

### NAVY SELECTS SECOND BLACK ADMIRAL

SAN DIEGO, CA., Feb. 20. . . "The way things are moving in the Navy today, soon the selection of a black or minority admiral will cease to be news." This was the reply of the youthful 44-year old Navy Captain, Gerald E. Thomas when asked how he viewed his selection to the second star rank. His statement is only the second star rank. His statement is a reflection of the Navy's thinking too. Although Thomas is only the second black to be promoted to flag rank, he will be the second in the last three years of the Navy's 198 year history.

While he was personally surprised to learn of his promotion, neither his wife nor his staff was. They predicted that the recognition of his superior skill and abilities would come as a matter of course.

"I'm proud of being black, but I think of myself as a naval officer first and believe that being black has neither helped nor hurt me in my career." Thomas feels that "In the past few decades, minorities, not just blacks but also Jews and women, have been receiving a fairer share of responsibility and recognition in the Navy." This trend he adds has been helped by the imaginative and gutsy Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Elmo R. "Bud" Zumwalt.

The captain's philosophy is that one should do the best job you can today and let tomorrow take care of itself. That's how Jerry Thomas has operated since his commissioning from the ROTC unit at Harvard 23 years ago and it has worked. He also is a believer in relating to people and

makes a practice of maintaining a close personal relationship with his officers, petty officers and men. While at sea, he hosts dinners in his cabin with individual members of his crew. While ashore, time is spent with his people on tennis courts, playing fields, and in their homes. He is easily accessible and always ready to listen as well as lead.

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belief.

The other 3 young people accused of partaking in the robbery, Robert Turner, Sherry Banks and Glenn Archie have not been meted out such harsh sentences, and we have not been able to determine if they have been given any time at all.

Moore's wife and family are circulating a petition seeking help from local citizens in their struggle for justice. Because his family cannot now think that the "System" works. They think that justice is blind, and that he was tricked into a guilty plea, on false promises.

Somehow, somewhere, without judging the guilt or innocence of the charge, Moore was deprived of his civil rights and by being so deprived a mistrial should be declared and an investigation launched into the ethics that lead to his dilemma.

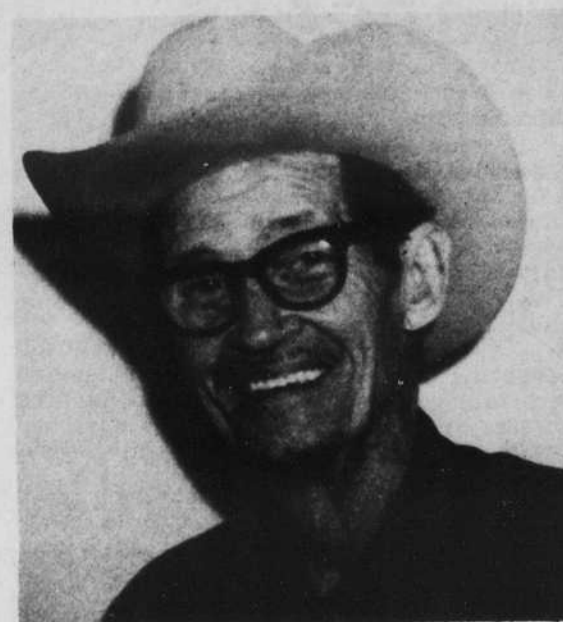
Anyone who would like to join in this struggle should call 648-7786, after 6 P.M. 648-8850.

### AFRO-AMERICAN UNITY FESTIVAL

The 3rd annual Afro-American Unity Festival will be presented March 30, 31, and June 12, 1974 in West Las Vegas. The Planning Committee is currently meeting every Thursday at 7:30 at Doolittle Rec. Center. There is a tremendous need for more help and members if interested.

A meeting will be held this Thursday March 14, at 7:30 at Doolittle Rec. Center. Come and help make this year's festival a success.

### STANLEY TO FILE FOR RE-ELECTION



Warren T. Stanley, a democrat, and present constable of North Las Vegas Township, announced today he will file for re-election for that office. Warren has lived in North Las Vegas since 1946.

Warren entered law enforcement in 1948 as special deputy sheriff, served as Chief Deputy Constable in the Las Vegas Constable's office for ten years.

Appointed to the office of North Las Vegas Township Constable in 1960, when that office was set up by an act of Legislature, and elected to that office each succeeding term. He is now completing his fifth elective term.

Warren, along with his wife Josephine, are well known throughout the North Las Vegas Township, having been active in both social and civic organizations during the past twenty years, and have seen the community grow from an unincorporated town, to the third largest city in Nevada.

