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Wallace Certainly Isn't

Nixon IS the One!

Boone's Strong Showing Whips Whaley in County

BY MICHAEL S. LOTTMAN
MONTGOMERY, Ala.--In local Alabama races, the biggest surprises were a great personal victory for the Rev. Richard Boone and a resounding defeat for Negro political leader Rufus A. Lewis.

Boone, a veteran civil rights worker, lost his race for the U. S. House--as did all the other congressional candidates put up by the National Democratic Party of Alabama. But in Montgomery County, the largest county in the Second Congressional District, Boone outpolled the regular Democratic candidate, Robert F. Whaley, 8,745 to 7,468.

Whaley had the advantage of running on the same ticket as George C. Wallace's presidential electors. He also had the advantage--or, as it turned out, the disadvantage--of an endorsement by Lewis' Alabama Democratic Conference, Inc.

Few political moves in recent years have caused as much resentment and dismay as Lewis' endorsement of Whaley over Boone, and his backing of Wallace admirer James B. Allen for the U. S. Senate.

When local news media broke the story of the ADCI endorsements last weekend, there was a storm of objections from the black community. Lewis explained that Boone was passed over



REV. RICHARD BOONE (STANDING) DURING CAMPAIGN

because anyone would be better than incumbent Republican William L. Dickinson, and Whaley had the better chance of beating Dickinson.

The choice was also affected by the rivalry between the two "loyalist" Democratic groups, the NDPA and the

Alabama Independent Democratic Party. Lewis, who was in on the beginning of the AIDP, could not have supported anyone on the rival slate.

But despite the explanations, black people reacted as never before in Montgomery County. People who had taken no interest in the election in the preceding weeks went out and worked for Boone in the campaign's final days.

And the results showed it. In seven Montgomery County boxes with large concentrations of black voters, Boone whipped Whaley, 6,116 to 1,335. In the same boxes, Schwenn--a total unknown--ran up a 5,799-to-2,013 margin over Allen, the ADCI choice.

The reputation of the ADCI was especially strong at the Hamner Hall and Cleveland Avenue boxes, the balliwick of Lewis' long-time rival, Mrs. Idessa Williams. In each polling place, Boone ran up about 2,000 votes to 250 for Whaley, and Schwenn polled about 1,900 to 400 for Allen.

Ironically, Whaley lost white votes, too, as a result of the endorsement. Dickinson demolished Whaley in the county, piling up 27,424 votes for a margin of 20,000.

The other NDPA candidates for Congress fared poorly. Their incomplete totals ranged from 1,796 for Jim Bains in the Seventh District (68,000 behind the winner), to 19,681 for the Rev. William M. Branch in the Fifth District (30,000 behind the winner).

In Greene County, six NDPA candidates--Robert Hines and J. A. Posey for the board of education, and Frenche Burton, Harry Means, Vassie Knott, and Levi Morrow Sr. for the county commission--found out on election day that their names weren't on the ballot.

"Nobody mentioned this before," charged the Rev. Thomas Gilmore, a local leader. He said sample ballots given out by the office of Probate Judge Dennis Hearndon listed the names of all NDPA candidates.

"They didn't file anything, and didn't meet any of the requirements," Hearndon said in defending his action. He said he was never officially notified of the U. S. Supreme Court decision restoring the NDPA candidates to the ballot.

In the state-wide competition between Hubert H. Humphrey slates, the AIDP was running ahead of the NDPA by about 140,000 to 50,000. The Humphrey total--close to 200,000--topped Republican Richard M. Nixon by 60,000, but was nearly half a million behind Wallace.

Three candidates running under the black panther emblem in Lowndes County were soundly defeated by white opponents, despite the county's Negro voting majority.

R. L. Strickland and Charles Smith, Lowndes County Freedom Party candidates for the board of revenue, and John E. Hinson, the panther nominee for the school board, all lost by margins of about 2,100 to 1,550.

However, Jessie W. Favor and the Rev. T. M. Gilchrist of the Freedom Party were unopposed for justice of the peace. Unopposed Negro candidates also recorded victories in Pike and Macon counties.

BY MICHAEL S. LOTTMAN
MONTGOMERY, Ala.--To millions of Americans, the 1968 presidential election will be remembered as the one Richard M. Nixon captured by the smallest of margins.

But to many Alabamians, black and white, the election will be remembered as the one in which George C. Wallace got skunked.

While Nixon was edging Hubert H. Humphrey in a race so close that no one could even guess the outcome until late Wednesday morning, Wallace spent the night watching his share of the vote dwindle into insignificance.

Near the end of the vote tally, the former governor--who once was running higher than 20% in the pre-election polls--appeared to be the choice of no more than 13% of the nation's voters, Nixon and Humphrey each had about 30,000,000 votes, to about 9,000,000 for Wallace.

When Illinois finally went for Nixon Wednesday, the Republican contender was assured of 287 electoral votes, to 172 for Humphrey. Nixon and Humphrey were still neck-and-neck in a number of big states, but Illinois pushed Nixon past the 270 mark needed to win.

And with Illinois went Wallace's last chance to influence the outcome of the election. His 45 electoral votes were important only if neither Nixon or Humphrey gained a majority in the Electoral College.

In early returns, Wallace quickly sewed up five Southern states--Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Georgia. But he did not do well in most of the border states, and he polled barely 10-12% of the vote in the Northern industrial states he had counted on.

In fact--for all the millions of dollars raised one at a time, and for all the thousands of miles traveled--Wallace probably picked up only one state that he could not have won just by putting his name on the ballot. That was Arkansas.

Wallace's election-night gathering in Montgomery's Garrett Coliseum was a dismal affair. Just a few weeks ago, 15,000 people had crowded into the state-owned showplace to cheer their candidate on. But Tuesday night, a bare 3,000 die-hard supporters rattled



GEORGE C. WALLACE THANKS SUPPORTERS

around in the cavernous structure, waiting for the patient to stop breathing.

As the spectators watched the results come in on television, a lady reporter from the Selma Times-Journal busied herself by asking many of the 200 visiting newsmen, "Where do YOUR children go to school?"

Wallace's warm-up man, Dick Smith, tried to divert the crowd with a few verbal jabs at the national press. And when Sam Smith and the Official American Independent Party Band played their rock version of "God Bless America," a heckler in the audience looked at the still-seated newsmen and snarled, "Won't stand up for nothing, will they?"

Finally, around midnight, the candidates arrived, and said a few despirited words. General Curtis LeMay--who looked, as he has all along, slightly em-

barrassed about the whole thing--said the American Independent Party had "made an impact on the country that's going to be felt for a long time."

"These two gentlemen have certainly put their opponents to talking exactly like them," agreed former Georgia Governor Marvin Griffin, who was Wallace's stand-in vice-presidential candidate for several months.

Without Wallace's presence, Griffin said, Humphrey and Nixon "would be vying with each other to see who could spend the most money, who could give away the most money."

Then Wallace--his great dream shattered--was introduced for the last time in this campaign. "We have spoken for a large segment of the American public," he began, but his heart wasn't in it, and he soon lapsed into mumbled introductions of his relatives.

Only at the end of his brief talk did the old defiance return. "To conclude my remarks here," he said with a wicked grin, "let me say to the press and to the news media that the election is not over yet."

But for him, it was. And ten long hours later, it was over for Humphrey, too.

Miss. Court Clears Jolliff

BY J. SMITH

JACKSON, Miss.--The Mississippi Supreme Court has reversed the conviction of James Jolliff for barring an Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) agent from a cafe in Woodville.

In a unanimous opinion, the court ordered the black civil rights leader reinstated to his position on the Wilkinson County Board of Supervisors.

