# THE SOUTHERN COURIER They Call It JUSTICE 

## Youths Sent To Reform School

HEIDELBERG, Miss.--Mrs. Mary Alice Thomas went to visit her 15 -year-old son, Percy Lee Thomas Jr., last weekend at Oakley Training School, the state reform school for Negroes in Raymond, Miss. She came back more worried She said her son wouldn't talk much about conditions at the school during the supervised visiting period, "but you could tell they was being mistreated." She
sald all the children seemed to be very afraid of talking with the lady guard 11 stening in.
Mrs. Thomas sald she's stayed worried ever since Thomas and a second 15-
year-old Heldelberg youth, George D. Newell, were sent to Oakley last month year-old Heldelberg youth, George D. Newell, were sent to Oakley last mon The tenagers were tirst picked up in Ausuth
and Mrs. Thomas' second son, Dennis Ray Thomas, 13 .
"At the time, sald Mrs. Thomas, "I went down to the city hall and asked
and "At the time," sald Mrs. Thomas, "I went down to the city hall and asked
what had they did, Travis Buckley (Jasper County attorney) told me to shut up,
but I thought a mother had a right to know those thngs. ren be's pretty nearly at all times, andI thought I could give some Later in the day, Mrs. Thomas sald, she was told she had to raise $\$ 100$ bond for the boys, because they made an "obscene phone call."
The boys sald later that Buckley had thre
The boys sald later that Buckley had threatened to send them away to reform
school if they didn't admit maklng the call. Dennis Ray Thomas sald he contess ed because he was afrald Buckley would send him to the penitentlary, even though he " never knowed a white person"s number to call.
But Percy Lee Thomas never did contoss, But Percy Lee Thomas never did con
wasn't golng to tell no lie on my own self",
The boys had no lawyer at their hearing on the charge last Oct 5 . Their attor barred from the court on grounds that he was not a Mississippl lawyer.

## Another Beating <br> In Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, Miss. Mrs. Finley satd Windham answered, ended" on TV said Mrs. Mary Dell Finley, "when "I don", she sald, Jay Johnson pleaded, we heard a gunshot out- Mrs. Finley, Johnsonn's cousin, sald he side."
Mrs. Finley sald she rushed outside last Saturday night in time to ose ehtila-
delphla police officers wille "Thip" delpha police ofticers wille "Tripp"
Windham and Charles "Steve" Huddleston stopplng willie Jay Johnson and
Eugene Johnson. Eugene Johnson.
The Johnson brothers had been walking down a dirt alley and were about to
turn onto Lewls Ave., fust Inside Philadelpha's city limits. "They mighta been drInking," sald Mrs. Finley, "bu
they weren't bothering anybody"" "Jay (Johnson) began to run," she sald, but when he couldn't get away, he asked Windham, "Tripp, why do you do us like this? We are all colored (Windham, a Negro, has been accused OF mistreating many colored people
since he joined the pollce force la year. A boycott of Philladelphia stores is the latest effort in a Negrocampalgn (Contined on PAce two coll Election Aftermath in Lowndes


Beating Cases Stalled In Mississippi Courts by gail falk DEKALB, Miss.--It wasn't anything
new to Kemper County when five young Negroes were beaten along the highway
last July 2. The county has a long history of racial violence.
But it was something new when the
men--Eugene Grittin, men--Eugene Gritfin, Ted Coleman, onn, of Preston, Miss., and R.G. Grady son, of Preston, Miss, and
of Memphs, Tenn.--called on the law
to punish the white men they accused of UJRY CASES $\mid$ MONTGOMERY--Attorneys for a
Negro accused of raphng white woman
have challenged the Montgomery county
jury system. jury system.
In a sult
filed in federal court last week, attorney Solomon Seay Jr. sald
the county's method of selecting names her county's method of selecting names
for
list excludes all people who are not "economically and politically successtul."
Seay asked Judge Frank M. Johnson
Jr. to stop the Montgomery County
grand grand jury from acting on the case of Johnny Lee Davis, a rape suspect.
Judge Johnson sald he would not interJudge Johnson satd he would not inter--
fere with the grand jury, but would
rule before Davis could be tried fere with the grand jury, but would
rule before Davis could be tried
MERIDIAN, MIss. .- Lauderdale County's grand jury taced a double load of cases this week because the Indict-
ments returned by last spring's grand jury were no good.
CIrcult Judge Aubert Dunn threw out
the indictments last the indict tments last spring after attorney Jack Young of Jackson claimed his
client, John Davis, 15 , accused of rape, could not get a falr hearing because the jury excluded Negroes and women. This term, Young sald, there were no more Negroes on the grand jury than
there were last term, and no women. So he protested agatn,
But this time, Judge Dunn denied
Young's motion, saying he didn't think Young's motion, saying he dididn't think
there was any ractal discrimination,