Warren is life member in the Elks Lodge, past president of the Nevada Constable's Association, of which, he was one of the founders and a charter member. He is past president of the International Footprint Association Chapter # 9, and presently a member of the board of directors. He also is a long time member in the Nevada Peace Officers Association.

He says that he will continue as in the past, to fulfill those duties pertaining to this office to the best of his ability. These duties, unknown to most people, require attentiveness to the job, at least, ten to twelve hours a day and seven days a week. The Constable is the law enforcement officer of the Justice court.

As in the past, both he and his deputies will continue to perform their duties as prescribed by law, and in addition, take the little time necessary to help any and all individuals who may have reason to have business in our justice court, whether they be the plaintiff or defendant.

His platform is his past record -- Reliable, Efficient and Experienced.

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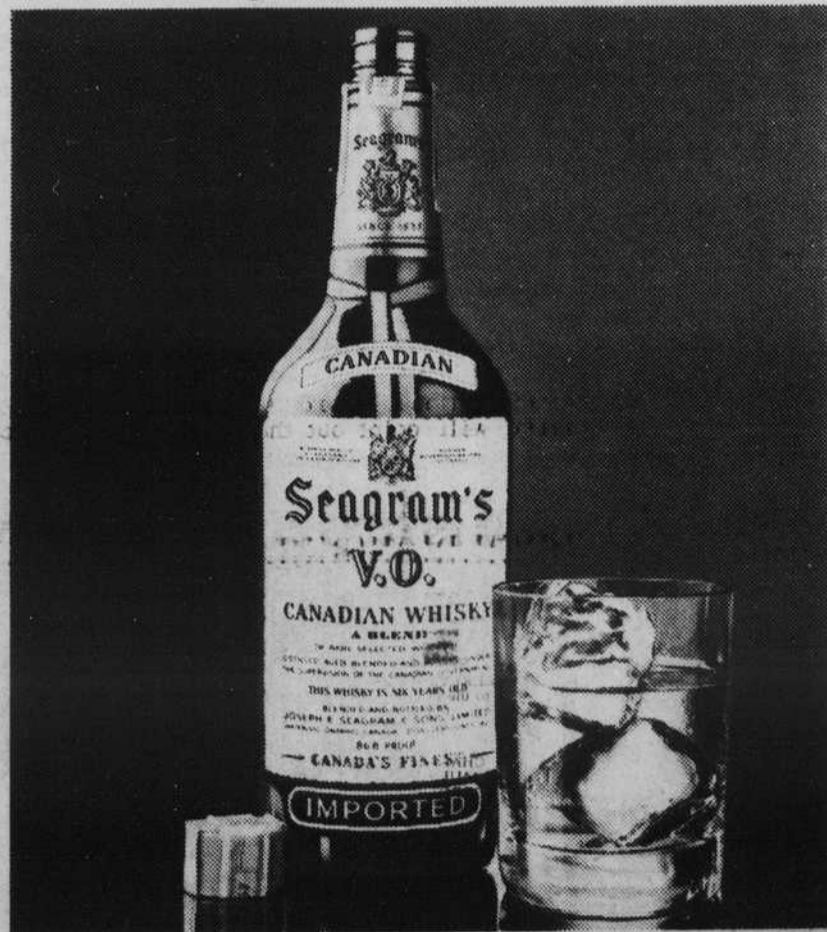


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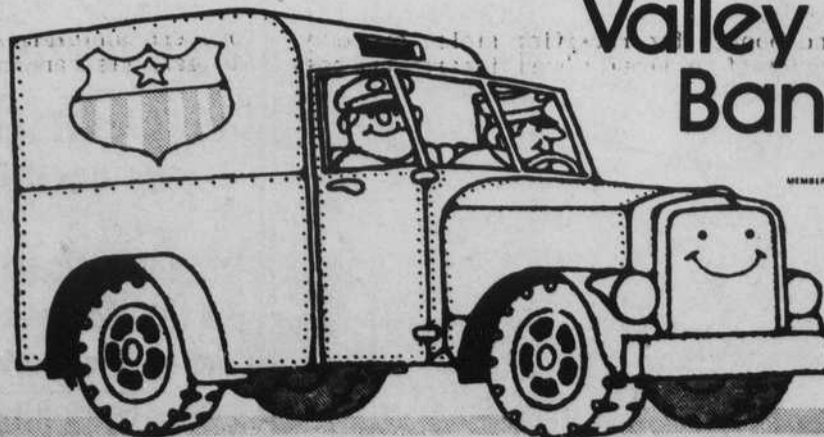
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