Jolliff, an NAACP leader in Southwest Mississippi, was ousted from his post as supervisor last spring, after being convicted of preventing ABC agents from checking licenses and beer stock at a black-owned Woodville cafe. He was fined \$500 and sentenced to two years in the state penitentiary, with the sentence suspended.

In an opinion written by Associate Justice Stokes V. Robertson, the court said Mississippi law authorizes ABC agents to inspect the premises and records where liquor is sold. But, the court said, the law doesn't provide for inspection where only beer is sold.

The court did not go into Jolliff's claim that such inspections would require a search warrant in any case. The court merely noted that the agents did not have a valid search warrant, and were not in the discharge of their lawful duties when they tried to inspect the beer stock.



BY BENJAMIN T. PHILLIPS

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.--On election day in the "Magic City," a group of about 35 people staged a demonstration near a major polling place--the Jefferson County courthouse.

The demonstration--advertised in leaflets as a "Love-In"--began around noon in Woodrow Wilson Park. Since the park lies directly between City Hall and the courthouse, the young people were able to attract a large crowd of voters on their way to the polls.

Although some black people participated in the "Love-In," most of the demonstrators were white high school and college students.

While a few participants sang and

played guitars, the majority milled around the area, passing out literature. Much of the material they handed out was fiercely critical of the elections being held around the country.

One newspaper entitled "New Left Notes" bore a headline reading, "The Elections Don't Mean S---. Vote Where The Power Is... Our Power Is In The Street."

Despite the militant tone of the leaflets, the "Love-In" participants themselves were quiet and peaceful. There were no incidents or arrests.

When dusk had fallen and only a handful of demonstrators remained, a chant went up: "Two, four, six, eight, organize to smash the state." Then everyone went home.

Black Official Elected After Shelby Boycott

SHELBY, Miss.--Robert Dean Gray last month became the first black man elected to city office in Mississippi. Gray was elected alderman Oct. 29, in a special vote that came about as a result of a long boycott of Shelby's stores and schools.

The four-month-long boycott began May 3, as a protest against the firing of two popular black teachers. It ended Aug. 30, when the city agreed to meet demands made by the Shelby Educational Committee and the King Memorial Black Student Organization.

Under the agreement, one white alderman resigned, so that a special election could be held for the position. For their candidate, the black people of Shelby chose Gray, a former teacher and an economics specialist with the

Mound Bayou Development Corporation. Then they voted him in.

"This victory could be an important beginning of new relationships between white and black communities," the Delta Ministry observed afterwards.

"As black people begin to feel that they have a voice in the affairs of both city and county, they will begin to take a greater responsibility for the creative development of the total community, offering a new dimension and strength to that community.

"As whites begin to deal with black people as partners in the power of government, they will be weaned from their old patterns of discrimination or paternalism, broadening their own concept of their responsibility to the community."

100 Years Later



MONTGOMERY, Ala.--The Montgomery Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'i faith last week presented a copy of "The Proclamations of Baha'u'llah" to the governor's office. Hugh Maddox (at right in picture), legal advisor to Governor Albert P. Brewer, accepted the gift.

Miss Roxanne Erickson and Percy McGhee, representing the religious group, explained that the book contains letters written by Baha'u'llah, the founder of the faith, to kings and heads of state 100 years ago.

In the letters, said Miss Erickson and McGhee, Baha'u'llah asked the world leaders to join him in seeking the goals of the Baha'i religion, including the abolition of slavery.

A century ago, they added, only one ruler--the queen of England--replied to Baha'u'llah. "If this is of God, it will prevail," she wrote. "If not, it can do no harm." The Baha'i representatives noted that of all the governments contacted by Baha'u'llah, the queen's is the only one that has not been overthrown.

Now, said Miss Erickson and McGhee, the Baha'is are again sending the proclamations to leaders and heads of state, to symbolize "the effort the faith is making."

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Editorial Opinion

President Nixon

We are not alarmed at the prospect of having Richard M. Nixon as President of the United States. At least, we do not think it is any more alarming than the election of Hubert H. Humphrey would be.

The Democratic Party reached the height of cynicism in this year's election--especially with the halting of the bombing of North Viet Nam. We think the timing of this move vividly illustrated how the Democrats place the party above everything else, even human life.

So far, the Johnson administration has advanced no explanation of why the bombing halt could not have been ordered six months ago, saving hundreds of Vietnamese and American lives. There has been no indication that North Viet Nam made any concessions last week that it would not have made at almost any time in the past.

But let's face it--there wasn't an election going on six months ago. There was one in progress Oct. 31, when President Johnson announced that the U. S. was ceasing its bombing runs over North Viet Nam.

And it's not really much of a bombing halt, anyway--General Creighton Abrams has the authority to resume at least limited bombing without the President's permission. Also, in his haste to announce something--anything--before the election, Johnson neglected to get South Viet Nam's approval of his "peace" move. The South Vietnamese are boycotting the peace talks in Paris, and it is hard to see what can be accomplished without them. In fact, things have become so twisted around that we are now furious with the South Vietnamese for telling us how to run our war--which happens to be going on in their country.

But this was only the latest in a long series of perversions of the democratic process. President Johnson has always tried to short-circuit democratic institutions by appointing his cronies to regulatory agencies, the Cabinet, and the Supreme Court. But no matter what a man's responsibilities in the government, when the party needs him, the country can go to hell. Thus George Ball resigned to join the Humphrey campaign just one day after he was confirmed as our chief United Nations representative--and right at the beginning of one of the most important U. N. sessions in history.

What George C. Wallace is pleased to call the "liberal" press played a rather distasteful part in this election. On Oct. 26, the nation's most respected newspaper, the New York Times, printed an editorial accusing Spiro T. Agnew of dishonesty and conflict of interest in his business dealings. A principal charge was that Agnew served as director of a Maryland bank at the same time that he, as governor of Maryland, was responsible for enforcing the state's banking laws. We think this is like saying a governor shouldn't drive a car because he is responsible for enforcing the state's traffic laws. When the Republicans came up with what we think was a good defense of their vice-presidential candidate, the Times responded by re-printing its editorial. On the other hand, the Times had only worshipful praise for the bombing halt, and it showed little interest in conflict-of-interest charges made against Humphrey. We are glad this kind of journalism could not swing the election.

One significant development in this election was that much of the labor vote left the Democrats--not for Wallace, but for Nixon. This is as it should be, for organized labor--from its hawkish leaders to its middle-class rank-and-file--has had little in common with other elements of the party. It is ridiculous, for example, that the unions--with their sorry record on civil rights--and the Negro vote should both go 90% Democratic time after time. After this election, too, we hope that the black vote will not be given away so cheaply. An estimated 93% to 97% of the black vote went to the Democrats this year--even though civil rights was not an issue in the campaign, and neither party felt the need to make any commitments to black people.

But these are all negative reasons for living with President Nixon. On the positive side, we look forward to a government directed by men like John Lindsay, Nelson Rockefeller, Charles Percy, and Edward Brooke, instead of men like Marvin Watson, Clark Clifford, and Richard Daley. We remember that before the Democrats appointed bigoted federal judges like Harold Cox of Mississippi and Robert Elliott of Georgia, the Republicans--to their everlasting credit--gave us men like Frank Johnson of Alabama, Elbert Tuttle of Georgia, John Minor Wisdom of Louisiana, John Brown of Texas, and, of course, Chief Justice Earl Warren.