## 'Sold His People for a Coke' <br> BY VIOLA BRADFORD

LOWNDESBORO-- The Lowndes County Freedom Organization no longer
exists. It is now the
 election, the organiza-
tion's slate of candidates tion's slate of candidates
received more than $20 \%$ o
fledged political party. about the election--and the fact thatall the freedom candidates lost, "We kind of expected it," sald Mrs. Allce L
Moore, the freedom organization's choice for tax assessor. "But we dididn't 0 , because we filgured that we coullnn't get all of their support,"
Mrs. Moore sald intimidation was the main reason many Negroes didn't sup-
port the Negro candldates. "Most people who Ulve on the white people's
per
land were afrald to vote tor the and were arraic tovote for the freedom
organization's candidates because they thought they'd get thrown off their land," she sald,
"Most Negroes
$\qquad$ think of the value of the votet,"
But to SNCC Chalrman Stokely car michael, the Lowndes County lelection a party now," Carmichael seld thls week in Boston, Massachusetts, "Slack
people aren't discouraged. We're on the

Lowndes County Freedom the vote. Under Alabama Party. In last week's law, this makes it a full-

## rights activit, registration. The men swo The men swore out warrants that led dangerous weapon against Lamar Breckenridge, and assault and battery with a dangerous weapon against James Calvin Breckenridge (the BreckenCalvin Breckenridge (the Brecken- ridges are father and son). In additton, ridges are father and son). In addition, the Negroes filed civil suit against the Breckenridges, asking payment for in- furies caused by the beating. Last week both cases came up in court, and neither of them got very far. A grand fury refused to indict the Breckenridges on the criminal charges. Breckenridges on the criminal charges. District Attorney Harvey Buck, who was In charge of the prosecutton, explained, not enough for the grand jury to goon,", Buck sald sheriff's deputy H.T. JarBuck sald sherift's deputy H.T. Jar- vis couldn't find anyone home when he went around to let the witnesses know when to appear in court. On the day of the hearing, Buck sald, "I got a bench warrant and the sheriff "I got a bench warrant and the sheriff went out and arrested one." Jarvis ar- rested the youngest witness, 15 -yearrested the youngest witness, 15 -yearold Renea Johnson, but again reported he couldd't find any of the others, Buck sald, John Johnson sald he was taken to a room where there were about 20 men, and told him to point out the two men who beat him . He sald that's Roosevelt Griffin, father of he-year- old Eugene Gritfin, sald Jarvis could have found more witnesses if he had tried, "He came here and asked for me tried, "He came here and asked for me and Eugene. My wife told him where I was working in Louisville (in the next county), and that Eugene was in school." Roosevelt Griffin sald the deputy dddn 't leaveve any messsage about the hearing. had he had, this bore. Or Id a been here. Farried him to the courthouse myself?, <br> And when the deputy sheritf went to find Coleman, according to Grittin, Coleman's sister said he was out in the (CONTINUED on PAGE FIVE, Col, 5)

"We are the second party in Lowndes County now," sald James Jones, a re-
sident of LWwndesbore "We palle sident of Lowndesboro. "We polled
more votes than the Republican Party." Stlll, he said, he was "silck" about the results. About one-filth of the Negroes didn't About one-firth of the Negroes didn't
bother to vote, he sald. "And there was another group, the intellectuals, who had com mitted themselves to the people who were responsible for their
jobs. They thought that the white people jobs. They thought that the white people
were the only ones who could help them, were the only ones who co
so they stuck with them."
"There was evldence in so many in-
stances that showed why the (Negro) stances that showed why the (Negro)
candidates didnt candidates didn't recelve as many votes
as they should have," Jones sald "Some Negroes were, Intimidated to
such an extent that they didnt vol such an extent that they didn't vote." In one instance, he sald, "a Negro
Uncle Tom (voting) clerk sold his people Uncle Tom (voting, clerrk sold his people coftee. didn't hear anybody say this, and
"I cilnece and some nobody told me about ti. I saw hm help a Negro to the booth, and whlle he was
helpling him, I heard (the clerk) say, ${ }^{\text {IT }}$ helping him, heard (the cierk) say, 1 ,
you want to vote for Shertif Ryals,
here's the lever here. Pull thls onetor him.

## Three's a Crowd In Linden Jail

LINDEN--Civil rights worker Dick Reavis came back from Texas this week to face a multitude of charges in Marengo County Circuit Court.
After two trials, not only was Reavis behind bars, but so were his wife and his
lawyer lawyer.
Last Monday, Reavis was convicted on six counts of driving without an Alabama
driver's and so he went to jail.
Demopolis police had given Reavis the tickets last summer, while he was workIng for SCLC in the Demopoins summer Project.
Reavis' wife, Becky, who worked with hit
Reavis wre, Becky,
spectators at the trial, After Demopolis Police Chief A.E. Cooper had testifled
 she jumped up and loudly accused him
of being of betng "the best Har Pve ever known,"
Hildreth turned to Cooper and asked what she sald, cooper repplied, "She called me a llar." The judge requeste
Mrs, Reavis toapologize She esked Mrs. Reavis to apologize. She asked he
husband's lawyer, Donald A. Jelinek of
the the Lawyers Consttuttional Defense Commiltee, if she had to, and he sald
she could do whatever she wanted, So Mrs. Reavis sald she would 'r't apo
logize, Hildrets held hin fined her $\$ 50$, and sentenced her tofive

