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SNDAC CONTROVERSY

LV TURNS OUT FOR GOSPEL WORKSHOP

The Gospel Workshop of America held its annual board meeting and performances in Las Vegas last week.

The performances were held at the Doolittle Center, where the public was permitted to hear such Gospel Greats as, Rev. James Cleveland, Sarah Jordan Powell, Rev. Charles Nicks Jr., The Denver Mass Choir and a host of



Rev. Sam Roberson (left) offers congratulations to Ed Smith, Publicity Director; for "Gospel Announcers Guild"--after the guild and gospel recording artists concluded a week of activities in Las Vegas.

others. Board meetings were held at the Thunderbird Hotel with representatives from several recording companies in attendance.

The new officers elected for the coming year are Bennie Matthews-President (Detroit, Michigan); Al McCultry, vice president (Middletown, Ohio);

James Wilson, secretary (New Castle, PA.); National Chaplain, Irene Johnson Ware (Mobile, Ala.).

The Guild wishes to thank the Yellow Cab Company for providing cab service free of charge for the artists traveling from the hotels to the workshops in West Las Vegas, at the Center.

U. S. POSTAL SERVICE JOINS BICENTENNIAL

The U. S. Postal Service, Las Vegas has "Joined the Nation for Bicentennial." Newest project coming in to Clark County is from the U.S. Postoffice, through Postmaster Bob Lias. This project is a contribution from the Postal Service, designating P.O. Box 1776 for use during the Bicentennial for Southern Nevada Bicentennial mail.

Citizens are urged to participate in the Bicentennial celebration going on right now throughout the U.S.A. Anyone wishing to contact the County Office, use the P. O. Box 1776 address, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101 and request more information.

Burt Whitfield, director of Nevada Family, Inc., the local drug rehabilitation Center located in West Las Vegas, continued this week his fight to have the charge of intimidating a witness dismissed in a case pending against the organization.

Whitfield contends that since his case did not appear on the court calendar on the scheduled date, March 17, 1975 the charges should be dismissed because "courts in this jurisdiction have held that the lack of a speedy arraignment on criminal charges is justification for dismissing a case with prejudice.

The charge against Whitfield stems from an alleged threat that he made against a witness who had charged that drugs were being used at Nevada Family.

The Southern Nevada Drug Abuse Council, the umbrella agency for all drug and alcohol in this area has come out in support of both Whitfield and Nevada Family.

Several other patients and staff members of Nevada Family also al-



leged drugs are being used on the premises.

Both the charges against Nevada Family and Whitfield are pending in District Court. To

add insult to injury the founder and director of a drug rehabilitation system operating in eight states has called Continued to page 5

PRUDHOMME ENTERS COUNCIL RACE

Joe Prudhomme, the first candidate to file Monday morning for a seat on the North Las

Vegas City Council, pledges that: "If elected I will serve the City as a full time Councilman. In

order to achieve the necessary changes in City government, it is my opinion that an elected official should have a more active participation in the City government.

I will work closely with the employees and the elected officials in order to create a good relationship.

I will work hard to keep North Las Vegas independent, as I do not favor consolidation, but will extend all efforts to bring about good fellowship with our neighboring cities, Las Vegas, Henderson and Boulder City."

Prudhomme has been a resident of Clark County for 29 years and has resided at 2940 Daley Street in North Las Vegas for seven years with his wife Dora and their three children. For the past eight years he has been employed by Lawyers Title of Las Vegas.



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