And above all, we believe that Nixon has the capacity and the understanding to do something about the problems that most concern us. Much of what Nixon said during his campaign can be easily forgotten, but this message from his convention speech cannot:

"Tonight, I see the face of a child.
"He lives in a great city. He is black. Or he is white. He is Mexican, Italian, Polish. None of that matters. What matters, he's an American child.
"That child in that great city is more important than any politician's promise. He is America. He is a poet. He is a scientist, he is a great teacher, he is a proud craftsman. He is everything we ever hoped to be, and everything we dare to dream to be.
"He sleeps the sleep of childhood, and he dreams the dreams of a child.
"And yet when he awakens, he awakens to a living nightmare of poverty, neglect, and despair.
"He falls in school. He ends up on welfare.
"For him, the American system is one that feeds his stomach and starves his soul. It breaks his heart. And in the end, it may take his life on some distant battlefield.
"To millions of children in this rich land, this is their prospect of the future."
We believe that Richard Nixon will honestly strive to make the future brighter for all Americans. We can only hope that he succeeds.

Garbage Fills Yards

Alex City Homes Rot

BY FRANKLIN HOWARD

ALEXANDER CITY, Ala.--"I wish the city would condemn these houses around here," said Mrs. Catherine Taylor. "I almost broke my leg on my front porch, which is rotted. I've asked several times about getting my house repaired, but there have been no results."

Mrs. Taylor, the mother of six children, lives on North Central Avenue, about five blocks north of town. Most of the houses in her neighborhood--known as "Lonesome"--are in as bad shape as hers is.

Several homes are supported by large stones, and others are held up by two-by-fours.

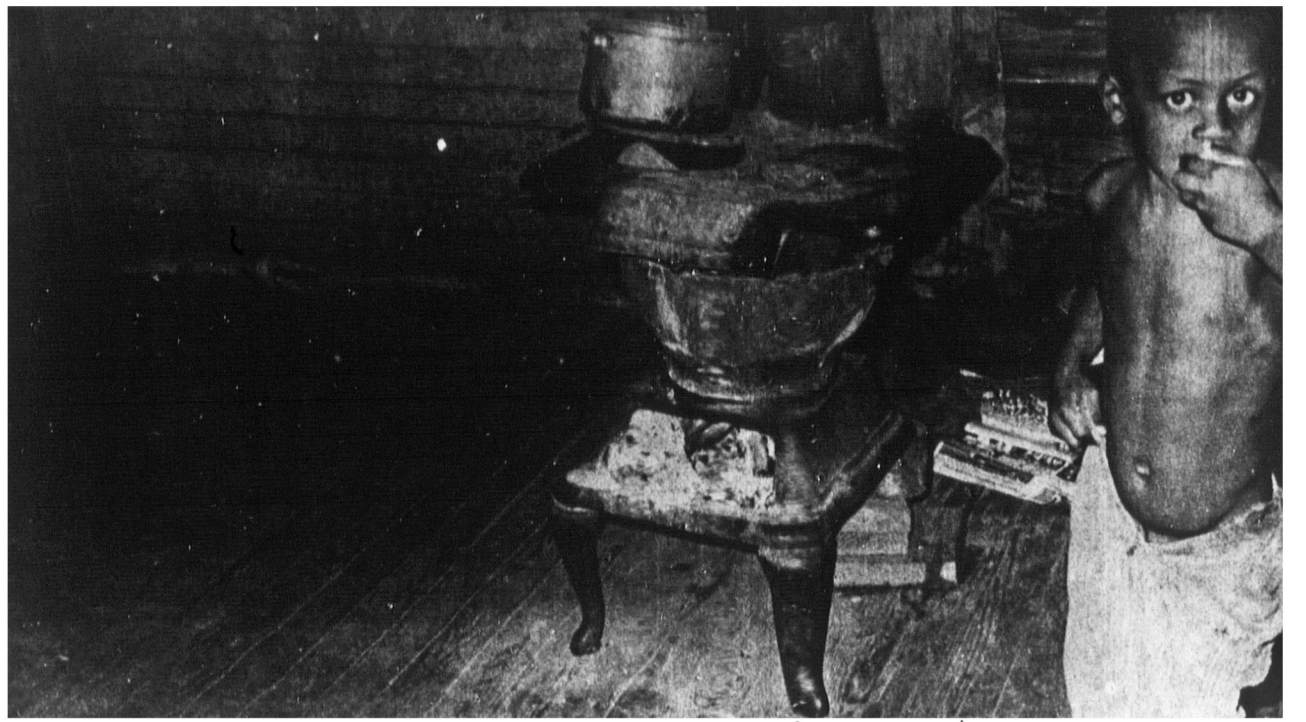
The back yards are full of garbage--not only common litter, but also human waste. Outdoor toilets are the only facilities available in the community, and often four or five families have to share a single one.

Inside most of the houses, the people have put up rugs and other materials to cover holes in the walls and the roof. The floors have holes, too, and the windows in many places have been knocked out and not replaced.

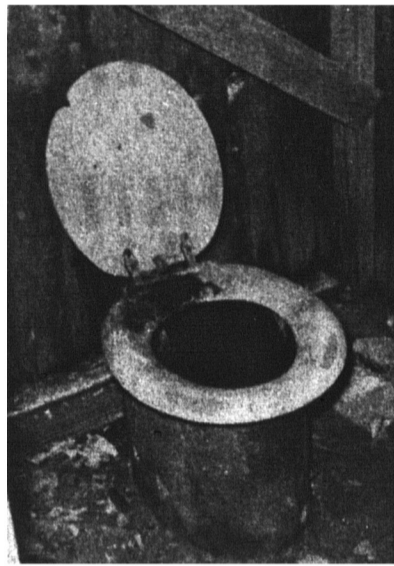
There is only one paved road leading into the community. The dirt roads are studded with large holes.

"Our kids play in the streets and on the sidewalks," said one Lonesome resident, "because there is no place in the community to go."

A large percentage of the people rent their homes. One lady said she was told there were two men who were supposed to keep her house up. But, she said, she



YOUNG ALEXANDER CITY RESIDENT IN DECAYING HOUSE



FIVE FAMILIES USE THIS

has never seen them. "The only time we see the owners," said one lady who rents her home, "is when they come to collect the rent."

Medical Care Begins For Lowndes People

HAYNEVILLE, Ala. -- Lowndes County doctors last Friday began giving free medical treatment to qualified residents, under the county's \$1,105,305 federal health program.

Dr. R. P. Griffin of Fort Deposit and Dr. W. L. Stagers of Benton saw their first patients Friday. Emergency dental care is also available under the program.

Boycott Law Struck Down

NEW ORLEANS, La.--The Alabama law prohibiting the distribution of boycott notices has been declared unconstitutional.

"Extended discussion is hardly necessary to show the patent invalidity" of the anti-boycott law, the U. S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals said in a brief order last month. In a 2-1 decision, the appeals court found the law "unconstitutional on its face, and thereby void."

The court ruled on an appeal by Robert Felber, Libbie Kirkland, and Ralph Tyler, who were arrested in 1966 while distributing boycott leaflets in Eutaw, Ala.

The three civil rights workers were charged under a law prohibiting the printing or distribution of cards, stickers, or other kinds of notice that a store is being boycotted.

When Felber, Kirkland, and Tyler filed a federal suit challenging the law, Greene County authorities dropped the charge against them. The U. S. District Court in Birmingham then refused to rule on the federal suit.

But last month, the appeals court said the three rights workers could still challenge the law. U. S. Circuit Judges Elbert P. Tuttle and Homer Thornberry then went on to find the law unconstitutional.

In a long dissent, U. S. Circuit Judge John C. Godbold said only a three-judge district court can throw out such a law.

Buford Raps Courier

CLIO, Ala.--The Rev. K. L. Buford, state NAACP field director, has criticized a Southern Courier editorial condemning the NAACP for firing one of its lawyers.

The national board of the NAACP fired the lawyer, Lewis M. Steel, after he wrote an article that criticized the U. S. Supreme Court.

"The NAACP seems to be intent on proving that white racists haven't

Medical Care Begins For Lowndes People

The director of the project, Dr. H. H. Meadows, said 8,078 Lowndes residents have applied for free medical care, and 6,645 have been approved. Eligibility for the program, he said, is based on the applicant's income.

