

# Defeat of Hanrahan a Stunning Blow to Daley's Organization

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CHICAGO, Nov. 8 — Mayor

Richard J. Daley's Democratic machine took a stunning blow yesterday with the defeat of Cook County State's Attorney Edward V. Hanrahan by Bernard Carey, a Republican, in Mr. Hanrahan's bid for re-election.

Crucial to Mr. Carey's victory was the first massive defection of the black voters who have long been the mainstay of Mr. Daley's organization.

With nearly complete returns counted, Mr. Carey had captured 10 of the city's 14 all-black wards and had run extremely well in the four others.

There were indications that the Democratic organization, focusing its efforts on the critical States Attorney's race, had attempted to discourage black voting, thus denying Senator George McGovern any chance to carry Cook County and Illinois in the Presidential race.

### Key Race for Party

The State's Attorney's race was far and away the most important election to the regular organization. Mr. Carey's victory puts the prosecutor's post in the hands of an eager, 37-year-old former agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation who has repeatedly vowed to investigate charges of Democratic vote fraud, corruption, kickbacks and other malfeasance.

An indication of what this could mean for the long-entrenched organization can be seen in the recent activities of the other prosecutorial office here, United States Attorney, also in the hands of the Republicans. In recent weeks, United States Attorney James R. Thomson has brought indictments

against the County Clerk, three officials in the County Assessor's office, including a former Alderman, and 75 precinct workers and election officials on charges of vote fraud growing out of the primary last March.

The nearly complete returns showed Mr. Carey leading Mr. Hanrahan by 1,167,872 to 1,038,666.

It was a 200,000-vote edge in the suburbs, which produced 60.6 per cent of the vote, that gave Mr. Carey his winning total. But it was the failure of the black, inner-city wards to provide their normal Democratic margins that sealed his victory.

### Runs Well in Suburbs

Indeed, Mr. Hanrahan — appealing to white racial fears in the suburbs, heightened at the end of the campaign by his announcement of the arrest of 10 alleged members of a purported black terrorist-murder gang called "De Mau Mau" — ran relatively well in the normally Republican suburbs. He received 39.4 per cent of the vote there, against 30.9 per cent for Mr. McGovern and 40.9 per cent for Daniel Walker, the Democrat who won the Governor's office.

The black wards on the South Side have reliably contributed to the Democratic

column since the nineteen-thirties, when the late Representative William L. Dawson switched his organization from a Republican to Democratic in response to Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal and the blandishments of Mayor Anton Cermak, who sent Capt. John Wabash Street Station with instructions to harass racketeers until they capitulated.

Mr. Hanrahan was acquitted on the eve of the election of charges of conspiracy to obstruct justice in connection with the predawn police raid on a Black Panther leader, Fred Hampton, was slain. He made an avowed "war on black street gangs," the most prominent feature of his office. He is highly unpopular in the black community.

The major break in a normally tight organization control of the black vote came this spring when Representative Ralph Metcalfe, once the major black loyalist and heir to Dawson's organization, broke with Mayor Daley over the issue of police brutality after two of his supporters, both wealthy dentists, were roughed up by the police.

The slowly growing force of South Side community organizations and independent black politicians coalesced with Mr. Metcalfe to open an all-out drive to defeat Mr. Hanrahan. The pressure was so strong that Alderman Calude W. B. Holman, chairman pro tem of the City Council, one of the most prominent of the remaining black loyalists, was able to carry his Forth Ward by only 120 votes out of 16,000.