

### How To Avoid Becoming A Xmas Crime Victim

To help prevent your becoming a Christmas crime victim, the Las Vegas Police Department suggests the following precautions be taken to protect your home against burglars.

#### WHEN YOU ARE GOING TO BE AWAY FROM HOME:

1. DO make sure all windows and doors are securely locked.
2. DO keep some lights on when you leave. Provide outside illumination.
3. DO enlist the cooperation of neighbors by encouraging them to report suspicious strangers in the area to police. Phone 385-1122.
4. DON'T hide keys outside of your house or apartment.
5. DON'T pull shades down or close the blinds.
6. DON'T keep large amounts of money or other valuables at home. List several numbers of watches, radios, television sets, firearms, machines, appliances, and other equipment. Use private markings to identify other valuable personal property and clothing.
7. If your home is burglarized, call the police as soon as possible. Safeguard clues for the police -- DON'T "TIDY UP".

### Judge's Racial Slur Sparks Investigation

WASHINGTON - (NPI)--A racial slur uttered by Circuit Court Judge William B. Bowie of suburban Prince George's (Md.) county, has sparked an investigation by the Maryland Commission on Judicial Disabilities.

While sentencing Ella Mae Brown, 53, to prison in the fatal stabbing of her boy friend, Judge Bowie was quoted as saying: "If they (Negroes) want to live like animals, let them stay in a pen."

He also lectured Mrs. Brown about "Negroes and the use of knives."

At the same time, he denied a motion that would have meant a new trial for her, after defense attorney Francis X. Gaegler, Jr., said she was induced to plead guilty to manslaughter by a prosecution promise that she would be placed on probation, not jailed.

The prosecution recommended probation, but the judge, after making his remarks, sentenced Mrs. Brown to eight years in prison.

Judge Bowie also refused to allow Mrs. Brown to withdraw her plea of guilty. Her attorney said the case would be appealed.

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### REECO Mining-Training Pilot Program Hailed



REECO SCORES A FIRST in the mining industry with a 15 month long miner-training program at the NTS. The first three "graduates" of the newly inaugurated project are shown receiving certificates as "full-fledged" miners at a recent ceremony held at NTS. Left to right, H. D. Cunningham, REECO Operations Division manager; James Ryan, Laborers Union head and "grads", Hollis Brown, Dan Daffer and George Osley.

A pilot program using a "new concept" for training underground miners paid off recently when three Reynolds Electrical and Engineering Company employees graduated from "bullgangers" to full-fledged miners after 15 months of intensive training.

Completing the course and receiving certificates of graduation were Hollis Brown, Dan Daffer and George Osley.

In congratulating the newly named miners, James Ryan, Business Agent for the Hod Carriers and Common Laborers, Local #872, said "REECO is to be commended for having instituted this miner-training program. The success of this project is especially significant since it is the only such program in the country. This experience proves that when labor and management work cooperatively, the results are to everyone's advantage."

AT THE ceremonies held at the Nevada Test Site, Gabe Bolduc, REECO's Training Supervisor commented, "Since this was a pilot program, its continuing success was in a large part dependent upon the success of these three graduates and we are grateful to them for their concerted efforts in pursuing their training."

The program started in July of 1966 with ten applicants from the "bullgang" at a tunnel in the forward area of the NTS. After interviews and tests, Brown, Osley and Daffer were chosen. The three trainees then moved into the regular crews, each being assigned to a different shift and the various phases of the tunnel training cycle began, which included drilling, blasting, mucking, safety and general attitude. Daily and monthly reports were kept, outlining the progress made by each man. The reports were constantly reviewed by REECO supervisors on the job and by James Ryan of the Union.

REECO is one of the largest employers of underground miners in the state of Nevada and prepares test tunnels for the Atomic Energy Commission at the NTS. The work requires the use of highly skilled miners with "bullgangers" acting as laborers to assist in the digging operations.

Glenn Clayton, a project manager for REECO, administered the program. Telling of

the training program he said, "This was a tough and exacting course. But none of these men were absent from work more than three days during the entire 15 months. We at REECO and the men working underground are proud to add a historic chapter to the progress of the industry."

The graduation certificates to Brown, Daffer and Osley were presented by Harold D. Cunningham, manager of the Operations Division of REECO.

The miner-training project is part of REECO's overall program of upgrading workers, especially offering promotion opportunities to minority groups through its Equal Employment Opportunity office. REECO is one of the few companies in the state which maintains a formal, full-time EEO Compliance Officer in its operations at the NTS.

REECO established its Equal Opportunity office early in 1966, and shortly thereafter named Joe Neal as the Company's EEO Compliance Officer. Commenting on the success of the miner-training and the EEO program in general, Neal said, "The progress in upgrading minority groups in the REECO organization is very encouraging. We have even developed plans to go into the states of Texas, Tennessee, Louisiana, and Washington, D.C. to recruit professional people attending colleges and universities which are wholly or at least predominantly Negro. This program will be aimed especially in the various fields of engineering."

Neal then pointed out some recent upgrades within REECO of people from minority groups. "We have promoted two women to clerk supervisors, a messenger to a communications technician, five men have come up from janitors and clerks to radiation safety monitors, a stock room clerk is now a foreman in general food services, another clerk is now a control coordinator, two former truck drivers are now truck foremen, a clerk in our warehousing section has been moved up to foreman, and a drillers' helper has progressed to a foreman. These are only a few of the changes which give good evidence of the program's progress. We fully expect an even greater gain in the momentum within the next six to eight months."

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