Flower Campaigns Run Aground in Port City

BY DAVID E. UNDERHILL

Monroe—Tomato flower campaign for governor broke into the open here this week. Flowers have been sold instead of earliest in the area. Those steps were taken for private meetings with leading black and white political leaders.

This week, the black leadership, led by the state and city council, set up a series of meetings with leaders in the area. The first meeting was held on Monday night at the home of a prominent black leader. The second meeting was held on Tuesday afternoon at the home of another prominent black leader. The third meeting was held on Wednesday evening at the home of a third prominent black leader.

One of their first tasks was to identify potential candidates for the campaign. They identified two candidates, one black and one white, who were willing to campaign for governor. The black candidate, a state legislator, is running for lieutenant governor. The white candidate, a local businessman, is running for governor.

The second task of the candidates was to identify potential voters for the campaign. They identified a group of potential voters, including a group of black voters and a group of white voters.

The third task of the candidates was to develop a strategy for the campaign. They developed a strategy that focuses on a combination of issues, including education, health care, and economic development.

The fourth task of the candidates was to develop a message for the campaign. They developed a message that emphasizes their commitment to improving the lives of all citizens, regardless of race.

The fifth task of the candidates was to launch the campaign. They launched the campaign with a series of events, including a rally in the state capital and a series of town hall meetings.

Many people at the rally were relieved to have seen flowers and finally hear their campaign manager announce.

Flowers may play a role because of their role in the state's economy. The state's economy is heavily dependent on agriculture, and flowers are one of the major industries. The state's economy is also heavily dependent on tourism, and flowers are a popular attraction for tourists.

By OAKLEY GOLDBERG

Flower campaign manager has just announced that the campaign will focus on a combination of issues, including education, health care, and economic development.

The campaign is expected to be launched in the coming weeks, with a series of events, including a rally in the state capital and a series of town hall meetings.
First They Listened, Then They Danced

A. W. Todd

A Half Hour of Soup, Crackers, and Politics

BY MARY ELLEN GALE

(COLUMBIA—Last night members of the Columbia Student Nonviolence Coordinating Committee were honored by a special program which included some of the state's outstanding leaders. In an effort to bridge the gap between students and adult leaders, the program was designed to provide a forum for discussing important issues.

The evening began with a special address by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., who spoke on the importance of nonviolent resistance in the struggle for civil rights.

Following Dr. King's speech, a panel discussion was held, with representatives from various organizations and movements. The panelists discussed the challenges facing the movement and the strategies for effective action.

The program concluded with a community meal, where attendees had the opportunity to share a meal and engage in further discussion. The event was a significant step towards bridging the gap between students and adult leaders, and it served as a reminder of the power of dialogue and cooperation in the pursuit of justice.

The event was well attended and received widespread praise from attendees. It was a meaningful experience for all who participated, and it left a lasting impression on those who attended.

The evening was hosted by the Columbia Student Nonviolence Coordinating Committee, and it was made possible through the generous support of numerous local organizations and individuals. The committee wishes to extend their heartfelt thanks to all who supported this important event.

The committee looks forward to hosting similar events in the future, and they encourage all to join them in their efforts to promote dialogue and cooperation in the pursuit of justice.
A Rally In Selma

BY LARRY FREUDIGER

SELMA--By the time Samson Crum, an independent candidate for sheriff, rose to address the crowd gathered to mark one year since the Selma to Montgomery March, people were beginning to get a little tired of standing in the hot sun.

The all-day event had attracted some 600 people at different times, and at times it seemed that what was being said on the platform was very nice but had little to do with the people of Selma who had showed up.

When Crum began to talk, there was little doubt that the people remembered well the ordeals of last year. He wanted the people to know that they now held the power to determine their own future, and that the same men who beat them and tried to hold them back last year were now trying to get their votes.

Few in the crowd had been aware that Samson Crum was going to run for sheriff, but the response was immediate and enthusiastic.

He told the people that the Democratic Party was out to swallow up the Negro vote and make it meaningless.

"If we have to answer to those politicians, scheming day and night, we'll be no better off than we were in 1964," Crum said.

The folks in the audience stopped talking to one another and began to respond. He told of the battles of last year, and every time he mentioned the parts played by Jim Clark or Wilson Baker, the present Democratic sheriff candidates, he would look out at the crowd and say:

"But you're going to forget all that on May third."

"No we won't," they shouted, "never!"

"Jim Clark hasn't changed," he continued, "and Wilson Baker's just little bit smarter. That's the difference."

Crum is the sheriff candidate of the Dallas County Independent Free Voters Organization, which sponsored the rally.

The organization was formed about six weeks ago by Dallas County SICC and SCLC to run Negroes for public office independent of the Democratic Party.

The group will hold a series meeting on how to determine candidates who will appear on the November ballot against the Democrats. Crum was followed by the Rev. Ernest H. Bradford, chairman of Dallas County SHAPE (Self-Help Against Poverty for Everyone).

