

# Larry's Music Bar Cagers '68 City "A" League Champs



VICTORIOUS CHAMPS -- Herman Coffield presents championship trophy to Larry Wilburn, Larry's Music Bar owner and sponsor of '68 Championship team, pictured from left - front row, James Anderson, Joe Green, Fred Lyons... Back row, from left, Steve Burks, Greg Coleman, Don Damarte, Theodis Bailey, James Webb, Lonnie Rainey, Woodrow Carter, and Coach J. B. Scott who received a plaque honoring him as the outstanding Coach of the Tournament.

Larry's Music Bar basketball team won the Doolittle Invitational Young Adult Basketball Tournament by defeating the Clearfield Job Corps Center club from Clearfield, Utah, '67 Tournament winners, 57-40, thus becoming the City "A" League Basketball Champs for 1968. In the Consolation Game, Jimmies All-Stars scored a 74-35 victory over Castle Valley Job Corps Center of Price, Utah whose team was awarded the highly regarded trophy for displaying best sportsmanship during the Tournament.

Here is how the Tournament progressed. In the first round, Clearfield Job Corps Center defeated Jimmies All-Stars 74-57. Clark High School City "A" League team won by a forfeit from Weber Basin Job Corps Center 2-0. Kingman, Arizona Job Corps Center was defeated by the Las Vegas All-Stars 45-50, and Larry's Music Bar smothered Castle Valley Job Corps Center by the devastating score of 98 to 34.

In the semi-finals, in the winning bracket, Clearfield humbled Clark High 113-40. Larry's Music Bar's 74-57 to advance to the finals. In the Consolation Bracket, Jimmies All-Stars had a bye. Castle Valley defeated Kingman 62-55 to advance to the finals in the Consolation Bracket.

The finals, of course, saw Castle Valley bow to Jimmies All-Stars for the Consolation and Larry's Music Bar emerging tourney champs by defeating Clearfield.



DON DAMARTE, Larry's Music Bar cager was easily the tourney star. Here he displays (in left hand) trophy awarded him as most valuable player and, in right hand, trophy presented to him for scoring the most points in the Tournament--51 points for three games, an average of 17 points per game.

## \$300,000 Ford Grant To Council Of Negro Women

NYACK, N.Y. - (NPI)--A training project called Operation Woman Power is using a two-year \$300,000 Ford Foundation grant to train 6,000 black women in 18 states to organize projects to better their communities. The project is sponsored by the National Council of Negro Women, which held a five-day training conference at the Tappan Zee Motor Inn.

According to the Council's president, Miss Dorothy Height, the training program aimed at "involving more Negro women in analyzing their problems and developing a program to solve them."



JOE HAYNES, Doolittle Center Director and Tournament Director for the Second Annual Young Adult Invitational Basketball Tournament presents 2nd place trophy to Clearfield Job Corps Center trainer Jerry Wooton as Clearfield Coach James Boyd, Jr. looks on.

## REAL MEMPHIS BLUES

MEMPHIS, Tenn. - (NPI)--They're singing the "Memphis Blues" in this city--over lack of garbage collections--as a strike by sanitation workers dragged on after six weeks of fruitless negotiation.

The strike has become a racial issue, since 90 per cent of the sanitation workers are black.

According to the Rev. James M. Lawson, an aide to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the events are "a significant turn in the civil rights movement and a new chapter in labor history. 'Never before,' he said, 'has a union been backed by a whole community like this.'"

A boycott of downtown stores has been instituted, and lines of pickets march on the city's Main street daily, in support of the garbage men, who are seeking a raise.

The garbage is being collected, on a reduced-service basis, by sanitation workers who didn't go on strike and by new employees. Police must accompany garbage trucks to prevent violence.

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## OFF-LIMITS HOUSING

CLEVELAND - (NPI)--Who said interracial cooperation was dead?

White participants in this city's Operation Equality project are escorting Negro homebuyers to white areas to make sure housing discrimination isn't practiced.

The white volunteers also act as "checkers" should the Negro family have reason to believe it has been denied housing for racial reasons. Volunteers do this by going to the residence the next day or so and pretending to be seeking housing.

In contrast to the often plausible sounding excuses given Negro families for not renting to them, the white checkers often are accommodated immediately.

"They were willing to rent to me with five children because I was white, but not to a woman and her aged mother because of their color," said an escort, after checking a discrimination complaint.

Another escort made an appointment to look at an apartment and took a Negro family to see it. The custodian accused the escort of tricking him, after seeing the unexpected Negro family. "The Negro woman with me showed restraint and dignity, but I can imagine what she must have been feeling," the escort said.

Often, the cases are taken to the Ohio Civil Rights Commission, when evidence of housing discrimination is found.

Involved in Operation Equality are 18 fair-housing groups, which furnish the white volunteers. These groups make up the Fair Housing Council, which has joined the Cleveland Urban League in establishing Operation Equality.