

# Negro Candidate in Mississippi to Talk Here

The first Negro woman to challenge a Mississippi congressman for his post will speak here Friday night.

Mrs. Fannie Lou Hamer will appear at the latest in a series of rallies sponsored by the Philadelphia Area Friends of SNCC, the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee.

The "Mississippi Freedom" rally will be held at 8:30 at Janes Methodist Church, Haines

st. east of Germantown ave., the pastorate of the Rev. Henry H. Nichols, past president of the Greater Philadelphia Council of Churches.

Mrs. Hamer, 46, is from Ruleville, Sunflower county. She is challenging U. S. Rep. Jamie Whitten, who has represented the State's 2d District since 1941 and who is chairman of the House Appropriations subcommittee on agriculture. The dis-

trict lies in the Delta country of northwest Mississippi.

Appearing with Mrs. Hamer will be two civil rights workers:

Prathia Hall, a Philadelphian who is a SNCC staff worker in Albany and Atlanta, Ga., and the Rev. Charles Sherrod, a Baptist minister who was former director of SNCC's Southwest Georgia Project for voter registration.

The rallies started after the

disappearance of the three Council of Federated Organization project volunteers.

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