

Stokely

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Now then, we've agreed that unless you got to Africa, you'll be at the Chicago session of the residential freedom school from July 16 to July 23 (the last week of that session).

As for what's planned already, we've left room for the kids to do a lot of that themselves. Noel Dey will be coming down July 12-14 to talk about his campaign and other things. Staughton Lynd thinks he'll be able to come in for one week of each session. Lerone Bennett will be in for a couple of days. A Negro dance troupe will make itself available if the kids want them. We're getting movies like "Viva Zapata" and "Grapes of Wrath" and some others so the kids can discuss them and just plain enjoy them, too.

The gang will be divided up into groups of 10 - 12 to allow for greater individuality in planning and small group discussions. When you come up you can either talk with the whole group or with one of the smaller groups -- it's up to you.

The people coming from the north are mainly kids off the block, some of whom may have had experience with the movement and others who have had little experience with it and needed quite some convincing to agree to be sent off to anything that even sounded like a school. It should be a great mixture of kids.

So you can do an try out anything you feel like. I'm a little frightened with it being only a week away and cause I've never done anything like this before, but I guess it will all go okay (I hope, I hope). By the time you get to this letter I'll probably already be in Chicago (will be getting there sometime Wednesday evening, the 30th). So if there are any questions, you can get me up there (if I'm still alive by then). Sometimes I think that if I don't die of fright I'll die of nervous frustration.

Anyway, I'll see 'ya when 'Ya get there.