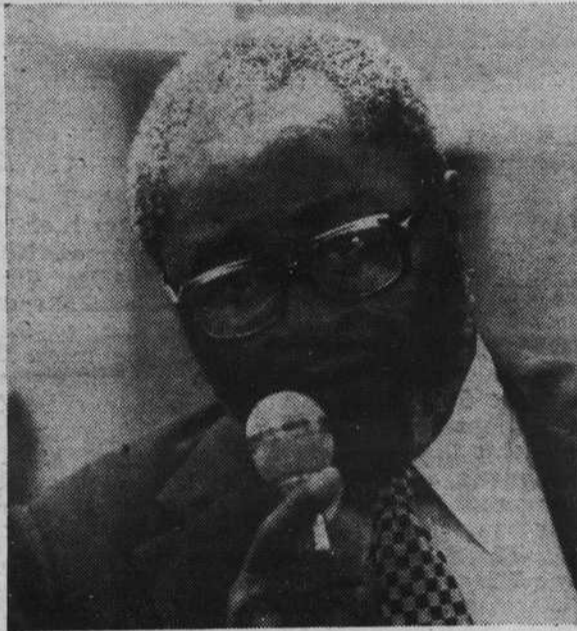


## Proper Share Of The Jobs For The Blacks

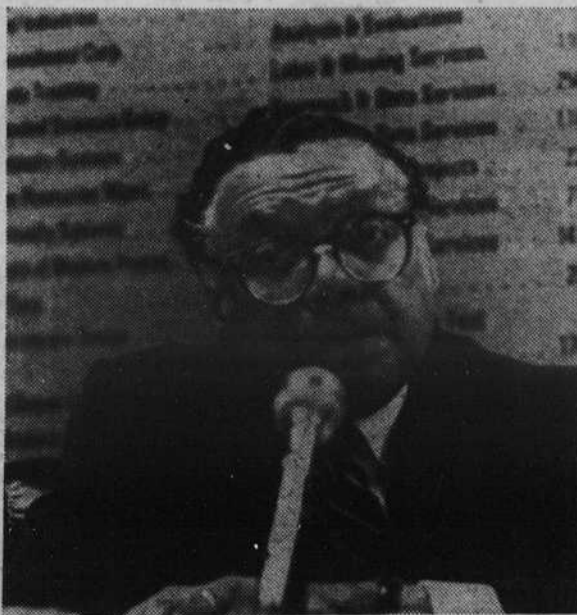
The Department of Transportation is concerned that minorities get a proper share of the jobs and contracts generated by the \$1.75 billion Northeast Corridor railroad rebuilding program Secretary of Transportation William T. Coleman Jr., told a joint session of the Senate Commerce and Appropriations Committees recently.

The Secretary was testifying on Senate Resolution 502 regarding how funds are to be spent on the big Boston-Washington project. He echoed the commitment he had made two weeks earlier to the first DOT "Minority Business Conference" which drew more than 300 members of the minority business community to Washington.

Coleman emphasized to the attendees that it is his intention to pursue this policy by improving the machinery that now exists within the department for awarding of contracts and grants to ensure that minorities "get a piece of the action."



HE TALKS. Minority business expert Kenneth Guscott, President of Ken Guscott & Associates, Boston, was among scores of participants who spoke his mind at Secretary of Transportation Coleman's recent Minority Business Conference.



HE LISTENS. Secretary of Transportation William T. Coleman, Jr., listened intently to suggestions from participants at his recent Minority Business Conference in Washington.

## Payment to Veterans

A once-a-year Veterans Administration payment totalling more than \$9 million was mailed recently to disabled veterans who wear prostheses.

Annual clothing allowance checks for \$175 have been mailed to almost 52,000 service-disabled veterans, the VA has reported.

Veterans compensated by the VA for service-connected disabilities, requiring use of prosthetic or orthopedic appliances, receive the allowance to offset expenses incurred in wear and tear on clothing. Appliances considered include artificial limbs, braces and wheelchairs.

It was explained that after initial application, veterans on VA compensation rolls receive the annual allowance automatically.

Military retirees with disabilities requiring use of prosthetic devices, but who are not receiving VA compensation, must make application each year for the clothing allowance. Retirees are not required to waive any portion of their retirement pay to receive the allowance, the VA noted.

### Introduction to Spanish

A children's introduction to Spanish course for 4 and 5 year olds is being offered, by the Recreation Division of the city of Las Vegas Cultural Services Dept.

Instructor Pauline Alderete will introduce the children to a Foreign Language at the Phil Mirabelli Teen Center starting Wednesday, Sept. 15, and continuing for six weeks. The class time is 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. For further information call 386-6359.

### Audit

### Lecture- Type Courses

Persons 62 years of age and over may audit lecture-type courses, provided space is available, at reduced rates for the semester which begins Sept. 7 at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

This is the seventh year the lower fees for credit and noncredit University courses have been offered through the Division of Continuing Education.

Interested senior citizens should contact Mrs. Lucile Evans of the Continuing Education Division at UNLV.

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## Darrell Tanner A Life of Teaching

Darrell Tanner, Republican candidate for Assembly District Nine, has spent much of his life teaching, whether as a Boy Scout leader, lecturing in marketing and financial management, being a member of the National Advisory Council or teaching Sunday School. Quality education has always been one of his main concerns.

Tanner believes that possibly the reason for the present tragic apathy among citizens toward governmental process on all levels is the lack of awareness of what is going on in the various government bodies locally, statewide and nationally. He thinks that each legislator and other elected officials should take personal responsibility to inform those he represents of issues that are coming up for vote. They should be notified as to how the issues will affect their individual lives.


He suggests that newsletters, occasional open seminars and an open door policy on the part of the official would stimulate more interest in the functioning of government. The availability of the person who is to represent him could create a closer feeling of responsibility for community issues in the citizen.

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