

**ALABAMA  
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TO: STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

There will be a meeting of the State Executive Committee Saturday, August 10, immediately prior to the meeting of the AIDP challenge delegation.


One of the principal purposes of this meeting will be to name a group of alternate delegates in the event more than 32 persons are needed to carry out our mission.

If you have any names you would like to submit for consideration as such alternate delegates, please submit them to me as soon as possible, in order that we can have a committee report to present to the Executive Committee.

I would also like to ask members of the committee to have lunch together immediately following the delegation meeting, in order that we may review all problems concerning organization, fund needs, and consider any new matters that you may wish to bring before the group.

Feel free to bring any committed friend from your area to the delegation meeting at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

During the past week I have been working particularly hard in seeking to raise \$20,000.00 to finance the posting of billboards from the Tennessee Valley to the Gulf of Mexico the day after the Democratic Convention. If each of you could raise at least \$250.00 toward this specific project in your area, it would go a long way to assuring its success. The poster paper for the billboards is already at the printer. However, we do not yet have funds on hand to assure their posting.

  
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**NOTICE OF MEETING**

You are invited to attend an important meeting  
of officers, State committeemen, Elector candidates and  
key aid supporters --

**SATURDAY, JUNE 15**

**1400 CITY NATIONAL BANK BUILDING**

**AT 1:30 P. M.**

The following matters will be discussed:

1. Budget requirements and fund raising goals  
and methods.
2. Formation of State and District campaign  
committees.
3. National Convention policy
  - a. Should Alabama Delegation be seated?
  - b. Should delegates who refuse to pledge  
support of Convention nominee be seated?
  - c. Should AID select delegates, and, if so,  
what method should it adopt?
4. Preliminary views on November campaign strategy.

If you are unable to attend, please send in your  
views on these matters.

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In order to strengthen the position of the AIDP challenge, and to strengthen the defense against the NDPA challenge which seeks to throw all Alabama delegates out of the Convention and to supplant them with a pure NDP delegation, it would be very helpful if a substantial number of the regular delegation not only go forward by signing and returning the enclosed loyalty statement, but would also attend the AIDP delegation organization meeting to be held at 10:00 o'clock a.m., Saturday, August 10, in the Colonial Room of the Tutwiler Hotel, Birmingham, Alabama. For this reason I would like to urge you to attend this meeting and to bring with you any other delegates and loyal Democrats from your district that you can bring.

The AIDP Executive Committee has already agreed to endorse and adopt, as a delegate of its own, each and every delegate selected through the regular Democratic machinery who will affirm his support of the national nominee. This will give such delegates additional standing to defend against any move to throw the entire delegation out of the Convention because of the fact that the regular party does not have electors pledged to the support of the national nominee.

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IMPORTANT MEETING OF KEY LEADERS.....

SATURDAY, MARCH 9.....

1400 City National Building (1st Av & 20th St)  
Birmingham, Alabama

**SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION:**

1. Outline Spring Activities
2. Fund Raising
3. Regional Organization
4. Telegram from NPDA to Chairman containing following proposal:

"Since your group is only running electors anyway the NPDA would like to withdraw its elector slate and would welcome the AID elector slate to run under the NPDA emblem with our full support and backing"