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—Deacons backed

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with Eugene William Blake-by, a cab driver, who said:

"Is it right? I don't know. Effective - yes. Obviously the law has done nothing to protect these people. If this had been done a long time ago, things would not be so bad now. I think it will hurt the civil rights movement, but what other way is there?"

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THE REV. Raymond Clayborne: "I feel the Deacons are right. The way things have been, I think I would have done it long ago. This may be the answer - an eye for an eye. I couldn't let someone hurt me when I can protect myself.

"Even if 'whitey' is arrested, he is always cleared. This has got to happen or they will always be killing us. Only if their blood is shed will they stop and think."

Richard Hayes, patrolman: "This is not the first time this has been done but I think it is a step in the wrong direction. It is wrong to strike back after the nonviolent movement; however, I don't think it will really hurt the civil rights cause."

Housewife, shopping at Mondawmin: "There is a need for self-protection. The police won't protect these people. What other answer is there? We all want freedom and must get it. No, I don't think it will hurt the rights movement."

Freddie Davis, butcher and packing company employee: "This is good if it works - and it seems to be working. Just how much are a people supposed to take?"

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THE REV. Clifford Cooper: "No, it won't hurt the civil rights movement. As for defense and protection, I have to agree with the Deacons. They are not going after anybody. The idea is - if you don't start, we won't start.

"All people need their rights. A people have the right to protect themselves when the forces of law fail to do so."

Mrs. Estelle Price, factory worker: "They are doing what they have to do. Sometimes this is the only answer; I don't think it will hurt. And that's what guns are for - defense."

A construction worker: "Ten years ago I would have said yes it was wrong, but now I have learned to think with my own mind. My boss wouldn't like this so don't use my name - and no picture.

"What the Deacons are doing has been needed a long time. Somewhere along the line you got to stand your ground. I'm from the south and I know. That's what brought me here - only I wasn't called no 'Deacon'.

"Don't fought back. We need more people like them. This might give more respect to the civil rights movement; after all, the Deacons are righters too."

—President signs

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action came a little more than 24 hours after the house, by a vote of 223 to 70, had approved the measure designed to build new safeguards around colored voters in the South.

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THE BILL was a compromise between house and senate versions and emerged from congress broader and stronger than the measure requested by the President last year and less half months ago.

It would:

Suspend literacy and other tests found to be discriminatory and authorize appointment of federal "examiners" to register eligible persons to vote in Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, Louisiana, South Carolina and Virginia. It also would apply to 34 counties of North Carolina, all of Alaska, and single counties in Maine, Arizona and Idaho.

Order the Justice Department to begin court suits to challenge the constitutionality of poll taxes used in state and local elections in Alabama, Mississippi, Texas and Virginia.

Apply new criminal penalties for attempts to prevent qualified persons from voting or to threaten or harm workers assisting prospective voters.

Make it possible for many Puerto Ricans in New York to vote, by waiving that state's English language literacy requirement for those who have completed six grades of education in Puerto Rico's Spanish - Language schools.

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THE LEGISLATION is based on the 15th Amendment to the constitution which prohibits denial of the right to vote because of race, color or previous condition of servitude.

It was the desire of civil rights leaders for quick approval of the measure which finally broke a house-senate conference committee deadlock over the poll tax provision of the bill. The house originally had pushed for an outright ban on state and local poll taxes; the senate had backed the court test provision.

But the rights leaders, eager to begin massive registration drives in the South in time for the 1966 elections, quietly backed away from the poll tax ban they previously had supported, and House conferees agreed to the court test plan.

If the predictions of the bill's backers prove correct, the addition of thousands of colored persons to southern voting rolls could have a profound impact on Southern politics.

And, because southern congressmen dominate the powerful committees of the house and senate, these new voters also may work broad changes on the nation's politics.

-'Money Man'

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the excitingly new game. You only have to have a current edition of the AFRO and know the LUCKY NUMBER which will be printed somewhere between the front and back pages.

