

CAPSULE COMMENTS

By Paul C. Smith

We note with interest that so many of our local organizations are receiving funding to put out their own publications.

The VOICE has over the years devoted more space to all organizations Free, than any other Black printed media in the country. We have printed news releases of the Neighborhood Councils, E.O.B., Welfare Rights, - Poor People Pulling Together, Community - Information Center plus other organizations dedicated to helping the cause of the underprivileged.

It would appear only fair, if they had sought funds to pay the VOICE to carry their messages to the public- since we cover the same general area.

The recent dismissal of 40 prostitution cases by Justice of Peace Robert Legates raised some eyebrows. All of the clamor and protest, that was raised against Judge Robert Reid for dismissal cases, is missing.

It would make it appear that the protest against Reid was racially motivated.

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Captain Larry Bolden has been temporarily assigned to duty as Station Commander pending the end of vacations schedule. After that time he will be re-assigned back to head of the Community Relations Bureau 4 days a week and one day as Station Commander.

The New West Las Vegas Library is a welcome addition to the community. What we have been puzzled about - was the choice of location.

No off-street parking - is but one of the negative aspects. Another is the fact, that the selection was made to help a white institution rehab another one of it's white elephants - while Black owned available space sits idle. The location is across the street from a liquor store. But, we heard no protest from within the community that young children will be exposed to the loungers commonly found around Ghetto stores.

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Vegas Heights Improvement Project

After much door knocking and phone calling it was determined that a small number of residents in the Vegas Heights area would experience considerable hardship in paying the assessed amount to make the needed improvements. Those on particularly low fixed incomes, widows, the elderly, etc. will need some assistance on this problem. We will be looking into possibilities for help.

The majority of the residents felt that though paying the assessment would be "tight," the planned improvements are vitally and immediately needed. Upsets over the poor quality of housing coupled with the lack of basic needs of streetlights, sidewalks, curbs and gutters, were expressed by many residents.

The surveyors (church members and members of Poor People Pulling Together) found a good number of the federal subsidized homes vacant and boarded up.

Additionally, some type of co-operative program is needed to enhance and rehabilitate the homes and area.

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP IDEAS: Suggestions for the planned community workshops are rolling in. Topic suggestions have included the Energy Crisis, Acupuncture, More Effective Ways of Helping the Poor, Public Transportation, the Citizen and His Obligations, and more.

Send in your ideas on topics, times, and goals to Community Actions c/o the Church. We are looking forward to some enlightening and constructive workshops!
Church of Scientology 2108 Industrial Rd.

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"AMERICANS RESPECT AND RESPOND TO POLITICAL POWER, POLITICAL POWER INFLUENCES PUBLIC POLICY AT ALL LEVELS ---POWER CHANGES PEOPLE. IF POWER DOES NOT AT ONCE CHANGE THE HEARTS OF MEN, IT CAN INDEED CHANGE THE WAY THE HEARTS RESPOND." LAWS CAN HELP ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO RE-THINK AND CHANGE THEIR POSITIONS IN ORDER TO PROTECT THEIR SELF INTEREST."

SENATOR EDWARD BROOKE

PIUUS

WOOFER SEEKS "CROWD - CONTROL ORDINANCE"

A "crowd-control" ordinance amending title 12 of the Clark County code prohibiting certain conduct of persons attending athletic events will be introduced to County Commissioners next week by District Attorney Roy Woofter.

It will provide a new chapter designated "29" and clarifies certain vague definitions of crowd conduct, according to Woofter. The ordinance grew out of last year's spectator melee during the UNLV and Santa Clara basketball game at Las Vegas Convention Center and a nationally televised event. Woofter, a witness to the incident said that the reaction of certain Las Vegas fans occurred following a referee's mistake regarding number of fouls. One of the Santa Clara players kept on playing despite going over the limit (5) for fouls.

Fans threw ice, paper debris and other objects on the ball court, prompting Woofter to examine NRS 203.119, "Commission of act in public building, interfering with peaceful conduct of activities." The District Attorney's opinion on the statute was that its wording is "rather weak." The new chapter 29 to the Clark county code is the result.

The ordinance will be introduced Dec. 5 and voted upon at the following meeting. If passed, it will be effective within 30 days. The crackdown would be on attendees interfering, disrupting or interrupting an athletic event. A violation would be a misdemeanor, punishable by a \$500 top limit fine and/or six months in jail.

Violation would include the tossing of any article, including but not limited to missiles, rocks, bottles, cups, drinking glasses or receptacles or ice at any of the participants or officials of an athletic event, or into the area where the event is taking place. It prohibits discharge of any firework or firecracker, and persons entering upon the arena would be liable. Any physical altercation with participants, officials, or other attendees, use of vile, profane or obscene language toward participants, officials or other attendees, injury or destruction of property is forbidden by the new ordinance.

VASECTOMY

The Clark County District Health Department is now offering for free a sure, safe way to avoid unplanned pregnancies. Vasectomy, a simple and painless process of male sterilization, is fast becoming a popular method of controlling and limiting the number of children per family.

Millions of couples in the U.S. currently use some form of effective birth control to delay or prevent pregnancies. Vasectomy is one method that has been accepted by males in virtually all 50 states as an alternative to female birth control.

Vasectomy is an operation that involves closing the tubes through which sperm travel. It can be performed under a local anesthetic in less than half an hour. Hospitalization is not necessary, and very little time need be lost from work.

Vasectomy does not alter the male's sexual potency, nor does it affect in any way the production of male hormones responsible for masculine characteristics.

The District Health Department now offers a Vasectomy Clinic twice each month. Appointments are now available for December by calling 385-1291 for information. There is no charge to those meeting income guidelines and all inquiries are kept confidential.

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