

# Operation Independence MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT CENTER

## 'An Opportunity Program'

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FLASH:

The Directors of Operation Independence's ManPower and Head Start programs have received approval for the use of the Westside School for West Las Vegas's own Community Service Center. This will include legal and medical services, an Operation Independence Boy Scout Troop, and most important, a site for training in our very own community, especially for Westside residents.

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OPERATION INDEPENDENCE

FLASH:

The regional Deputy Director of the Office of Economic Opportunity has declared the ManPower Center program to be the most effective program in the region. Another first for the Westside Community.

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To date, the ManPower Development Center has placed over 78 persons in employment, and over 160 persons in training, including badly needed basic education classes. This is a first in the number of persons employed, and some in many occupations formerly closed to minority groups.

FLASH:

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# Stokes' Campaign Zooms ("PUDDIN", from page 1) Hatcher In Big Trouble

GARY, Ind. - (NPI)--Richard G. Hatcher is still having trouble with his mayoral campaign in this predominantly Negro city, while Carl B. Stokes is almost a sure winner in 10-per cent white Cleveland.

Hatcher's campaign problem is revealed by his charge that "plans are afoot to seal the election." And indeed, there is an alliance of forces in Gary against him. He is opposed--or, at least, "not supported,"--by the city's Democratic machine and is faced by Joseph Radigan, a powerful Republican foe in the November elections.

While Gary is now predominantly Negro, a majority of registered voters are white. And the voting in the Steel City is along racial lines, giving Hatcher a disadvantage.

Prominent Democratic officials ranging from Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey to Adlai E. Stevenson III, Illinois Secretary of State and son of the late ambassador to the United Nations, have had to come to Hatcher's aid.

According to some, the Gary candidate's campaign has been undramatic and lackluster.

IT IS A considerably different story in Cleveland, where Stokes is winning support from the city's white population while being solidly backed by the city's black people.

Unlike Hatcher, Stokes has no bloc of white voters opposing him. Nor is he running his campaign on building a front against whites.

Stokes was able, in a predominantly white city, to win so much white support that he beat incumbent Mayor Ralph Locher, in a Democratic primary, by more than 15,000 votes.

The Cleveland election never did zero in on race to the extent that Locher became an all-out focus of "white backlash" support. Indeed, the influential Cleveland Plain Dealer backed him. Many whites looked to Stokes to solve racial problems they couldn't handle.

Stokes faces Seth P. Taft, a Republican lawyer and grandson of President William H. Taft, in the November general election. He has a formidable name to fight, but is not expecting much of a battle on the predominantly Democratic city.

Even Locher says he will support Stokes. ONE DIFFERENCE between the Gary and Cleveland candidates lies in the way they talk.

Hatcher speaks of "black power" a scare term that rallies whites against him. Few listen when the Gary hopeful adds that he opposes racial violence.

On the other hand, Stokes is more discreet in his utterances, allaying white fears by criticizing Stokely Carmichael and praising American democracy.

Rather than railing against the "white power structure," he has won over it by fighting it on its own terms and by representing himself as its ally.

Perhaps the political climate in Gary is not allowing Hatcher to do the same.

## Resent Aid To Hatcher

By ROBERT W. WOMACK

INDIANAPOLIS - (NPI)--The Indiana Democratic Club Inc., officials has donated \$2,500 from the club's Building Fund to help finance the Nov. 7 election campaign of Richard G. Hatcher, Negro Democratic nominee for Mayor of Gary.

According to C. Edward Warren, president of the club, approval of the transaction was by "voice vote" and "hand vote" by a majority of the club's Board of Directors at a recent breakfast meeting.

The building fund was established many years ago. After Lawrence J. Sexton, real estate broker and party leader, who served seven consecutive terms as president, died Jan. 13, 1966, the Fund became known as the "Lawrence J. Sexton Memorial Building Fund." Hatcher first joined the club on June 20, when he spoke before the club.

Lake County (Gary) Democratic Chairman John Krupa, a member of the club, reacted strongly against the contribution. Hatcher and Krupa are in a running feud.

Anthony M. Maio, general chairman of the board of directors, stated that "it was a case of doing something for a Democratic candidate who had been turned down by his own county organization and we thought it was a good idea to help him."

that damn certain kind of milk, or anything that bore that dirty dairy label.

Blood, Puddin and his spies been ready to throw up right in front of the dairy section at several supermarkets, on several occasions over the past few days. We been seein' too damn many Bloods puttin' things with that funky dairy label on 'em right smack dab in their shoppin' carts.

PULL THEIR coats, baby, if you see anybody buyin' from them people who cut off home deliveries to all the folks in Soulville. How you expect some of those little Souls to get their milk if mama ain't got no wheels? They got to go without, Blood, baby, and that ain't right at all.

If them dairy dogs don't give a damn about how much of a bind they put us in, then, Blood, we don't give a good damn about how much hurt we can lay on their rusty-dusty.

Pinch their pockets, Baby, and you will hear 'em yell 'Uncle' loud and clear. Cut their water off, Baby, and you done won that war. If you don't cut 'em down to size rat now, Blood, we damn sure done lost that war but good. We'll be a damn big joke if we keep on spendin' our bread to buy disrespect.

Keep the faith, Blood, Puddin is catchin' hell tryin' to keep his cool with the Toms that keep holdin' back our progress.

Puddin's birddogs goin' to start takin' down names, and Puddin goin' to start callin' some names if the Benedict Arnolds don't straighten up and fly right.

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WASHINGTON

October 18, 1967

Dear Dr. West:

According to John Murphy, the visit of the Governmental Affairs Committee with Secretary McNamara and other officials at the Defense Department was informative and helpful.

I think the success of the Committee's Washington visits has been due to the great and active interest of the publishers in the affairs of their government. I am grateful to you for your interest and participation in these meetings.

I look forward to spending some time with you at the next meeting of the Committee.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Hubert H. Humphrey

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Gentlemen:

On behalf of the members of the Las Vegas Fire Department we would like to express our sincere appreciation to you and your newspaper staff for superb coverage during Fire Prevention Week, October 8-14, 1967.

Many thanks for your time and effort spent.

Sincerely,

O.K. McFarland, Battalion Chief  
Las Vegas Fire Department