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### Militant Preacher Mulls Legal Action After TV Roust

ONE OF THE MOST controversial TV shows ever presented in Las Vegas was unceremoniously removed from the air last Sunday and its producer and "star performer" indignantly told the VOICE, "I do not intend to take this lying down."

"On the Spot," a half-hour panel-type program originated by the Rev. Prentiss S. Walker, militant West Las Vegas preacher and businessman, was "blacked out" by an official of KSHO-TV, channel 13, two-thirds of the way through its eighth weekly performance.

At the time the station program director ordered the cameraman to "shut it off," Las Vegas attorney Robert Cohen was "discussing"

the loan policies of a local financial institution in terms deemed "maliciously offensive" by officials of the company.

An officer of the company said that after receiving about ten phone calls describing Cohen's alleged "attack" on his firm, he phoned the station and protested. He said that a station official agreed the program had "gotten out of hand" and that he was taking it off the air immediately. The "black-out" followed.

A spokesman for the TV station said "On the Spot" had been permanently canceled. The Rev. Walker, who had monitored the show since it was first presented on Feb. 21, said he would

consult his attorney regarding possible legal action against "those responsible" for forcing his program off the air.

According to the Rev. Walker, the TV station later offered to put the show back on the Sunday schedule if he would tape it in advance so any "objectionable" material could be eliminated. When the outspoken Baptist minister refused this offer because "I wasn't about to let them censor me," the station then suggested the show format be changed. The Rev. Walker also rejected this alternative, declaring, "They knew it was going to be a controversial show and it will go back on that way or not at all."

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## Adair Views Rejected Opportunities Board Chief Claims Critic "Out of Line"

### FLORIDA VOLUNTEER HASHED OLD STUFF - PROGRAM BOSS

BARBED CRITICISM of certain aspects of the federally-financed economic opportunities program in West Las Vegas by a Volunteer In Service To America (VISTA) has been described as "way out of line" by the chairman of the board charged with administering the program.

Harvey Dondero, prominent local educator, civic leader and chairman of the Economic Opportunities Board of Clark County, said claims made by "War on Poverty" worker Robert W. Adair in an exclusive VOICE story last week merely "rehashes old stuff" and have been rejected as insupportable by responsible persons connected with the local anti-poverty program.

Dondero laughed off reports that "Operation Independence," a West Las Vegas subsidiary of the county-wide program administered by the Economic Opportunities Board, would be abandoned as a result of Adair's charges.

"There's nothing to that report," Dondero said. "The board certainly wouldn't consider penalizing the many worthy persons benefiting from Operation Independence just because Mr. Adair--and possibly a few others--don't like the way we are trying to iron out our problems."

"I did tell Mrs. Johnson (Mrs. Lubertha Johnson, supervisor of Operation Independence) that I was disgusted by the unfounded allegations made against the board's personnel and pro-

(See DONDERO, page 17)

### Voters Hear Candidates

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE in the forthcoming Las Vegas and North Las Vegas municipal elections are invited to address a meeting sponsored by the Nevada Voters League at 8 p.m. next Tuesday (April 20) at 1400 North 'E' St.



**BIG GAME AIDE**--Sports enthusiast Allen Sanders (above), handicapped as participant in athletic competition by impaired eyesight, will play prominent role in big basketball extravaganza scheduled for Monday night (April 19) at Las Vegas Convention Center. West Las Vegas teenager was picked as one of four ball-boys for Russian National team's American debut in contest against United States All-Stars selected from outstanding college and AAU cagers. Main event at 8 p.m. will be preceded by game between Las Vegas All-Stars and picked squad of West Coast military players at 6:30 p.m. (See 'Sports Roundup' page 9.)

### PUBLICATION HAILS PARSON

CLAUDE PARSON, industrial arts teacher at Roy Martin Junior High and president of the Matt Kelly School PTA, was conspicuously honored in the current issue of Educator's Newsletter, official organ of the Clark County Classroom Teachers' Association.

Noting that April is "Teaching Career Month" throughout the country, the publication devoted a special section to seven district



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educators who were selected as "typical of the teachers of Clark County" who disprove George Bernard Shaw's oft-quoted remark that, "He who can, does. He who cannot, teaches."

Parson not only was the only Negro chosen from among the district's 2,260 public school teachers as examples of local instructors who "not only can, but do," he also was the only male among the seven prototypes depicted. A sketch accompanying Parson's photo in the special section states that he was "born 37 years ago in Demopolis, Alabama, moving shortly thereafter to New York State. He was graduated from high school in Albany, then received his B.A. in industrial arts at New York State University, Oswego. Later he completed his M.A. in industrial arts at Arizona State, Tempe, and has plans for further advanced study. He has taught in Clark County for 10 years, five of them at Madison Elementary and five at Roy Martin Junior High."