On Wednesday morning, Reavis wa convicted of vagrancy, fined $\$ 100$, and Shortly afterward, Sheritt T. Wilmer Shields arrested Jelinek on a complaint
charging him with practtcing without charging him with practicing without a
Iicense. He joined the Reavises in the Marengo County jall
U.S. Court Halts Trial of 80
 MONTGOMERY--A frantic trial in the defendants then refused to represe Montgomery Municipal Court last had not pald him for his previous wor Friday resulted in $\$ 100$ fines against on the case flve SNCC workers and a contempt- When Jellnek tried to speak on behal
of-court cltatlon against their lawyer. of the SNCC workers, Judge Loe sald A related trial, scheduled for of the SNCC workers, Judge Loe sald Tuesday in the same court, might ordered him locked up. Jelinek was
have been even more frantic, with
hind bars for about 30 minutes. 80 defendants instead of five. But the night before, a federal
court in New Orleans, La., sald further courtroom antlcs would have to walt.
It ordered Federal Judge Frank It ordered Federal JJdge Frank $M$,
Johnson $J$, to hear the defendants Johnson Jr. to hear the defendants
clamm that the trials should not be held
This week's developments were the latest of many in cases that began
around the time of the Selma-to-Montaround the ume of the Selma-to-Mont-
gomery march in March, 1965. These
cases cases involved 167 defendants arrested In Montgomery on charges of disorderly
conduct, loitering, refusing to obey an conduct, loitering, refusing to ob
officer, and resisting an ofticer. At first, lawyers for the 167 demonstrators asked Judge Johnson to take the cases away from the Montgomery cour
and hear them himself. He refused, and and hear them hamself. He refused, and
courts all the way up to the $U$., Supreme Court agreed with him.
Then Donald $A$. Jelinek of the Lawasked Johnson to throw out the cases altogether, because the arrests were "selective and didscriminatory,", and
the charges too "vague," the charges
refused.
So $S N C C$
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House, BIII Ware, George Bass, and
william Hall went Willtam Hall went on trial for dils-
orderly conduct last Friday before orderly conduct last Friday before
Judge D. Eugene Loe. But Jellinek was
told that state law prevented him from told that state law prevented
representing the defendants. Charles Conley, a Negro
ordered him locked up. Jelinek was be-
hind bars for about 30 minutes.
Meanwhile, the SNCC workers dended themselves They repeatedly asked Judge Loe to
give them a lawyer, "Your honor," said Forman, "please explain our rights." Forman got in several wrangles with City Attorney Ira Dement. When the trial ran past the lunch hour, Forman
remarked, "My legal expertence tells me this trial is illegal," DeMent responded, "My legal ex-
pertence tells me I'm hungry," perience tells me P'm hungry."
Forman repplied, "And I'm hungry for more than just food, Mr. DeMent, Yor more than just food, Mr. DeMent.
$\mathrm{I}^{\prime}$ hungry for freedom, freedom,
freedom," Forman wound up the defense with a long speech, He sald the defendants'
conduct had not beendisorderly, unless conduct had nor beendisorderly, uniess say, 'Here I am,' or bow down" when
confronting a policeman. "There's no law that says a man can't stt down," law that says a ma
But all flve were found guilty and
ined $\$ 100$. They were also sentenced to 30 days in jall, but the sentence was Meanwhile, Judge Johnson's latest decision in the case was being appealed to the U.S. Fith Circult Court of Ap-
peals in New Orleans, And, hours bepeals in New Orieans, And, hours be-
fore Round Two was obegin in Mu-
nictpal Court, the Fitt Circult ordered Johnson to give the demonstratorsa hearing.

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## Editorial Opinion

## When Trouble Comes

After Mrs. Ardella Huddleston saw Willie Jay
Johnson beaten and arrested in front of her home in Philadelphia, Miss., Saturday night, she wanted to do something about it.
She didn't trust any local lawyers or law enforcement officials to help her. So she tried calling the FBI in Jackson the next morning. But the FBI only Huddleston didn't know where to turn. All she knew was that Johnson was in jail with "his head swole up as big as two," and no one knew how to get him out.

The same day, the NAACP's national director, state program in Philadelphia. National director Roy Wilkins told the crowd, "The NAACP is here when you need it." Wilkins said the NAACP was committed to "getting cruelty and terror off of our necks." But the NAACP offlicials had to rush on to another meeting, and none of them did anyII the people who olways talk about defending the poor people from injustice and
brutality mean what they say, they must get out of their offices and fine clothes, brutality mean what they say, they must get out of their offices and fine clothes,
and down from their speaker's plattorms. Over and over, the excuse for inaction
But victims of brutailty are most often poor and uneducated. They don't know how to inform properly.
The federal government and clvil rights organizations must seek out the quiet
victims, the ones who don't know what todo. They must go out and find the Mrs. Huddlestons, instead of waiting in an oftice in Jackson or Washington until the
cry for help becomes too desperate to be ignored.
For laws and lawyers and civll rimhts groups will do no good--poor people,
and especially poor Negroes, will contlnue to be victims of brutality-as long as

## Letters to the Editor

## To the Edttor: Can you explain to me who does this

 Can you explain to me who does thisMontgomery so-called bb-ractal com
mittee of 45 Negroes represent. I am interested to know because the commu-
nity is never informed nity is never informed of nothing tha
comes out of their meetings. With con dittons getting worse in Montgomery
County I am wondering why is It the committee doesent inform the commuings if there is any results.
houses. I am wondering what is thl committee doing about Negroes having 15 or 20 years old or older. Are thls housing committee walting untll every-
one is displaced so within the next four or five years the owner will be able to be able to keep up the payments?