He said that SHAPE had been formed by the Negro people themselves, in order that they might have representation in the war on poverty when federal money came to Dallas County.

But the white community picked a white-bi-racial committee, with Negro members who, SHAPE says, were picked to be responsive to the whites.

Mrs. Pearl Moorer then gave a brief but fiery message from the Dallas County Farmer Movement, a group of tenant farmers who have received eviction notices since complaining that their landlord was cheating them out of federal funds.

They were told that they should move back in December, but the whites said, "You don't want to move," she said, "We've gotta walk that farmland, and now Jim Clark gonna turn us around."

At this point comedian Dick Gregory arrived from Chicago and joked about the Dallas County Voters League and ministers who are now urging Negroes to vote for Wilson Baker.

He glanced over at Brown's Chapel and said, "Sometimes I think we'll be going to Easter services, but it's May day, you don't know which church to go to any more."

TEXT BY LARRY FREUDIGER
PHOTOGRAPHS BY JAMES H. PEPPLER
MONTGOMERY -- A small clump of buildings stands a little way back from the Atlanta Highway, several miles out of Montgomery.

The cars whiz by, the drivers don't know there is anything unusual in the sky for those opening their eyes. Our Lady of Fatima Chapel and School is home for some 80 youngsters, ages 10 to 18. It is also the life work of Father Michael Caswell.

"There just wasn't any place for these boys," he said. Orphaned out of Mobile were integrated into a young boys' home 16 years ago. The home was in Mobile, and it's a real problem, as we aren't equipped to deal with juvenile delinquents or retarded children.

Although that was 16 years ago, there still is no other place in Alabama for boys aged about 10 to 18. Two Catholic orphanages in Mobile were integrated into one agency; other than Catholic boys and girls of both races up to about age 10.

Our Lady of Fatima Chapel and School receives both races up to age 18. Although there still is no place for these boys, Father Caswell is not supported by any particular Catholic order. As a result, the home has to seek financial appeals all over the United States every year.

The boys now live in a college-type dormitory which was built a piece at a time over four years ago money saved, threshed, and baled in building a gymnasium. Father Caswell hopes it will be finished in another year.

The boys are of many different backgrounds. Many are referred by Welfare workers from the Department of Pensions and Securities. Father Caswell said he tries to take only boys who need a home, but don't need special help. The boys also ralse some farm animals to keep themselves busy. Occasionally we get boys who are retarded, and it's a real problem, as we aren't equipped to help them," he said.

The boys also raise some farm animals for sale. They have few formal programs to attend, other than school. On a free afternoon, they often play in a car and drive to Montgomery for a movie or a baseball game. Or they stay home and organize a game of marbles on a patch of dirt.

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The staff has grown to ten, but Father Caswell Is the only one who lives there full time. The boys have few formal programs to attend, other than school. On a free afternoon, they often play in a car and drive to Montgomery for a movie or a baseball game. Or they stay home and organize a game of marbles on a patch of dirt.

The staff buys the food and supplies, but the boys themselves do all the cooking and laudry. They have some visitors, but mostly meals are eaten in the dining room.

Many boys have learned carpentry, plumbing, painting, and other Job skills. Father Caswell hopes it will be finished in another year.

Father Caswell expects the school to become accredited soon, although it is not graded before the seventh grade, and is very short on teachers.

Since the boys arrive with many different back­grounds, they are placed in classes grouped by ability until they are ready to enter the seventh grade. To make the most of the few teachers, the school gives classes like algebra and geometry only every other year. Two or three grades take the same class at once.

Two volunteers run after school classes in special subjects, but Father Caswell is always on the lookout for more teachers and volunteers.
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**SOUTHERN CIVIL RIGHTS LEADER**
U.S. Official Not Hopeful About Race Relations

By DAVID B. DUGGERS

WASHINGTON — It’s very difficult to be optimistic about the race problem in America,” according to a recent speech by the federal Community Relations Service.

Herman said some optimistic signs about the race relations situation throughout the country, but the work of the Community Relations Service (CRS) is not without its difficulties. CRS has been dealing with issues such as voter registration, housing, and employment policies, among others.

In response to the question of whether the government should intervene in race relations, Herman said, “It’s not a simple problem. It requires a comprehensive approach.”

Herman added that the government should continue to support the work of community organizations and work collaboratively with them to address these issues.

With the increasing diversity in America, race relations are becoming more complex. It’s important to recognize that there are different experiences and perspectives within the Black community. While some may see progress, others may feel like they’re not being heard.

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Yes, I understand that integration will really come, he said, “They are saying, ‘What do we do about this? We don’t want to lose this.’”

“And they say, ‘We’re going to lose this unless we do something about it.’”

But even as he talks about the future, Herman adds, “We have to keep a sense of optimism and hope.”

Despite the challenges, Herman remains hopeful that progress can be made. “We have to keep working on this, and we have to keep the momentum going.”

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