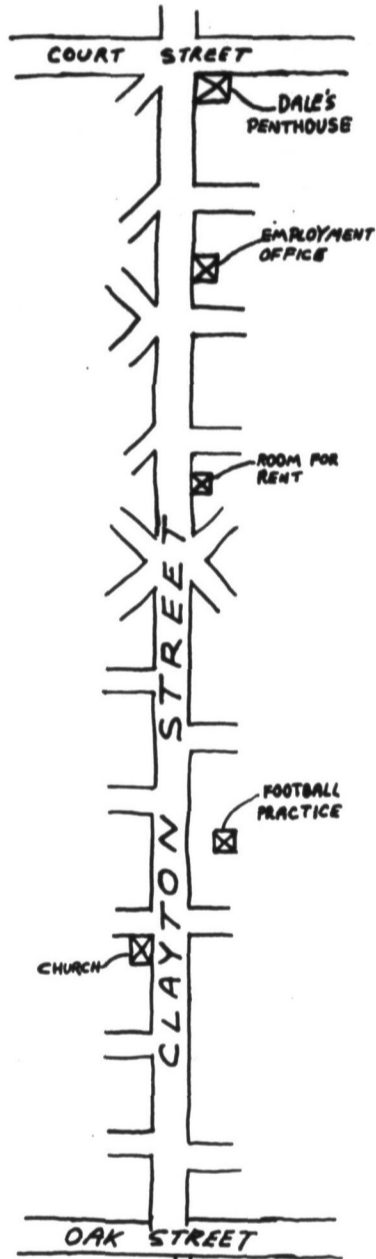




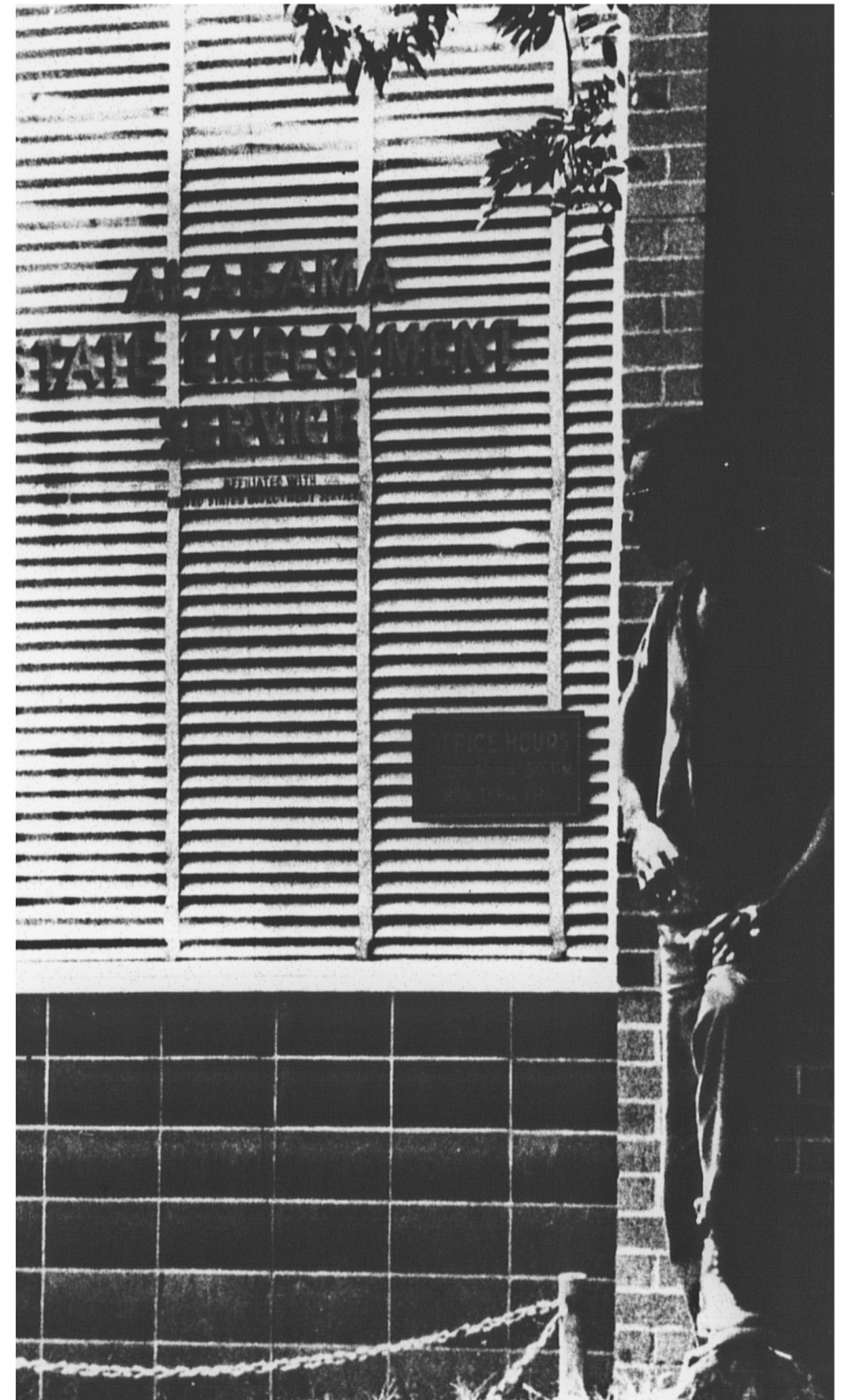
CLAYTON STREET, MONTGOMERY

which could be most any 'white' street in Alabama

Photographs by Jim Pepler



NEXT WEEK--
CLAYTON ALLEY



TROUBLE IN GRENADA

Court Orders Protection for Negro Pupils

BY GAIL FALK

OXFORD, Miss.--For two full days last week U. S. District Judge Claude Clayton listened while witnesses described what happened when Negro children attended classes for the first time at Lizzie Horn Elementary and John Rundle High schools in Grenada.

He heard the schoolchildren tell how they were beaten with blackjacks, axe handles, and motorcycle chains, while local officials looked on and did nothing.

He heard a doctor from Mound Bayou say he had treated one of the children for a skull fracture and another for a broken leg caused by the beatings.

He heard a lawyer with a black eye testify that he had

been beaten by five or six white men at the feet of Grenada County Constable Grady Carroll. He heard a newsman describe the beating of a reporter and a news photographer.

And he heard local Grenada officials explain that they "deplore violence" and that they simply didn't have enough policemen to restrain the white mob that gathered at the schools Sept. 12 and 13.

The witnesses had been called so that Judge Clayton could decide whether to grant a request by the Justice Department. The department's lawyers had asked him to order Grenada officials to protect Negro children who attend desegregated schools in the county.

When the last witness and lawyer had had their say, Judge Clayton was silent for a moment. Then, in a stern ringing voice, he said that if local officials could not keep order in Grenada, the federal government would.