## Alabama Opinion

## Schools 'Better Wake Up'



## Picketing

 Suspended
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 ers in the Kress store. The civil rights groups charged Kress wit civil rights and with "discrimination" in hiring an In a meeting Nov. 10 , the civil rights groups presented a list of demands tothe Kress manazement the Kress management, These demand
included:

1. "That Negroes, along with others 1. "That Negroes, along with other ,
will be treated with every degree courtesy in all departments of this
store, Including the lunch counter, and by all sales personnel."
2. "That employment of Negroes wil be the same as that of whites during the
Christmas hiring." Christmas hiring."
3. "That Negroes will be hired per-
centage-wise, beginining immediately, to help alleviate the gross imbalanc existing in the ratto between white and Negro employees, That the percentage
employed will (move) progressively and steadily toward a commensurate
centage with the Negro patronage,"
4. "That in the future Negroes wit be hirded on equal basis with whites, that color, including positions, pay scale,
$\qquad$ 5. "That the management will give
satisfactory indication that he satisfactory indication that he intends
to alleviate the conditions promptr to alleviate the conditions prompting
the demands." The delegation of civili rights representatives, sald from $55 \%$ to $57 \%$ of Kress
customers are Negrees, but Negroes make up $25 \%$ or less of the store's
employees. Smith said J.C. Spikes, manager of
the store, guaranteed that " standings about courtesy would be The minister sald Spikes promised to
hire one Negro for every white--and in some cases, two Negroes for every
white--during the Christmas sean And, said Smilt, Spikes promised to "seek to equalize Job opportunitues in
an positions." Spikes. refused to
comment on the meeting.
Smith said the picketing was halted of the response to our demands....A great deal will depend upon the response of the management to these demands."
Meanwhile, it was learned that L.F.
Ishee, assistant manager of the store when the plckettng began, has been re placed. A Kress employee sald Ishee
had been "transferred to another

When a Negro girl was mistakenly accused of shoplifting last month, wit-
nesses said Ishee told them he "dildn" care whether or not Negroes shopped in
Kress again." At the time, Spukes Kress again." At the time, Spikes sald
Ishee "wouldn't say something like
that."

## People Complain About Macon Poverty Program

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 signed as chairman about two months
ago but stayed on as a CAC member. "A ago but stayed on as a CAC member. "A
lot of other programs could be start-d--out in the county-it the commit"That's your job. You know what you
need better than anyone else does, It nothing is being done in your area,
complain about it. If you complain long and loud enough, something will be

## News Is Out

 Of $0 E 0$ \$ $\$$ BY MARY ELLEN GALEUNION SPRNGGS-"I am very happy to inform you that our area has, aat long
last, received. .approval for antl-poverty funds," Jackson W. Stokes, chair-
man of the Bullock-Pike-Cotee count man of the Bullock-Pike-coffee county
poverty program, wrote to the mem-
bers last week. bers last week.
That was how the news tinally got out
to the Negrocommunity. But, according to the Negrocommunity. But, according
to some civil rights leaders in Bullock to some civil rights leaders in Bullock
County, the white communty already knew.
"It seems like the white commiltee
members know a lot more than the Ne-
 rights leader from Union Springs.
risome of the white folks downtowntold "Some of the white folks downtown told
me we had a grant while the Negroes were telling me they hadn't heard no-
thing about It,"
willuass satd this was a bad sign for
the future; "II they do it like it's been the future; ""I they do it lilke tlt's been
done, they'll make the plans first on done, they'll make the plans first and
then invite the Negroes in,"
The erant of $\$ 16,332$ is The grant of $\$ 16,332$ is for "年ittal
program development"--settling up an program development"--setting up an
office and hiring a staff. The office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) approved
It Nov. 1 .
Robert Harris, a Negro board met Robert Harris, a Negro board mem-
ber from Midway, said the Nov. 10 letter from Stokes was the first he and
the other Bullock County Negromem bers knew of the grant,
"But it says they're going to tell us when they hold the meeting to get the
program going," he sald. "Ithink they program golng," he sald. "I think they
will. We haven't been having any trouble,", at his office in Elba, sald
Stokes, he was treating all the board members
alike. "I notified every one at the same
time by letter one day last week," he

According to the rules of the poverty
program, Governor George C. Wallace
has 30 days toacceptor veto--or tloore