Here is how it went Wednesday:

Making his first stop in the 800 block N. Arlington Ave., the AFRO MAN, despite trying, was able to give away only $15.

To make sure that each resident in the block was given a fair chance to play the game, the MONEY MAN asked an impartial youngster of six years — Irvin Pugh — to pull the number of the house from which the first player would be selected.

He pulled No. 801, the house address of Mrs. Mabel Taylor. By a strange coincidence, this was also the LUCKY NUMBER for Wednesday.

Mrs. Taylor had her AFRO, but did not know the LUCKY NUMBER. She won $1.

In the 1300 block Mosher St., the next stop, shouting youngsters greeted the MONEY MAN and followed him up and down the block during the search for a winner.

None could be found.

Neither Marcellus Shaw, 1336; Mrs. Mary Morton, 1338; or Henry Green, 1344 could come up with the winning answer.

"Moral to this story," said the MONEY MAN as he climbed into his MONEY-MOBILE, "is to be in the know and win some dough, you must read the AFRO."

-Dirksen vows

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to short - circuit the High Court's decisions on state legislative apportionment went down to defeat late yesterday on a 39 to 57 vote.

The proposal thus won popularity laurels but fell seven votes short of the two-thirds majority required for changes in the constitution. The vote brought to at least a temporary conclusion a historic battle over the court's rule.

But Dirksen vowed he would try again to substitute his apportionment amendment for one or another of the bills reaching the Senate in future days.

Ghanaian envoy visit in North Viet Nam

MOSCOW (UPI)—President Nam received a Ghanian envoy in Hanoi last week, the Soviet News Agency Tass reports.

Tass, quoting the North Vietnamese News Agency, said Kwesi Armah, Ghanian foreign trade minister, had taken President Ho a letter from Ghanian President Kwame Nkrumah. There was no indication if the Viet Nam war was discussed.

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—Americus snubs

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committee came after 200 demonstrators marched to the courthouse and then to a church for a mass meeting.

The march, for the first time since demonstrations erupted here two weeks ago, passed through one block of a white residential section.

Gov. Carl E. Sanders earlier Wednesday appealed to the civil rights demonstrators and white leaders to carry their bitter racial dispute to the conference table.

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THERE WERE no incidents during the march, heavily protected by highway patrolmen. Some whites taunted the marchers.

At the rally Benjamin Van Clarke indicated demonstrations would continue until the committee comes up with "something constructive."

Heading the unofficial committee was County Attorney Warren Fortson who long has urged local leaders, despite their disapproval, to set up the group. The other members were unknown. At least one petition has been circulated by white segregationists seeking to oust Fortson.

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IN A VERBAL jab at state leaders, Clarke told the rally "If Gov. Sanders and Lt. Gov. Peter Zack Geer don't watch what they say, we might take this movement to their front door."

Police Chief Ross Chambliss revealed earlier Wednesday that four persons were arrested for a brick and bottle throwing incident Sunday. Two small colored children were treated and released at an Americus Hospital for injuries received when rocks and bottles were thrown from a car.

The arrested persons, all white, were Marcellus Shaw, Shirley Storey, 18, Americus; Elizabeth Bloodworth, 23, Albany, Ga.; Charles W. Berry, 23, Americus; and Sgt. Paul Shellhouse, about 20, an Americus soldier stationed at Ft. Benning.

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MISS CLEGG and Miss Berry were released on $500 bonds each but Storey was still in jail. A pickup order went to Ft. Benning for Shellhouse.

The Americus crisis blew up into the South's No. 1 spot after Dr. Martin Luther King's SCLC moved in a summer voter project recently.

Four women were arrested for standing in a white only voter line in a justice of the peace election, a factor that touched off massive demonstrations and subsequent violence.

Two youths in their early twenties are in jail on murder charges for the slaying of a white Marine recruit, Andrew Whatley. He was hit by bullets fired from a passing car. Whatley was about to throw a rock which was throwing bottles and rocks at passing colored motorists.

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