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CRIME IN THE STREET, 5TH DEATH IN LOCAL BAR

OPEN LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY

There are only a few businessmen in the West Las Vegas area that have attempted to bring first class clubs and develop decent social conditions for us. It is a must that we support them. During the last (6) months, the Cosmopolitan Club has been the scene for not only good times with top entertainment but also has served the Welfare Rights Organization in an attempt to help some less fortunate of the brothers and sisters in Las Vegas. It is now our turn to support him. You cannot operate and keep entertainment open without business.

When you are out next for an evening of entertainment, stop in to say hello to Lyles at the "Cosmo," then stop in to see Versie at the Soul Palace. Chicken is great at Ruben's Love's Cocktail Lounge swings every night. "Oh yes" when in Vegas Heights visit Joe's Colony Club, the food is the most!!

Don't forget, keeping your money at home is just good business.

We salute you Lyles and the Cosmo and have a good weekend.

Bob Bailey & Employees of
Sugar Hill, First Security Investment Realty Co. & West Owens Shopping Center

TAXPAYER SERVICE

If you are irked by a constantly ringing telephone, consider the Internal Revenue Service. During the first month and a half of this year, the IRS officers in Las Vegas and Reno received almost 23,000 telephone calls from taxpayers with questions about, naturally enough, taxes.

The questions range from "Where can I get a tax form? My kid scribbled all over the one I got in the mail." to "My husband ran off and took all our savings. Can I deduct this as a bad debt?"

Warren Bates, IRS Director for Nevada, said, "The calls are running about 20 percent higher this year than they were at the same time last year. We're hoping this indicates that more people are doing their tax returns earlier. Besides making it easier on us, the sooner a taxpayer files a return the sooner he will get his refund."

In addition to the phone calls, more than 13,000 people have come into the IRS offices with questions about their tax returns.

Bates said the IRS would rather have people call. "Many times people come in with questions that could easily have been answered over the phone. It's really to the taxpayer's advantage to call first. Sometimes we get crowded and people have to wait and then if they do come in without

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COMPLETE YOUR EDUCATION



"COMPLETE YOUR EDUCATION to get a good job," Robert Archie advised children of C.V.T. Gilbert School during Black History Week.

Archie, director of the Nevada Employment Security Department, told an audience of kindergarten-through-sixth grade pupils that education is the key to success.

Archie, at 30 the youngest State Employment Security Department director in the nation, is a graduate of Las Vegas schools. Archie also made appearances during Black History Week in Reno public schools.

Mortuary Charged With Misconduct

A local mortuary, part of a California chain, is under fire for alleged improper handling of details in connection of a Funeral Service back in December.

Health Department officials have indicated that they plan no action in the matter. However, the husband of the deceased plans legal action against the mortuary.

Joe Spalding, owner of the mortuary was unavailable for a statement.

Las Vegas Police are searching for clues in connection with the death of a young lady found in an alley between McWilliams and Wilson Monday night.

She was identified Tuesday morning as Mary Ann Wright, 2132 Comstock Drive by her mother. Her age was listed as 15 years old and as the mother of a 10 month old baby.

Funeral services are pending.

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According to L.V. Police, two (2) more men have been arrested in connection with the slaying of William Clark Wilkerson, a auto-mobile credit manager.

The two arrested as suspected were Floyd J. Heinter, 28 and Ernest F. Brown, 24. Also booked earlier was Robert F. Jackson, 34.

Police records reveals that Wilkerson was beaten to death in the restroom of Friendly Liquors, 1602 North "H".

The investigation continues.

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NAACP LODGES PROTEST

The Las Vegas Branch of the N.A.A.C.P. has joined with various community organization to protest what it terms "Official Discrimination." The decision of our City Commissioners-suspending the liquor license of the Cosmopolitan Cocktail Lounge and the excessive fine leveled against Elbert Lyles its owner.

Based upon statements made by certain Commissioners, testimony by witnesses and the charges leading to the Show Cause Hearings, the NAACP believes that the Commissioners showed contempt, dis-respect bias against the entire Black community.

While the NAACP has a record of supporting Law and Order it is and has been a crusader for equal justice. It is the position of the NAACP that the commissioners actions were an example of unequal application of Justice, that they have conspired with fore thought to deprive a Black man of his right to do business in a prejudices manner. Giving creditability to the belief that there are two different sets of rules and regulations-one for Blacks and one for whites.

In the name of Equal Justice the NAACP calls upon the Commissioners to right the wrong it has committed against Mr. Lyles. (1) Holding long expensive hearings based on flimsy and questionable information. (2) The statements and conduct of city officials during the hearings. (3). The final decision on the hearing.

To turn its attention to more serious violations rampant within the Black Community.

COSMO Remains Open Pending Appeal