VICTORY SIGNS — LU-Amerson, 32 - year - old former Korean War paratrooper, of Tuskegee, Ala., is cheered by supporters after he won the Democratic nomination for sheriff of Macon County, Tuesday. Amerson defeated incumbent Sheriff Harvey Sadler. (UPI Telephoto)

Defeated Ala. candidates see need for 'education'

(Special to the AFRO)

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Local political observers were divided in their opinions on the reason for the apparently poor turnout of colored voters which resulted in the election of only five of the 26 colored candidates in the Alabama Democratic Primary run-offs.

Some unsuccessful candidates blamed their defeat on the fact that they did not attract enough white votes, while others, who lost in areas with a colored vote majority, saw a lack of education and political awareness on the part of the newly enfranchised voters.

Most candidates and observers discounted reports of economic intimidation and fear of violence.

Atty. D. Shores, of Birmingham, president of the Jefferson Democratic Council, and a candidate for a seat in the Legislature believes that "there wasn't as much enthusiasm nor as large a turnout as on May 3 primary.

"The majority of the colored people are new voters," Shores said, "and were not aware of the importance. We did not have enough time to educate them."

"However," he added, "we were dependent on how the white people voted. White voters outnumbered us by 78 percent to our 22 percent and we needed white voter to win."

With or without white support however, colored candidates defeated white opponents for sheriff, tax collector and the Board of Revenue, Tuesday in the Democratic primary runoff.

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LUCIUS D. AMERSON, a 32 - year - old Korean War veteran won the Democratic nomination for sheriff of predominantly colored Macon County (Tuskegee), over a white incumbent appointed two years ago by Gov. George Wallace. Amerson is slated to become the first colored sheriff in the nation, as he does not expect Republican opposition in the November elections.

Also in Macon County, Mr. L. A. Locklair won the nomination for tax collector; Harold Webb was appointed to the Board of Revenue, while in Green County, the Rev. Pat Kirskey was elected to the Board of Education.

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MACON COUNTY, the seat of Tuskegee Institute is predominantly colored. 4,394 whites are outnumbered by 23,323 colored residents. Greene County also has a large colored majority.

But Fred Gray, the Tuskegee attorney, considered the strongest candidate for the legislature failed to represent the 31st House District which includes Wallace's home county of Barbour, in addition to Bullock and Macon Counties.

Other unsuccessful hopefuls include Isom Atkinson, for a seat on the Perry County Commission and Atty. Shores for a Jefferson County seat in the legislature.

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ALTHOUGH a majority of colored voters seemed to have assured Macon County of its victories, a Birmingham correspondent sees other contributing factors.

"We lack power, organization and know how," says the Jefferson county newspaperman, in an analysis of the political results. "Macon County is the seat of the colored intellectuals in the South.

"As in any political campaign in North or South," he continued, "political know how, money, education of voters and the presentation of politically attractive candidates will ensure success as it did in Macon County.

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COLORED candidates interview in Jefferson County deny reports of an excessive turnout of whites, or of the apathy of colored voters.

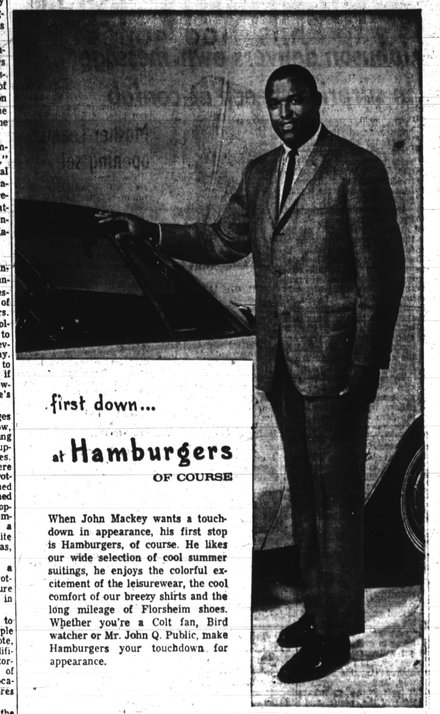
"With a total of 63,000 colored registered voters to 100,000 white voters, we never had any power, anyway. But we had the potential to elect all of the candidates if we had the money and know-how," was one candidate's opinion.

