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**"PUDDIN' HEAD"**

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HE FOXEY, BABY**

Hey baby, did you ever dig a bunch of hash slingers tellin' tall tales over a few short snorts? If you ain't, you been missin' a heap of down philosophizin'. Puddin' done crammed loads of groovey info into his puddin' head by listenin' to them Cats.

Them tray hustlers stand around and listen while Whitey greases and breezes. Some damn big deals been turned over a mess of grits, baby. Whitey talks the whole deal thru 'n' thru, while Bro stands there waitin' and diggin' the whole scene.

PUDDIN' DUG one of them hash slingers tellin' about hearin' some Charlies shootin' the breeze over their grits. Seems like the Cat was gettin' a free flight sendin' hisself about them Charlies sayin' that Soul Brothers was lazy and shiftless--that they didn't want to work--they just wanted somethin' for nuthin'. Every time that Cat talked about the lazy bag, he busted hisself up, baby, and then he explained how Bro invented Goldbrickin'. Hear ole Puddin' well, baby, and he goin' to turn you on with that tray-slinger's philosophizin'.

Bro been puttin' Whitey on for a mess of years. Whitey been so square about Bro that he done turned into a natural cube, baby. Puddin' thinks maybe the time done got ripe to uncube Whitey and lace his boots up high.

Puddin' got to go way back, baby, to tell you where it's at--more than 300 years back was when it all got started.

Whitey started the whole mess when he shipped the Pure Souls from the old country and turned 'em over to them Simon Legrees with their whips and hard-nosed ground pads.

SIMON HAD to see that the Black Slaves got their work done. Baby, Simon didn't have nothin' easy on his hands. Them slaves damn near run ole Sime out from under his rug, baby. When Simon was lookin', Bro was actin' like he was workin' like hell, but soon as Simon and his whip was out of sight, Bro cooled it in the shade, baby. Bro did just what everybody would have done if they was in the same bag.

It don't take no Phillie mouthpiece to convince you that there ain't nobody nowhere who loves work just for the sake of workin'. Even when the bread is pretty good it don't make nobody love to work. But, baby, a fool knows

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## Termination Of Minority Specialist Protested

Members of local Neighborhood Councils circulated a petition, this week, protesting the termination of Arthur Grant as Minority Group Specialist for the State Employment Security Bureau.

Regrettably, the VOICE has no information on the circumstance which led to the removal of Grant from the position or of the charge cited in the petition that action against Grant was "unjust".

However, a reporter from the Review-Journal who has an incredibly marvelous line of communication with the West Las Vegas knowledgeable, confided to the VOICE editor that he was doing a story on the situation with statements from several leading citizens on the matter.

## NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR NEW POLITICS

More than 2,000 representatives of some 200 independent political, peace and civil rights organizations will meet in Chicago this week to develop political strategy and alliances of the left.

THE CONVENTION, "New Politics--'68 and Beyond," sponsored by the National Conference for New Politics, will deal with political strategy for the 1968 presidential elections as well as long-range organizational planning.

Pre-convention drafting sessions begin Tuesday, August 29, and run through Thursday afternoon. The convention itself will be kicked off Thursday with a rally in Chicago's Coliseum at 8 p.m. keynoted by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The final session will be held Labor Day.

Some conventioners will press for a national presidential ticket of Martin Luther King and Dr. Benjamin Spock. Alternative tickets may be proposed.

Other groups will suggest a co-ordinated campaign of local candidates who favor new politics platforms in the 1968 elections to the House of Representatives and various state legislatures.

First plenary of the convention will be held Friday, 9 a.m. to noon in the Grand Ballroom of the Palmer House. Administrative matters will be settled to govern the rest of the convention.

Friday afternoon, from 1-5 p.m., most conventioners will attend the Perspectives Panel discussion on strategy for 1968. Panelists include Tom Hayden, an organizer in the Newark Community Union and co-author with Prof. Staughton Lynd of a book about their trip to Hanoi; Robert Cook, of New Haven's American Independent Party; Clark Kissinger, a founder of Students for a Democratic Society; Robert Scheer, foreign affairs editor of Ramparts magazine; and Floyd McKissick, national director of CORE.

Workshops on the panel will be held that evening, 6-9 p.m. Also set for Friday night are commission meetings on resolutions and perspectives. Regular workshop sessions will begin Saturday morning, 9 a.m. to noon.

TOPICS INCLUDE: anti-war referenda; neighborhood school power and parents' movements; rebellions, the police, the Army and the Black community; welfare recipients' movements and guaranteed income; tenants' movements; slum rehabilitation; organized resistance to urban renewal and model cities; congressional campaigns in suburbia, cities and

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## VOICE - In New Office "Doc" - After Sept 1

Dr. Chas. I. West, one of the original tenants of the Golden West Shopping Center (now West Owens Shopping Center), is moving both his medical office and that of the Las Vegas VOICE to quarters in the Moulin Rouge Hotel.

After September 1, Dr. West's medical office will be located at 902 W. Bonanza Rd.--MoMart Motel entrance. The telephone number remains the same--642-5308--as do the office hours--12 noon until 5 p.m.

The office of the Las Vegas VOICE, which Dr. West publishes, will be located at 900 W. Bonanza Rd., Suite A-B, Moulin Rouge Hotel. There is a new telephone number for the VOICE--384-3117 and the VOICE is doing business at the new address now. (Editor's note: And Boss, are we, the VOICE staff, singing satisfied!--We want to thank you, too.)

## "SNCC Is Kaput"

By R. R. DONALDSON

ATLANTA - (NPI)--The student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee has grown increasingly weaker as its leaders' threatening remarks become stronger.

According to some, SNCC has become a repository, not of "black power," but of "black weakness," resulting from its financial, organizational and psychological setbacks.

For, unlike other civil rights organizations, SNCC counts its membership, not in the 10,000s or 100,000s, but in the 100s--and the number is not increasing. Its workers number 100 at the most--many of them unpaid.

OTHER CIVIL rights organizations derive their funds from contributions and membership fees, totalling hundreds of thousands of dollars. SNCC must subsist on honorariums from speaking engagements made by H. Rap Brown, its national chairman; and Stokely Carmichael, its former chairman.

As a SNCC publication put it: "Help, help, we're sinking fast"--financially, that is.

Legally, it is doing even worse. Brown faces federal charges of carrying a gun across state lines. Carmichael is hopping between Communist countries around the world--and may have trouble getting back into the country without being prosecuted.

Seventeen SNCC workers face imprisonment for refusing induction into the armed forces.

SNCC's appeal increasingly became a negative one. Unable to succeed at being the most powerful, it became the loudest. Incapable of living up to Dr. Martin Luther King's concept of "love" and "non-violence," it turned, instead, to pronouncements of hatred and violence.

YET, ITS bark was worse than its bite--if it had any--and its noisiness was the emanation of the proverbial empty box.

However, SNCC leaders were speaking for the frustrations and anger of the Negro masses. But in so doing, their vaporous threats of bringing the country down revealed more of their own personal weaknesses than of the Negro masses' plight.

What they had to proclaim--from the back of the bus of their own minds--was, not "black power," but "black weakness." And therein lay a major problem for the Negro community and for the nation.

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