### Jo Mackey Choir Slated For NAACP Meet Sunday

The 98-voice chorus of the Jo Mackey Elementary School sixth grade department will present a musical program for the Las Vegas Chapter of the NAACP during the Chapter's April 9 meeting to be held at Doolittle Center starting at 3 p.m. this coming Sunday.

The Musical Group performed before more than 8,000 children and adults during the 1965-66 school year and has been invited to sing for the Utah State Education Association in Cedar City this Spring according to school officials.

The Group is trained and conducted by Herschel Williams and Shirley Collins, sixth grade teachers at the school and accompanied by Bobbie. Jean Smith, also a teacher at Jo Mackey

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### **Negro Elected President** Of All-White Bank

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Simon, a former officer of the Exchange National Bank, was elected president of Guaranty Bank and Trust Company.

THE FIRST Negro to be graduated with a degree in Commerce from Roosevelt University, Simon also was the first non-white officer in a Chicago Loop Bank.

A native of New Orleans, he served from 1941 to 1945 as technical sergeant in the U.S. Army. He worked toward his bachelor's degree in Commerce while being employed at nights by Mammouth Life Insurance Gompany.

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BERLIN - (NPI)--The civil rights hymn "We Shall Overcome" has gone international --much to the chagrin of the East German Communists. The song has been adopted in re-cent months as a sort of spiritual hymn by young East Germans. Red rulers are said to be upset because the song "does not say who threatens peace--the United States and West Germany." And the bicycle riders???

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NEW YORK - (NPI)--NAACP Executive Director Roy Wilkins has taken issue with efforts to drag the Vietnam war into the civil rights

"Civil rights battles," he said, "are going to have to be fought and won on their own merits, irrespective of the state of war and peace in the world."

Wilkins made the remark as he was pre-sented the 1967 Freedom Award by Freedom House "for outstanding contributions to the cause of human liberty.

The NAACP executive director disagreed with "extremists," whose pain "drives them to positions that are, in reality, illusory." While civil rights matters cannot be "altered overnight," change must "come more swiftly than it has in the past," he said.

Disagreeing with efforts to link the Vietnam and civil rights issues, Wilkins was the only major national rights leader not planning to participate in antiwar protests set for April 15.

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