

# THE PUBLISHER SPEAKS



By LAWRENCE ALBERT

Now that the election is coming to an end, I hope you will come out and cast your vote for the betterment of the community.

I offered Mr. Bailey a chance to rebuttal in the VOICE newspaper. It seems as though he feels like the VOICE is not an important paper in the community but he is expecting the community to support him in the up and coming election. How could a man expect to seek office and won't recognize his only Black newspaper in the district in which he is running and seeking an office from? He cannot charge the VOICE with not giving him equal space like Lonie Chaney, Rev. M. Bennett did, because the VOICE holds no personal grudges against any candidate that is in office or seeking office. The only way that the paper can be effective in the community is for our elected officials to stop running downtown to the so called white leaders to get the news for their papers.

It would be a much better paper for the community which it serves and the people in the community can see what our elected officials are doing in Carson City if they would give us press/news releases.

Since the VOICE cannot get cooperation out of but a select few community leaders, then I will appear in Carson City personally to bring back the news to the community.

Mr. Bailey says that he pays more money in salaries than any other establishment in West Las Vegas. That is not true.

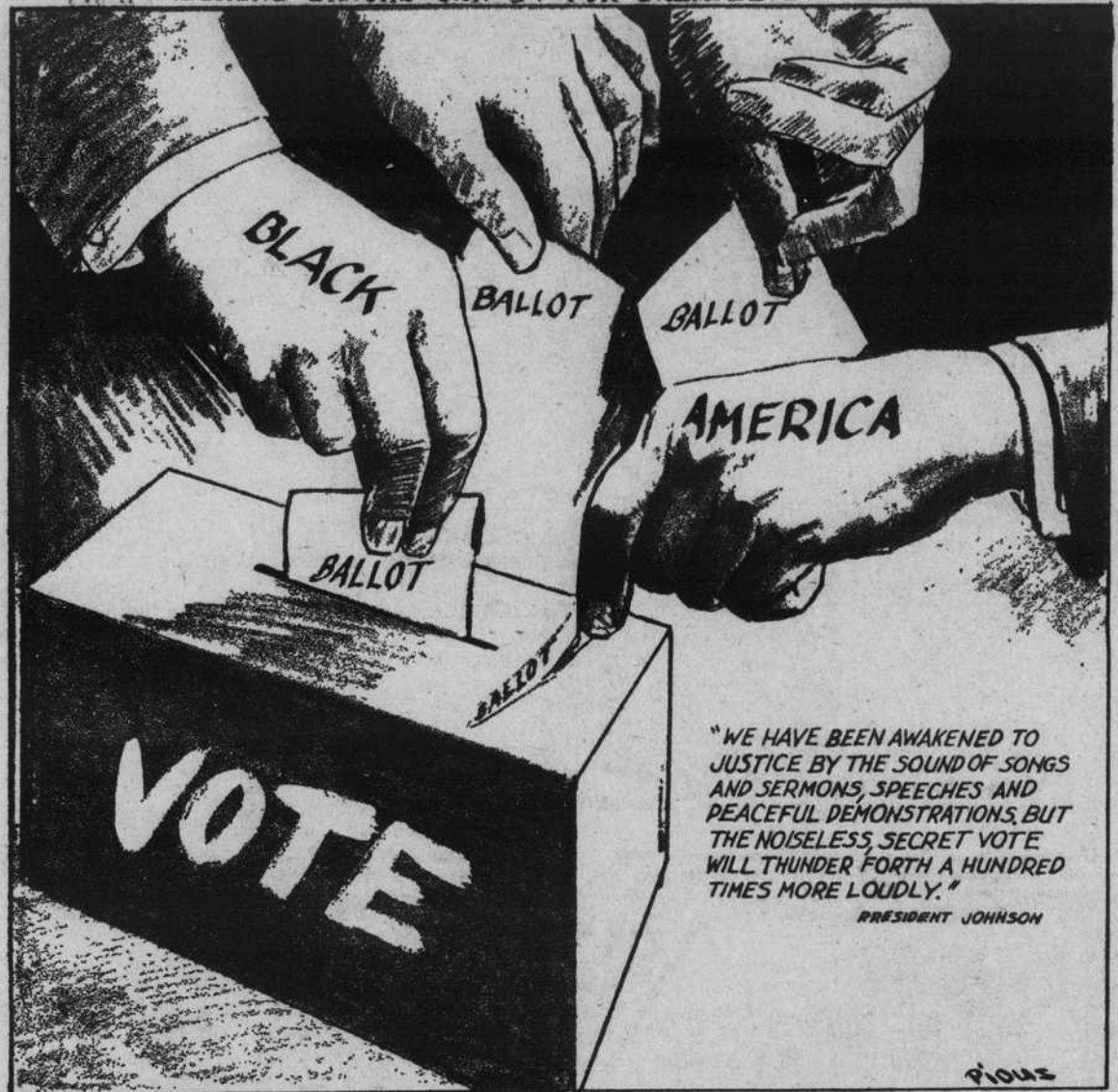
If you, the people, would just check out the things Mr. Bailey is seeking credit for you will see that if you were to elect him to represent you as Senator in Carson City you would not only be doing yourself an injustice, but also the entire community. In his means for seeking public office he doesn't even have a platform or anything to stand on which he can tell the people what he intends to do in Carson City.

