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Operation Freedom
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Attn: Rev. Maurice F. McGracklin

Your letter of March 28 is now at hand and contents noted. Reference to the Hammahs, Davis's and Hicks and the McDonalds all of them are unemployed and will not be able to get any thing until the last of May when they hope to chop cotton. So whatever you have they need it.

Now about Mrs. Laura McGee. We were able to save her land, but the Welfare Dept. Greenwood, Mississippi took she and her children off the Welfare roll. At present she and children have nothing to go upon as you know they are still trying to get her land.

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Mrs. McGee has no tractor, no plow tools and nothing but 60 acres of land. Forty acres have a trust deed against it, and there is no debt against the other twenty acres. She need about \$3,500.00 if she is going to try to farm. If you can't let her have the money to farm then let her have some to pay her taxes because she hasn't paid them. The taxes round \$40.00 Mrs. McGee is going to lose her land if she can't farm. If you can't let her have the \$3500 then please let her have what you can.

Mr. Gene Brooks, a Veteran of WW2 spent 18 months in India, has been sick almost every since he was discharged from the Army but has been working with the Winter's Saint Company, Cleveland, Mississippi when he and his wife tried to register he worked only one day a week. now he has gone to Chicago to try to get work he and his wife. They left behind four girls ages from 10 to 14 years and one boy 9 an Older daughter, Mrs. Dorothy M. Jones is keeping the children for them. If they can be helped until Mr. Brooks can get him a job it will be good. A bill for gas, food, lights and rent is due. If the Brooks get jobs they will be able to help themselves by May let us hope. I would think they need about \$172.64

We are trying to set up a home industry in Ruleville, Mississippi. We hope that the people of Ruleville can work for themselves if we can get organized. They will be making quilts, rugs, etc for sale in the North and East and West, will tell you more about it in the next letter,

Sincerely yours

A. Moore