK. WATCH YOUR MAIL FOR A NOTICE OF THE EXACT ADDRESS, WHICH WE DO NOT NOW HAVE.

ONE ADDITIONAL ITEM: Resist denied funding for the New American Movement of Berkeley, California at this past meeting. However, we felt that the pamphlet they have been circulating bears reading and discussing. Each of you will receive a copy of it before the next meeting. PLEASE READ IT and be prepared to discuss the ideas in it.
RESIST FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR JULY 1971
as of July 31, 1971

June 26 balance $5,501.08

Income for July:

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Current bank book balance (July 31, 1971) $2,916.66

Encumbrances for August

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Current balance plus projected income over August minus projected encumbrances $3,514.46

Based on a sharply decreased income over July (June was more than $12,000) and predictions that August is the low point on our income curve for the year, we should give away no more than $3,300.00.
1. Mississippi Draft Information Service. Wants $165 over 3 months. (Funded in April, sent check back, didn't need it.) For 3 mos. back rent, phone, lit. and supplies. BILOXI, MISS.

2. Latin American Center for Draft Counseling. $50 for basic lit. from MDEC; center just being set up, to serve Latin and working class community. MILWAUKEE

3. Kensington Draft Information Center. Approx. $310.00 for basic lit., phone, office supplies - just getting started. PHILADELPHIA


5. Kensington Defense Fund. Needs $300 to cover cost of transcripts of two days of pre-trial hearings. (Trial of 7 people charged with assault & battery after being beaten at Rizzo mayoral campaign rally.) PHILADELPHIA

6. National Lawyers Guild. Anything towards $1,000 travel, legal fees to send a civilian attorney to the Canal Zone to defend black GI facing court-martial. NEW YORK

7. American Documentary Films. Needs $300 to re-connect phone, or $275 to obtain prints of The Selling of The Pentagon. NEW YORK

8. New World Media Project, Chicago. $450 for a Honeywell Slide Copier so that they can begin to put their multi-media show together.

9. Milwaukee News Reel. $300 to go with $150 raised locally to buy a used Bell & Howell projector costing $450.

$300

10. People's FREE Ambulance Service, Berkeley. $300 to purchase used 61 Cadillac ambulance, and 400 for repairs on it. NCFC project.
11. Twenty-Seventh Street People's Free Health Clinic, Milwaukee.

$200

12. Black United Liberation Front, Philadelphia. $500 towards a Goettner Plate Burner for graphics. (to add to $200 already raised from Phils group). To be used in voter registration drive to stop Frank Rizzo.

$350

13. Vincent Pollard, Chicago. $3 $200 for 2 months (Sept.-Oct.) to continue WBCF research on health care delivery in Chicago.

$100

14. Radical Education Project, Detroit. $350 to enable them to continue sending WBCF literature to prisoners.

15. RPM Printing, Madison, Wisc. Anything towards $4,000 debt incurred to buy a new offset press. Has gotten some community funds.


$50

17. Motor City Labor League, Detroit. $540 to train para-medical community people, $555 for medical supplies; $320 for printing supplies; $675 for office equipment. For Medical/Legal Information Center (non-profit medical clinic).

$250/3

18. Committee of Returned Volunteers, Chicago. Any amount towards August conference of WBCF anti-imperialist groups (budget enclosed).


$200

20. Shot Tower, Baltimore. Any amount to help new working class newspaper get going. Staffed by factory workers, paper's emphasis on working women.

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