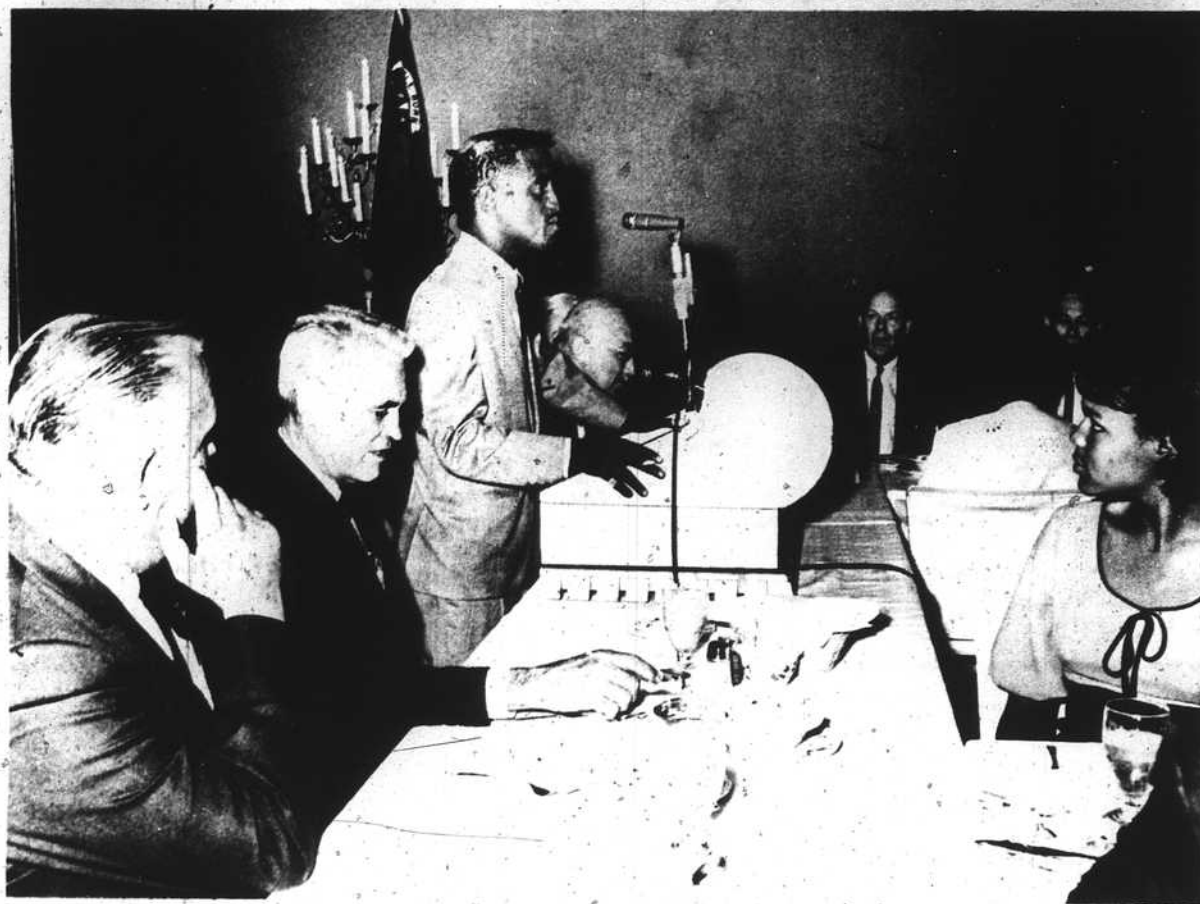


WHAT SAMMY DAVIS IS REALLY LIKE



"MR. WONDERFUL", Sammy Davis Jr., now appearing in the Copa Room of the Sands Hotel, made a "good" recognition dinner "wonderful" when he spoke to the members of the Southern Nevada Human Relations Commission and their guests, a group of students from Valley High School who have formed their own Junior Human Relations Commission in an effort to promote better race relations at the school. (Left to right) City Commissioner Grant Stewart; Mayor Oran Gragson; Sammy Davis Jr.; M. William Deutsch, Chairman S.N.H.R.C.; Las Vegas Police Chief F. Lorin Bunker; Lubertna Johnson (back to camera), Secretary-Treasurer, SNHRC; Lt. Richard J. Dunn, L.V. Police Dept.; and Paula MacDonald, Chairman, Valley High School Junior Human Relations Commission.

