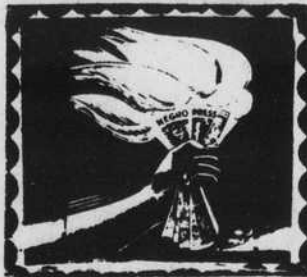


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## WEST LAS VEGAS PLAGUED BY FATAL SHOOTINGS

### STILL MISSING

**Clark County School District**  
WESTERN HIGH SCHOOL  
BRUCE MILLER, PRINCIPAL  
**72-73**

POLLARD CORLIS K  
NAME

02-27-57 10 019172  
BIRTHDATE GRADE STUDENT NO.

STUDENT SIG

DEPUTY SUPT.



Corlis K. Pollard, Height 5' - 8" Weight 115  
to 120, age 15.

Last seen with Robbie Huston, wearing skirt  
& dark body shirt coat, dark brown black knee  
boots-hair natural. Anybody knowing her where-  
abouts please call LVPD Missing Persons.  
385-1122

### CAPSULE COMMENTS

It appears the wolf has removed his sheep's  
clothing. Reports from Carson City indicate  
that former NLV Mayor Echols along with other  
anti-liberals have co-sponsored a bill that would  
take away the State School Boards power to  
enforce its desegregation policy.

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With all of the talk about law and order - I  
dare say that the open meeting law of our State  
is broken more often than any other law on the  
books.

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We can't get any word from Carson City  
(direct) on what our own (brothers) elected  
officials are doing. Could it be that they don't  
care for us to know, or is it that they have  
never thought about keeping us informed?

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We wonder what the Jurors in the Ennis  
case were thinking about - to come up with a  
second degree murder charge? It appears that  
going home and getting a gun and then killing  
someone with it is not premeditation - at  
least in their judgement.

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The Southern Nevada chapter of Sugar Ray's  
Youth Foundation received its charter February  
5th. Listed as officers, were Arthur Chapman,  
Jr. and Romeo Martin - Faye A. Shepard.

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Next week we will explain more about the  
Foundation - its work and its goals.

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### Gay Leaves Plaza For Private Business



James A. (Jimmy) Gay, who has been associated  
with the Union Plaza Hotel since July  
1971 as assistant hotel manager resigned his  
position on Friday, February 16/73 to enter a  
new & exciting business . . . "The first Black"  
theatrical agency in the State of Nevada. In  
partnership with "Jimmy" Gay will be Mrs.  
DeWitt, a veteran in the field of entertainment  
with many years of experience in the theatrical  
agency on her own and with others. Mrs. DeWitt  
is a native of Des Moines, Iowa and just recently  
closed an agency in Denver, Colorado.

Gay's ambition has been to invade the fabulous  
Las Vegas entertainment empire, as there has  
never been a Black Theatrical Agent Business.  
"Jimmy" is well known through-out the Hotel  
entertainment business. Directors feel that this  
will be a very lucrative field for him. The Agency  
will extend further than the border of Las Vegas  
. . . The strip and downtown.

The new Agency's name is: G & G Company,  
1000 South Third Street, Las Vegas. Doors of the  
Agency will be open to the public Friday,  
February 23.

It is their plan to go to all major cities for  
entertainers. At this time twenty-five groups and  
acts have a tentative commitment with G & W.

Gay's life long ambition to promote an extravaganza  
in Las Vegas similar to the "Folies  
Bergere" or the "Lido de Paris". Mr. Gas has  
been negotiating with Lionel Hampton on the  
musical score for this extravaganza that will  
possibly be called the American Extravaganza.  
Hampton & Gay have been collaborating on the  
chorus and lyrics and hope to stage the production  
in early 1974 in one of the Strip Hotels. Gay  
will be President of the new agency . . . Mrs.  
DeWitt, Secretary-Treasurer and Ed Sanders,  
Vice-President.

Jimmy's stated that in his letter of resignation  
that he hoped that the Union Plaza would  
retain their policy of hiring Blacks in all  
positions. He further expressed hope that they  
would hire a Black to fill his job.

Two Las Vegas died within twelve hours of  
each other both victims of shooting incidents.

In the first shooting Curtis Joseph Newson,  
18, of 2725 Clayton Street was gunned down in  
the parking lot of Southern Nevada Memorial  
Hospital.

Booked into City Jail and charged with that  
murder was Claudie Chambers, 23, of 208  
Madison.

In the second shooting William Jerry Hemphill,  
28, of 1176 Balzar was shot, by an unknown  
assailant as he was either leaving or entering  
Woody's Place 805 W. Owens. Also shot at the  
same time was Melvin Bass, 31, of 1905 Hassel.  
According to reports Bass was an innocent by-  
stander who just happened to be coming out of  
Woody's.

At press time Wednesday A.M. Las Vegas  
Police were still seeking a suspect. In the  
shooting incident, altho the shooting occurred  
about 10:30 A.M. Monday morning - the killer  
and possible witness's appears to have vanished.

Until Police have, and prove a case against a  
suspect it is pure speculation on what really  
happened. Because, like the 3 monkey's - see  
no evil - hear no evil - speak no evil.

## PPPT Files Complaint With City Atty.

Poor People Pulling Together along with  
concerned parents filed a complaint with City  
Attorney Earl Grippentrog demanding an in-  
vestigation of Police action on January 20th  
following an incident at the roller skate rink  
on Foremaster Lane.

A spokesman for the group stated that they  
will not accept a white wash of the Police action.

Grippentrog promised to start his investiga-  
tion at once. A concerned parent stated that they  
had very little hope of getting results from the  
City Attorney's office. It was felt that because  
this is an election year - and according to a  
report, the City Attorney has plans to file for  
re-election. He might play politics with this  
case.

However, the first step was to file a complaint  
with the City - if nothing comes forth - then  
file a complaint with the United States Attorney's  
Office.

Being aware of what, poor, or no response  
Blacks have received on their complaints against  
Police actions or re-actions in the past -  
the PPPT and the group of Concerned Parents  
plan to keep protesting until something is done  
to stop these overt acts of the Police against  
children as well as adults.

(see PPPT STATEMENT, page 8)

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