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SELMA, ALABAMA
WILSON BROWN

MR. WORTH LONG

Enclosed is an account of the Mass Meeting held Monday Night 8/19/63 at 7:30 P.M. at Brown Chapel A.M.E. Church. There were approximately 350 people present. Everything is going along fine. Alexander came in immediately after we called the office 8/21/63. The speaker for the Mass Meeting was Rev. C. C. Brown, pastor of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Selma, Alabama. He was introduced by Mr. Pritchard. The introduction was as follows; Brother Blackmon (Master of Ceremonies) didn't tell me that I was to introduce Dr. Brown and of course nobody needs to study to present Dr. Brown for we've known him through the years. I've known him even before he started to preach the gospel. He's one of our own and a graduate of Geneva College. He has a string of degrees, I wouldn't begin to say what they are because I might leave some out. I would like to say this, he is the honored pastor of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in this city and a member of everything that is good. I've had an opportunity to be associated with Dr. Brown for the last three years in heading the United Appeal for the Colored People and I must admit that it has been a source of information for I have been in some places with Dr. Brown and with some people that I would not have had the opportunity to have been in before, had I not been with him. He has meant more to me in my life since he has been in this town, I'd like to say this without casting any reflection, but, I don't believe and I want you to hear me closely on this. There isn't any Negro in Selma who has done as much to help the Negro people in Selma as Rev. C. C. Brown, and if you don't believe I happen to know