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"PUDDIN HEAD"



**"TELL'N IT LIKE IT IS---AND
PUTT'N IT WHERE IT'S AT"**

PUDDIN PUT OUT WITH DEM DARNED DEMOS

Puddin been talkin' a lot about them bucks and ballots, but recently most of it has been about bucks. Now we got to switch to ballots and politickin'. The politickin' season officially opens Thursday, February 1, with the Demo precinct meetings. Them meetings will decide who goes to the Clark County Demo Convention, and who will lay the ground rules for the Democrats to follow.

Curly Price, head man of Clark County Democrats, gave the announcement of the Demo precinct meetings to the White Press but he didn't think it necessary to do business with the Black Press. Baby, that Curly cat don't know which side his bread is buttered on. The Soul Vote in Las Vegas is the biggest gun the Nevada Democrats have got. The Soul Voters are the only faithful voters that they got. Half of all the other Clark County Democrats voted Republican in the last Governor election. We were the only ones who stayed with the party, Blood.

Baby, get the message good. The only reward we get for bein' faithful is being took for granted, and being overlooked.

We got to make it to them precinct meetings tonight at 8 PM. Harambee, Blood, or we goin' to get left out in the cold, while Price's Hand-picked people run the Demo show. If we don't make the precinct scene and vote for the right representatives at the County Convention, we ain't goin' to have no voice at all in the Party.

It looks to Puddin like Boss Price wanted to keep the whole damn thing a secret from all of us but his own selected crew. Puddin would like to know how in hell Curly Boy decides what Brothers and what Sisters we want. Puddin Price don't come into Souville enough to know one street from another, but yet he picks the people and the places for us to go along with. Somebody got to be advisin' him about who to select to run the precinct meetings, but ain't nobody told Puddin who them somebodies are, (See PUDDIN, page 4)

"61 More Negroes Can Be Elected To Congress Now"

LOS ANGELES -- By means of the once denigrated "bloc voting", now recognized as the essence of black power, Negroes can elect 61 Negroes to Congress from 21 states this year to add to the six now there, according to the lead article, "Black Power is Bloc Voting", in the Tribune, Quarterly Organ of Negro Thought and Opinion, published by the Negro Political Action Council, or Negro-PAC.

The result of several months' research and firsthand investigation, the article, prepared by Tribune editor Almena Lomax, points out that it is now acknowledged by the major information media of the country that "Black power put Negroes into the Mayors' seats in Gary, Ind...and Cleveland...that it was black votes, not gremlins, which elected 21 Negroes in Mississippi, six in Virginia, besides nominating 73 others" in elections over the country last November. With such powerful personages as Henry Ford, II acknowledging that black power is "the power of the purse and the vote, of knowledge and skill, of self-discipline and self-confidence," Negroes, the Fall-Winter issue of the magazine said, need to "come in off the streets and stop worrying over 'massive stop- (See NEGROES, page 8)

Locations Of Tonight's Demo Precinct Meetings

Following is a list of addresses where Democratic Precinct meetings will be held Thursday, Feb. 1, 1968 at 8 PM.

WEST LAS VEGAS PRECINCTS

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| # 7 Clarence Ray | 717 W. Washington |
| # 9 Rev. Prentiss Walker | 114 Morgan |
| #23 James G. Gilmore | 304 Madison |
| #32 Virgie Fitzgerald | 713 Monroe |
| #34 Bobby J. Atkinson | 1205 Cunningham |
| #60 Minnie Scott Wilkins | 301 George Pl. |
| #61 Marcella C. Rundus | 1311 Virginia City Av. |
| #76 Ike Rome | 1200 Leonard |
| #77 Lula V. White | 513 Frederick |
| #79 J. O. Hall | 1013 No. 'G' St. |
| #83 Rev. Mary Carroll | 310 Jackson St. |
| #85 Alice Key | 900 W. Bonanza Rd.
Apt. 370 |
| #117 Beatrice Bryant | 605 Wyatt Ave. |
| #121 Joseph Whittaker | 1461 Hassell |
| #128 Dorothy King | 220 Perkins Circle |
| #131 Joseph Kadens | 3519 Thoms |
| #155 Joyce L. James | 1941 'H' St. |
| #157 Dorothy Collins | 814 'I' St. |
| #161 Lottie Bell Hurley | 1061 Miller |
| #174 Nathaniel Collins | 506 W. Washington |
| #187 Frank Walter | 1900 Lowry |
| #195 Peggy Smith | 1664 No. 'J' St. |

NLV PRECINCTS

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| # 4 James Weaver | 2191 Jacobson Circle |
| #27 Herman Wilson | 2724 Saber Dr. |
| #28 Richard Green | 2204 Englestad |
| #29 Irene Parker | 2208 Matheson |
| #32 Earlene Turner | 2732 Castle |
| #33 Aaron Williams | 2721 Shields |
| #34 June Whitley | 2508 Chambers |

"Republican Sweep Here In '66" Sheer Fantasy

By Alice Key

A feature story in a recent issue of the Las Vegas Sun carrying the byline of City Editor Jim Barrows began with the statement that "Woodrow Wilson is a Republican member of the Nevada Assembly, and he is also a Negro." A factual statement, indeed. However, from that point emerged a bewildering morass of misinformation, false premises, and statements diametrically opposed to facts in evidence regarding the local Negro vote in the '66 election.

The story evolved around the visit to Las Vegas, last week, of Clarence Lee Townes, Jr. special assistant to Republican National Committee Chairman Ray Bliss. According to Barrows, "Townes was checking on Assemblyman Wilson, and why the area from which he was elected provided so much of the punch that led to Gov. Paul Laxalt's election a year ago."

Townes was further quoted with the statement that "West Las Vegas, whatever its geographic or municipal limits, represents 6,000 to 7,000 voters -- this area was a major factor in the Republican victory then, and political action there this year may be the motivating spark for further gains."

IT IS as puzzling as to how Townes could have been so misinformed as it is how Barrows could have reported Townes' remarks with a straight face. The election record shows that in the 18 precincts in West Las Vegas, Governor Laxalt received 270 votes as opposed to 3070 cast for former Governor Grant Sawyer, (See GOP, page 4)

NAACP Freedom Banquet Feb. 16 At Frontier Hotel

The annual Freedom Banquet of the local chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will be held at the Frontier Hotel, Friday, Feb. 16.

Keynote Speaker of the stellar event will be Attorney Irving Andrews of Denver, Colorado, the only Negro Councilman in the state. A Rhodes Scholar, Attorney Andrews gained national eminence when he served with the then NAACP Chief Legal Counselor, Justice Thurgood Marshall, in the Brown vs Board of Education appeal which resulted in the historic May, 1954 Supreme Court ruling on School Segregation.

Tickets are now available at \$7.50 each for the Feb. 16 Banquet which will begin promptly at 8 p.m. Attorney Charles Kellar, President of the local NAACP branch, emphasized the importance of obtaining tickets and making reservations at the earliest date to avoid a repetition of last year's last minute rush on tickets with resulting disappointment to many who could not be accommodated.

Also available now is space in the annual Freedom Souvenir Journal for NAACP well-wishers, boosters, et al. Rates for the Journal are priced at \$100 a page - back page and inside back page are \$150. Of course, any part of a page can be purchased by those wishing to extend greetings in the Journal.