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MISSISSIPPI FREEDOM ELECTION

HENRY AND KING RECEIVE OVER 80,000 VOTES

MAJORITY OF MISSISSIPPI VOTERS DON'T WANT JOHNSON

The year 1963 will go down in Mississippi history as a turning point in state-wide political affairs. Dr. Aaron Henry from Clarksdale and Rev. Ed King from Tougaloo received over 80,000 votes in an unprecedented mock political election for the offices of Governor and Lt. Governor of Mississippi.

With some votes still to be tallied the following are some of the tentative round figure totals for different counties in the State for the Henry-King freedom ballot: Hinds County (Jackson) - 12,000; Coahoma County (Clarksdale) - 10,000; Quitman County - 7400; Panola County - 6300; Tallahatchie County - 2000; Bolivar County - 1400; and Tunica County - 1000. All of these counties (except Hinds) are in the Mississippi Delta.

The freedom votes were cast in spite of numerous intimidations by state authorities, including the continuous harassment of voter registration workers, the numerous arrests of these workers, and in some cases the actual taking away of ballot boxes by police officials. Many local stores and churches were forced to close down their election centers for the freedom election because of bomb threats and other forms of intimidation.

It is extremely important to note that the first Republican candidate for governor in Mississippi since Reconstruction days, Phillips, received an approximate total of 125,000 votes as compared with Paul Johnson's approximate 200,000. This means that Phillips' votes plus the protest votes of the freedom ballot (80,000) amounted to a total greater than the number of votes carried by Johnson! This is, indeed, a new day in Mississippi. The monolithical, demagogic Democratic political machine has been challenged and the significance of this challenge will depend on the degree to which the pressure can be kept on Johnson starting right now.

MISSISSIPPI FREEDOM VOTE CAMPAIGN

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MRS. MEDGAR EVERS SPEAKS TO CHEERING TOUGALOOANS

Mrs. Medgar Evers spoke in Thursday's chapel program to a warm and stimulated audience urging Tougalooans to carry on the work that we have been doing. The response from the Tougaloo family was overwhelming and the Chapel swayed as FREEDOM SONGS filled the air.

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THE LIBRARY IS OPEN THIS WEEK THROUGH FRIDAY FROM 12 to 1 PM TO ACCOMMODATE THOSE STUDENTS WHO WANT TO USE IT AT THAT TIME
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TICS BEGINS ON CAMPUS

The Tougaloo Indoor Communication Service (TICS) is a new idea in campus radio broadcasting and has been started with the assistance of the Speech Department and Audio-Visual Department. TICS is designed for the use of students to deliver speeches, newsreports, campus bulletins, to play music and to generally introduce to Tougaloo life another effective means of communication. The TICS can be heard each weekday night between 6:30 and 7:00 PM in each of the dormitory lounges and Ballard Hall. All students are cordially invited to participate. Please contact Mr. Hutchinson or Mr. Townsend.

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