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Thursday, January 25, 1968

Local Executives Attend Conference At Capitol

Five local representatives from EG&G and Reynolds Electrical and Engineering Company joined with executives of about 400 other companies in Washington, D.C. this week (January 22 and 23) in the Sixth Annual "Plans for Progress" conference.

Primarily sponsored by Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey, at the request of President Lynder B. Johnson, "Plans for Progress" is a national voluntary equal employment opportunity program. Its purpose is to provide leadership in bringing more Americans into fuller participation in the economy. The companies involved represent every sector of the economy and region of the nation and employ nearly 10, million persons. The various programs of the "Plans for Progress" are aimed at expanding employment opportunities for persons of minority background by reason of race, religion, or national heritage.

EG&G representatives were Frank Young, Senior Scientific Executive and Carl Naugle, director of Industrial Relations. The REECo team of R. E. Gillett, manager of the Administration Division and Joe Neal, Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance Officer, were joined in the nation's capital by Frank DiLuzio, newly-named president of REECo.

Both companies are prime contractors at the Atomic Energy Commission's Nevada Test Site and have been leaders in the field of equal employment opportunities. REECo was the first major Nevada corporation to employ a fulltime staff to administer the hiring and upgrading of minority groups.

"Plans for Progress" companies take the initiative by carrying out affirmative action policies and projects to end discrimination and increase job opportunities for minorities.

Both individually and in concert, member companies carry out a wide variety of programs, involving community as well as in-plant action, to achieve the original aims of providing leadership in promoting and implementing the concept of a fair chance for all employees and prospective employees. Basically, "Plans for Progress" has been

Basically, "Plans for Progress" has been created so that American business can contribute to the solution of a major national problem and can promote better and more stable community conditions.

Basic Adult Education

There is still time to enroll in the BASIC ADULT' EDUCATION PROGRAM. Classes are being held each Tuesday and Thursday evening, 7:00 PM until 9:30 PM.

There is still time to improve your reading, spelling, writing, arithmetic, and speaking skills. You owe it to yourself to improve your education at every opportunity. Many avenues of advancements will be open to you with a better education.

Classes offered are in the following areas: LANGUAGE ARTS (reading, spelling, writing), SOCIAL STUDIES (government, civics), MOD-ERN MATH, CONSUMERS MATH.

Madison school is located at 'J' & Madison streets. For further information please contact the ADULT EDUCATION OFFICE, 401 South 9th street, 384-9752, or THERON'H. GOYNES, 704 Veronica Ave., 642-7098.

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The story is late, but the \$25 basket of groceries donated to Miss Mary Thames, 1505B Smith Circle, by the Getogether Social and Charity Club was received by the grateful Miss Thames (pictured here with basket of goodies) right on time, Christmas, December 25, 1967.

Credit Union Hold Election Meeting

All members of the Vegas Central Federal Credit Union are urged to be present Monday, 7:30 p.m. at the Doolittle Recreation Center when the Union will hold its annual election of officers meeting.

NEGRO G.I. DEFECTS

MAIMO, Sweden - (NPI)--A black soldier, accusing the U.S. Army of racial discrimination, has taken asylum in this country, which long has been a haven for refugees.

Pvt. Edward (Junior) Johnson, 21, of Cleveland, charged that "They give you more hell in the Army because you're black than they give you anywhere in America."

It wasn't Johnson's first attempt to escape discrimination. While in the 12th grade at Cleveland's John Hay High School in 1963, he dropped out of school "to get away from prejudice in Cleveland."

Johnson left his job as a medical records clerk in Muenchweiler, Germany, after learning that his tour of duty had been extended to Jan. 31, 1969 and he would be shipped to Vietnam.

His mother, Mrs. Lottie Johnson, declaring that she knows nothing "about this discrimination he's talking about," described her son as a "good boy" who never got into fights.

The defector's father, Edward, was stabbed to death in a tavern dispute when Johnson was three months old.

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Laxalt include on the agenda of the 1968 Special Session of the Nevada Legislature a request for a state open housing law.

Adopted at a regular meeting January 15, 1968, in the conference room of Las Vegas City Hall.

WHEREAS: The fact that ghettos do exist in the cities of Nevada which have relatively large numbers of Negro residents, and

WHEREAS the evidence of ghettos in all cities throughout America is a fact, and

WHEREAS there are documented cases of housing discrimination on record in the files of the Southern Nevada Human Relations Commission and in the files of the Nevada Equal Rights Commision, which demonstrate unequivocally that housing discrimination is practiced in the City of Las Vegas, Clark County, and other Nevada communities

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Southern Nevada Human Relations Commission is strongly opposed to the study committee recently formed to study segregation in housing as it will serve no constructive purpose in solution to the fact.

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Power Change In Gary

GARY - (NPI)--Not long after Alfonso Holliday became this city's first Negro fire chief, Det. Charles Boone, 37, was named the Gary Police Department's acting chief of detectives.

The veteran Negro police official was named to his new post by Gary Police Chief James F. Hilton, who himself was appointed by Mayor Richard G. Hatcher in a police department shakeup.

Boone, who is the department's second in command, is expected to be named permanent chief of detectives soon. He has been with the detective division for five years and has been a policeman for 11 years.

Tobacco Companies Face Discrimination Charges

RICHMOND, Va. - (NPI)--The major tobacco companies have been hit by complaints about discriminatory employment practices. Federal Judge John B. Butzner held that a departmental seniority system at the Richmond plant of Philip Morris, Inc., discriminated by design against black workers, and ordered the system be changed.

Meanwhile, eight Negro employees of the American Tobacco Company's plant in Reidville, N.C., filed suit against the firm and Local 192 of the Tobacco Workers' International union. According to the suit, filed in U.S. District Court, the black employees were "limited, classified, and discriminated against by the defendants."

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you to place their announcements in your newspaper. Catch on?

Puddin would wise you up on a lot of other businesses that ain't actin' right by us, baby, but the old man's ulcers and blood pressure act up when he blows his cool for too long.

Baby, you start thinkin' about what ole Puddin has been tellin' you. Puddin goin' to tell you a whole lot more, but we got to take a little of it at a time.

Hear me well, Blood, we got to get with the right action if we expect to be a part of the right happenins. We got to keep more of our bread in Soulville, and stop fattenin' Whitey while we gettin' poorer. You catch on?

Spend your money with the people who advertise in the VOICE. You can't make a better start than that, Blood. Your paper needs your help, and needs it bad, baby. We can't make it without your help.

Black is in, baby, and White ain't necessarily Right. Catch on?