Western Reserve University in Cleve land, ohio, to attend special classes on
law enforcement. Before leaving for
Cleveland, Amerson traveled to Cleveland, Amerson traveled to Bilox


 committee if she turns you down, The group elected Mrs. Florene
Mason, of Nebo community seven miles south of Tuskegee, to represent the poo people in the Tuskegee area on the
CAC. Then Mrs, Hattle S. Kelly got up and told them that wasn't enough,
"Mrs, Mason can't do it all by herself," she sald, "We ought to see that she gets information abo meting. ${ }^{\text {Clome to as many meetings as yo }}$ can, Let those people on the committee
know yourre there watching and listening," Gowan added.
Mrs. Johnson, the director, was, out
of town all this week, But when some of her staft workers heard about the meet Ing, they sald too many people
watching and ustening already. "A whole lot of colored people ar crittcizing us," sald Mrs. Lottle Esau, "fout when we asked them to help, the didn't. Pm not taking up for Mrs. John
son, but it rubs anybody the wrong way when they spend all day up here work-
ing and flighting and then someone who's been resting comes down and start crittcizing."
IIt's diffricult to get the people to do anyming," sald Freddide L, Washnngton, we need? Understanding.
"The only time people come in her
is when they want jobs," Mrs. Esa is when they want jobs," Mrs. Esau
sald " That's all my people are interested in, Most of the work has been
done by the white people,"

--the new poverty grant.
Stokes said that as soon as he found
out a boout the grant NNov., , he asked
mayors of towns in the three countles mayors of towns in the three countles
to recommend that Governor wallace watve the 30 -day wattung period
the program begin right away. the program begin right away.
"We haven't been able to getall those recommendations yet," Stokes sadd,
"but when we do, we hope the governor
will will agree Then
meeting to begin wor
"We don't know who will be hired (to
run the program)," he sald. Will the
director be white or Negro? "That's run the program)," he sald. WAT He
director be white or Negro? "That's
entirely up to the board. Personally, Intirely up to the board. Personally, regardless of race, creee, or color,",
Stokes also sald the board would decide whether the up-coming meeting
will be open to the public or not, "As far as Pm concerned," he added,
"we're a private organization using
public funds, so our meetlings are
puivicte."
willams sald he thought the meet-
ings should be public. Otherwise, he
sald, " "they're saying, 'You have no
Philadelphia
delphia
and resisting an ofticer. "The ma shot two or three times at a policeman," explatined an offlicer on duty at police
headquarters. Windham is one of the defendants in
a federal sult tlled last Juneby leaders a federal sutt filed last June by leaders
of the Meredth march and joinedby the U.S. Justre Department, The sult asks
the federal court to order Phlladelph1a the federal court to order Philadelphia
and Neshoboa County police to protect
Negroes exerclsing thetr and Neshoba County poilice to protect
Negroes exerctsing their civil rights.
However, the sult has not yet been However, the sult has not yet been
heard In fact, Federal Judge Dan
Russell has not set a date for the trial


At the Country Polling Places

## RURAL ELECTION DAY




Photographs by Jim Peppler



## NEGROES GET MYSTERIOUS SAMPLE BALLOT

 Mobile Election: Who Did What--and Why?BY JOHN C. DIAMANTE MOBILE--"If I don't vote this time, it'll be that chard housewife a week chard housewife a week got the candidates campaigning, but they ain't our supposed to-be-leaders is talking voting, but
they don't talk about any they don't talk about any candidates. It's like a big private conversation been
going on, and it's been going on, and it's
going on too long." "There really isn't nobody running,",
said another voter. "Except in cirsald another voter. "Except in cir-
cles," added a third "Everybody"s cles," added a third. "Everybody"s,
confused and a little bit scared." The confusion during election time In Moblle is nothing new. It's been
gotng on for years. going on for years. In the past, a nood of conflicting Negro community on the eve of an

Some of the ballots were distributed
anonymously, in deflance of anonymously, in deflance of Alabama
law. Nearly all of them clatmet toen law. Nearly all of them claimed toen-
dorse the candidates who would do the most for Mobile Negroes.
But only one sample ballot appeared
before the general electlon this time. before the general electlon this tme. groups talked about getting out the vote, many people replied that they were "going tishing " on election day. And
on Nov, 8 , slightily less than $40 \%$ of on Nov. 8 , silghtly less than $40 \%$ of
Mobile's
registered Negro voters bothered to go to the polls.
The Negro leaders had their own
Ideas about the small turn-out " "There Ideas about the small turn-out, "There
was serious disappointment in the Ne was serious disappointment in the Ne-
gro community when the Negro vote didn't prove to be a potent factor on May 3 ," sald John Leflore of the NonPartsan Voters League.
In May, over 50\% of the voters came out in an effort to deliver a meaningtul
"bloc vote". They talled to elect any candidates. As a result, LeFlore said, many voters were too discouraged to
want to try again. want to try again.
But some people
housewife, sald the Negroes weretired of election campalgns directed only at their leaders. They wanted to meet the candidates themselves, and make up
their own minds. tIr y you go fishing on electlon day,",
warned C.H. Montgomery, of the Alabama Coordinating Committee, beiore the election, "it'll be the most ex-
pensive fish you ever caught," pensive many Negroes didn't evenbo
But many
to register. Voter registration has been



