

## Mondale Takes Illinois; Jackson Makes Impressive Gain

By George A. Burns

Former Vice President Walter Mondale deflated the air out of Colorado Senator Gary Hart's heavily inflated campaign tire Tuesday by handing him a major defeat in the Illinois Democratic presidential primary.

With 97% of the precincts reporting, Mondale had 41% of the vote to Hart's 36%. The Rev. Jesse Jackson had an impressive 20% of the Illinois vote.

The former Vice President, jubilant with the victory, declared it to be one "larger than I had anticipated." Hart, seemingly pleased with his showing, said that the vote only proved that it will be a "marathon race until the convention in July."

In the popular vote

breakdown, Mondale received 509,496; Hart tallied 446,442, and Jackson amassed 230,743 votes. In the delegate win breakdown, the former vice president received 89 with the Colorado senator receiving 46 and the remaining 35 going to write-in candidate Harold Washington of Chicago. It is reported that Washington will no doubt carry those votes with him as "clout" to the Democratic convention.

Mondale described the win as "thrilling." He said that the real debate has now begun and that "America will finally get what they deserve; the best president." He also said that he believed that the Illinois vote showed that the voters are now beginning to focus in on

## ROME SEEKS DISTRICT 6 ASSEMBLY SEAT

Gloria Rome, a 30-year active participant in Nevada Democratic politics, has announced that she has filed for Assembly Seat, District 6, now held by Eugene Collins.

Rome has been involved in the Las Vegas Women Democrats Club West, Clark County Women's Democratic



Rome Club, and was founder and Senior Advisor for the Las Vegas Teen Democrats West.

the real issues such as "leadership, nuclear arms control, the economy, inflation and our foreign policies around

Rome has had extensive occupational and volunteer experience that gives her insight into the needs of citizens in District 6. She has worked for both the Nevada Employment Security and the Economic Opportunity Board.

Rome was a charter member of the Operation Independence Board, was appointed by Governor Sawyer to the Advisory Board for the Older American Act, and served on the Nevada Welfare Rights Board. She is currently a member of the Vocational Advisory Board for Clark County Schools.

Other activities include secretary for Clark County Cancer Society, chairperson of the Westside Cancer Crusade, March of Dimes and the Heart Fund. Rome also served as Vice President of the National Council of Jewish Women.

Drawing from this vast and varied background, Rome would like to see the employment problem relieved, by placing more emphasis on vocational education and more diversified industry in the area; also computer training starting in the elementary schools.

the globe." The vice president stopped short of declaring himself to be the new "front runner."

Hart, in conceding the primary to Mondale, congratulated him and reaffirmed his intent to "go all the way to the convention." He described his showing as "remarkable." He noted that his showing among blacks hasn't been great simply because as he put it, "I'm going against one of the most popular and perhaps greatest black leaders of all time in Jesse Jackson. But as my positive civil rights record becomes known, I'll get more black votes."

Jackson was delighted by his showing in the race. He attained 71% of the black vote with achieving only 4% of the white vote. He said that even though that was the case, he'll keep reaching out for that "rainbow coalition." He described the 18 million black votes as a "significant base," one that he'll continue building on.

## Prominent Civil Rights Activist Clarence Mitchell Dies At Maryland Hospital

Clarence Mitchell, Jr., longtime leader in the national civil rights movement and patriarch of one of Baltimore's most politically influential families, is dead of an apparent heart attack. He was 73.

Mitchell was stricken at his home and died at 5:32 p.m. PST Sunday at Maryland General Hospital.



Clarence Mitchell, Jr.

He directed the Washington bureau of the NAACP for nearly 30 years. His wife, Juanita, also is a well-known civil rights activist.

"He has become a living legend in his own time. He was a good personal friend and adviser to me and I shall certainly miss him," said Benjamin Hooks, executive director of the NAACP.

In 1956, Mitchell was arrested in Florence, S.C., for refusing to use a blacks-only entrance to the railroad station. The arrest, which drew national attention, eventually led to the abolition of segregated entrances.

The former reporter

for the Afro-American newspaper was the father of state Sen. Clarence Mitchell III and Baltimore city councilman Michael Mitchell. His brother is Rep. Parren Mitchell, D-Md. in Washington, he was the architect of every major piece of civil rights legislation," said the congressman. "It's a tremendous loss for all of us. I think we will all continue to draw strength from his life."

Senate Republican leader Howard Baker called Mitchell "a distinguished leader of the civil rights community" and said his counsel will be missed "in future deliberations of this country."

Sen. Charles Mathias, R-Md., said: "I feel I have lost a friend and a teacher. I feel greatly in his debt for the lessons in humanity and compassion he has taught. His strong sense of justice, his sense of what is right in the world, has been a guiding spirit for me as it has for thousands of other people."

Nicknamed the "101st senator" because of his intensive lobbying efforts, Mitchell received the Medal of Freedom from President Jimmy Carter in 1980.

Mitchell's family announced services will be held Friday at the Sharp Street memorial United Methodist Church in Baltimore.

## 'KING' GOING APE OVER MINORITY 'KONG' STATION

Seattle's KING-TV is going ape over KONG-TV, claiming that the call letters of the new television station are causing confusion and could affect ratings.

KONG-TV Channel 16, a mostly minority-owned station, will open broadcast facilities near Everett and go on the air June 1 with the 1933 movie "King Kong" if it can get the rights.

Lawyers for KING, which has been broadcasting in the Seattle market for 30 years and is an ABC affiliate, have been in contact with KONG's owners, complaining the new call letters are confusingly

close to KING's.

"KONG is a marvelously camp name but in business the campiness disappears," said Eric Bremner, a vice president for KING. "Our concern is sincere and genuine."

KING hopes to stop short of a lawsuit, but Bremner said his station has spent years building name familiarity and it is unfair for another station to trade on that familiarity.

Jim Hayes, a spokesman for KONG's owners in San Francisco, said KING's concerns are "ridiculous."

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