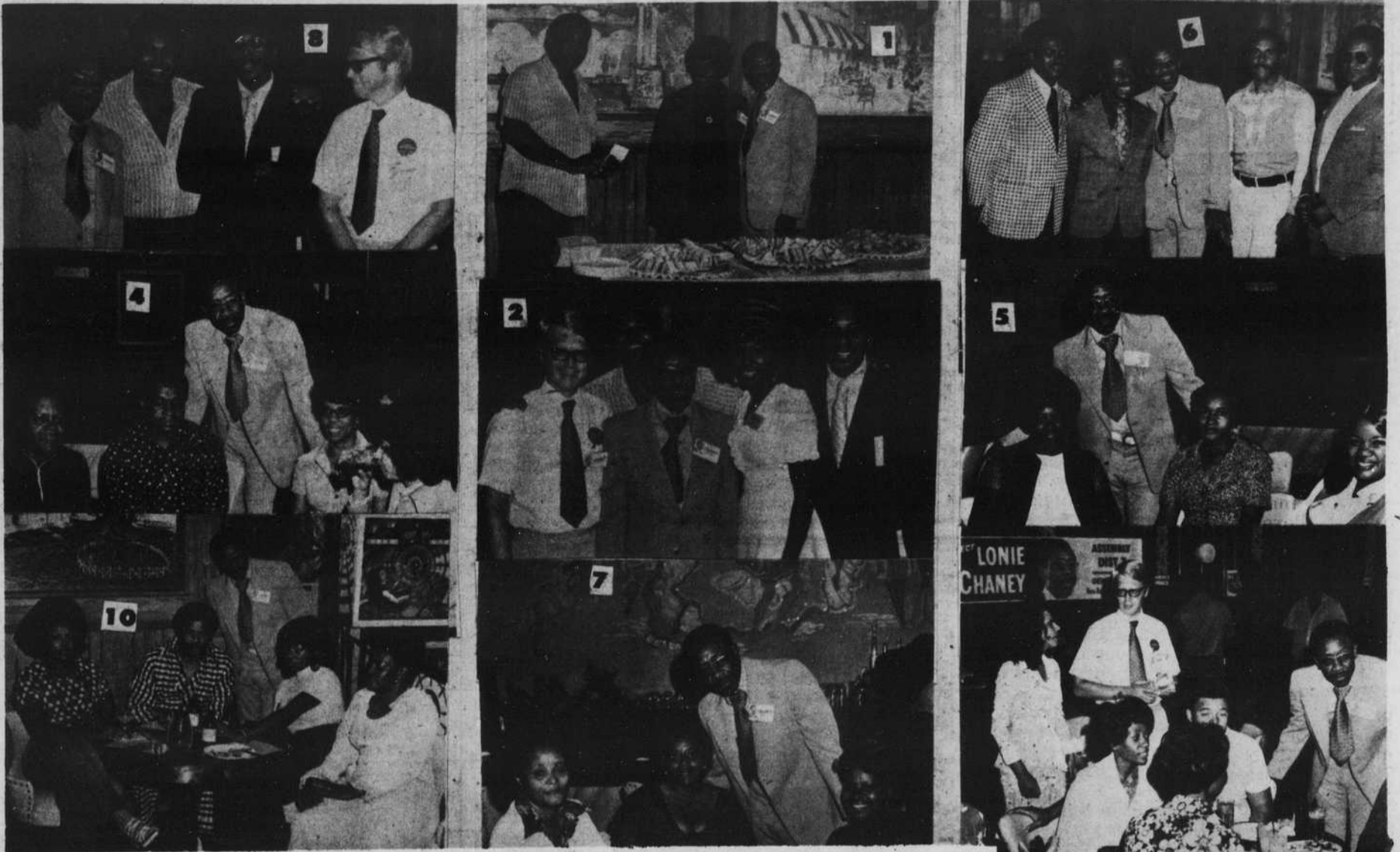


● LONIE CHANEY RALLY at the HIDEAWAY ●



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Q -- What is VA's attitude toward charges that the Vietnam veteran is not getting a fair shake?

A -- Vietnam era veterans make up 24.2 per cent of the U. S. veteran population, and 30 per cent of VA's \$13 billion plus annual budget is spent in their behalf. While small bands of veterans claim wholesale alienation for the young veteran population, nearly five million of these veterans are now at work in the civilian labor force and millions more are in training. In fact, 2.6 million Vietnam veterans have trained at college level under the GI Bill - topping the 12 year record of the World War II program.

Q -- How many veterans and servicemen have received education benefits under the three GI Bills?

A -- Nearly 15 million have trained, beginning with the enactment of the World War II original GI Bill. The cost of all three GI Bills thru April 1974 was \$29.6 billion.

Q -- What state pays the highest bonus to its Vietnam era veterans?

A -- According to information available to the Veterans Administration, North Dakota's \$1,600 is the highest maximum bonus paid in 16 states and Guam.



PHOTOS: (1)-Al, Joyce, and Lonie. (2)- Lonie, Brenda, Thompson, Al, and Bennett. (3)-Al Smith, Ada Jones, Lonie, Zoe and Brenda. (4)-Louis, John, Lonie, June and Shirley. (5)-Louis, Jeff, Lonie, Ron and Floyd. (6)-Cathy, Lonie, Lauretta and Miss Kline. (7)-Ms. Buford, Janie, Lonie and Tommy. (8)-Lonie, Al, Bennett and Thompson. (9)-Mrs. Kennedy, Lue, Vern, and Lonie. (10)-Roberta, Tony, Nellie, Lonie and Willie Mae.

More than 100 persons gathered at "Big Al's" Hideaway, Sunday evening for the Lonie Chaney Kick-Off Rally in his campaign for election to the State Assembly District 7.

There were no speeches, just a friendly people to people get together with plenty of good food and drinks. It was more of a show of appreciation affair for the support given Chaney in the Primary.

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