Eligible patients receive free treatment from the local doctors. If more care is needed, the patients will be referred to specialists in Montgomery, Lurverne, or Greenville, or to hospitals in Greenville, Montgomery, or Selma. These services, too, are free of charge.

The program will also pay for a midwife under the state midwife program, Meadows said, and it will meet costs that are not covered by Medicare or veterans' benefits.

Later, he said, Lowndes school children will have their eyes and teeth examined. And "long-range" plans, he added, call for construction of a clinic in Hayneville, with two doctors, a dentist, and X-ray and eye specialists.

This clinic, Meadows said, will be open to all Lowndes residents, not just those who qualify for the health program. People with money will have to pay for their treatment, he said, but they will be getting services that now are not available at any price.

Knoxville Students Get Light Sentence

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. -- Three Knoxville College students arrested after a white cab driver was killed on campus March 9 have pleaded guilty to reduced charges, under an agreement between their lawyers and the state.

Pete Tigner, Joseph Scott, and Gary Keel had been charged with possessing explosives and conspiring to blow up two college buildings.

After pleading guilty to attempting to possess explosives and another minor charge, they were each sentenced to 11 months and 29 days in jail. They do not have to begin serving the sentences until the school year ends June 2, and they may be freed in the fall.

NOV. FOOD BARGAINS

ATLANTA, Ga.--Each month, the U. S. Department of Agriculture issues a list of "plentiful foods"--foods whose prices should be lower during the month, because so much is being produced.

Plentiful foods for November are turkey, pork, potatoes, rice, prunes, and dry split peas. Housewives should check these items when they do their grocery shopping.



Birmingham, Ala.

The grace and beauty of the young black performers made last Sunday's Miles College production of "Black is a Soul" a memorable experience. A young lady in black tights opened the

Gautier Street, Bennie L. Davidson of Greater Willow Park, and Super Pace of Greenwood. Representatives will also be named for Highway 29, Zion Hill, Green Fork, and the student community.

Birmingham, Ala.

Dextrel "Mad Lad" Alexander was fired from his job at radio station WJLD on Oct. 28. The popular disk jockey said he was fired by the station's program director, Jimmy Lawson.

Abbeville, Ala.

John Lee of Rock Hill, one of the Abbeville area's oldest citizens, passed about 2 a.m. on Oct. 28. (From James J. Vaughan)

Grenada, Miss.

Folks around Grenada are talking about the Carrie Dotson High School dance troupe. The company of 25 performers has a repertoire of contemporary dance, primitive dance, tap, and ballet. Miss Elizabeth Nichols, founder and choreographer of the group, said it was formed "to introduce dance as a performing art to the community and the individual, showing the part it plays in world culture."

Atlanta, Ga.

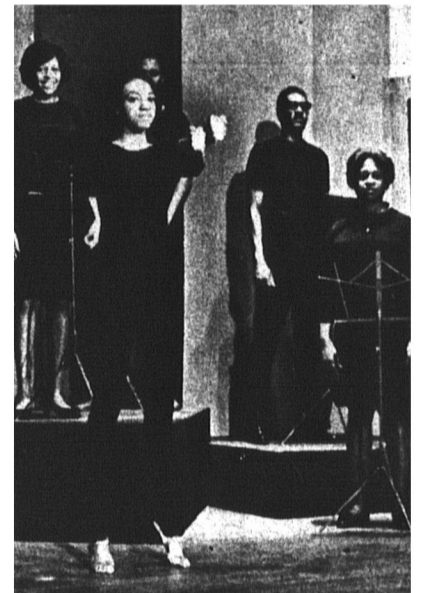
A National Urban League representative recently returned from a visit to West Alabama, and said the area has "the greatest economic potential of any rural area in the South." "West Central Alabama," said Delmar R. Yoder of the Urban League's Southern regional office, "has the transportation, the land, and the people--the basic ingredients which can attract nearly any industry." Yoder visited the area to brief Negro leaders in Dallas, Hale, Perry, Greene, Sumter, and Marengo counties on the Economic, Civic, and Community Development Conference to be held next Thursday, Nov. 14, at Alabama State College in Montgomery, Ala. A similar conference is scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 12, at Miles College in Birmingham.

Dothan, Ala.

Harold J. Wesley, a 1966 graduate of Carver High School, was recently nominated by Savannah (Ga.) State College to appear in the 1968-69 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." Wesley, a junior, was chosen for this honor because of his academic standing, service to the community, and leadership in extra-curricular activities. (From Mrs. A. K. Forrester)

Cleveland, Ohio

Past, present, and future Tuskegees gathered in the American Cultural Gardens here, to dedicate the site for a Booker T. Washington Memorial. Cleveland's Tuskegee Institute Alumni Club is responsible for erecting the memorial. Washington, who founded the Institute in 1881, will be the first Negro enshrined in the garden.



MILES SHOW (Photo by Chris McNair) program with a modern interpretive dance. As she danced, an eight-member verse choir recited Joseph White's "Black is a Soul." Backed by a blues piano and a bongo drum, the choir also recited poems by Negro writers like Langston Hughes and Richard Wright. For the last selection of the evening, the Miles College Players and the integrated audience stood together and sang the "Negro National Anthem."

Natchez, Miss.

Mrs. Ida Johnson, Charlie Williams, and Miss Carolyn Todd (left to right in



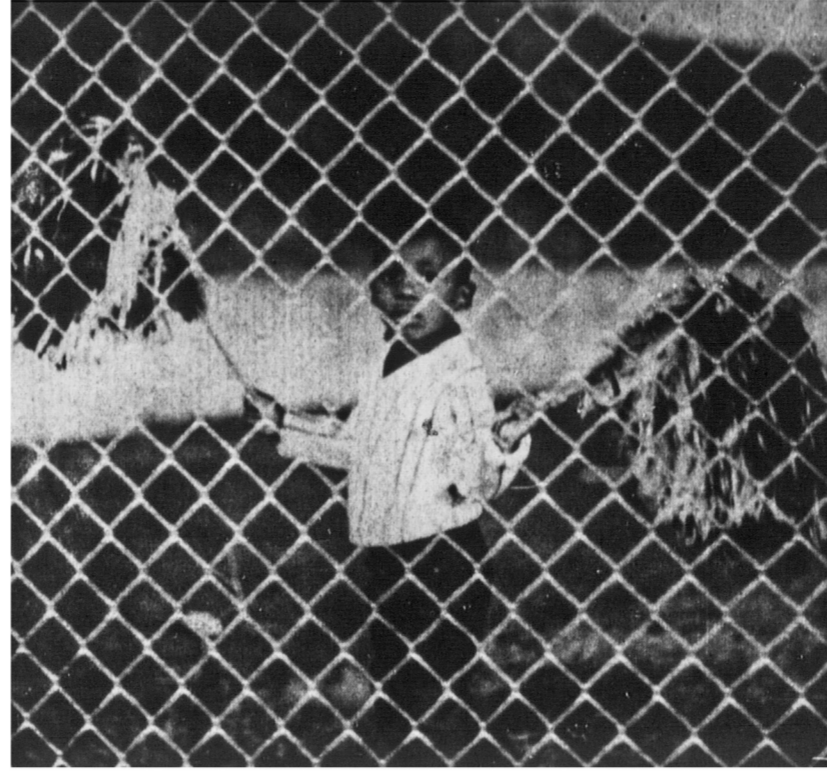
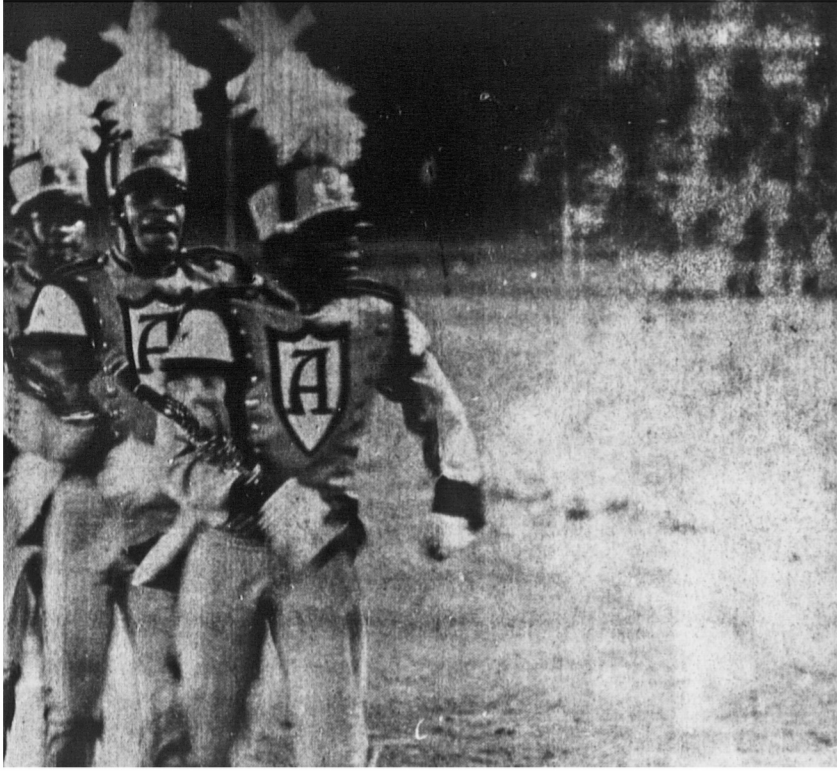
the picture) have been leaving no doubt as to where they stand on the presidential election this year.

