

**V*A FACTS

- Q -- I am a veteran with a 60 per cent service-connected disability. I have a severely handicapped child who will be 18 years of age Oct. 1, 1978. What should I do to continue to receive an additional allowance for this child?
- A -- Send a medical statement to your nearest VA office, between July and October 1978, which describes the type of disability, giving the facts, symptoms and diagnosis.
- Q -- Can I make a loan on my VA insurance policy?
- A -- Policy loans are available on permanent plan insurance policies, up to 94 per cent of the cash value, less any indebtedness. Contact the office where your insurance records are located, or your local VA office, for application and additional information.
- Q -- I am a World War II veteran and I have never used my GI home loan benefit. Am I still eligible?
- A -- There is no time limitation on use of the loan guaranty benefit. Contact your local VA office for a certificate of eligibility if you do not have one.

College & Financial Aid

GOING TO COLLEGE AND FINANCIAL AID ATTEND THE COLLEGE BOUND WORKSHOP

On Saturday April 22, 1978 the Special Services Program at U.N.L.V., in cooperation with the Economic Opportunity Board of Clark County, will present a College Bound Workshop at the Westside Library.

This workshop is designed to give students and their parents more information about going to college, and how to pay for it. The session will begin at 10:00 A.M. and run throughout the day. Everyone is invited to attend.

If you know someone who might be interested in going to school, either here in Las Vegas or elsewhere, please pass this information on to them.

See you Saturday.

APRIL 21 & 22, 1978

COLLEGE BOUND STUDENT Workshop at the Westside Library, beginning at 2:00 P.M. on April 21st and 10:00 on Saturday, April 22nd. This workshop is designed to assist students in college selection and filling out financial aid forms. It will be conducted by Dr. Bill Sullivan of the University of Montana.

APRIL 23 & 24, 1978

Youth Motivation Workshop at the Nubian Kefentse Kultural Kummunity Center, beginning at 2:00 P.M. on April 23rd. On April 24th, it will be held at the M.B. Youth program Office, beginning at 9:00 A.M. Professor Art Oosterveen, noted hypnotherapist and lecturer, will conduct both workshops.

APRIL 30 & MAY 1, 1978

Youth Cultural Awareness Workshop, conducted by Beni Casselle. A cultural presentation will be held at 2:00 P.M. Sunday, April 30th, and a lecture workshop will be held at 12:00 P.M. (noon) on Monday, May 1st, in the Fireside Lounge at U.N.L.V.

VOICE EDITORIALS



Education Is Power

By
Thomas E. Wilson

It is the aim of almost everyone to become an effective reader, therefore it will be helpful to find out what an effective reader does. We already know that he overviews and that he is flexible, but a survey of his other reading activities will provide a model we can follow throughout our program of reading improvement. Some characteristics of the effective reader, in addition to flexibility and ability to overview, are described briefly herein.

The effective reader is well motivated. He has a strong desire not only to read, but to read effectively. It takes effort to establish and maintain effective reading habits. The effective reader knows this and takes steps to keep his motivation at a high operating level.

An effective reader determines his purpose. There is always a purpose for reading any particular material and the effective reader determines this before he starts. When he knows why he is reading, he is better able to get what he wants from it. It may be factual information, supporting arguments, examples, or a broad overview. He does not read blindly, but uses his purpose to guide himself in deciding what is really important to him in his reading.

An effective reader understands what he reads. When reading any material, he seeks understanding of what suits his particular purpose. He may want to understand only the answer to a specific question, or it may be his purpose to understand the meaning of a complex theory. He knows that reading without understanding is of no value.

The effective reader critically evaluates what he reads. It is one thing to be able to read a passage and understand it; it is quite another matter to evaluate it. The good reader does not accept uncritically everything he sees in print. He reads both to understand and to evaluate.

The effective reader reads as rapidly as is consistent with good understanding. He keeps his rate or speed of reading in accord with his purpose and the type of material he is reading. Rate of reading is not to be considered apart from comprehension or understanding. The effective reader is well aware of this important relationship and adjusts his reading approach to achieve the desired level of understanding.

