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Benefit Tea Sunday Aids Child Care Center

A BENEFIT TEA is being sponsored by the Community Arts Committee of Operation Independence at the Job Center, 813 West Owens Ave., next Sunday, June 27, from 3 to 6 p.m. Donations received at the affair, which will be featured by an exhibit of creative art and handiwork, have been ear-marked for the Building Fund of the Operation Independence Day Care Center according to Mrs. Edythe Abington, chairman of the Community Arts Committee. Local residents who have created various

articles of millinery and wearing apparel, as well as paintings, and other objets d'art, under the committee program are urgently requested to arrange for their display at the tea by contacting Mrs. Minnie Wilkins at 642-5185, either in the morning or after 5:30 p.m.

Each women's club in the area has been requested to set up a table at the tea, with the necessary linens, silverware, refreshments, etc. Awards will be presented for the most

attractively decorated table and to the group with the largest number of participants. Registration is being handled by Mrs. Lubertha Johnson, Operation Independence director, at headquarters of the project, 1165 Balzar St. (649-2137), and Mrs. Abington, 2645 Royal St., North Las Vegas (642-7209).

Mrs. Abington also reports that Operation Independence is seeking a piano for use at Sunday's tea and needs a piano on a permanent basis for other project functions.

School Planning Council Awaits Data on Scope of Operations

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Advisory Group's Next Meeting Set; Briefing on July 19

EXTENT AND NATURE of the problems to be attacked by the recently organized Clark County School District Planning Council, specifically as they relate to the School Board's attempt to provide equal educational opportunities for all children in the county, will be presented at the council's next meeting on July 19 according to Chairman Robert Jones.

Jones said he had asked Harvey Dondero, executive secretary of the council and assistant to the county superintendent of schools, to organize a presentation of data on July 19 that will clearly indicate and identify the scope of the council's work.

At the council's first meeting on May 26, Dr. Leland Newcomer, superintendent of schools, posed a number of questions for consideration by members of the advisory group. They included:

- 1) Are there significant segments of our school population that are not profiting from their school experience as well as should be expected? If so, what is the nature and extent of this problem and what are its probable causes? And what is the responsibility of the School Board to expend its resources in an attempt to correct such a situation?
- 2) What is the effect of de facto school segregation in Clark County?
- 3) What are the problems arising out of integration at the junior and senior high school levels?
- 4) What are the economic implications of de facto segregation, integration by transportation, compensatory education, etc., etc.?

It is expected that Dondero will present data and other pertinent information on all these points at the July 19 meeting, including detailed views of the School Board and the school district administration.

Jones expressed the hope that all council members, including those who missed the May 26 meeting, could arrange to be present on July 19. Members attending the original meeting were Mmes. Helen Anderson, Lubertha Johnson, William Laub, J. A. Tiberti and Helen Cannon; the Messers Woodrow Wilson, George Wilkinson, Henry Moore, Robert Brown, William Deutsch, Lyal Burkholder, Earl Brunner, Wing Fong, Bryn Armstrong, Kenny Guinn, Alvin Levy and Richard Davis; Drs. Marvin Wampler, Charles West, Marvin Sedway, Holbert Hendrix, Richard Brown, Charles Watts, Joseph Caliguri, David Sands, Leslie Shuck and J. L. Glaspey; Judge F. M. Doolittle; the Rev. Jerry Furr,

Howard Speaker



PRESIDENT HONORED--President Lyndon B. Johnson delivers commencement address at Howard University after receiving honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from Washington, D.C., school. In his speech, LBJ proclaimed a new and more profound stage in the struggle to win justice for the American Negro. (See next week's VOICE for complete text of President's historic speech.)

and Mr. Jones, Mr. Dondero and Dr. Newcomer. Absent members were Mmes. Benny Goffstein, E. Parry Thomas, Reba Dolan and William Moore; the Messers J. R. Crockett, Adam Yacenda and John Foley; Dr. Lewis Fussell; Bishop C. C. Cox, Rabbi Aaron Gold and the Rev. Marion Bennett.

Air Sgt. Lyles Retires After 20-Year "Hitch"

T/SGT. ELBERT LYLES of West Las Vegas will retire from the U.S. Air Force in July after 20 years of service.

A local resident since 1958, Sgt. Lyles has been active on the Clark County Citizens Council and is a member of the NAACP. He has been stationed at Nellis AFB for three years and is presently in charge of base transportation.

Following his separation from the service, Sgt. Lyles, who has been licensed as a bondsman, will work full time for BBB Bail Bonds at its new office, 32 Stewart St.

GRANT TV STATION SUIT ANSWER DELAY

AN ANSWER to a \$1,500,000 damage suit filed by the Rev. Prentiss S. Walker against KSHO-TV and its general manager, originally due last Friday, has been delayed until early next week at the request of attorneys for the insurer of the local television station.

Attorney Robert L. Reid, representing the Rev. Walker, said he had agreed to a 10-day extension of the answer deadline after conferring with his client.

The suit resulted from KSHO-TV's mid-program "blackout" of the Rev. Walker's weekly panel-type show on April 11 following a protest from a local financial institution that it was being unfairly maligned by a guest on the program. The show was subsequently cancelled by the television station.

School Employees Group Elects Whitmire Director

NORMAN WHITMIRE, a three-year resident of West Las Vegas who has been connected with the local school system maintenance department for more than two years, has been elected a director of the Clark County School District Classified Employees Association.

A native of Kansas City, Mo., Whitmire is a graduate of Berkeley (Calif.) High School and learned the plumbing trade during a three and one-half year hitch in the U.S. Air Force.

Whitmire is the son of Mrs. Stella Fears, a former secretary of the Las Vegas NAACP. He and his wife reside at 1909 Gregory St.

Rummage Sale Saturday

A LARGE SELECTION of good wearing apparel for men, women and children of all ages, together with a variety of household articles, is being offered at a series of Saturday rummage sales starting June 26 at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, 1189 Hassell St., Vegas Heights.

Proceeds from the sales will go toward the church building fund and material for usher uniforms according to Mrs. Ruby Watson, president of the usher board. Sale hours each Saturday will be 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

