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The international American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) union has letters of collection, totaling ~~xxxxxx~~ nearly \$94,000, on file today in the Federal Court Clerk's office in the continuing dispute swirling around money issues that have besieged the union and its Local 1733 in recent months.

David Caywood, attorney for ~~the~~ the international filed the claims yesterday ~~demanded~~ demanding, in each instance, that payment be made, or arrangements made, by Feb. 15 or further legal action would be taken.

~~xxxxxxx~~ The claims were based on ~~xxxx~~ information from the audit of a New York accounting firm which was filed in federal court last week. ~~xxxxxxx~~ The audit revealed that ~~many~~ much of the funds over a two year period of Local 1733 could not be accounted for.

In the letters filed yesterday various sums of money to individuals were listed by Caywood as loans to the individual from the union. Caywood asked for payment of the original figure of the "loan" amount and in no instance did the international seek to collect interest on any so-called loans.

Included are claims against such former union and civil rights ~~xxxxxxx~~ leaders as Jesse Epps, the Rev. Malcolm Blackburn, Terrell Aytchan, former Local 1733 president, the Rev. Ezekiel Bell, president of the Memphis Chapter of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, ~~xxxxxx~~ and T.O. Jones, ~~the~~ original organizer of Local 1733. Jones was the ~~xxxx~~ driving force behind the filing of a suit demanding an ~~xxxxxxx~~ accounting of union funds ~~xxxx~~ by ~~xxxx~~ some Local 1733 members that brought on the ~~xxxxxxx~~ the ~~xxxx~~ federal court controversy.

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Largest amount claimed for collection was made against Jesse Epps, who resigned from the union under fire last May. The claim against Epps was for a total of \$26,667.24 from 31 checks from March 26, 1969 through Feb. 20, 1960. The largest of these checks--for \$5,254.54 on Sept. 11, 1969---was said by the auditors, Buchbinder, Stein & Co. of New York, to cover closing costs on a house he xx purchased last fall.

~~The xxxxxxxxxx~~ After looking at the AFSCME Local 1733 books the auditing firm, in a report published Jan. 4, ~~xxx~~ found \$96,756.93 in "disbursements to individuals or organizations requiring additional information."

~~Included~~ A claim for \$11,637.95 from checks was made against Terrell O. Aytchan of 435 East McLemore, former president of Local 1733. Caywood said Aytchan claimed that \$2,057 of these checks were forgeries and he was told in the letter he would have to prove that these were not his signatures or be responsible for the debt.

Caywood noted in the ~~99~~ \$993.14 claim filed against the Rev. Blackburn, of # 857 Woodland, a former union officer and the white pastor of Clayborn Temple, that ~~xxx~~ \$443.14 ~~xxxxxxx~~ of it was for a loan ~~xxx~~ received by him ~~xxxxxx~~ on Jan. 7, 1970 and \$550 was for a check made out to cash "for which there was no explanation." Caywood stated: "I am still holding in abeyance the matter concerning the credit card charges" and asked Blackburn to find documentation regarding ~~xxxx~~ this unspecified amount.

Other claims and individuals ~~xxxx~~ made included:

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amounts of checks or loans

Names, addresses and ~~amounts~~ are as follows:

Arnett Montague, ~~xxxxxx~~ Chemical Dynamics, 1187 Walker, for \$2,000 loaned ~~xxxxxx~~ in November of 1969.

T.O. Jones, Memphis ~~xxxxxx~~ AFL-CIO Labor Council, 2881 Thomas, \$2,000 in May, 1968.

Isaac Taylor, Black Arcade, 1428 Michigan St., \$500 advance in September, 1969.

Theodis Barron, 406 Barnes, Tupelo, Miss., \$534 for two loans in ~~xxxxxx~~ December, 1969 and March, ~~1970~~ 1970.

The Rev. P.L. Rowe, 1458 S. Willett St., \$300 in January, 1970 "listed as a loan ~~xxxxxx~~ receivable."

F.W. Kaphart, 1110 Alden Road, \$650 ~~x~~ "listed as contributions" ~~ix~~ on the books from June and July, ~~1969~~ 1969.

The Rev. Ezekiel Bell, 1253 Worthington St., \$1000

~~received as loan,~~ with no date listed.

Terrall O. Aytchan, 435 E. McLemore, \$11,637.95 for loans and checks made from July, 1969 through August, 1969.

The Rev. E.H. Johnson, 1535 Averly, two checks in July, 1969 and March, 1970 totaling \$2,930.

Jesse Epps, former director of ~~x~~ Local 1733 and international representative of AFSCME, \$26,667.24 for 31 checks issues from March 26, 1969 through Feb. 20, 1970.

Robert Epps, brother of Jesse, listed as head of Afro-American Construction Co., 1186 Walker, \$6,752.06 "paid on account....for work duplicated and other matters ~~xxxxxx~~", with no date given.

~~xxxx~~ Eppa Brothers and H H & R Construction Co., ~~xxxx~~ 1187 Walker, \$1,500 "no reasonable explanation of work!"

Robert Epps, \$650, "discrepancies exist between what you have told us and what is recorded on union books ..." Caywood stated in his letter.

Louis Montesi, 3197 Royal Knight Cove, \$105, for ~~x~~ check in December, 1969.

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The Rev. Albert Sampson, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, ~~33xx~~ Atlanta, Ga., \$256 for check in December, 1969.

Harry Winfield, 2182 Hunter, ~~\$400xx~~ two checks in June, 1969, for \$600.

Tony Thomas, 1851 Manila, ~~xxx~~ \$1,960 for four checks from August to November, 1969.

William Simmons, Crash Inc., 280 Hernando, three checks from January through May of ~~19x~~ 1970, totaling \$8,730.

W.O. Switzer, Contract Air Conditioning Service, 5170 Tchulahoma Road, checks and notes totaling \$26,400, ^{from October of} ~~during~~ 1969 and ^{April} ~~through~~ ~~xxxxx~~, 1970. This sum included \$5,900 which Caywood stated to Switzer, "which was a loan from the union and which was initially advanced to you from the Rev. H. Ralph Jackson, who in turn was reimbursed by the union."

Sam Johnson, \$100.

Robert Cowan, \$835, no address listed, for check issued in October of 1969.

Bernice ~~Mugxx~~ Hughey, no address listed, ~~\$1200x~~ \$1,200 ~~xxxxxxx~~ checks in August and September of 1969.

Caywood told the court that the address of Cowan and Bernice Hughey was not known to the union.