

Sen, Nov 5 A1

# Light City Vote Hurt Tydings

## 47% Baltimore Turnout Was 20% Below State Figure

By BENTLEY ORRICK

A curious drop in the Baltimore city voter turnout was the straw that broke the back of Senator Joseph D. Tydings's reelection attempt.

Representative J. Glenn Beall, Jr., the personable Republican from Frostburg (population 6,722 and declining, according to the 1960 census) sold himself to enough skeptical Democrats, built on a solid GOP base of one-third of the voters, and cashed in on the huge anti-Tydings vote that the Senator has managed to enlist against himself in his brief political career.

But Mr. Beall, despite winning

bigger than expected in the rural areas, despite taking by devastating margins Baltimore county, Anne Arundel county and Mr. Tydings's home Harford county, still would have come out behind if the Baltimore city turnout had approached that of the state at large.

### 47 Per Cent Turnout

While 67 per cent of the voters were turning out in the 23 counties, only 47 per cent were turning out in Baltimore.

Mr. Tydings, who campaigned heavily in the city and was counting on a black bloc vote, won the city almost 2/1 as expected.

But in 1966, with a hot gubernatorial race that broke across party lines, the midterm election turnout in the city totaled 241,000 votes, while this year

only 198,000 made it to the Baltimore polling places.

The morning rain—"machine weather"—might have contributed to the light vote and the lack of real competition from the Republicans in most legislative races and two of the three congressional races probably had an effect.

But generally Tydings aides were perplexed by the voter drop-off, which took place in the gubernatorial race as well as the Senate race.

The votes that Mr. Tydings could have expected to pick up over Mr. Beall if 50,000 more Baltimoreans had voted would have come very close to erasing the 29,000-vote, 51 per cent upset majority Mr. Beall put together.

The Tydings camp was even  
(Continued, Page A 13, Col. 4)

27  
Fo  
De  
polit  
laun  
and  
gres  
maj  
nors  
Re  
bulg  
ocra  
year  
gove  
wer  
the  
in  
Rep  
gan  
In

# SLACK IN VOTE HURT TYDINGS

## 47% Turnout In City Was 20% Below State Figure

(Continued from Page A 1)

more shocked by their candidate's failure to carry Montgomery county by more than 20,000 votes. They had counted on a 40,000-vote lead from the liberal leaning Washington suburb.

Governor Mandel was carrying Montgomery by almost 60,000 votes while Mr. Tydings stumbled far behind.

Resentment over Mr. Tydings's championship of such "law-and-order" measures as no-knock police entry and preventive detention for the close-at-home District of Columbia would hardly seem to account for a liberal vote fall-off of such proportions.

Some observers felt that the *Life* magazine expose detailing Mr. Tydings's multi-million dollar interest in a corporation that dealt with the State Department before and after Mr. Tydings's election in 1964 might have been a "silent" issue that repulsed many voters who supported the senator's liberal voting record.

For the rest of the counties, a Tydings strategist put it in the nutshell: "Too aloof, too liberal."

### One-Issue ELIXIR

The gun fanciers, who organized early and drenched the rural areas with their one-issue campaign elixir, helped roll up the small-county Beall majorities that by themselves accounted for his narrow margin of victory.

But the gun issue—Mr. Tydings's federal firearms registration bill—probably did not account for nearly as many anti votes as a rural and suburban white malaise, quiet but present, with Mr. Tydings's popularity among Negroes and his past predilection to speak to strongly for civil rights.

That was the "too liberal" part. The "too aloof" part was probably even more important.

"Personality Thing"

Repub  
Con  
Dis

By  
Tow

A R  
Third  
Baltim  
returns  
council  
in their  
lished  
two-pa  
for-the  
That is  
new w  
tive.

The  
ing in  
beyond  
this  
gained  
of the  
and na  
a third

In 19  
on a s  
cratic  
the G  
county  
sembly  
greatly  
they l  
Anders  
utive.

This  
harmo  
ranks  
put to  
Repub  
trouble

Mr.  
seat S  
op; Jr  
zation  
the ca  
ing in  
ous ey  
traditi  
hold  
regist

Fin  
from  
son a  
can c  
tive.

