

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE
Mississippi State Office
507½ N. Farish Street
Jackson, Mississippi
May 13, 1955

Dear Co-worker,

On Thursday, we attended the funeral of the Reverend G. W. Lee, an active NAACP and civic leader, who was killed on the street in Belzoni last Saturday night. We believe his death to have come by the hands of those who would keep us in slavery.

While the National Office and the Washington Bureau are working on this case, we in Mississippi must let the State, country and the world know that we are going to continue our Fight for Freedom.

YOU CAN DO THESE THINGS:

Call a special meeting of your Branch immediately and plan to bring a large delegation to MEET US IN BELZONI AT THE ELK'S REST, SUNDAY, MAY 22 AT 2:00 PM.

FORM A MOTORCADE of people FROM your COMMUNITY, your CHURCHES, LODGES and CLUBS to join you.

RAISE some MONEY to help pay the cost of this part of our FIGHT FOR FREEDOM and be prepared to REPORT AT BELZONI.

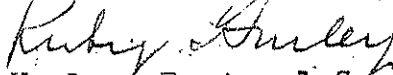
REMEMBER, "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself" and if we have faith we cannot have fear; the two will not go together.

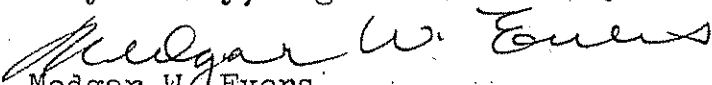
AND, Together we must win, for we are on the side of right and that is God's side.

We shall look for you and a large group from your branch. Do not fail us, or yourselves, Sunday, May 22, 2:00 PM, Elk's Rest, Belzoni.

Yours for Freedom,


Dr. A. H. McCoy, President
State Conference of Branches


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