AT WORK IN THE NON-PARTISAN VOTERS LEAGUE OFFICE

## low since May.

"It appears Negro civil rights groups have rolled over and played dead in the lidee 2,629 votes and Republican canlast tew months when it came to reg- Independent Carl Robinson got only istering voters," LeFlore said. agreed Montgomery. "Get together as a oneness to educate the people," Montgomery, an unsuccessful candidate for
the State House in the the State House in the May primary,
urged Negro leaders before the general electlon.
Many Negro voters wanted most to learn how to vote for candiddates of tlf-
ferent partles on one ballot. ferent partles on one ballot.
But the three major groups in Mobile failed to get this instruction to large numbers of people.
"They dont want "'They don't want you to know too much about the machines -- and Pm
inclined to believe one of the big partles is behind this - - because we just haven't been able to getahold of the machines,",
the Rev. A. R. Ray of the Neely Street the Rev. A. R. Ray of the Neely Street
Civic Club told anaudtence in Prichard But only 40 people were present on the two occasions that Ray explained how to spilt a ticket, using an imitation ballot
marked with a glant arrow. (The ballot marked with a glant arrow. (The ballot
came from Jack Edwards, a Republican Congresslonal candidate, who was reelected in the First District.)
Only 45 people showed up to hear Montgomery and the Coordinating Com
mittee tell them how to spilt a ticket, using ballots cllpped from the news papers.
When
When LeFlore and the NPVL got a machine from the county, it was adver-
tsed a week late. So few people showed for the dem onstration that one man said, "that was money the county should have
saved." Dr. Robert Gilliard, saved." Dr. Robert Gilliard, presi-
dent of the Mobile NAACP, sald the prodent of the Mobile NAACP, sald the ero-
blem was "that you can't doan effective job of educating persons about a split
vote in two-three wion vote in two-three weeks.,
On Nov. 8, the Negroes who did go go
to the polls voted the straight Demo to the polls voted the straight Demo-
crattc ticket, with few exceptlons. The
four major Negro wards in the city - -2,



THE REV. A. R. RAY TEACHES PEOPLE HOW TO SPLIT THER VOTES gong to ive eou the program, and we're $\begin{aligned} & \text { Montgomery, to explain why the co- } \\ & \text { gordinating Committee didn't put out a }\end{aligned}$ (to vote together." "This is one of the most cruclal elec- ordinating Commiltee didn't put out a
sample ballot this year. "But we tions in the history of Alabama," Mont- wouldn't go to a candidate and ask for gomery sald the weekend before the $\$ 2-3,000$ to make up ballots."
 didates, but for you toshow your ap-
preciation for what is largely Democratic, ralsed
coordinatitig
enough money from somewhere to in-
 At another meeting, he said, "We're night before the election. The teletired of being planned for - we want phones were used to urge people to vote
them (the politicians) to plan with us. and to deny that the Coordinating Comthem (the poiltitians) to plan with us. ${ }^{\text {and }}$ andeny that the Corrdinating Com-
Whichever one gets elected, we expect mittee had put out any sort of ballot. him to be the representative of all the people,"
But Montgomety admitted that it
oeesn't really happen that way, "Not one white member (out of 105) of the ounty Democratic Executive Commitee voted for my try as vice-chairman;
eet they ask us (the Negroes) to stand up and support the ticket." Nevertheless, he satd, "IIt isn"t fair
to expect candidates to stand out and to expect candldates to stand out and
stand up for our people because it's orally right - I don't go along with that; we've got to go out and help the ord get the job done."
There was ilttle discussion and no criticism at the Neely Street and Co-
ordinating Committee meetings. But ordinating Committee meetings. But
the Non-Partisan Voters League leaders didn't get off so easilly.
slate --- only recommend the best persons for the job," O.B. Purefoy told a NPVL audience." The voters re-
a
a sponded noisily.
"We in Alabama
shouted one. "T'm sick of this junk," "What does non-partisan mean?
"Whed one . others murmured angrily.
All three civil rights
All three civil rights groups attracted ew voters younger than 40. "You know
young people wouldn't stand for that youns people wouldn't tstand
nonsense," one man explained.
These groups raise only a few dollars at their weekly meetings, scarcely enough to wage full-scale campaigns at electlon time. ""I we'd had enoughbal-
lots, we would have marked them," sald