The reason I am pointing all this out to you is because I will not like to see them (you) make another mistake like they (you) did in the primary.

The things James Chaney and Bob Bailey are going from door to door daying are not true. If James Chaney wanted to get Bob Bailey elected after campaigning for his brother like we charged him in one of our earlier editorials none of you have the back issue of what the scam would be between Bob Bailey, Lonie Chaney and Rev. Bennett. You could look in Bennett's church yard and see the facts.

It is proven for itself that the worst thing this community could do would be to send a click of people to Carson City to represent us. It is as PUBLISHER SPEAKS (Continued on page 16.)

SOMETHING BLACKS CAN DO FOR THEMSELVES....VOTE



## Just the Facts A TIME OF CRISIS

PREJUDICE, FEAR, AND JEALOUSY HAVE NO PLACE IN OUR COMMUNITY.

UNFAIR JUDGMENT FOR ANY OF THESE REASONS IS DANGEROUS - NOT ONLY TO YOU PERSONALLY - BUT TO THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY YOU ARE TRYING TO SUPPORT.

NOW IS A CRUCIAL TIME FOR OUR COMMUNITY AND EACH AND EVERY ONE MUST LOOK INTO THEIR PERSONAL CONSCIENCE BEFORE MAKING DECISIONS ON ELECTION DAY -- BUT MY FRIENDS THIS SHOULD BE A DAILY THING TO LIVE BY -- LIKE GOING TO CHURCH ON SUNDAY, RAISING HELL THE REST OF THE WEEK, DOESN'T MAKE YOU HOLY, IT JUST LOOKS GOOD TO A SELECT FEW.

THE GREATEST FEAR THERE IS IS FEAR ITSELF -- PREJUDICE IS A LACK OF KNOWLEDGE, AND JEALOUSY IS A SICKNESS.

ON ELECTION DAY THINK HARD AND CHOOSE WISELY. --CREED

## Business In The Black

by Charles E. Belle

### BREAKING UP BIG OIL

The Congressional Black Caucus has a chance to cultivate employment opportunities for blacks. By supporting the bill for divestiture of the 18 big oil companies of this nation, congress can control these almost incomprehensible white job giants.

Number one alone, Exxon Corporation with sales last year of \$44.8 billion is even bigger than General Motors. Exxon employs few blacks and none anywhere near their top management or board of directors.

Exxon which is practically lily-white employs about 137,000 people and had profits equal to each worker of over \$18,000. Most of the blacks who hold white collar jobs are clerks. This is a sick symbol of the oil industry.

This largest oil company alone had worldwide crude oil and natural gas liquids production in 1975 of 3,684,000 barrels per day, equal to about 20 percent of the daily needs of the entire country.

The reason big oil deserves to be divested is its callous disregard for the rights of blacks and other poor people in America. Affirmative action has been a farce for these fat cats.

The oil industry lags 33 percent behind other American businesses in the hiring and promotion of blacks. Thomas D. Duchesneau of the University of Maine, author of the 1975 Ford Foundation study, "Competition in the United States Energy Industry," says although the industry's market structure looks competitive, the conduct of the industry shows an element of monopoly practice.

In a competitive market with over capacity, prices should fall, the says. This was not the case in the 1960's. While world oil prices were falling sharply, U.S. prices were moving up. It's poor people, black and white, who pay for these monopoly practices by big oil. Gasoline prices are again on the rise.

Exxon and other big oil company's biggest hasn't done a thing to slow price rises put forward by OPEC. But big oils profit picture is

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