"Concerned About The Future"

Setting aside for the moment the laugh-provoking patter and effervescence which has made him the world famous success he is, Sammy Davis, Jr. revealed a serious, erudite and warm personality as he spoke to the group assembled for a dinner sponsored by the Southern Nevada Human Relations Commission honoring members of Valley High School's Junior Human Relations Commission in the Emerald Room of the Sands Hotel, recently.

"THE FUTURE is in your hands", he told them; "Never has youth, and especially a young Negro, had as great an opportunity afforded him as he now has. You can become whatever you wish to become."

Pointing out that he was the father of young children himself, Davis said he was concerned about their future and that of all young Americans, and felt that groups like the Jr. Human Relations Commission were vital for the establishment of positive racial and religious attitudes in the early formative school grades as well as throughout a young person's school life.

Davis was greeted by a standing ovation led by Mayor Oran Gragson, Commissioner Stewart, and SNHRC Chairman Deutsch. He was introduced by Sands Hotel executive, Ron Erickson, on behalf of Jack Entratter, President, Sands Hotel, who was out of town. By way of introduction, Erickson said that Sammy Davis, Jr. needed no introduction as the luminous star of the

entertainment world, but that, at this event, Davis was present as a man interested in his fellow man. Other speakers at the dinner were Mayor Oran Gragson, Commissioner Stewart, Chief of Police F. Lorin Bunker, and Chairman Deutsch.

THE JUNIOR Human Relations Commission was formed at Valley High School during the fall session of 1965 by a group of students under the direction of Asst. Principal Jack Dailey, with assistance from Social Studies instructors, Will F. Longshore and Jack Foreman. Dailey and Longshore are members of the Southern Nevada Human Relations Commission and proposed the idea of such a group at a regular monthly SNHRC meeting. Members of the city and county sponsored Southern Nevada Human Relations Commission heartily approved the proposal and backed the young people by attending their meetings, planning with them, and passing out Human Relations literature.

During the school year, the students worked hard to establish a school agency which would hear complaints of students and act on them. SNHRC members now plan to meet with officials of the Clark County School District in the fall to establish similar Jr. Human Relation Commissions in other schools.

Dinner for the student guests of the SNHRC was hosted by the Sands, Tropicana, Desert Inn and Stardust Hotels.

Denton Pledges Full-Time Representation

"THE LONE VOICE Nevada has in the House of Representatives has been silent too often on the great issues confronting our nation and state, and that is one of the main reasons why I am a candidate for Congress," Boulder City Attorney Ralph Denton said today as he filed his declaration of candidacy in Carson City with Secretary of State John Koontz.

"When the roll was called in Congress on many of the vital issues of our times, there was only silence from Nevada's empty chair," Denton said.

No Nevada vote was cast on 27 roll calls during the current session of Congress, he continued. The people of Nevada were not represented, therefore, on almost half of the 56 votes which came before the House in the first five months of 1966, Denton said.

"This continues," he said, "a dismal record of several years." "Nevada's member of the House only voted on 134 roll calls out of 201 in 1965 and on 53 of 113 in 1964."

"In other words the present Representative was in the lower 5 per cent in voting participation," Denton said.

"In attendance, our Congressman ranked 411th out of a total of 435 House members in 1965 and 414th in 1964," he charged.

DENTON SAID that among the major issues on which there was no Nevada vote cast in the House in the current session were:

The appropriation for the National Aeronautic and Space Administration, which operates the huge Nuclear Rocket Development Station 60 miles northwest of Las Vegas.

A measure to improve mail service to members of the Armed Forces serving in Viet Nam.

The appropriation for the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

And the bill to provide the money for the proper equipment and supplies to carry out America's commitment to fight communism in Southeast Asia.

"As I have traveled around the state in the last few weeks, Nevadans everywhere have told me they are shocked by the incumbent's failure to vote on these and other vital issues," Denton said.

"Thousands" of Clark County residents are employed at the NASA rocket testing facility and their welfare, as well as the safety of our nation, is dependent upon continuation and successful development of the vital experiments underway at that important facility. But the Nevada chair in the House was empty when the important NASA appropriation bill came before the lawmakers.

"Nevada can no longer afford the luxury of a part-time Congressman. We need a full-time voice in Washington and I am certainly prepared to spend the necessary time in the nation's capital to help build our state and to work for our country's best interest."

Denton is a native of Caliente, in Lincoln County. He is a former Clark County Commissioner and has lived in Boulder City since 1955. He practices law there and in Las Vegas.

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