

THE PUBLISHER SPEAKS



By LAWRENCE ALBERT

The Voice would like at this time, to inform you of our future Aims and Objectives.

The Voice intends to serve as the watchdog over all of our public institutions, publicly elected officials, and individuals who work on jobs where their primary responsibility is to citizens of Nevada. We intend to accomplish this by reporting to you the citizens of this community in a straight forward hard hitting, to the point fashion. This approach will be used totally disregarding the act of who, or what, an institution or individual, say or may not be.

A great number of institutions have formulated plans to increase the number of Blacks on their employment rolls. A number of institutions have outlined plans for economic development of the black community. Politicians have made all sorts of wild promises, appointed officials have offered more of the same. But if any of these things have been accomplished, they have been done with such subtleties that we are not able to see them. There has been no significant increase in the number of Black minorities on public payrolls. There has been no economic development within the confines of the Black community. We cannot find any political promise, of any significance to the COMMUNITY, that has been kept by either an elected or appointed official. We will admit that there may have been some promises kept that; were made to individuals but these do not generally benefit the overall community.

The Voice at this time would like to call upon you the public, to support us in our fight. If you have any valid information that can be substantiated, we ask that you call and make it available to our office. At this time we would like to express to all agencies and officials, that any agency or individual, discovered not functioning properly for the development of the Black Community, the area of employment, housing, economic development, education etc., that we hereby officially declare WAR.

WE MUST PREVENT OUR OWN CHILDREN FROM TURNING INTO JUNKIES, INTO THIEVES AND PROSTITUTES AND CONFIDENCE ARTISTS, WHOSE PREY IS THEIR OWN PEOPLE. WE CAN PREVENT THAT.



Just the FACTS

Now the time has come to go back to Carson City to undo some of the mistakes that were made in the last legislature.

I hope that the black officials will represent the community.

I know that all of the whites are going to strongly encourage the black officials to try to look out for the whole State of Nevada, but presentation. the black community to represent them only. Any other part of town have their own representation. So please represent the black community as a whole and don't start fighting when you get up there among yourselves. Go Black all the way. The whites will respect you more.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT PANCAKE BRUNCH

A Pancake Brunch will be served at the Seniors Citizens Center, 450 East Bonanza Rd., Saturday, January 15, 1977, from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. All the pancakes you can eat, 2 sausages, butter and coffee, for \$1.00. This will be served by the Golden K Kiwanis. Thank you. 386-6454 Ann Stewart - Program Co-ordinator

Business In The Black by Charles E. Belle

Learn and Earn
The first problem for black youth in attempting to acquire a job is racism in America. The second is their lack of quality education. These two giants are gunning down too many of our young people. There is hope only for the well educated and trained thinkers of the future.

In 1982, enrollment in engineering schools across the country will have minority students equal to their proportions in the nations' population. There are no shortages of jobs for engineers. We need more black doctors, dentists, nurses, administrators and advanced business degree people. The nation needs more plumbers, welders, electricians, carpenters, craftsmen, contractors, police officers, truck drivers, crane operators, typists, stenographers, security guards and seemingly thousands of more trained people.

The fact is that while the job market in general is expanding, for unskilled and little educated workers the job market has been in a steady decline for years. A look at distribution of income to individuals shows a decided decrease in the inequality of income distribution in America.

In 1947, the top five percent of all individuals received 33 percent of the income; in 1975 the figure was only 19 percent. At the lower end of the scale, the poorest 20 percent in 1947 received 2.9 percent of all income going to individuals, and in 1975, this share had risen to four percent.

This means that blacks had best keep pace with the changes in income distribution in the population or slip even further behind.

There seems to be emerging three new district income groups in America, the older retired pension person, the matured married female and the educated young adult. These groups have the extra money available in today's economy.

Blacks, about 12 percent of the population, account for 18 percent of high school drop-outs. Howard University Institute for the study of educational Policy, researchers found that in the fall of 1974, there were 10.3 million high school dropouts in the age range of the college availability pool.

No equal opportunity commission or affirmative action program can get them back in school. On the road for freedom, don't stop for racism, keep right on running.

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