"The savage and senseless and, I might say, futile series of events of Monday and Tuesday are not only the shame of the active participants in those events; they are also the shame of all the people of Grenada County and also the shame of all the people who are possessed of public leadership. . . in the

Last week's hearing was not the first time Judge Clayton had heard complaints about Grenada. Earlier this summer he ordered the Mississippi State Highway Patrol and Grenada officials to protect civil rights demonstrators, who had been met with tear gas, beatings, and arrests.

And near the end of August he handed down the school desegregation order under which the Negro children were attending the John Rundle and Lizzie Horn schools.

Last Saturday, the federal government showed it was willing to go even further. FBI agents arrested 13 white men and accused them of coming "with chains, sticks and pipes" to attack the pupils at the desegregated schools.

The men were charged with conspiring to deprive Negro citizens of their rights and were placed under \$1,000 bond. The maximum sentence is \$5,000 fine or 10 years in prison, or both.

Since the charge is a felony, the men must first appear before a grand jury, who will decide whether there is enough evidence against them to hold a trial. The next grand jury for federal court in Oxford is scheduled to meet in January.

During the riot Sept. 12, only five city policemen were on duty. Police Chief Pat Ray testified in court that he was cruising around town in a car without a radio, out of touch with his men for an hour and a half.

But local government began to disintegrate in Grenada long before the opening of school two weeks ago.

Ray admitted that he has depended on the Mississippi Highway Patrol to keep order. Large numbers of highway patrolmen have been stationed in Grenada since the start of civil rights demonstrations this summer; 275 patrolmen and game and park service wardens were in town last week.

