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# Strong Support for Dr. King At NAACP Area Conference

## JFK'S SISTER GUEST AT GOVERNOR'S BALL

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### HUTCHESON URGES WILKINS REELECTION TO NATIONAL POST

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STRONG SUPPORT for the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King following the shocking attack on the distinguished Negro leader by FBI director J. Edgar Hoover was expressed at the recent quarterly meeting of the Southern Area Conference, West Coast Region, NAACP, at Compton, Calif.

A unanimous resolution was adopted by the assembled delegates from the Southern California-Southern Nevada section urging officers and members of affiliated branches to write President Johnson, their Governors and Congressional representatives deploring the unwarranted and intemperate accusations leveled at the 1964 Nobel Peace Prize winner by the nation's head G-man.

Another highlight of the two-day meeting was a scholarly plea by Dr. Roy Hutcheson of Washington, D.C., that all branch presidents support Roy Wilkins for reelection as National Executive Secretary of the NAACP.

Dr. Hutcheson stressed Wilkins' long devotion to the civil rights movement, his stature among national Negro leaders and the valuable contacts he has made during his many years of dedicated service to the NAACP.

ESPECIALLY SIGNIFICANT was the advice offered by a prominent Pasadena, Calif., attorney, Samuel Sheats, nominee for president of his branch and chairman of its Legal Redress Committee. Sheats strongly advised that NAACP activities be given the widest possible publicity. He said it was vitally important that programs and resolutions adopted at branch meetings be fully exposed to the public through mass communication media such as local newspapers, television and radio.

The opening joint adult-youth session, which was called to order by Southern Area Youth President Eugene Kelly, was featured by the inspiring remarks of special guest Mrs. Medgar Evers, widow of the martyred Mississippi NAACP official. Mrs. Evers was introduced by the Rev. Ellis H. Casson, Area president.

Laplois Ashford, National Youth Council secretary, then delivered a stirring and challenging address on problems arising from de facto segregation, a particularly aggravating condition in many Northern cities.

Ashford, a native of Mississippi, pointed out that trouble-breeding racial ghettos exist in practically every city in the North, as well as the South, where large numbers of colored people have congregated. He urged parents to form groups to meet with school boards in organized attempts to eliminate the many problems caused by segregated education. He also cautioned parents to be wary of zoning and

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ATTENDED COMPTON CONFERENCE--These Youth Council members of Las Vegas NAACP attended recent quarterly meeting of Southern Area Conference of organizations West Coast Region at Compton, Calif. Front row (from left): Edythe Gilks, secretary; Nellie Dawson, Maxine Groce, treasurer; Gwen Isom and Penny Teate. Middle row (from left): Isaac Grant, Charles Mitchel, sergeant-at-arms; Emily Groce, Vertis Marks, Dimitrios Williams, vice president, and Charles Steel, president. Rear (from left): Billy Armstrong, Ronnie Williams, Bert Johnson, James Enus, James Armstrong, James Dukes and Ralph Cooper. Additional photos of local Youth Council members will appear in next week's VOICE. (See story left)

## Mrs. Shriver Represents Jackie

A SISTER of the late President John F. Kennedy will be an honored guest at the Governor's Birthday Ball in the Congo Room of the Hotel Sahara on the evening of Dec. 12.

Mrs. Sargent Shriver, Jr., the former Eunice Kennedy, has accepted an invitation to the big dinner-dance, officially designated as the "Governor's Gala and Grand Centennial Finale", in behalf of Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy, widow of the assassinated chief executive of the United States. All proceeds from the affair will be contrib-

### FETE GRIDDERS SUNDAY

DON'T FORGET the first annual Athletic Banquet of the Men's Progressive League next Sunday (Dec. 6) at the Carver House, "D" and Jackson Sts.

The public is invited to help honor West Las Vegas boys who played varsity football for local high schools during the past season.

Dinner tickets at \$3 each are available at Doolittle or Jefferson recreation centers; phone 385-1221, extension 228, through today and Friday or 385-1226 after 5 p.m.

Sunday's banquet will start at 6 p.m. according to Las Vegas Police Detective Herman Moody, league chairman. Representatives of the

uted to the John F. Kennedy Memorial Library Fund according to Gov. Grant Sawyer, who is Nevada director of the drive to erect the cultural center in Boston, Mass. Tickets for the combined dinner and ball are available to the public at \$25 per plate. Admission to the ball for non-diners will cost \$5 per couple. Reservations may be made by addressing "Governor's Gala", P.O. Box 2570, Las Vegas.

"Nothing could give me greater pleasure than to specify that this occasion offer Nevadans an opportunity to contribute to the major shrine being planned to honor the memory of our late and beloved President," Gov. Sawyer said. "I will be humbly grateful to all those able to attend."

In behalf of Gov. Sawyer and the executive committee arranging the dinner-dance, chairman Al Landsman said, "We are very proud and honored indeed to have Mrs. Shriver join Nevadans from every walk of life in expressing good wishes to Gov. Sawyer on the occasion of his birthday and the final stages of Nevada's centennial year. We are equally happy that Mrs. Shriver can take part in a major project of our Nevada campaign to raise funds for the John F. Kennedy Memorial Library."