

How About This

GEORGE WALLACE ON NEVADA '68 BALLOT

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MEMBERS OF the Independent American Party of Nevada must be dancing on their ovens. Having petitioned to participate in the Primary Election as qualified electors of the State of Nevada, equalling in number at least five percent of the entire vote cast in the state of Nevada for representative in Congress at the last preceding general election, November 1966, their first big push is on.

At hand is a May 12 dated release, to wit: "The Nevada Wallace For President Committee is proud to announce the official approval of Secretary of State John Koontz of the petition which will place the name of George C. Wallace on the ballot as Presidential candidate for the United States in 1968.

"The Committee has begun circulation of the petition in Northern Nevada and is in the process of establishing a Clark County office.

"An official kickoff of the Wallace for President movement is planned in the near future.

"The Nevada Committee is now corresponding with Wallace to bring him to our great State to expound the principles of Constitutional government.

"The Nevada Committee is in contact with the various State and the National Wallace for President Committee."

IN THE state's third party's petition to the Secretary of State, the organization outlined the "principles" of the Independent American Party of Nevada. There is little need to reprint them here. It is all too familiar--a rehash of the rabid "robed and unrobed" views, opinions, pledges and commitment of every right wing organization and ultra conservative fanatic in the nation.

The IAP of N has pledged itself to a return to "Constitutional limited government". Paramount to the agenda of those dedicated to the "return of Constitutional limited government" is the "stop civil rights activities" program and a determined, tremendously well-organized campaign to indoctrinate millions of Americans to their philosophy under the guise of "real

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FREEDOM "TAG" DAY

On May 17, 1954, the United States Supreme Court said: "...in the field of Public Education the doctrine of 'separate but equal' has no place ...separate educational facilities are inherently unequal."

Thirteen years later, many communities, North and South, continue to deny equal educational opportunities to 2,500,000 of our children.

The NAACP has worked unceasingly to end school segregation wherever it exists and will continue to do so.

Equal Education is the basis of good citizenship. You can help--contribute to the FIGHT FOR FREEDOM.

Your local Chapter has designated this Saturday, May 20th, as NAACP Freedom "Tag" Day. When a young man or lady rings your door bell, please do not turn them away. They will be our local representative of our Youth Chapter, soliciting your donation for Freedom "Tag" Day.

Please give, and display your tag proudly. This project is under the supervision of Gwen Weekes, Chairman of Freedom Fund Committee, Carrie Stewart and Cranford Crawford, Co-Chairmen.

EXPLANATION OF EVANGELIST'S ARREST SOUGHT



Professor J. Clifton Brown, Jr., pictured above, was arrested and jailed on a vagrancy charge by sheriff's deputies at McCarran Airport as he awaited a ride to West Las Vegas on his arrival here from Los Angeles, May 5.

Brown, who holds a degree in Theology, is employed as a co-ordinating agent at the Opportunity Training Center in Los Angeles and, to say the least, is confused and dismayed at his reception in "The Best City Of Them All".

"Survival Of Black People" Conference Set

The Las Vegas VOICE is in receipt of a three-page brochure announcing "Three Days of Soul Action" at Jefferson High School in Los Angeles, California at a Conference on "SURVIVAL OF BLACK PEOPLE" scheduled for May 26, 27, 28.

Congressman Adam Clayton Powell of New York is publicized as Keynote Speaker of the unique assemblage which will be attended, it is announced, by such national civil rights figures as Martin Luther King, Floyd McKissick, Roy Wilkins, Bayard Rustin, Whitney Young, Stokely Carmichael, Norman Hill, Ron Karenga, and Elijah Muhammad.

RATES FOR chartered buses have been mailed to organizations throughout the Southern and Central California area by the Southern Area Co-ordinating Committee, and those planning to attend have been requested to indicate by advance registration with the California Black Conference Planning Committee, 8563 Broadway, Suite 208, Los Angeles 90003.

More Adults Needed For Disneyland Trip

The Happy Hour Senior Citizens Variety Club needs 16 adults who would like to go to Disneyland.

BUS WILL leave Doolittle Center Saturday morning, May 20, 1967, and return the same night.

For further information, call the Doolittle Recreation Center at 385-1221, Ex. 364. After 5 p.m., call 385-1228.

The Las Vegas VOICE has never engaged in the popular game of "Bait the Police - Chief - or Sheriff". The arrest and jailing of Professor Brown was first reported to the VOICE by local religious associates of the young man. It was, however, erroneously reported that he had been arrested by City Police. As is customary, this was checked with the LV Police Department and it was learned the City was not involved.

WE REQUESTED a statement from Brown detailing the entire circumstances of his arrest. His statement is offered here verbatim. There have been many inquiries at the VOICE office as to what action should or could be taken.

It is indicated, in our opinion, that Sheriff Ralph Lamb personally investigate the action taken by his deputies. Perhaps he can provide answers to the questions being posed on this unfortunate affair.

Here is Professor Brown's unedited version of what happened to him.

My plane arrived at 10:17 p.m. May 6. It was a TWA. At 10:45 p.m. I asked the officer, sheriff's officer, as to the directions from the airport to the Westside, and how long would the car trip take.

I made two calls of which I got no answer from either party. I then asked one of the employees of the airport concerning the next limousine.

At 11:45 p.m., I called the Church of God in Christ of which Bishop Cox is pastor. I received no answer from the church. I went to the coffee shop, purchased some snacks and after eating I spoke to the patrolman the second time. He asked of my destination and my business in Las Vegas, and who was I trying to contact. He concluded the questioning by asking my name and age.

After waiting another 35 to 40 minutes at the passenger loading area, I went back into the main area of the airport building at which time the officer, the same officer, stopped me and asked to see my identification. After showing him my hospital card, insurance identification card, letter of recommendation from my pastor, he pronounced them all to be invalid, and insufficient for proper identification. He asked for my draft card and drivers license. I had neither by reason of my visual difficulties, I also explained to him that my selective service registration card had been stolen earlier last year in a robbery committed on my person, and I never recovered the wallet, although the robber was apprehended.

After this I was taken to the sheriff's police station at the second level of the airport building. After making a few calls I was then informed of my "constitutional rights", then placed under arrest as vagrant, idle and destitute in the county of Clark. I was frisked and handcuffed.

A call was made to Los Angeles concerning my police record. I had nothing more than a walking violation. Shortly afterwards, two other officers came, and with the arresting officer escorted me to the Clark County Jail, where again I was searched, all valuables taken from me in the customary manner; then stripped and sprayed like a common lousy criminal; placed in a cell and heckled about my religious convictions by the other officers. The heckling was short lived after my intelligent replies.

At 4 a.m. I was booked and fingerprinted and (See ARREST, page 4)