Atty. Shores, envisages this power and know - how, and education working on the white voter, for support of colored candidates. Pointing out that there were only 22 percent colored voters in his area, he gained 38,000 votes to 60,000 gained by his victorious white opponent. Robert Ellis, he emphasized that he drew a large percentage of white support, in some areas, more than his opponent.

His opinion was that a move away from racial voting is necessary to ensure colored representation in Alabama.

"We have to continue to educate the colored people in the necessity to vote, while presenting our qualifications to the white electorate and convinced them of our integrity and qualification for the posts," Shores added.

Basically, he sees the white voter as concerned with maintaining his friends and the kind of power he has known in the South. More colored representation will convince them that racial voting is unnecessary, he added.



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NAACP raps vote in Ala. County

BIRMINGHAM — NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund attorneys this week filed suit in federal district court here seeking to avoid the May 3 Democratic primary election in Greene County, Ala., where colored citizens outnumber whites by more than four to one.

The suit, filed in behalf of four candidates in the primary, and four voters, charges numerous irregularities in the conduct of the election.

Defendants in the action are the County Democratic Party Executive Committee and its chairman, J. F. Cameron, and County Probate Judge Dennis Herndon. The probate judge is under Alabama law, responsible for the conduct of all elections held in the county.

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THE SUIT alleges that large numbers of white persons who have died or moved out of the county were carried on the voting lists for the primary. While there are less than 1,500 qualified voters living the county, at least 1,789 whites cast ballots, the suit charges.

Further, the suit alleges that illiterate colored voters were not allowed to use sample ballots to help them cast their votes, although white illiterates were granted that privilege.

Unable to use sample ballots, illiterate colored voters had to turn to voting officials for help in marking their ballots. In many instances white voting officials refused to mark the ballots of illiterate persons for colored candidates, and instead marked them for white candidates, the suit charges.

Legal Defense Fund lawyers asked for a temporary restraining order to prevent alteration or destruction of voting lists, ballots or other records pertaining to the primary pending a hearing on the suit.

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THE PLAINTIFFS who were candidates in the primary are Thomas Gilmore, Percy McShan, Alberta Branch and Peter Kirksey. All were attempting to unseat white incumbents.

Mr. Gilmore lost his bid for nomination for sheriff, and Mr. McShan was defeated for the tax assessor nomination. Mrs. Branch, running for tax collector, and Mr. Kirksey, seeking a seat on the Board of Education, are facing runoff elections.

Legal Defense Fund attorneys involved in the cases are Oscar Adams and Demetrius Newton of Birmingham; Director-Counsel Jack Greenberg, Fred Wallace, Charles H. Jones Jr. and C. Stephen Halston of New York.

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Richie Allen proves he's key to Phils' flag hopes

By JOE GERGEN

United Press International

Richie Allen, the one armed outfielder, has reclaimed his role as the strong - arm man in the Philadelphia Phillies' attack.

Philadelphia Manager Gene Mauch rushed Allen back into the starting lineup last week after the Phillies suffered through a scoring drought, but instead of returning him to his regular third base position he shifted him to left field.

The reason was obvious soon as Allen fielded a ball. The right shoulder, which he had partly dislocated on April 29, had not healed sufficiently for him to raise his throwing arm. So shortstop Bobby Wine was assigned the added duties of relaying Allen's underhanded lobs into the infield.

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BUT WHILE the injury presented a fielding problem for the 24 - year - old star no such difficulty has been observed at the plate where the muscular Allen picked up right where he had left off a month before.

RICHIE ALLEN

Allen has been swinging at a .300 clip since his return on May 27, and has snapped the Phillies out of a slump which raised the Philadelphia lot to 6 - 2 since Allen rejoined the club.

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ALLEN, WHO suffered the injury while sliding into second base against the Cubs, raised his average to .338 and his slugging percentage to .649 with his 447-foot homer off loser Bob Hendley in the second game of the twinbill.

