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Tuesday's Congressional primary is highlighted by both Republican and Democratic battles in the new 10th District where reapportionment left voters without an incumbent.

The two other area contests in the 7th and 11th Districts pit relative unknowns against opponents with high name recognition.

In the 10th District, most of which was formerly in the old 13th District, Republican voters will chose between Floyd Fulle and Samuel Young for representative in Congress while Democratic voters will be choosing between Niles Mayor Nicholas Blase and Rep. Abner Mikva [D., Ill.].

Blase and Mikva have conducted furious campaigns.

Differences Develop

In the more than 20 confrontations between the pair since the race got under way, sharp differences have developed on issues and in style.

Mikva, who moved into the area after being remapped out of his Hyde Park home in the old 2d District, has deemphasized somewhat his previous strong position in favor of busing, but generally is running on his record.

He has been stressing his move in Congress to close loopholes for the rich in income tax laws and a stated goal to release federal funds to help local communities improve schools and lower property taxes.



"Carpetbagger" Charges

Blase, lacking a congressional record to talk about, has, thruout the campaign, counted heavily on the charge that Mikva is a "carpetbagger" whose "answers to South Side Chicago problems do not apply to the North suburbs."

His focus has been on local problems such as the need for more mass transportation and the dangers posed by busing.

Observers believe voter turnout will play a role in determining the eventual winner of the contest. Blase is expected to receive strong support in Northfield and Main Townships; and Mikva's campaign officers, while expressing confidence of victory, admit that a small turnout of liberal Democrats in New Trier and Evanston Townships could hurt their cause.

G .O. P. Race Close

On the Republican side, Fulle, a Cook County commissioner, and Young, a Loop attorney and former Illinois assistant secretary of state, are locked in what may well turn out to be the closest race of the year.

Clearly the more active of the two candidates has been Young.

Fulle, adopting the pose of a front runner, has steadfastly avoided confrontations with his opponent.

Armed with the endorsements of Gov. Ogilvie and four of the district's five Republican township organizations, Fulle has concentrated on coffees and "walk-and-talk" tours.

Strikes at Opponent

Young, who said he entered the battle only when he felt that TRIBUNE revelations of waste in county government would make Fulle vulnerable to Democratic attack in the fall, has struck out at the commissioner's campaign tactics, saying that a candidate unwilling to debate the issues performs a "disservice to the Republican Party."

Young, active in politics since his election in 1951 as president of the Young Republican Organization of Illinois, has been forced to consult newspapers to find out how he and Fulle differ on issues.

He has identified and publicized five such differences, the most clear cut of which is Young's desire for a 10 per cent cut in the federal budget as opposed to Fulle's support of President Nixon's recent budget that requires deficit spending.

Young is backed in his efforts by the Northfield Regular Republican Organization, the New Trier and Evanston Republican Women's Clubs, and most Young Republican groups. An added boost has been given to his campaign by well-known North Shore Republicans, including Samuel Witwer.

11th District

In the 11th District, much of the credit for the interest generated by the Republican primary can, strangely enough, be given to the Democrats.

When the popular Rep. Roman Pucinski decided to gamble on a bid for the Senate, the Democratic organization imported Rep. Frank Annunzio to take his place. As an outsider, Annunzio, the incumbent from the old 7th District, has raised the "carpetbagger" issue, thus giving Republicans what they believe is an excellent chance to pick up a seat in the House.

In the G. O. P. race for the opportunity to try for that seat, Mitchell Zadrozny, a long-time party worker, is in a cleanly fought battle with Ald. John J. Hoellen [47th].

Hoellen, the pick of the party slatemakers, who twice lost in contests with Pucinski, is favored to take the primary victory, but not without effort.

Zadrozny, a 48-year-old bachelor, is a professor of geography at Wright City College and is employing a crew of Young Republicans from that school to aid in his campaign efforts.

As secretary of the 45th Ward Regular Republican Organization, Zadrozny also claims to have the support of a numbers of precinct captains.

The contest has been marked by few if any differences on issues.

Each candidate is stressing his own qualifications. The strongest thing Zadrozny will say about Hoellen is "he has a reputation for losing Congressional elections." Hoellen, in turn, will respond only with the opinion that "Mr. Zadrozny is not well enough known to win."

7th District

Another primary contest Tuesday pits freshman Congressman George Collins [D., Ill.] against Mrs. Rhea Mojica Hammer, a political novice, in the 7th District.

Collins, a black congressman, is the reason for Frank Annunzio's forced move to the 11th. The incumbent from the 6th District, Collins was remapped into the 7th and won a battle against Annunzio for the Democratic organization's support in seeking rtefection there.

Mrs. Hammer, an associate producer and coordinator of Ayuda, a Spanish-language television program on Channel 26, has not campaigned in the black areas of the district, which accounts for a considerable block of votes.

A Mexican-American, Mrs. Collins has said her main reasons for running are to "make waves'"" and to demonstrate to other Spanish-speaking people that it is not impossible to seek election.

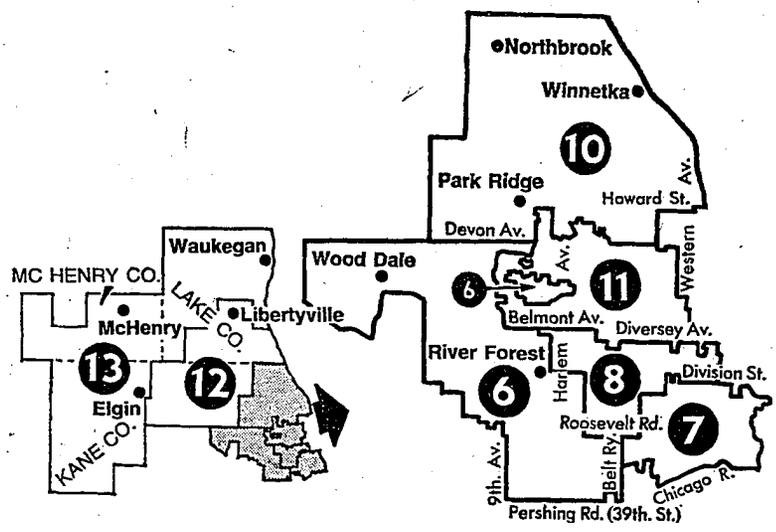
In other area congressional races, both Republican and Democratic candidates are running unopposed. They are:

6TH DISTRICT
Republican
Harold R. Collier, 3108 S. Harlem Av., Riverside
Democrat
Michael R. Galasso, 1025 S. Fairview Av., Lombard

8TH DISTRICT
Republican
William B. Warzynski, 2842 N. Long Av., Chicago
Democrat
Daniel D. Rostenkowski, 1372 W. Evergreen St., Chicago

12TH DISTRICT
Republican
Philip M. Crane, 307 Man-Awa Trail, Mount Prospect
Democrat
Charles W. Houchins, 318 S. Albert St., Mount Prospect

13TH DISTRICT
Republican
Robert McClory, 340 Prospect Av., Lake Bluff
Democrat
Stanley W. Beetham, 597 Leon Dr., Tower Lakes.



Small map shows Congressional Districts 12 and 13. Larger map details congressional districts in shaded area.

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