Tuskegee, Ala.

The Tuskegee City Council has approved a massive Workable Program for Community Improvement that has been in preparation for more than a year. The plan will allow the city to press its application for 400 public housing units, and to utilize its \$77,000 Model Cities planning grant. The program is intended to emphasize community participation. Neighborhood representatives on the 20-member Model Cities commission are Luther K. Tyner of Hillcrest, Mrs. Elaine Benn of Rockefeller Hill, Mrs. R. T. Lennard of Lake Street, Willie C. Johnson of

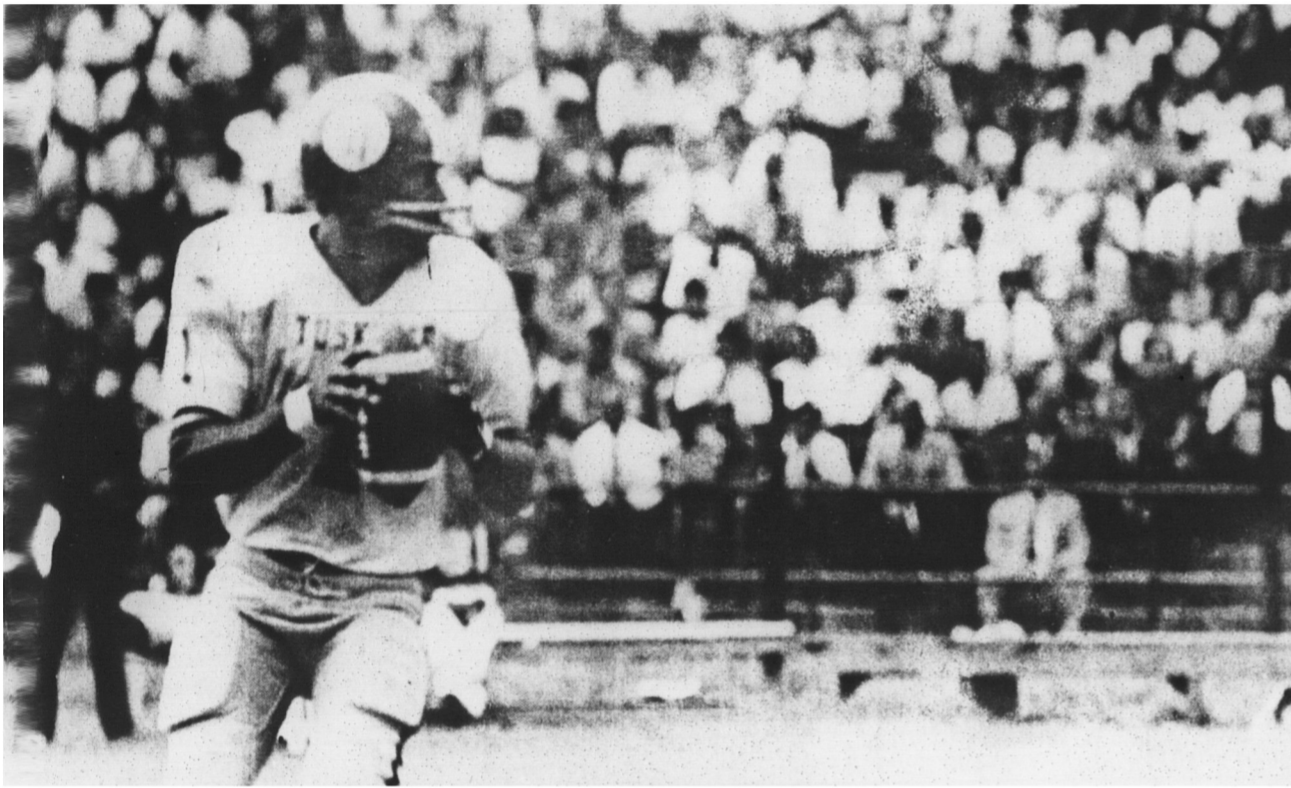


DEDICATION OF CLEVELAND MEMORIAL SITE



From the Field to the Stands

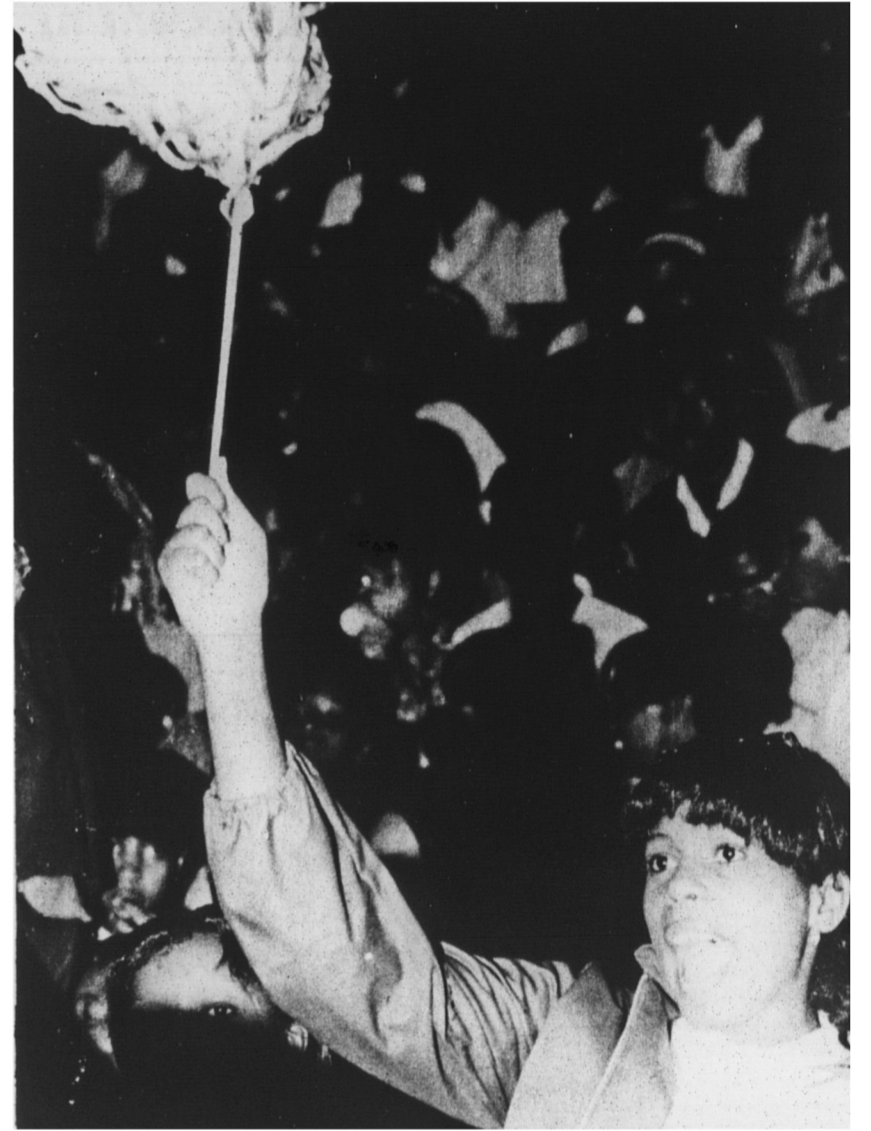
Football Is for Everybody



In nearly every town in the land this month, high school and college football teams are playing their traditional "big" games.

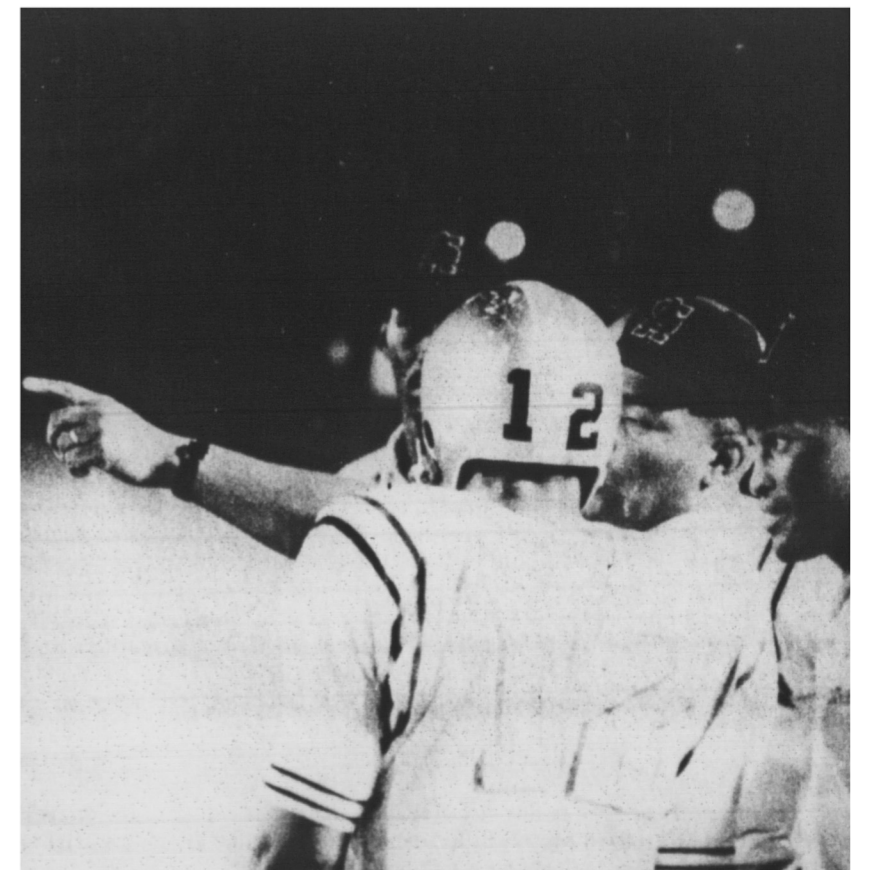
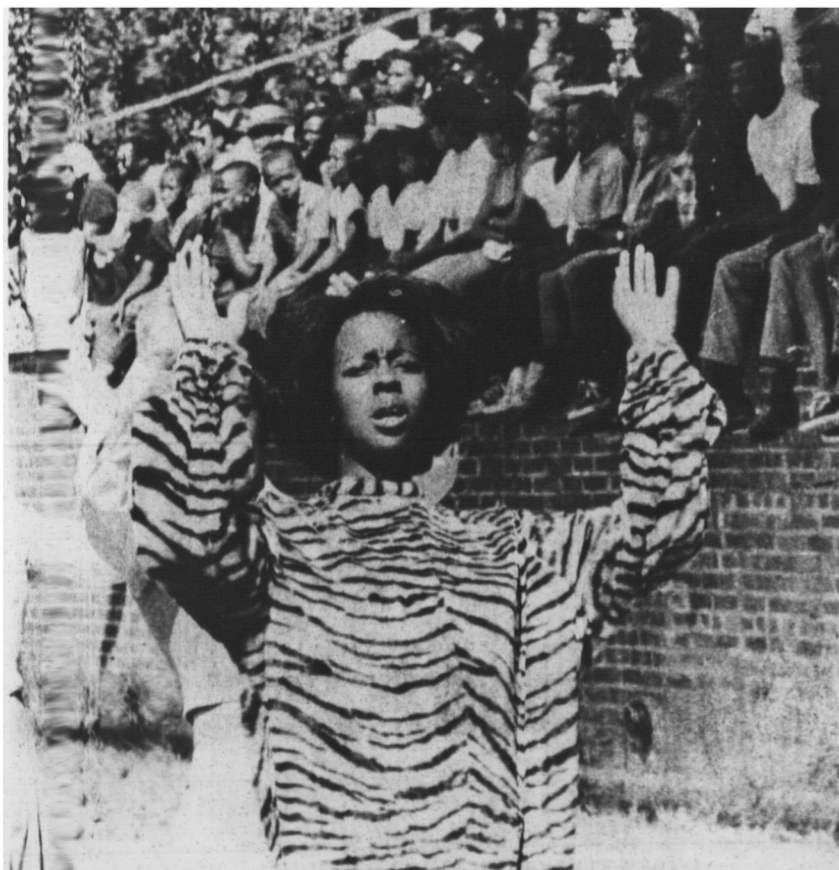
It might be the Carver-Booker T. Washington game, played in Montgomery, Ala., this weekend, or it might be the Army-Navy game in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