Chief Ray has added only one member to the police force all summer. He says he has been unable to find qualified men who were willing to join the force. Negroes say he has turned down all the

people they chose. At a city council meeting Sept. 12, hundreds of angry whites demanded the removal of the Highway patrol. In an effort to persuade the council to send the patrolmen away, one man shouted, "You get the highway patrol out of here and in 24 hours there won't be a nigger left."

At the same meeting, city manager J. E. McEachin resigned. McEachin, considered a moderate segregationist by Grenada standards, has not been replaced.

According to SCLC staff member Alfonso Harris, there is no white leadership, not even behind the scenes. "If there was, we could get to them."

But with law and order under federal care, the SCLC workers believe that they may be able to force Grenada's white citizens to fill the vacuum. They hope that a Negro boycott of white stores will convince white merchants to demand responsible and moderate leadership from the city government.

'What's Happening To Mississippi?'

GRENADA, Miss.--After school last Wednesday, the Rev. Andrew Young, executive director of SCLC, asked a group of Negro children to tell about their first classes at John Rundle High School.

Miss Carolyn Springfield said that in her ninth grade English class none of the white children answered when the teacher asked for a definition of fiction. "So I told her fiction is untrue and non-fiction is true."

Young asked how many other children had given answers in class. Several hands were raised.

"Aren't you scared to talk--with all those white folks around?" he asked.

"No!" shouted all the children. "Goodness gracious," Young laughed, "what's happenin' to Mississippi!"



IN JUNE, MEREDITH MARCHERS PLACED AN AMERICAN FLAG ON THE CONFEDERATE MONUMENT IN GRENADA



city and county of Grenada.

"I am astonished that such violence as has been disclosed by this record could have occurred as many times as it did with so little reaction on the part of the public officials. . ."

Judge Clayton said he agreed with Justice Department lawyer J. Harold Flannery, who said "the systematic and ongoing beating of children and teen-agers over a period of hours" could not be explained by blaming "a small group of 'rednecks.' . . They made a calculated judgment based on the type of government they have come to expect. . . of what they could do with impunity.

"The problem lies at the very door of city hall and the very door of the sheriff's office."

As if to show that his orders were not just scoldings to be forgotten, Judge Clayton called forward Beat One Constable Grady Carroll. The constable had been accused by several witnesses of ignoring or laughing at pleas for protection from white attackers.

As Carroll stood limp and red-faced before the court, Judge Clayton sentenced him to four months in prison for contempt of court. (The contempt charge was based on Carroll's attack on a lawyer who tried to serve him a court summons.)



TENSION HAS BEEN HIGH ALL SUMMER



THIS WEEK, DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING RETURNED TO AID GRENADA'S MOVEMENT (SCLC Photo by Bob Fitch)

New Freedom Movement Fights for an Open City

BY GAIL FALK

GRENADA, Miss. -- A white schoolteacher up in Water Valley, the next town along Highway 7 from Grenada, shook her head over her neighbors' troubles.

"They need to bring a case against those freedom workers," she said. "They just fanned and fanned that town with all their marching till it was at a fever pitch. If you keep on waving a red flag, of course someone's going to get angry."

Grenada, she said, would have been just like Water Valley, where schools were desegregated peacefully this September, if SCLC hadn't stirred things up.

Down in Grenada, a Negro school teacher shook her head when she heard someone had blamed SCLC for the violence last week.

It's true, said Mrs. Senora Springfield, that Grenada never had a movement until the James Meredith march came to town. "We hadn't ever heard of a freedom song here before June," she said.

Although civil rights workers have been organizing in the area since 1961, none of them ever happened to come to this north Mississippi town of 8,000.

"But the trouble was always here," said Mrs. Springfield. "We knew there was injustice. We used to talk about it. But we didn't know how to work to do anything about it. Then the march came and the SCLC workers came and--well, glory halleluia!"

When the march came, the people in Grenada joined in as though they'd just been sitting and waiting for freedom to come.

Even city officials rolled out the red carpet. They agreed to a long list of

demands presented by Dr. Martin Luther King, and opened the courthouse for a special voter registration session.

