

## ALL THEY NEED IS LOVE - THEIR LOVE MAY ALSO BE YOUR NEED

At a time in our nation's history when citizens are bewildered and beleaguered with philosophical indictments of the immorality of this or that, National Adoption Week comes opportunely for us to consider the tragedy of unwanted children.

Be that tragedy a moral issue or not, it is a tragedy of such magnitude that we all should give pause to re-assess our values. Talk to parents of adopted children this week. Let them tell you who is the most blessed in the relationship.

Check with the District Welfare Department about the need for adoptive parents. Read Eddy Kim's heartwarming story on adopted families in today's issue of the VOICE (page 8).

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### "PUDDIN' HEAD"



"TELL'N IT LIKE IT IS--- AND PUTT'N IT WHERE IT'S AT"

### WE'RE COOKING, BABY

Loosen up your jaws and smile like crazy, Blood, cause it's damn good news today. It's good news for Bro and for LBJ and the Demos, baby. We got us two more mayors, and both of 'em in big towns, baby. The voters done put a bigot out to pasture up in Boston, and done gone along with our man, LBJ, on this damn Viet deal.

Carl B. Stokes, 40-year young Democrat, won the mayor's race in Cleveland over the strongest GOP name in Ohio, Seth Taft, grandson of former President Taft. Our Soul Brother, Carl, won by 2500 out of a quarter million votes. Baby, that there is more votes than we got in the whole damn state of Nevada. Every mother and her brother turned out to vote, and for once, if never more, Soul Folks voted like sure enough Blood Brothers for Soul Man Stokes.

IN GARY, Indiana, our man Hatcher won by 1400 out of 77,000 total votes. Richard B. Hatcher is sure enough young. He ain't but 34. One more time, baby, the Soul Folks proved that they can do more than just sing together. They laid that Black Power down at the polls where it addes up to somethin', Blood.

Way down East, in Bean Town, Boston, Mass., the voters gave us sumthin' to shout about. The Bean-Town people put that big mouth bigoted broad; Lou Hicks, in the john and flushed her away, baby. In case you ain't up on that b----, Blood, she the bag that wanted to keep the little Soul Chillun in their place in the ghetto schools. She didn't want no little black kids mixin' up with no white kids in the Boston schools. The old b---- was scared that some of the soul, or some black maybe, might rub off on them poor little ofay younguns. The voters who had sent Ed Brooke to the U.S. Senate, let the bigots know that they for real, baby. They ain't goin' to have none of that stuff (Puddin' got a better word, but the boss says, 'NO') in Bean Town.

THE DEMOCRATS got sumthin' to shout about, baby. They kept Philadelphia in the Demo bag by re-electin' Mayor Jim "Good Cookin'" Tate. Phillie is big for the Democrats, Blood. It was one of the four big cities that turned the tide for the late Jack Kennedy when he squeaked

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### BOSS LADY PUSHES NAACP MEMBERSHIP DRIVE



"YES, Of Course," was the response of the VOICE staff when Dottie West (wife of the publisher) brought her NAACP membership applications into the office and said "It's joining up time again for the NAACP."

George Gant, Operation Independence Manpower Director, who happened to be in the VOICE office, quickly copped out that he had "paid his dues" two weeks ago, but obligingly served as sergeant-of-arms while the VOICE boss lady signed up those members of the staff who were present--Like Office Manager Carita Harbert (seated) and Jean Wheeler willingly wait to "pay their dues" as Mrs. West takes care of Alice Key.

It is really no difficulty involved in obtaining NAACP members' renewal of membership. It is simply a matter of reminding members that dues are paid annually, and making it convenient for them to renew membership in the organization whose watchdog activities and Legal Redress Committee has been the Vanguard and the backbone of the Negro's struggle for freedom.

On page 11, Mrs. Sarah Ann Knight's Membership Drive Committee is listed.

Membership applications may also be obtained at Dr. Chas. I. West's Medical and VOICE newspaper offices both located in the Moulin Rouge complex.

### Labor Leaders Termed "Gutless" By UL Exec

CHICAGO - (NPI)--Today's labor leaders lack the "guts" to put Negroes in leadership positions, according to Edwin C. Berry executive director, Chicago Urban League.

The labor movement, he said, needs a Branch Rickey to back a Negro for a responsible leadership post. He was referring to the man who gave Jackie Robinson the chance to become the first Negro major league player.

Berry was asked whether any labor leaders like Rickey are around. "There are lots with the power, but I haven't seen any with the guts," he answered.

The Urban League executive went on to label the "black or white keeper of the status quo"--rather than the white bigot or the black extremist--as the real enemy of the civil rights movement.

"These men are elusive," he said. "They are not vulgar. And you hardly ever hear them call people 'nigger' or 'coon' unless you happen to slip up on them"

### ELECTION VICTORIES THROUGH-OUT NATION

JACKSON, Miss. - (NPI)--Election victories were scored by Negro candidates across the country, over and above Carl B. Stokes' mayoral triumph in Cleveland and Richard G. Hatcher's victory in Gary, Ind.

In Mississippi, five Negroes, one of them president of a civil rights group, won election to county offices. The victories were regarded as black candidates' strongest showing since Reconstruction days.

James Joliff, Jr., president, Wilkinson County NAACP branch, won against a white opponent in the race for county supervisor. U.S. Rimmer, unopposed for justice of the peace in Madison county, also won.

Malvin Smith won in the contest for District 4 constable, in Issaquena county, Matthew Walker won election as justice of the peace in District 5.

In Bolivan county, a Negro candidate for supervisor, Kermit Stanton, defeated incumbent (See ELECTIONS, page 4)