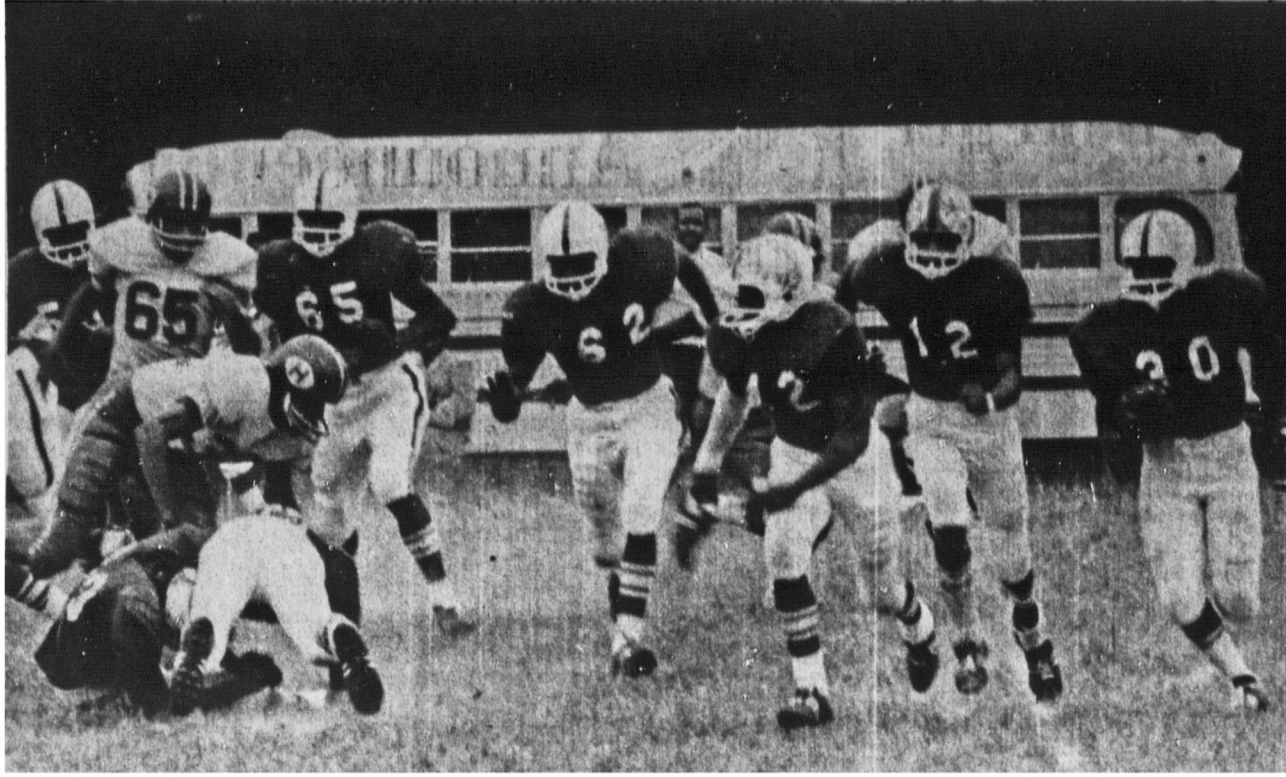
And football doesn't just involve the players. There are coaches, managers, cheerleaders, pom-pon girls, majorettes, band directors, drum majors, and marching musicians. Sometimes, there's hardly anyone left to watch the game.



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D.C. Wolfe's First Homecoming



Something New for Shorter



BY MAURY HERMAN
 SHORTER, Ala.--Light rains and overcast skies did nothing to discourage several hundred exuberant fans who cheered Deborah Cannon Wolfe High School to victory in the first football homecoming in the school's history.

The Oct. 24 contest--the second "home" game in D. C. Wolfe's two years of competition--was played on a makeshift field at Shorter Elementary School.

A pep rally and a parade preceded the game with North Highland High School of Prattville. Shorter has probably never seen anything like the 20-car parade that went across Highway 80 and down a farm road, from D. C. Wolfe to Shorter Elementary.

There were no stands at the improvised football field, so the crowd--eager to follow each play--kept inching closer and closer to the action. Then the fans would retreat in disorder when a play came toward the sideline.

Halftime entertainment was provided by the band from the Alabama Industrial School at Mt. Meigs.

D. C. Wolfe's principal, M. H. Lee, then introduced "Miss Deborah Cannon Wolfe"--Miss Elaine Saunders--and her two attendants, Miss Loretta McWhorten and Miss Christine Sullins.

That night, the team's 13-6 victory was celebrated at the homecoming dance.



***Photos by
Kenneth W. Lumpkin***



Judge Blasts 2; Bond Hits Dems, GOP Trial Postponed

TUSCALOOSA, Ala.--"I fought for my country before, and I'll fight again," said City Judge Joe Burns last Monday, in an emotional tirade against two young men arrested during a peace demonstration.

"I killed Japs who didn't mean as much harm," the judge told the two defendants--Jim Bains, the National Democratic Party of Alabama's Seventh District congressional candidate, and Southern Courier reporter Benjamin T. Phillips.

Phillips was arrested Oct. 21 near the University of Alabama campus, after he took a picture of policemen watching the demonstration. Bains--who spoke to the demonstrators at Canterbury Chapel, the off-campus center for Episcopal students--was arrested when he asked why Phillips had been seized.

Phillips was charged with disorderly conduct, and Bains with vagrancy. Judge Burns set bond for both men at \$5,000.

"We knew who you were long before you came," Burns told the two defendants last Monday. "I saw your pictures . . . You're not going to come in here and tear up things."

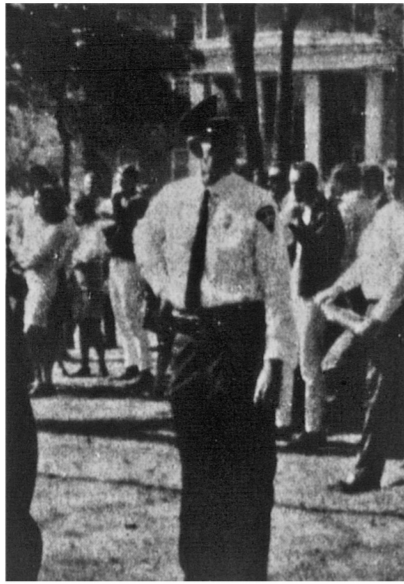
"We knew what your business was," Burns continued, his voice growing louder with each word. "Thank God you didn't burn the university before they caught you. . . . They caught you before you burned down the university."

In the demonstration, about 50 students had marched silently from the student union to the chapel, where they heard Bains and others protest against the Viet Nam war and against the university's policy on controversial speakers. Phillips was covering the demonstration for The Southern Courier.

"There's supposed to be a charge of treason against these fellows," the judge shouted. He said the demonstrators were "supposed to be in a class . . . learning how to get around the draft legally."

The judge hotly defended his action in setting each man's bond at \$5,000--an extremely high bond for a misdemeanor charge. The Tuscaloosa News had criticized this action in an editorial.

"The newspapers have condemned me because I'm patriotic," Burns declared. He said that after Bains and Phillips were arrested, he was asked "to make it hard for 'em to get out." Bond was posted for both men the night of their arrest.



POLICEMAN AT DEMONSTRATION

"Another reason for the \$5,000 bond--maybe the main one--was to see who in 1963, when he let civil rights demonstrators sign their own bonds, the judge said, he "never did catch" the leaders.

the fellow-travelers are," Burns went on. He said these "fellow-travelers"--a term that used to be applied to Communist sympathizers--revealed themselves by helping to raise the bond and by contacting the judge about the case.

During Burns' outburst--which lasted for several minutes--the bench was surrounded by Tuscaloosa policemen. Most of the spectators in the hushed courtroom could hear the judge's voice, but they couldn't see him.

Bains and Phillips were scheduled for trial last Monday, but the judge put the case off for three weeks, because he said he wants "FBI reports" on the two men. Because of his remarks against the defendants, he said, he will probably remove himself from the case.

But nevertheless, Burns said, "I've done what I should do for my country. I'm not going to sit here and play like everything's lovely, just because of a little technicality in the law."

Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights

The weekly meeting will be at 6:30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 11, in the St. James Baptist Church, 1200 20th St. N., the Rev. C. W. Sewell, pastor.

TUSKEGEE, Ala.--Julian Bond took a dim view of 1968 politics when he addressed a capacity audience Oct. 27 in Tuskegee Institute's Logan Hall.

"In 1968, the liberal faction had two choices," Bond said, referring to Senators Robert F. Kennedy and Eugene J. McCarthy. "One was lost by assassination, the other by democracy."

Bond also referred to the Democratic Party as "men tied hopelessly to war." He criticized politicians who take the view that "we never should have gotten involved in Viet Nam, but since we're there, we have to stay."

