

The Hughes Report



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Operation Independence

Some 10 years ago Lubertha Johnson, along with some concerned citizens, formed a non-profit Child Care Center called Operation Independence. About two years back a fire destroyed their place of operation making it necessary to relocate. Zion United Methodist Church, pastored by Rev. Marion Bennett, had a child care center and agreed to let this group use their facilities. Now Operation Independence has re-structured their board and leased a beautiful child care center, located in the Sierra Nevada apartment complex at 1966 Genoa Street, three blocks west of Highland on Lake Mead Blvd. This nearly new center is equipped to handle 104 children and has an increased staff in addition to a large well equipped playground, modern kitchen and ample dining area. The staff is composed of teachers, aids, cooks, etc., and provides training for the youngsters. A basic fee of \$3.90 per day provides a much needed service for working mothers in the community at a price that allows them to work and still retain most of their income. For further information call 647-1690.

A. Philip Randolph Institute Opens

Recently a branch affiliate of this labor oriented group opened at 507 W. Jackson in Las Vegas. Working from a unionized viewpoint the organization implements the political aspect of black participation, feeling that racial equality will be won at the ballot box. Since 1968, the institute has maintained an extensive voter registration and get out the vote program in minority communities throughout the country. This program is now in process at the new facility. There are currently 150 such facilities operating. This comes at a most needed time since registration is a must along with voters voting in both the upcoming primary and the November election. Las Vegas' black community urgently needs this activity. This facility is a very welcome addition to Las Vegas in the drive for our community. For many years the civil rights struggle was basically pursued by the NAACP, but the emergence of these institutes lessen the burden of the NAACP which has been suffering from apathy nationwide. In addition the institute says the most serious problem confronting the black community is economic collapse. With construction at a low ebb in our community many workers have had to accept low paying hotel jobs thus depriving the unskilled from what would otherwise be their employment. In the black economic summit conference in 1974, Bayard Rustin, president of the institute prepared a statement emphasizing the need for full employment as a key to racial progress. Since then black U.S. Representative Augustus Hawkins from Los Angeles in conjunction with Senator Hubert Humphrey of Minnesota authored the Hawkins-Humphrey bill which will guarantee every able bodied worker a job. The picture begins to brighten for the black community.

The VA's medical research has brought about advances in treatment of tuberculosis, mental illness, cancer and hypertension.

Public Service Announcement

B.V.A.N., Black Voters Association of Nevada will have a general membership meeting, Sunday, August 15, at 6 p.m. The meeting will be held at the N.A.A.C.P. office. The upcoming elections will be discussed. All members and interested parties are invited to attend.

From Our Readers

NOTICE

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Ads Don't Cost! They Pay.

Benefits were accorded veterans injured in military service during Colonial days, according to the Veterans Administration.

Aid For Small Stores

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Small stores which do not require or cannot hire a full-time bookkeeper can benefit from "Financial Record-keeping for Small stores." A reissue of a management pamphlet offered by the Small Business Administration.

The pamphlet is No. 32 in SBA's Small Business Management Series and is intended to guide the small business which must do its own bookkeeping. The system outlined is de-folowing results:

- 1) Maintain a permanent record of all transactions.
- 2) Create records that protect the firm against litigation.
- 3) Eliminate careless recordkeeping.
- 4) Provide accounts as basis for future planning.

Since a sound knowledge of recordkeeping is vital to the success of a small business, publications on the subject are soundly recommended by SBA as part of its management training program.

This pamphlet is now on sale for \$1.55 and may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents at the U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington D.D., 20402, stock No. 045-00-00142-3.

The author, Robert C. Ragan, is a certified accountant with Ernst and Ernst of Washington, D.C. Ragan has effectively revised his material to meet today's operating standards for small stores.

Caliente-Virgin Valley Resource Area Headquarters Relocated

The management staff for national resource lands in the southern half of Lincoln County and in eastern Clark County has been relocated to the old Las Vegas Post Office, John Boyles, Manager of the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Last Vegas District announced today.

The nine-man staff, responsible for the administration of the Caliente-Virgin Valley Resource area, was previously headquartered with the district staff at 4765 Vegas Drive. At the new location, 301 E. Stewart Street., the staff will be in Room 214.

The new telephone numbers are (702) 385-6627 or 385-6628.

Office days will remain the same, the first and third Wednesday of each month.

The move was made to relieve crowded conditions at the Vegas Drive office and to make better use of BLM space in the post office.

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