He also singled home a run in that game and doubled and scored a run in the opener which the Phillies won on Tony Taylor's run - scoring single in the eighth.

Philadelphia now has won 13 and lost seven this season with Allen in the lineup and lost 13 of 24 without him.

Mosher League opening set

The James Mosher Associate will inaugurate their summer Little League baseball program tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon.

Ceremonies will commence at 2:30 o'clock, opening day Simmons has announced. committee chairman Hubert Simmons has announced.

The annual inaugural parade will form in the 2700 block of Edmondson Avenue, and proceed to the playlot of School No. 144, Mosher St., and Wheeler Avenue.

Ten teams are on the Mosher League cub roster for play commencing immediately after the parade. The activity promises summer recreation for approximately 200 youngsters annually.

Bucs' 1st baseman in NAIA shrine

KANSAS City, Mo. (UPI) The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics has announced the election of sporting News publisher C. Johnson Spink and Pittsburgh Pirate first baseman Donn Clendenon to the NAIA Baseball Hall of Fame.

Bith will be honored at St. Joseph, Mo., Sunday at a banquet on the eve of the 10th annual NAIA national baseball tournament.

Spink is the grandson of the founder of the Sporting News and has been its publisher since the death of his father, J. G. Taylor Spink, in 1962.

Clendenon, who joined the Pirates in 1962, earned 12 varsity letters at Morehouse College in Atlanta, Ga. In addition to baseball he earned all-conference honors in football and basketball.

Clendenon graduated from Morehouse in 1956.

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AN AWARD PROGRAM was held recently at Lexington Terrace Recreation Center. Participants in the annual event include Walter Ennals, director; Dorian Washington, Calvin Cannon, Bruce Johnson, Gregory Day, Frank Kennedy, Steven Jordan, Andre Nutt, Norman Ayres, Nathan Thomas, Gordon Clark, Clayton Green and Duke Roberson.

Summer cage leagues set to get under way

The Baltimore Twilight Basketball League will begin its second season next week.

This league is organized for the purpose of continuing the physical fitness of young men who are interested in basketball.

The Twilight League is non-fsanchised and its only requirements are simple uniforms and a roster of players not to exceed 12 per team. Unlimited (19 and over) age groups may include high school, post-high school and returning college students.

It is expected that Twilight Basketball will develop into an important part of the summer program at Franklin Square Recreation Center.

BOXING

RESULTS LAST WEEK

By United Press International

PHILADELPHIA — Gypsy Joe Harris, 149, Philadelphia, outpointed Johnny Knight, 143, Philadelphia (10).

KANSAS CITY, Kan. — Kelly Burden, 165, Kansas City, stopped Art Hernandez, 165, Omaha, Neb. (3).

LAS VEGAS — Andy Kendall (74½), Las Vegas, outpointed Richie Gosha, 174, Chicago (10).

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Ron Marsh, 182½, Minneapolis, stopped Ed Hurley, 188, Minneapolis (3).

LOS ANGELES — Joe Frazier, 198, Philadelphia, knocked out Al Jones, 190, Memphis, Tenn. (1).

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Ralph Dupas, 149½, Las Vegas, knocked out Steve Perez, 149, Los Angeles (8).

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Bobby Scanlon, 139, San Francisco, defeated Luis Molina, 139½, San Jose, on disqualification (9).

Bums ink Covington as a free agent

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — The Los Angeles Dodgers announced Wednesday night that they have signed veteran outfielder Wes Covington as a free agent and were placing infielder Nate Oliver on the disabled list.

Covington, 34, in his 11th year in the major leagues, was given his release two weeks ago by the Chicago Cubs. He had spent the majority of his time in the majors with Philadelphia and the Milwaukee Braves.

Oliver had been sidelined the past 10 days with a kidney condition which led to a knee infection.

Clay, at Muslim quarters, denies 'beat draft' quote

CHICAGO (UPI) — Heavyweight champion Cassius Clay returned here Wednesday night for his first reunion with black Muslim leader Elijah Muhammad since his successful title defense in London.