This view, Bond said, "is as asinine as saying, 'This building is on fire and we shouldn't be here, but since we're here, let's stay here.'"

Even if the Democrats lose the presidential race, he went on, it will not be easy to achieve reform within the party. The Republicans' defeat in 1964 didn't change anything, he said: "The same bunch of clowns that controlled the party in '64 control it now."

In the event of a victory by George Wallace, Bond advised his listeners, "those (black people) who live in this part of the country should go to Mexico, and those who live in the North should go to Canada."

If a Negro is ever elected Vice-President, Bond said, it is likely to be a Negro Republican, "because I think the Republicans have in their midst the kind of man who could attract large numbers of black and white American voters--the Negro senator from Massachusetts, Senator Edward Brooke. He has greater prominence in his party than has any Negro in the Democratic Party."

Bond's name was put up for the vice-presidential nomination at this year's Democratic National Convention. But he withdrew, saying he is under the required age. Asked about his political future during a question-and-answer period here, he said he has no special plans except to continue serving in the Georgia House.

The speaker said a school like Tuskegee Institute has two responsibilities in today's world: "One is to give the students not just the kind of tools they need to make life better for other black people, but the will to do so. And secondly, a responsibility to improve conditions for the black people who live in the community around it."

Last Sunday in Montgomery, Bond advised people at a rally to vote for the Hubert H. Humphrey electors under the eagle of the National Democratic Party of Alabama.

FOR A BETTER TOMORROW

In Alabama all our yesterdays are marred by hate, discrimination, injustice, and violence. Among the organizations working for a better tomorrow on the principle of human brotherhood is the Alabama Council on Human Relations. Membership in the Council is open to all who wish to work for a better tomorrow on this principle. For further information, write The Alabama Council, P. O. Box 1310, Auburn, Alabama.



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FILM SERIES--A historical film series has been scheduled for 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday in the Library Auditorium at Alabama State College, Montgomery, Ala. The series is free and open to the public. The Department of History and Social Sciences, in co-operation with Audio-Visual Services, will be the sponsor. B. J. Simms, coordinator of freshman history, will conduct a discussion session after each film.

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BENEFITS FOR WIVES--After Dec. 1, the widows of men who died in military service, and the wives of veterans who are totally and permanently disabled as a result of military service, will be eligible for education and training benefits from the Veterans Administration. These wives and widows will be eligible for the same V.A. benefits that are now available to veterans' sons and daughters. Payments may be as high as \$130 a month for as long as 36 months.

BAHA'IS--The Baha'is of Montgomery invite you to their weekly fireside at 8 p.m. this Saturday, at the Community House, 409 S. Union St., Montgomery, Ala. For transportation, call 265-9992. Meet Baha'u'llah.

STUDENT JOBS--The Intergency Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners for North Carolina announces that applications are now being accepted from college students for trainee positions in agriculture management, agriculture statistics, soil conservation, soil science, and engineering. Salaries will be \$88 and \$98 per week, depending upon the grade level of the position and the academic level of the applicant. Lists of eligibles will be used for filling trainee positions with the U. S. Department of Agriculture and other federal agencies with appropriate vacancies in the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee. Applications and further information may be secured from the Intergency Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, 415 Hillsborough St., Raleigh, N. C. 27603. Refer to announcement number AR-8-16.

ELLINGTON CONCERT--Duke Ellington and his orchestra will perform at 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, in the Arena-Auditorium at Alabama State College, Montgomery, Ala. The concert, part of the college's Lyceum Series, is open to the public. Tickets may be obtained for \$2 at the college business office, or for \$2.50 at the door.

CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS--"Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man." This verse from the Epistle of James is part of the Bible Lesson-Sermon titled "Adam and Fallen Man," to be read in all Christian Science churches Sunday, Nov. 10.



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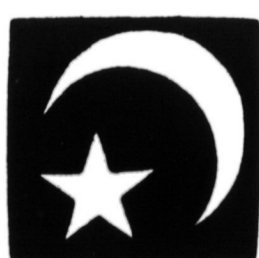
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Falcons Don't Win Much

But They Lose With Style

BY MICHAEL S. LOTTMAN ATLANTA, Ga.--Fortunately for the Atlanta Falcons, winning isn't every-

thing. Atlanta's three-year-old pro football team has lost seven out of eight games this fall. Last Sunday, the Falcons were slaughtered by an undistinguished Pittsburgh Steeler eleven, 41 to 21.

But you have to say the Falcons lose with style. Sunday's game in Atlanta Stadium--a sports fan's palace--was filled with long passes, hard running, alert interceptions, and spirited tackling. And though the Falcons were never in contention, they never stopped plugging away.

Considering the talent available, the Falcons have a lot of nerve even to take the field. At the key position of quarterback, Atlanta is going with Bob Berry, who has failed to fire the imagination of football fans in three previous years as a pro.

On Sunday, Berry connected on 15 out of 26 passes, for 282 yards and three touchdowns. But most of the completions--and all of the touchdowns--came after the horse was stolen and Pittsburgh had a 34-0 lead.

Unranked, Though

Druid Tops All Comers

BY ETHEL THOMAS TUSCALOOSA, Ala.-- Druid High School football coach Lou Mims says his Dragon squad is showing signs of greatness on the gridiron this season.

In their big homecoming game Oct. 18, the Dragons polished off eighth-ranked Cobb Avenue of Anniston by a 14-13 margin. Cobb Avenue had been the top Negro team most of the year in the Alabama High School Athletic Association's 4-A ratings.

The Dragons then moved on to Selma, where they bombarded Hudson High, 56 to 0. And on Oct. 31, Druid traveled to Gadsden and carved up Carver High, 45 to 7.

The Dragons will defend their 8-0 record this Friday against South Girard of Phenix City, and their final game will be with Riverside of Northport on Nov. 15. "We're trying to take them one at a time," Mims said.

On offense, the Dragons have been led this season by quarterback-halfback Joe Hood and fullback Flozell Horton. Other stand-outs have been Adolphus Crockett, Casey Lavender, Henry Taylor, Theo Melton, and Reggie Oliver.

Although Druid is undefeated, it is not ranked in the AHSAA's 4-A standings.

Mims said the Dragons altered their schedule late in the fall, in an attempt to get the required number of games with 4-A opponents. But, he said, the AHSAA has not approved the new schedule.

"This is our first year in the association," the coach said. "We didn't know all the details." All high school football teams belong to the same association for the first time this year, under a federal-court order.

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and a touchdown. Halfback Bob Harris scored on a nifty 55-yard run with a screen pass, and Perry Lee Dunn and Cannonball Butler picked up some tough yardage on the ground. Billy Lothridge showed why he is leading the league in punting, by kicking three times for a 51.3-yard average.

On defense, when all else fails, there is always Tommy Nobis--an all-pro middle line-backer, and the only real star on the Atlanta roster. Rokie end Claude Humphrey put on a strong pass rush, but he didn't have much help.

A curious thing happened at halftime. As the Falcons shuffled off the field after bumping to a 21-0 deficit, boos

rang out from the stands. But then the fans seemed to realize the team was doing all it could--though that isn't much. Many of the 47,727 spectators rose and gave their bedraggled heroes a long ovation.

But the fans aren't going to be patient forever. At the end of the halftime festivities, the Falcons' mascot--a real falcon--was giving a flying demonstration (and scanning the stands for a pepperoni pizza). Finally, the falcon's trainer threw him the bait that is used to control him, and the bird grabbed it in mid-flight.

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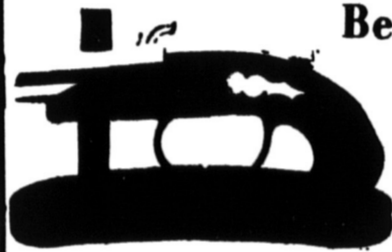
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