Almost every civil rights group in
Moblle refrained from Moblle refratined from sponsoring a ballot. But there was one exception.
The NPVL first sent out a letter to teachers, stressing the importance of voting and promisising further r informa-
tion. Ont he Monday before the election, tion. On the Monday before the election,
a "pink sheet" was distributed. In the past the sheet has beena sample ballot. This year the 25,000 coppes resem-
bled a letter, explaining how to splt a bled a letter, explaining how to split a
ticket, and urging that the voter first ticket, and urging that the voter first
pull the Democratic master lever, before choosing any other candidates.
But did the two letters reflect the But did the two letters reflect the
thinking of all NPVL leaders? Henry williams, NPVL board chairman, sald he never heard of etther until he discovered a pile of them in a vacant lo
next to his house next to his house.
Finally, late Mo
mous white ballotappeared. It endorsed Repubilicar candidates Martin, Collins Edwards, and two local GOP state House
contestants, Bert Nettles and Emmett Gaston. The white ballot was delivered to the
NPVL office late Monday NPVL office late Monday night with
some Edwards ballots. Several west some Edwards ballots. Several rest-
dents claimed that the same people dents claimed that the same people
gave them the pink sheet and the white
ballot ballot. In Ward 10, the NPVL's home ground,
two Republicans ran ahead of the two Repubilicans ran ahead of the
straight Democratic ticket origitnally recommended by the pink sheet, Martin beat Wallace, 782 to 556 , and Collins
won over Gallion ${ }_{3}^{\text {won over Gallion, } 720 \text { to } 501 \text {. In Ward }} 3$, where all NPVL literature was widely 3, where all NPVL 1 literature was widely
distributed, both Martin with 595 votes and Robinson with 441 beat Wallace's
380 . ${ }_{380}{ }^{3}$ Ma
Many people assumed the white ballot
had come from the NPVL because the had come from the NPVL because the
ballot carried a message to the voters exactly like that used on the envelope in which the NPVL pink sheets were de-
livered " livered. "pill do"" LeFtore sald, "Anypeople will do," Lefrore sald, "ny
thing that goes out from the NPVL has the NPVL's name on it.
As the election drew closer, some
white men paid visits' to the NPVL office. Among them were Juvenile Court Judge J. T. Strickland, and the
son of Emmett Gaston, Republican contender for House place 6 . LeFlore said he had no idea what
Gaston's son wanted at $10: 30$ the night Gaston's son wanted at 10:30 the night
before the election, but explained that betore the election, but explained that
Strickland was an old friend, and was handling a case for him. "Judge Strickland comes up here elght or nine
times a year on personal business times a year
LeFlore sald.
After the voting was over $\mathrm{N} 0 \% 8$ Vernol Jensen Jr., , ederal distriet at-
torney, said, "It apparently torney, sald, "It apparently was a good
clean election at the But long before all the counted, some polittcians were claim-
ing victory in Ing victory in Mobile's Negro wards.
Bill Grayson, the Democrat BIll Grayson, the Democrat who won
House place 10 , spoke confidently at $8: 30$ on e.ection night. He wasn't acknowledging congratulations yet, but he
wasn't worried. "I'm waiting on wasn"t worried. "Pm waiting on Ward
10 and Prichard," he smiled, "That's 10 and Pricha

## From the College to the Ghetto <br> by Stephen e. cotton

BOSTON, Massachusetts -- Stokely Carmichael's trip to Boston beg Eight hundred people, most of them
white, turned out to hear the SNCC white, turned out to hear the SNCC


STOKELY CARMICHAEL sind of brightly-colored the that the most fashionable college students wear. Carmichael talked about black power ("Were saying were anti-racist, no
that all whites are racists"); the Lowndes County Freedom Organization (it "now represents a threat to the Democratic Party of Alabama, thank
God"); and the draft ("We don't think any man has the right to make another $\operatorname{man}$ a hired killer for two years") Television floodlights glared, the audience clapped happily, Carmichael
spoke calmly and softly. And after spoke calmly and softly. And ate
less than an hour of it all, he let

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gro section of Boston. The rally there
was free, and the audience mostly Ne was free, and the audience mostly Ne -
gro. A TV camera crew began taking
pictures, pictures, and carmichew began taking
to stop. They did met asked them to stop. They didn't.
"Now I asked you "Now I asked you once about those
lIghts," Carmichael, snapped, "I was
nite., Now turn "em oft," The lIghts
went oft, and the camerame. looked
puzzled about what to do next. puzzled about what to do next,
"You fellows got your shot," :dat Carmichael. "Now can you split?", As $A$ a couplicheel. "Now can you split?" A
a tonged boys started over to them, they did, "Carmichael said "Black power," Carmichael sale
softly, as he clenched his fists and
grinned, softly, as he clenched his fists and
grinned. The audience laughed and
clapped,
clapped,
The Roxbury, rally lasted twice as The Roxbury, rally lasted twice a
long as the Harvard speech, During long as the Harvard speech, Durian
the rally, Carmichael took off his coat, lose ned his tie, and tore into the draft,
lone diet Nam war and the Diet Nam war, and white people who
own stores in Negro netgbore own stores in Negro neighborhoods,
"They (white merchants) charge us high prices for rotten goods,", he
stormed. "They loot us every day of stormed. "They loot us every day of
our lives. White people ought to run out
of the ghetto lock, of the ghetto lock, stock and barrel,"
But Carmichael made it clear that he thinks the Vet Nam war is the mos pressing problem facing Negroes.
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## power to stop that war in Viet Nam,", nation-wide speaking to he said. "The only power we've got is him as far as Hawaii.

 to said, "The only power we've got isto say 'Hell, no,' to the draft, and will say 'Hell, no. no '" draft, and
The federal government, Carmichael The federal government, Carmichael
charged, is " charged, is "moving now to get rid of
all those young cats who wont take
nothin' from no cop. Talk about draft all those young cats who wout draft-
nothing' from no cop. Talk about
ing $30 \%$ of us and put us on the front ing $30 \%$ of us and put us on the front
line., Tell us that's where we get good
pay."
$\qquad$
His people to action, By the time the rally or the buses that carry Nod given money rom Roxbury to near-by white schools.
Some Some people had signed up to organize
picketing at schools they didn't think were doing a good job. Others't decided to visit a Negro-owned store, to see
whether the owner would lower his whether the owner would lower his
prices if Negroes got together and prices if Negroes got together and
shopped there rather than at white shopped there rather than at white
stores. And one youth got up and said he had already told his draft boar
"Hell, no." Afterwards, the boy walked over to Carmichael and said he wass't going
to let himself be dratted, but he was to let him afraid "I'm scared, too," said Carmichael),
"But we still got to say, 'Hell, no?' few days beeton jailed in Selma, 1 la, few days before he came to Boston. His
appearance here was the first stop on