Clay arrived by air from New York City about 7 p.m., CDT. He had arrived in New York by plane from Cairo, where he went at the invitation of Egyptian leaders following his sixth round TKO of Henry Cooper, May 21. Clay left here May 7.

Upon arrival, Clay met briefly with leaders of the Muslim faith and then went to dinner with friends.

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AT NEW YORK, Clay accused the Egyptian president of misquoting him by reporting that Clay said he planned to return to the United States to try to "beat the draft."

"I didn't say anything like that. That's some mad, angry reporter trying to get something started," Clay said.

He declined to reveal what stand he will take when he goes before his draft board in Louisville, Ky., and refused to say whether he would be a conscientious objector.

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CLAY, appearing tired and subuded, said he spoke for 40 minutes with President Gamel Nasser of Egypt, whom he said he had met earlier. He said they had a "brotherly discussion" about Egypt and boxing.

Clay wants to fight Karl Mildenberger of Germany next, and said he felt he would be ready to go in two months. He admitted, however, he needed a rest.

He indicated some disappointment that his backers wanted him to wait at least four months before fighting again.

Clay said he was received by thousands of persons abroad, and added he had no complaints about his treatment in the United States.

"I'm treated good here — like a king," he said.

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Southern	9	7	.563
Curley	8	8	.500
Gibbons	6	10	.375
Gilman	5	11	.313
McDonogh	4	12	.250
Douglass	3	13	.188

Division 2

Mt. St. Joe	14	3	.875
City	13	4	.750
Loyola	11	5	.688
Calvert Hall	10	6	.625
Forest Park	10	6	.625
Carver	4	10	.278
Dunbar	5	11	.313
Mervo	3	14	.200
T. Catholic	3	14	.200

BALTIMORE RESULTS

Carver 10, City 8
Dunbar 4, Calvert Hall 2
Edmondson 2, Douglass 1
Carver 10, Dunbar 4
City 5, Loyola 3
Towson 7, Towson 3
Forest Park 4, Mervo 3
Southern 3, Southern 2
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Cepeda, St. L.	39	138	19	43	.312
Hart, S.F.	47	175	35	56	.320
Morgan, Hous	47	172	33	55	.320
Nicholas, Hou	34	91	11	29	.319
Pinson, Cin.	41	160	15	50	.313
Clemente, Pitt	41	172	19	53	.308
Fuentes, SF	35	130	13	40	.308

American League

Oliva, Minn	41	157	29	56	.357
F. Rob., Balto.	43	149	29	46	.322
B. Rob., Balto.	43	151	28	48	.318
Yastrzemski, Bos.	45	176	35	53	.301
Siebern, Calif.	36	97	11	29	.299
Reichardt, Cal.	44	163	29	45	.296
Cash, Det.	36	112	15	33	.295
Valentine, Wash.	44	157	28	46	.293
Lampe, Det.	38	147	14	43	.293

HOME RUNS

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Aaron, Braves 17; Torre, Braves and Hart, Giants 13; Mays, Giants 12; Lefebvre, Dodgers 11.

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Scott, Red Sox and Reichardt, Angels 12; Oliva, Twins 11; F. Robinson, Orioles 10; Ristaro and Powell, Orioles 9.

RUNS BATTED IN

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Aaron, Braves 36; Flood, Cards and Mays, Giants 32; Wynn, Astros, White, Phillies, Hart and McCovey, Giants 30.

AMERICAN LEAGUE: B. Robinson, Orioles 42; Yastrzemski, Red Sox 32; Oliva, Twins, Scott, Red Sox, Pedroiello, Red Sox and Kenoy Angels 30.

PITCHING

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Marichal, Giants 10-2; Koufax, Dodgers 9-1; Bunning, Phillies and Perry, Giants 9-1; Maloney, Reds 8-1.

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Sanford, Angels and Wall, Orioles, 5-1; McLain, Tigers 6-2; Bell, McDowell and O'Donoghue Indians 6-1.

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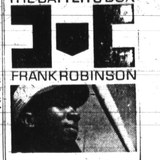

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