Mrs. Springfield was one of the four Negroes hired to help register the hundreds of Negroes who poured into the courthouse. She remembers telling her father that "(Constable) Grady Carroll's the nicest man down there. He showed us all around the courthouse and offered to get us Cokes and cookies," she said.

"My father answered me, 'You watch, he'll be leading you right into the KKK,'" said Mrs. Springfield.

Her father turned out to be closer to the truth. During the summer, Carroll was repeatedly accused of standing by and permitting attacks on Negroes. Last week he was sentenced to four months in prison for beating a civil rights lawyer who tried to give him a summons to appear in court.

A lot of people besides Grady Carroll changed once the march and national attention had moved on.

SCLC workers who kept their promise to return to Grenada several days later found a very different welcome in the Negro community. People who had begged them to come back were now afraid to associate with them. The SCLC workers discovered that many people had been threatened after the march left town.

"To get up people's spirit," said SCLC staff member Jim Bullock, "we got some of the teen-agers together for a movie integration attempt." That was the first of many demonstrations SCLC led to back up 51 demands to city and county officials for an "open city."

Often demonstrations were broken up by white toughs, policemen, or highway patrolmen. On one bloody Sunday in July, Negroes outside the Grenada County jail were dispersed by highway patrolmen with billy clubs.

The Negro community responded with

an economic "blackout" of downtown businesses. Most white and a few Negro establishments are boycotted. Coca Cola is also on the blacklist. White restaurants are not included because most of them are serving Negroes for the first time this summer.

Only a few businesses have a sign that says, "Grenada County Freedom Movement approves." It is signed by the Rev. S. T. Cunningham, pastor of Bell Flower Church and president of the Grenada Movement, and Alfonso Harris, SCLC project director.

The boycott has been very effective in this town where almost half the population is Negro. At least three stores

have closed and many others are in trouble. One grocery store owner says he used to take in \$1,500 a week and now gets \$500.

But the boycott has not brought white merchants to work for Negro demands, as SCLC hoped. The only real progress toward an open city has come from U.S. District Judge Claude Clayton's school desegregation order.

The judge ordered all the white schools in the county to accept Negro transfer applications for all grades. More than 300 Negro students filled out the freedom-of-choice forms for transfer to the white schools.

But some white people fought back

with threats against the Negroes, and parents changed their children back to the Negro schools.

The people who made the threats seemed to know which Negro children had signed up for each white school, although the list of transfers was not public. Negroes have demanded an explanation from Schools Superintendent Gayle Wilborn.

After the violence Sept. 12 and 13, many Negro parents kept their children home from the white schools. But last Friday, 149 Negro students attended John Rundle and Lizzie Horn schools. About ten others planned to go back Monday, and 30 others whose applica-

tions had been lost still hoped to go to the white schools.

The transfer students say that things are better inside the schools than outside. Although many white students, especially the boys, peck at the Negroes, most teachers try to stop the heckling.

Whatever happens, the Negro transfers say, they intend to stay where they are.

At a mass meeting Saturday night, an SCLC staff member talked like a general winding up a campaign: "We've gotten hundreds of people to register, we've done integrated every school in the county, and the boycott has almost broken whitey downtown."

The question people are starting to ask now is, "What will happen when SCLC leaves Grenada?" Will they take freedom with them? Will threats and intimidation destroy Negro spirit, as they did when the Meredith march left town?

SCLC workers give two answers. In the first place, they say they aren't about to pull out as long as demands for an open city remain unanswered.

Negro citizens would like to negotiate. A delegation tried to talk to Sheriff Suggs Ingram Saturday, but they were told he was busy. Until Grenada officials show that they are ready to talk, says Alfonso Harris, marches will continue.

Sooner or later, however, SCLC will move on. By then, the workers say, they hope local leaders like Bingham and Cunningham will keep things going.

Even now, people have a better idea of how to work on things. They have sat in federal court and seen that the law can be their friend. They have found out how to get help from civil rights lawyers. And they have learned about using their dollar and their vote to get what they want.



HUNDREDS OF NEGROES REGISTERED TO VOTE DURING THE MEREDITH MARCH

In Georgia Primary Former Governor Vs. Segregationist Hero

BY JIM SMITH

ATLANTA, Ga.--Ellis Arnall, Georgia's former "fighting governor," came out ahead in last week's primary in his bid for a second term. But he still faces a run-off battle next Wednesday with segregationist Lester Maddox, former fighting restaurant owner.

