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## Chicago City Council 20% Negro After Runoff In Abortion Law Passage

CHICAGO - (NPI) -- This 30 per cent Negro city now has a 20 per cent Negro city council.

The development came after Negroes won two runoff elections in aldermanic races, boosting Negro representation in the city council from six to 10.

In the Eighth ward, the race was between Leslie Bland and William Cousins, as an independent--both Negroes. Cousins won 13,376 to

IN THE 70 per cent Negro 21st ward, the voting was along racial lines between a white and a Negro candidate. As a result, Wilson Frost called Yaksic's complaints of harassing phone calls an attempt to stir up that support.

Both wards will be represented by Negroes for the first time in the city's history.

Selected as the city's 10 Negro aldermen are William H. Harvey (2d), Ralph H. Metcalfe (3d), Claude W. B. Holman (4th), Ald.-elect A. A. (Sammy) Rayner, Jr. (6th), Kenneth E. Campbell (20th), Ald.-elect William Shannon (17th), George Collins (24th), Ald.-elect Robert Biggs (29th), Cousins (8th), and Frost (21st).

THE 10 Negro aldermen--in a 50-man City Council--represent an increase of four Negro aldermen over the election in which six were chosen. Shannon and Biggs were elected in al-

dermanic primaries. Along with the aldermanic runoffs was the election of Mayor Richard J. Daley to an un-precedented fourth four-year term by a half-

million majority over Republican John Waner. The mayor was said to have gotten more than 80 per cent support in Negro areas, despite frequent attacks on his policies by local civil rights leaders. The development prompted a local newspaper columnist wryly to dub the mayor "the real leader of the city's Negroes."

ALSO RUNNING in the race was comedian

Dick Gregory, who got 20,775 votes compared to 789,163 for Mayor Daley.

Heartened by the support, which in a few wards was almost as strong as Waner's, Gregory announced to run in 1968 for President of the United States.

## Negro Legislator Victor

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. - (NPI) -- A Negro lawmaker, concerned about the maining effect of illegal abortions, has pushed one of the nation's most liberal abortion laws through the Oklahoma House of Representatives.

The bill passed the House with only one vote to spare, 51-40. Fifty votes were necessary for passage.

Lawson, one of the House's three Negro legislators, said he promoted the law because he believes "No issue should be too hot for the legislature." Race did not enter into the issue.

Rep. Lawson said he probably would have been more inclined to oppose abortions, until he talked with doctors who showed him records of girls who had been maimed for life by people who didn't know what they were doing.

THE BILL would permit a pregnant woman to have an abortion if it was necessary to preserve her physical or mental health, if she was mentally defective, or incompetent; if she was under the age of 15, not married, or the victim of rape or incest; or if the child would be born with a serious physical or mental abnormality.

Approval of three doctors would be necessary for an abortion. In most states, the only grounds for an abor-

tion is preservation of the mother's life. To prevent residents of other states from flocking to Oklahoma to have abortions, Rep. Lawson said he plans to amend the bill in the Senate to require six months' residency in Oklahoma before a woman could have an abortion in the state.

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