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field pulling corn. The field was "right close" to the house, said Griffin, but the officer just drove oft. A hearing on the civil suit was set for
last Thurs last Thursday, but it never really got challenged the fury.
challenged the fury.
Then lawyers for the Breckenridges Then lawyers for the Breckenridges
asked Judge John Greene Jr. to require a $\$ 200$ cash bond from each of the five Negro plaintiffs, and the judge agreed.
Circuit Clerk James Palmer explained
that cash bond is sometimes required to that cash bond is sometimes required to
guarantee payment of court costs if the plaintiffs lose.
Lawyers for the Negroes then asked
Greene to continue the case Greene to continue the case while they appealed his ruling on the fury to the Mississippi supreme Court, and Greene
set a 60 -day deadline for the payment set a 60 -day
of cash bond.

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by arlam carr Jr. MONTGOMERY--The mighty Wol-
verines of Carver High School, with perfect $9-0-0$ season behind them, are Alabama Christian Alabama Christian
Movement for Human Rights The weekly meeting will be held
at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov, 21, in St. at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 21, in St.
Luke AME Church, 28th St. and 21 st Luke AME Church, 28th St. and 21st
Ave. N., the Rev. A.W. Thomas, Live. N.,
pastor.
next month.
Carver
Carver trample rival, Booker To fos cross-town School, 45 to 6 , last Saturday in Cram--
ton Bowl. It was the 18th annual Cap1tan Cowl. It was the istc, and Carver's andird
traikht victory over straight victory over BTW.
The W The Wolverines will probably meet
Mobile Central High School or motll Mobint Central Hilg School or Mobile
County Tranining School for the ttle. The two Mobble teams face off in their traditional battle on Thanksgiving Day.
In last Saturday's romp, the Wolver In last Saturday's romp, the Wolver-
ines were sparked by Archie Robbinson's ines were sparked by Archie Robinson's
four touchowows. The wild game fea-
tured numerous fumbles, Interceptions,
and blocked punts.

 end foeer Randel.1. Thomas Miltcelli's extra point made it 7 to 0 .
But the Yellow Jackets of BTW came But the Yellow Jackets of BTW came
right back with touchdown of their own Quarterback Clinton Drake--a stou figure in defeat--tossed an eight-yar pass to end Leon Martin for the score,
but the try for the PAT was smothered. Then BTW fad PAT was smotherThen BTW had its first instance of
the punting troubles that bothered the team all atternoon, Carver end Donald VInson blocked Phillip SIm ${ }^{\prime}$ klck, plckfor a touchdown,

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alley of Carver intercepted one of Drake's of Casses, and shortly thereafter
Draked one Robinson ran two yards for the TD
Then, after Then, after SIms was trapped behind
the line of scrimmage whin the line of scrimmage while trying to
punt, Robinsen punt, Roblnson charged ten yards to
another score. another score.
It was 25 to 6 at halftime and got worse.
In the third period, Belser hit will Arrington on a 23 -yard scoring pass and Robinson scored again, this time
from the one, Milchell's point-ater from the one. ${ }^{\text {. }}$
made it 38 to .
 pass early in the fourth quarter, and
that led to that led to Roblinson's fourth TD of the game. He punched over from the two,
and Mitchell added the 45 th and final and Mit
point.
The
marked a coaching triumph for John
Fulgham and wilim Fulgham and willam Gary of Carver.
The Wolverines lostan outstanding crop
of sentors last of sentors last year, and in thelr first
game this fall, they were a ragge $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { game this fall, they were a ragged } \\ \text { bunch. y last Saturday, though, Carver } \\ \text { moved wy }\end{array}\right.$ Reform School (CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE)
anything about a phone call. He sald he only confessed because he was afraid, But Heldelberg Mayor Paul Rowell and Jasper County Sherity R.L. Grayson
told Porter the boys had not beenthreatened. Porter asked the sheritf how he knew
these boys were the ones these boys were the ones who made the
call, Grayson sald he could tell because the phone calls stopped after they had
thanser been plcked up. Mrs. Thomas sald she never saw any white lady at the hearing and was neve the charges. Buckley refused to comment on the case afterwards because he sald charg-
es against juveniles were not public ines agalnst Juveniles were not publici in-
formation, But he didd say the boys had formation, But he didd say the boys had
been sent to oakley untll the end of the school term.
Mrs
Mrs. Thomas sald she is worried
3chnoi tor now, because she was told at the reform
school that the boys would lose a year in school that the boys would lose a year
school unless they got out this month.
sta She sald her son had gone to classess
regularly when he first get to regularly when he first got to Oakley,
but now he has to work cutting halr durbut now he has to
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