The run-off--first in the state in 30 years--will decide who opposes U. S. Representative Howard "Bo" Callaway, the Republican candidate for governor.

Arnall, the most liberal of the six Democrats running for governor, got 211,176 votes, to 166,392 for Maddox and 153,857 for Jimmy Carter, the "unknown" state senator from Plains. Albany newspaper publisher James Gray, a segregationist who many thought would make the run-off, finished fourth.

The former governor, who has been practicing law in Atlanta since his first term ended 20 years ago, has built his campaign on his past achievements and on the need he sees to reform present state government. He issued paperback editions of his two books, which deal with such things as his lowering the voting age in Georgia, re-crediting the state's educational system, revoking the Ku Klux Klan's charter, and his sympathy with the aspirations of the Southern Negro.

Arnall's support of federal aid has led Maddox to call him "the candidate of the Great Society."

Maddox, campaigning on "sensible constitutional government, states rights, and free enterprise," is further along the road to political office than ever before. A staunch segregationist, he closed his Pickrick restaurant in Atlanta in 1964, rather than serve Negroes. He has been defeated in the last three elections for mayor and in the 1962 lieutenant governor's race, but has received a large vote each time.

His strong stand against civil rights has won him wide support among rural and working class white people. This kind of support may be growing as a result of Atlanta's recent racial troubles.

With one week left before the run-off, the big question is who can get Carter's votes. Carter, described as a moder-



STATE SEN. HORACE T. WARD, surprised everyone by taking votes from Maddox in south Georgia and from Arnall in the big counties. If the votes of the other three candidates go to Maddox, as they probably will, the Carter votes will decide the winner in the run-off.

Callaway, the Republican candidate, has been keeping his campaign platform under wraps until after the run-off. He said Monday that the one-party system in Georgia had kept the issues the same for 20 years: "Competition is what makes the whole ball game work."

In other races last week, Democrats nominated two Negro candidates for the state Senate and nine for the state House.

Present State Senator Horace T. Ward won re-nomination in a district where white voters outnumber Negroes by about 3,000. Also nominated were State Senator Leroy Johnson, the first Negro elected to the Senate since Reconstruction, and Julian Bond, the former SNCC official who was refused a seat in the House last term because of his stand on the Viet Nam war.

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New Tuskegee Citizens Meet Mayor

BY MARY ELLEN GALE

TUSKEGEE -- Mayor Charles M. Keever was the guest speaker at a meeting of Macon County Community Committee #1 one night last week. But he did more listening than talking.

The main speakers turned out to be the people who live in Greenwood Heights, a Negro area that will become part of the City of Tuskegee on Oct. 1. They told the mayor they want the city to do more for them than the county has done.

"We been living on trails and paying for streets," said Herbert J. Williams. "The county been getting our taxes. What have they been doing with them?"

"I feel the city should go in and demand the county to share the money they been collecting for years. We finally got honest people in City Hall--now these honest people should go dig up some of these dishonest people."

"That's right," shouted one of the 50 people gathered in First Emmanuel Baptist Church to meet their mayor. Some of the others nodded their heads. Williams went right on talking about their problems.

"The man come to read the water meter, he stand out in the street. I can't see it unless I go look at it. They're not reading the meters, they're just charging what they want. Same way with the gas. I go away

for a month and come back to a \$3-\$4 gas bill."

He turned to the mayor. "We couldn't squawk before, because we needed the service," he said. "You know, if we raised too much sand, they just cut it off."

"You and the city councilmen should go around and check. . . . We're paying for services we never see. If it stay like that, we might as well not come into the city limits."

The people in the church nodded their heads again. So did Mayor Keever. "I need to hear complaints more than compliments," he said.

"Anything we can do for you, we're going to do it as fast as we can. But I can't spend money the city doesn't have. The previous city council left us with a debt of \$575,000. We spent \$168,000 more than we got last year."

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their money equally," replied Clarence Dunn. "But it's not the taxpayers' fault, either."

"We getting more revenue now than ever before. A man live out here all his life, he deserves a street--even if it won't get us out of debt. We entitled to sewage, streets, lights as you can get around to 'em."