But  
dates  
ticket  
strong  
candi

	its	"Personality-Thing"	canon
	at	Politicians sympathetic to Mr.	unkno
	al	Tydings discuss "Joe's personal-	nance
	il-	ity thing" as freely as politi-	Hea
	nd	cians opposed to him.	ed b
	in-	Words like "cocky," "snob-	senta
	nd	bish," and "remote" have been	clear
	in,	part of conversation about Mr.	didat
	le-	Tydings since he burst on the	ers a
	he	Maryland scene as an "independ-	by a
	rd,	ent" out to recapture the "Ty-	But
	om	dings seat" held by his late	Senat
	—	step-father for 24 years.	not c
	—	But the "personality thing"—	the a
	—	all the stories about his tight-	for B
	—	fistedness with money and his	Four
	—	inability to remember names	wher
	—	and his failure to project friend-	four
	—	ly sincerity while shaking vot-	bly,
	—	ers' hands,—was going to be	cumt
	—	overcome by his expert organi-	Ser
	ive	zation and his identification as	tion
	for	a Democrat in Maryland in	vote
	na-	what was clearly going to be a	W. B
	am-	Democratic year.	ning
	t of	The aloofness ended up hur-	Linc
	—	ting here too. Mr. Tydings	chai
	—	quickly made up with Governor	boar
	y	Mandel after the primary and	oppe
	ts	joint campaign appearances and	gate
	—	mutual endorsements flowed	slate
	—	forth.	of t
	—	Optimistic Telephone Polls	Com
	—	With only two weeks to go in	A
	—	the campaign, however, Mr. Ty-	—
	—	dings apparently became con-	—
0,093	—	vinced, largely from optimistic	—
6,828	—	telephone polls conducted, ironi-	—
6,589	—	cally by the Governor's cam-	—
5,135	—	paign organization, that re-elec-	—
—	—	tion was going to be easy.	—
—	—	A Mandel aide exclaimed at	—
—	—	the time, "Joe was humble after	—
—	—	the primary but after these	—
—	—	polls, he's just as cocky as	—
—	—	ever."	—
9,758	—	Mr. Tydings, from that point	—
9,566	—	on, avoided too-close identifica-	—
4,495	—	tion with the Governor.	—
4,030	—	He had apparently decided he	A
644	—	could safely win re-election on	A
—	—	his own without appearing to	B
s	—	owe anything to the bosses and	C
—	—	he ignored advice to "hang on to	C
—	—	the front runner."	C
—	—	He never made a television	C
9,259	—	tape with the Governor in what	C
7,081	—	would have been a natural at-	C
6,393	—	tempt to capture some of the	C
6,343	—	record Mandel majority for him-	C
5,710	—	self.	C
9,293	—	Mr. Tydings even went so far	I
—	—	as to set up his own election	I
10,011	—	night headquarters in the Bel-	I
605	—	vedere Hotel, pointedly ignoring	(
—	—	Democratic headquarters in the	)
—	—	Hilton.	)
art	—	The overconfidence in the Ty-	)
10,153	—	dings camp did not begin to dis-	)
3,733	—	sipate until the last week in the	)
—	—	campaign when Mr. Beall's	)
—	—	carefully held-off television	)
9,909	—	commercial blitz featuring Pres-	)
3,511	—	ident Nixon's East Baltimore	)
—	—	visit, got rolling.	)
—	—	The Tydings staffers had ex-	)
—	—	pressed contempt for the folksy	)
—	—	pace of the Beall campaign until	)
7,899	—	a shift in campaign managers,	)
7,866	—	which the Republicans say was	)
7,342	—	planned all along, changed the	)
6,755	—	Beall effort from one of just	)
5,780	—	getting known to one of constant	)
5,341	—	attack.	)
—	—	Mr. Beall himself, flushed	)
—	—	with pleasure at the warm re-	)
9,745	—	ception he was getting from	)
5,161	—	working men in a Baltimore	)
—	—	area industrial plant, said that	)
—	—	Mr. Tydings's biggest tactical	)
8,948	—	blunder had been helping Mr.	)
4,510	—	Beall "over the hard part—get-	)
—	—	ting known by the voters."	)