Southern Negroes Mobilize to Secure Their Voting Rights

NAACP Concerned Over Arizona Senator's Vote
On Civil Rights

The SUN received on Tuesday an emergency call from a local official of the NAACP, Tares Pittman, one of the three West Coast regional secretaries of the NAACP, called the local branch appealing for help from Arizona Negroes in the present fight in the U.S. Senate on the Civil Rights bill. The regional official had called for help here from Mit- chell, head of the NAACP's Washington Bureau, regarding the chances of the bureau over the attitude of Senator Barry Goldwater of Arizona who is expected to vote with the south.

Tavern Operator Cleared In July 4th Shooting

Eddie (Dad) Young, 71, was exonerated, Monday, by the court, for the fatal shooting, July 4th of William Johnson, 25. The jury, empanelled by Justice of the Peace Ida A. Westfall de- clared Young lived in self-defense when he twice shot Johnson of 4945 South 21st Street, in the Tranquility Road tavern.

Young claimed Johnson at- tacked him when the tavern operator ordered him from the bar.

BARLEM LANDLORDS SENTENCE WARNS OTHERS

NEW YORK — "The meanest landlord in New York," Arnold Schiffman, a 46 year old law- yer, so called by his tenants, was sentenced to 90 days in the workhouse last Tuesday in Special Sessions Court.

Schifman, who lives at 230 E. 146th Street in the Bronx, was convicted for violation of the multiple housing law in a 6 story building at 131-214, West 41st street, for which he is agent.

Tenants called the building the "crack shack." It has broken plaster, cock-roaches, leaky faucets and pipes and broken stairs.

The sentence of the defendant is a warning to other agents and owners of Harlem property that court orders are issued to be obeyed," said a member of the judiciary who asked that his name be withheld. It is felt that this is the beginning of a crack down on landlords and agents who neglect correcting or remedying violations.

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South Stiffened Civil Rights Says NAACP

DETOUR — The South's at- tempts to resist desegregation and civil rights entered "dan- gerous" into the field of civil liberties in 1958. This is one of the main conclusions of the an- nual report of the National As- sociation for the Advancement of Colored People.

The report was made public here Sunday and simultaneous- ly in New York City on the eve of the Association's 44th annual convention, which opens in New York City.

The document cites southern restrictions of "freedom of speech, assembly petition, re- dresse of grievances in the courts and even freedom of thought. It says that in the "southern white people of moderate views who did not subscribe to the ex- treme segregationist position were intimated and denied their fundamental liberties as Ameri- (Continued on page 8)

Civil Rights Becomes National Issue at This Session of Congress

By Frances James

The Negro people in the South are determined to win the right to vote. They are organized and are proceeding with mass ac- tions to insure this right. Their determination and their confi- dence that the right will be won is the basic reason that civil rights has become a national issue during this session of Con- gress.

In Tuskegee, Alabama, the Na- gio citizens have organized a mass protest against a move to deprive them of the vote. The State Legislature has passed a bill reducing the city limits of Tuskegee to exclude all Negro residential areas. The Negroes responded with an economic boycott and mass protest meet- ings.

N. C. VICTORY

In North Carolina a literacy requirement for registration to vote, designed solely to permit registrars to disqualify Negroes, no matter how educated, and accept whites is under attack. This law has been nullified by a federal court. In response, the Negro people im- mediately called on the seventy-five ministers to meet in the North Carolina Convention for Full Citizenship. Last week they worked out concrete plans for registering 100,000 Negroes in the state.

The committees plans to work through churches and civic or- ganizations. They have asked each of 3,000 pastors to see to it that five persons get register- ing cards from 35,000 dragoons and trustees register two per- sons; that 25,000 volunteers regis- ter five each, so that 50,000 re- gisters register two each. They also ask the cooperation of the Masons, Knights of Pythias, Odd Fellows and their respective sib- ilar groups. The ministers esti- mate that even if their plan is only 50 per cent successful the goal of 100,000 registrations will be reached.

Rev. Martin Luther King, lead- er of the historic Montgomery, Alabama, bus boycotts and prin- cipal organizer of the recent prayer-pilgrimage m a r c h on Washington, said last week that he will soon meet with South- ern Negro leaders to map campaign to get three million Negroes to the polls in Southern cities in the 1960 elec- tions. "Across the length and breadth of the South we now intend to extend voting clinics to help Negroes overcome the contrived and artificial obsta- cle s to their registering and vot- ing," he told the Amsterdam News.

GOP AIM

The Republicans are trying to ride the wave of mass deter-mination and win the Negro vote. To this end the top Repub- lican politicians are pushing the administration's w e a k civil- rights bill. They are led by Senator K. Warren

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1957 STATE FAIR KICKOFF STORY

A sketch for the 1957 Arizona State Fair Theme, "Into the Future," — featuring a symbolic Arizona frontier on a rocket — is approved by George N. Goodman, executive secretary to the State Fair Commission. This year's State Fair, Nov. 2-11, will give exhibitors a chance to boost Arizona as the State with the biggest future.

1957 Arizona State Fair is being planned as a special show- case for Arizona's potentialities as the state with the biggest future.

A theme of "Into the Future" has been approved by the Arizona State Fair Commission and will be incorporated into all possible phases of the fair which will be staged in Phoenix Nov. 2-11.

"We all know Arizona's future is unlimited," said George N. Goodman, executive secretary to the fair commission. "We want this year's state fair to give Ar- iazines a look into that future, and give us all a chance to do a little bit of bragging about our state's potentialities."

This is the second year that Goodman and assistant execu- tive secretary, Ralph Watkins, Jr. have the responsibility of running the fair.

Members of the State Fair Mission this year are Kemper Mairley of Phoenix, chairman; Ralph K. Cooper of Buckley, vice-chairman; H. E. Thurber, president; Menne A. Cole, Ajo; Willis K. Daley, Thatcher; R. C. Johnson, Parker; and Leo W. Gorr, Phoenix.

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