One service the city plans to give its new residents right away is garbage collection. Several questioners wanted to know whether they were going to be treated the same as the old residents. "When I was campaigning two years

ago, I found in the white areas the garbage men went to the back of homes," Keever said. "In the non-white areas, if you didn't lug it out to the street, they didn't pick it up."

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Games of the Week

TWO MONTGOMERY TEAMS LOOK TOUGH

BY MICHAEL S. LOTTMAN
MONTGOMERY--Two pretty good teams--Hudson High of Selma and Cobb Ave. of Anniston--came to town last week for football games with Booker T.

Washington and Carver High. They barely got out with their lives. BTW, with a new pro-style passing attack, bombed Hudson, 33 to 6. And Carver, with a new-found place-kicker,

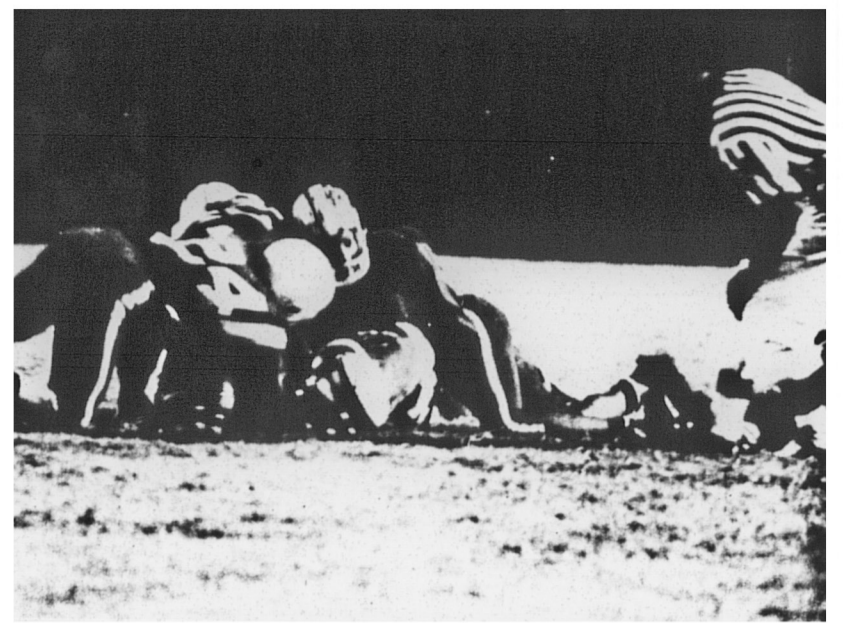
surprised Cobb Ave., 21 to 7. For both Montgomery teams, it was the second win without a loss. Quarterback Clinton Drake threw two touchdown passes in the Yellow Jackets' win over Hudson Sept. 15 in Cramton Bowl. Drake opened the scoring with a four-yard pass to Edward Wimberly,

and he hit John Street from 11 yards out in the second period.

Even the freshmen got into the act late in the game, as first-year quarterback Henry Crawford passed to Wimberly for 25 yards and a touchdown. When Hudson tried to trade aerials with the Yellow Jackets, the result was disaster. In the fourth period, Wilbert Rogers of BTW intercepted a Selma pass and rambled 25 yards for a TD. After the game, BTW coach Buddy Davis was modest about his passing game. "We're trying to work one up," he said.

Last year, Davis said, Washington was basically a running club. But this season, he said, "we revised the offensive system, with more wide-open stuff." BTW uses "a lot of pro sets," he said, as well as the popular I-formation.

BTW's other scores came on a 15-yard run by Willie James Harris and a safety. Quarterback James Collins got Hudson's only TD on a five-yard sneak. Carver's triumph was definitely an upset. Cobb Ave., the defending state champion, had whipped the Wolverines, 19 to 15, last year. And while Carver had been weakened by graduation, Cobb Ave. had most of the same players back. But Carver struck first in the opening period, when quarterback Oscar Belser hooked up with Donald Vinson on a 28-



HUDSON TACKLERS BURY BTW RUNNER

yard touchdown pass. Cobb Ave. then tied it up on Robert Cook's seven-yard run with a recovered Carver fumble. In the second period, Willie Arrington scored for the Wolverines from 15 yards out. Vinson put the game out of reach in the final period, racing 47 yards after grabbing a Cobb Ave. fumble in mid-air.

