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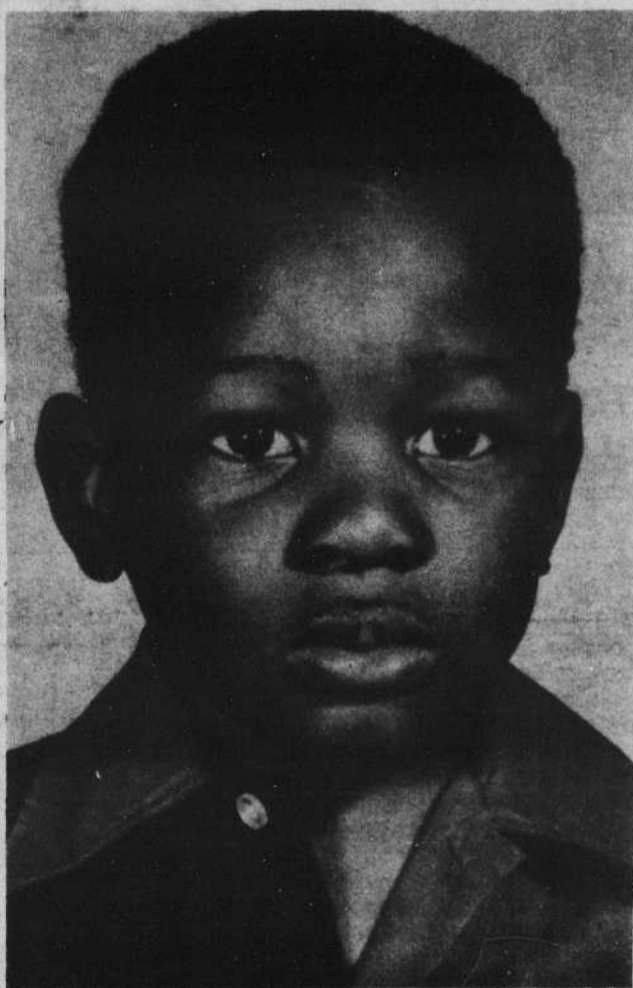
NLV POLICE DETAIN BLACK GAURD ON DUTY

HAVE YOU SEEN PERNELL GRAHAM ?

An intensive search is still being conducted in North Las Vegas for missing 4-year-old Pernell Graham, who disappeared from his home March 11.

Police are still ruling out foul play, according to a spokesman. Pernell lived with his divorced mother at 2200 N. 5th St.

Police and concerned citizens made a house-to-house search of the area after the youngster



disappeared, no trace of him was found. Police have also questioned the boy's father, Allen Warren, Jr., who is attending a Texas Highway Patrol Academy. Detectives said he apparently had nothing to do with it. Police have sent out statewide bulletins to all law enforcement agencies, and the North Las Vegas Police Department's Detective Bureau requests anyone with information as to Pernell's whereabouts, to contact them. When he disappeared he was wearing green pants, a green and white striped sweater, green jacket and desert boots. The three-foot, three-inch Pernell, weighs 35 pounds. His disappearance is similar to the Nov. 13 disappearance of Teresa Selph, another 4-year-old who vanished without a trace. She is still missing.

SAVE WIC PROGRAM

by Ruby Duncan

I'm making another plea to you: this time to take action to save an important nutrition program, WIC (Women, Infants and Children). WIC is a U.S. Department of Agriculture funded program, providing free milk, cheese, eggs, juices, cereal and infant formula to pregnant women, nursing mothers, and children under the age four. The problem we are confronted with is that President Ford's budget included ZERO for WIC, which means that WIC will die in its infancy--unless individuals and groups act NOW. There have been bills introduced in both houses of Congress to fund WIC: HR-37366 in the House of Representatives (introduced by Carl Perkins) and S-850 in the Senate (introduced by George McGovern). Congress can save WIC. Continued to page 15 ...

H. R. Broadus, a black security guard for Mc-Neal's Quick Check Store and L. B. Ealy Service Station, on the corner of Carey and Highland Drive, has charged, two North Las Vegas policemen interrupted him in the performance of his duty recently.

Broadus, of 513 Frederick Street, said he was holding three panhandling suspects at bay with a pistol, when the two officers, pulled their guns and made him drop his.

Broadus said the officers refused to check his identity even though he pulled the lapel of his coat back to show his badge. He also told the officers he was a security guard in the performance of his duty. His employers also tried to tell the officers who Broadus was. They held him however, for Metro officers who released him when he explained the situation to them.

Broadus said the incident was sparked when the owners of these businesses hired him to cut down on the panhandling in and around their businesses. "I saw these three men hassling a potential customer of Mc-Neal's store as he tried to enter the door. The customer took something out of his pocket and gave it to the three men.



When I saw that, I approached the men and asked them to halt. One of them ran to the North side of the store and put his hand in his pocket as if he had a gun. I fired over his head to force him to make his play or take his hand out of his pocket."

I did not know that there were two No. Las Vegas policemen sitting across the street. But while I was holding my gun on this one suspect, the officers approached me with drawn guns and made me drop mine.

They didn't know that I had another gun, be-

cause they didn't search me or anything, and they wouldn't listen to any kind of explanation from me or anyone else, he stated.

"By this time the suspects had time to get rid of any weapons they might have had," continued Broadus. "They showed no respect for my badge. In fact, one officer, who was driving car 32, turned his back on me, refusing to listen to anything I said."

The Metro Officers who released Broadus, also ran a check on the three suspects, and one of them had a warrant out on him, Broadus said.

VALLEY PARENT COMMITTEE FORMED

The parents of Valley High School students have established a 16-member committee to try to settle the racial unrest at the school.

This comes in the wake of last week's outbursts of violence between black and white students.

Eight black and white parents will serve on the committee. About 50 parents, representatives of community groups, the school administration, and the student body attended the organizational meeting.



Representing the Clark County School Board of Trustees were Dr. Herman Van Betten and Bernice Moten.

Mrs. Moten said that some common interest was shown by the parents, also that the students were optimistic about future involvement in matters at Valley.

Valley Principal Lou Sylvestri, said he would work with the committee however, he felt the discussion Monday night could have related more to the problems at Valley.

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