An effective reader reads meaningful units of words. Ideas are usually contained in groups of words and meticulous word-by-word reading interferes with grasping ideas. Since the effective reader reads to understand, he looks these meaningful groups or units of words. He allows the eye movements involved in reading to take care of themselves. He wants to understand.

The effective reader gives full attention to his reading. Though an essentially pleasant task, effective reading requires concentration. The effective reader seeks a spot in which to read that is as free from distractions as possible. He knows that he cannot read effectively and watch television at the same time. If he is worried about something or is bothered by some problem, he tries to do something about it. His aim while reading is to understand, not to be thinking about other matters.

An effective reader schedules his reading time. Recognizing that he, like almost everyone else, tends to put things off, the effective reader budgets his time so as to include period each day for reading. Other activities

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The Hughes Report

By
Thomas F. Hughes



All Hats Off - Standing Ovation - And Praise The Lord. Every black and white in Las Vegas should be proud of our own Rev. Jesse Wesley who saved eight hostages from injury and possible death. At the hands of a frustrated robber suspect at the Nut Hut, 253 E. Dersert Inn Road last Wednesday morning. Rev. Wesley told me he received a call from the police after the suspect had said he had no faith in white ministers and wanted a Black Protestant Minister. One of the hostages recommended Rev. Wesley as a true and honest minister so the police called and asked him to come. The suspect Feux Lorenzo, 24, had robbed the place and started out the door when he saw police and he immediately closed the door and the siege began. Rev. Wesley talked to him and told him "God loved him and no one wanted to hurt him." He asked the gunman to let a sick lady come out and he would replace her as a hostage. After 4 1/2 hours Rev. Wesley who had gone inside finally convinced Lorenzo to give up his gun. Lorenzo then feared the police would kill him where upon Rev. Wesley told him he would walk out in front of him to protect him and he finally agreed. Lorenzo has been linked to 30 other robberies.

LEAA - Law Enforcement financing arm of the Federal Government has slapped two charges against the Metro Police Dept. after refusing them some \$600,000 in assistance funds. The LEAA has charged segregation in the local Jail and the jailers have responded that only 20% of the Jail is segregated, but LEAA said segregation is segregation, and no percent should be segregated. The second charge is the discrimination in hiring of Police Officers, and this must change. The last report I got was that we only have about 19 blacks out of the entire force of some 900.

Some columns back, I wrote an article on Police Recruitment in which it was pointed out that Blacks were actually being recruited by Captain Robert Bolden, highest ranking Black on the force. Since Rev. Charles Wyatt has now left the force to become Chaplain of the new Prison at Jean, we have one less Black. I have noticed that Patrols on the Westside have 2 officers, while most of the other patrols only have one. The officers are now deeply concerned that only one officer in a car is too dangerous since one got murdered recently on Paradise Road. This column agrees on the two officer car everywhere as a safety precaution.

Las Vegas is no longer the sleepy little gambling town, but is fast becoming a major metropolis. With 250,000 living in the Vegas Valley and 100,000 to 150,000 tourists, we have 350,000 to 400,000 people. Las Vegas is growing up and all Community Services must grow to meet that growth.

A strong commitment took me to California last week and the desert flowers were just beautiful. Fields of yellow daisies greet you on the way and now that we have such beautiful weather, drive out after Church Sunday afternoon while the desert is showing its beauty.

Have you visited SNEDC new offices in the Moulin Rouge Hotel? They are lovely and have given SNEDC stretchout room so it can more easily proceed with Economic Development.

See you at the LVIA meeting, Friday, April 28, at 7:30 PM, at which time we will have a representative of the Consumer Protection Agency to detail how you can handle ripoffs in buying, services, etc., as well as a disclosure on The Nevada Credit Union Leagues Glen Reese, and an apparent effort to stop any second Credit Union for the Westside.