Center Thomas Mitchell, in his first game as a place-kicker, booted all three extra points for the Wolverines. An extra point or a short field goal would have meant a lot to Carver in several games over the past few seasons, but apparently no one knew about Mitchell until Coach John Fulgham noticed him trying some kick-offs in practice last week.

"He couldn't do too well kicking off," said Fulgham, "because he couldn't kick deep enough. But he kicked a high ball--it was high coming off the tee--so I decided to switch him to extra points."

He really surprised me. The first one was a beauty. The second just cleared the cross-bar, but the third was a beauty, too."

Fulgham said even he was surprised by Carver's performance. "The team was better than we thought it would be, for this time of year," he said.

The Wolverines' passing attack wasn't too effective against Cobb Ave.,--they completed just one of eight tosses. But that one went for a touchdown. "Basically, we're a running team," Fulgham said.

So the City Classic in November shapes up as a battle between a good running team and a good passing team. That game may well decide who represents this area in the state championship game.

THINK AND GRIN

BY ARLAM CARR JR.

Jester: "My uncle is a Southern planter."

Lester: "You mean he owns a plantation?"

Jester: "No. He's an undertaker in South Carolina."

What miracle happened when Mr. Stone and Mr. Wood stood on a corner and a pretty girl passed by?

Stone turned to Wood and Wood turned to Stone. Then they both turned to look. The girl turned into a beauty shop.

Wife (trying on hats): "Do you like this turned down, dear?"

Husband: "How much is it?"

Wife: "Sixty dollars."

Husband: "Yes, turn it down."

Randy: "What would you do if you were in my shoes?"

Sandy: "Polish them."

Wall: "Why do all bank cashiers run to Canada?"

Street: "I give up."

Wall: "Because that's the only place they have Toronto."

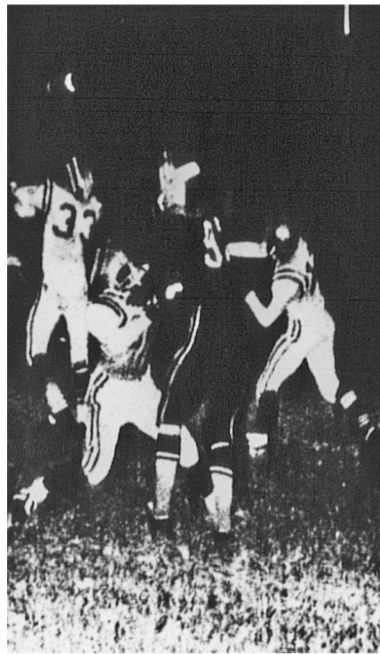
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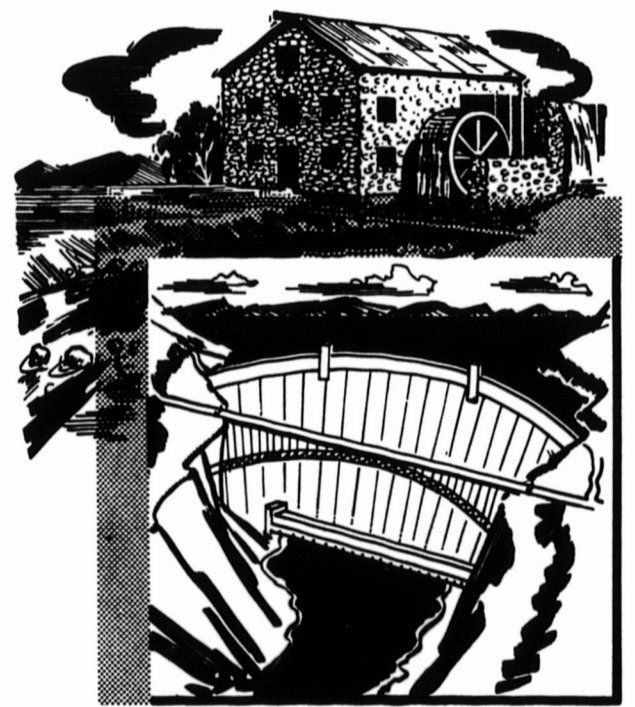
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